



Carl Sandburg Home Walking & Hiking Trails

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The tour starts at the Visitor Center, 201 South Main Street. Proceed south on Main Street to Highway 225 South to Historic Flat Rock.

Turn right onto Little River Road, go approximately 100 yards to the parking area of the Carl Sandburg Home.

Carl Sandburg Home - National Historic Site - Carl Sandburg, American poet, historian, author, and lecturer spent the final 22 years of his long and productive life at his estate, Connemara, in Flat Rock, NC. Today this National Historic Site offers a keen insight on Mr. Sandburg, his family and their 240-acre working farm. The Sandburg Home was built in 1838 and now houses his collection of 10,000 books, notes and papers. The home offers daily tours and is closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. There are numerous hiking trails and a functional goat barn, where Mrs. Sandburg raised her prize-winning goats.

Walk to the park's information station below the parking lot, cross the bridge and walk up the hill to the main house. The trail ascends 100-feet, the height of a 10-story building, a moderate climb. If you are unable to walk to the house, use the phone at the information station to call for assistance (in season).

There are several hiking trails to choose from:

1. The trail from the contact station to the house is 0.35 miles
2. The trail from the house to the barn is 0.35 miles
3. The trail from the main house to the trailhead of Glassy Mountain is 0.34 miles
4. The trail from the house to Big Glassy is 1.30 miles
5. The trail from the contact station to the top of Glassy Mountain is 1.55 miles
6. The trail around the front lake is 0.41 miles
7. The trail from the front lake to the main house through the woods is 0.37 miles
8. Little Glassy Trail is 0.78 miles

There are five miles of hiking trails located on the Connemara property. Each trail is easy to moderate, with Glassy Trail being steep in only one place. The time that it takes is about 35 minutes at a steady walk to the top of Glassy. The time for the other trails depends upon the walking style of the individual.

There are trail maps located at the main house.

Leave the parking lot and turn right on Little River Road to Highway 225. Across the intersection is the Book Exchange, originally the Flat Rock Post Office.

We hope you enjoyed your hike.