

# DCG TAG Closed Cave and Cave Access List

## May 2023

### 2023 Turkey Hunting Season Dates:

Tennessee: Apr 15 – May 28   Alabama: Mar 25 – May 8   Georgia: Apr 1 – May 15

## Closed Caves

The following caves are closed! Please go somewhere else.

|         |                                 |         |                               |         |                           |
|---------|---------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|---------|---------------------------|
| GDD153  | Afterbirth Cave                 | TPU334  | Goffton Ghyll                 | GWK89   | Peacock Cave              |
| THM26   | Airplane Cave                   | TCD6    | Grassy Cove Slp. Cave         | AJK581  | Peacock Cave              |
| ADK1891 | A. J. Cave                      | TCB133  | Greenhouse Cave               | GDD61   | Pearsons Pit              |
| ADK781  | Allen Switch Cave               | AJK1278 | Gross Hole                    | AMG191  | Petersons Pit             |
| AJK1739 | Allison Well                    | AJK593  | Guess Creek Cave              | TJK32   | Pilot Knob Cave           |
| GDD99   | Arm Pit #2                      | AMS38   | Guntersville Cavern           | GDD359  | Poplar Spring Cave        |
| TPU689  | Arrhythmia Cave                 | AJK847  | Hairy Pit/Flowing Spring Cave | GDD60   | Poplar Springs Pit        |
| TBD10   | Barbecue Pit                    | TDK17   | Hall Cave                     | AJK     | Procession Mtn. Pits      |
| ABA14   | Bangor Cave                     | AJK1152 | Halls Pit                     | AMS188  | Quarry Cave               |
| GDD23   | Baxter Cave                     | AJK1600 | Hambriek Sinks Cave           | TDK69   | Quarry Tube               |
| AJK347  | Beech Spring Cave               | TDA10   | Hardins/Junkyard Cave         | AJK669  | Rainpot                   |
| AJK413  | Bell Spring Cave                | TBE23   | Harrison Spring Cave          | GDD624  | Razor Cave                |
| TMU1    | Benderman Cave                  | TRB7    | Honey Run Saltpeter Cave      | TMN111  | Reams Cave                |
| TMN197  | Bicentennial Cave               | TMN16   | Honeycutt Cave                | TMN112  | Reams Pit                 |
| TVB1    | Big Bone Cave                   | TMN17   | Honeycutt Pit                 | TWR41   | Rebel Cave                |
| AJK1844 | Blackwood Pit                   | ADK1122 | Hope Cave                     | TMN66   | Roaring Rapids Pit        |
| TCN30   | Blowhole Cave                   | AJK974  | House of Happiness Cave       | ACA15   | Robertson Cave            |
| TCN1    | Blue Crystal Well               | TGD16   | Hubbard Slp. Cave             | ADK750  | Rockeater Pit             |
| AJK1116 | Bluff Cave                      | AJK2179 | Huddleston Hole               | AJK1184 | Rousseau Well             |
| AJK831  | Borderline Cave                 | AMG157  | Hughes Cave                   | AJK169  | Russell Cave              |
| GKH54   | Blowing Springs #2/Chelsea Gulf | AJK2347 | Inglis Hollow Cave            | AMG10   | Sans Souci Cave           |
| GDD69   | Boxcar Cave                     | TMN311  | Jackpot                       | TFR23   | Salt River Cave           |
| AJK2489 | Brownfield Pit                  | TCF6    | Jarrell's Cave                | AMD58   | Scott Cave                |
| ADK1868 | Browns Cave                     | AJK273  | Jim Cave                      | TCO6    | Sand Mountain Cave        |
| GDD139  | Bulldog Cave                    | TSM4    | John Fisher Cave              | TCD123  | Serendipity Pit           |
| AJK2290 | Cairn Blowhole                  | AJK2512 | Kaolin Pit                    | AJK166  | Sheldons Cave             |
| AJK1000 | Canyon Cave                     | TFR14   | Keith Cave                    | TMN121  | Sinkhole                  |
| TCR1    | Carter Saltpeter Cave           | GDD208  | Kenimer Pit                   | TFE822  | Slave to Ambition Pit     |
| ABA640  | Catfish Cave                    | TSQ15   | Keyhole Cave                  | GGO372  | Spider Cave               |
| TCN41   | Cave of the Domes               | TRB10   | Kilgore Cave                  | TAN3    | Springhill Saltpeter Cave |
| TGN3    | Cedar Creek Cave                | ADK734  | Kudzu Cave                    | TPU56   | Stamps Pit                |
| AMG208  | Chapel Cave                     | AMG214  | Lamons Cave                   | ADK730  | Stanley-Cardin Cave       |
| TFE265  | Conatsers Well                  | AJK1558 | Langston Cave                 | AJK954  | Steves Pit                |
| TGD8    | Conley Hole                     | AMS319  | Ledbetter Cave                | AJK1518 | Stolen Well               |
| AJK407  | Coon Track Cave                 | TOV22   | Linder Mountain Cave          | AJK1513 | Summers Pit               |
| TPU701  | Crazy Fingers Cave              | TOV120  | Lize Still Well               | ADK443  | Talley Cave               |
| TFR6    | Crownover Saltpeter Cave        | GDD101  | Longs Rock Wall Cave          | AMG47   | Talucah Cave              |
| TMN 8   | Dancing Fern Cave               | TMN144  | Lost Mule Pit                 | TMN109  | The Levels                |
| AJK1945 | Dark Well                       | TMN20   | Lost Pig Cave                 | AJK2413 | Thunder Maker Cave        |
| AJK2080 | Daves Double Drop               | TWR305  | Lumber Yard Cave              | THM13   | Tiftonia Pit              |
| AJK1518 | Davis Cove Cave                 | AJK668  | Lusk Double Pot               | AJK274  | Tom Cave                  |
| GDD31   | Dead Mans Pit                   | TMN342  | Main Well                     | TFE283  | Trap Door Pit             |
| AJK3550 | Deep Well                       | GWK133  | Matthew Sink                  | AJK1400 | Trenton Well              |
| AJK391  | Devils Den                      | AJK285  | McAllister Sink Cave          | TCD105  | Trillium Cave             |
| AMS564  | Devils Dungeon                  | ABA1115 | McClungs Hole                 |         | TVA-owned caves (all)     |
| AJK2302 | DHAN Pit                        | TJF66   | McGee Cave                    | AJK996  | Twenty Three Dollar Pit   |
| AJK731  | Dick Cave                       | AMD4000 | Meeks Triple Well             | TWR302  | Underwood Shine Cave      |
| AJK195  | Doodlebug Hole                  | AJK2310 | Mega Well                     | AJK1598 | Walking Fern Cave         |
| TAN30   | Dossett Cave                    | TCN18   | Melton Hole                   | AMS321  | Walnut Cave               |
| TMN377  | Double Pit Fissure              | AMS186  | Merrill Cave                  | AJK2000 | Walrus Pot                |
| TRN6    | Eblen Cave                      | AMG203  | Mikes Wolf Cave               | AL1667  | Watery Cave               |
| AJK614  | Edgefield Cave                  | TCD9    | Mill Cave                     | ACA18   | Weaver Cave               |
| TFE268  | Eiger, The                      | TMN279  | Minnie Pit                    | AJK281  | Weigand Pit               |
| AJK266  | Engle Double Pit                | AJK379  | Montague Cave                 | TFR30   | Wet Cave                  |
| AJK1302 | Falling Spring Cave             | THM8    | Mystery Falls                 | THM57   | Whiteside Well            |
| TMN295  | Fellowship Well                 | TCH4    | Neptune Saltpeter Cave        | TMN76   | Wildman Cove Cave         |
| TPU13   | Ferris Pit                      |         | Newsome Sinks Area (AL)       | TMR9    | Will Stone Cave           |
| AJK1737 | Fireside Well                   | TCD117  | Nirvana                       | AMG192  | Wolf Cave                 |
| AJK392  | Four Wells                      | AJK3551 | Not As Deep Well              | TGD30   | Wonder Cave               |
| TVB144  | Fox Hole                        | TOV25   | Obe Lee Cave                  | TCN29   | Youngs Pit                |
| AJK2155 | Freak Well                      | AJK2697 | Obscure Magnificence          |         |                           |
| TBE6    | Friddle Cave                    | TRB11   | Old Mill Cave                 |         |                           |
| AJK459  | Geiger Cave/Houston Hollow Cave | TPU305  | Patriot Pit                   |         |                           |

