

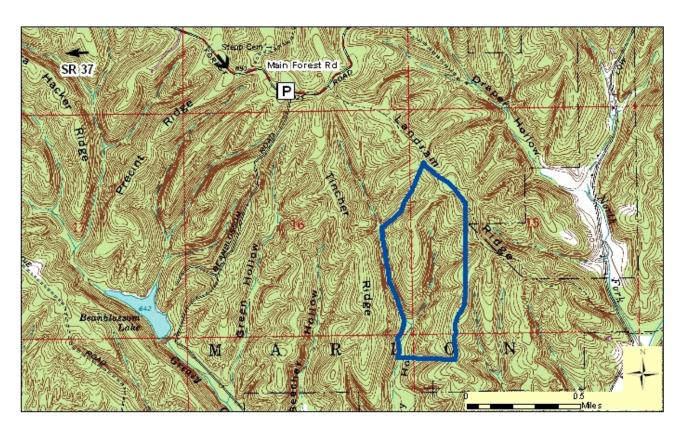
Sweedy Hollow Nature Preserve

County: Monroe Size: 150 acres

Ownership: Forestry – IDNR Parrking: 39.31106, -86.42469

Location and Access

Parking and trails. Sweedy Hollow is located within Morgan-Monroe State Forest. This State Forest is located southwest of Indianapolis, 35 miles south from Interstate 465 via SR 37, five miles south of Martinsville, or 16 miles NE of Bloomington. Follow signs 8 miles east of SR 37. The State Forest's Moderate and Rugged level Low Gap and Rock Shelter trails take you approx. 1 ½ miles through the preserve; the trail head is off the Main Forest Road by the Low Gap Trail parking lot, almost 1 mile to get to the preserve.



Description: This preserve consists of the following natural community types, of which each is a high-quality example: mesic upland forest, dry-mesic upland forest, dry upland forest, mesic flood- plain forest, and sandstone cliff. Uncommon plant species that have been found here include: guyandotte beauty (*Synandra hispidula*), and whorled Pogonia (*Isotria verticillata*). A number of State special-status birds summer and presumably nest in Sweedy Hollow, including the Worm-eating Warbler, Cerulean Warbler, and the Black-and-White Warbler.

Further Information:

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