## **Southeastern Cave Conservancy Access Information**

ALL caves and properties owned, leased or managed by the Southeastern Cave Conservancy now require an advance permit to visit. Group size requirements and other specific information about each preserve can be found at <http://www.scci.org/preserves/> Permits should be applied for online here: **<http://permits.scci.org>**  
NOTE: Most preserve permits are completely automated and can be obtained even the day of your trip. However, some preserves (like Valhalla and Sinking Cove) require more authentication and more time. Please make your request a few days in advance! Also, many preserves have special seasons and limitations. Check the SCCi website for the latest information: **[www.scci.org](http://www.scci.org)**.

### **The following TAG-Area SCCi caves ALL require a permit at all times:**

|                    |                        |  |
|--------------------|------------------------|--|
| Anderson Cave      | Howards Waterfall Cave | Sinking Cove Cave                          |
| Balcony Sink       | Hugden Branch Cave     | Snail Shell Cave                           |
| Byers Cave         | Johnsons Crook Cave    | South Pittsburg Pit                        |
| Cemetery Pit       | Lost Canyon Cave       | Stephens Gap Cave                          |
| Fox Mountain Caves | Kennamer Cave          | Steward Spring Cave                        |
| Fricks Cave        | Limrock Blowing Cave   | Surprise Pit entrance of Fern Cave         |
| Glove Pit          | Mayapple Cave          | Tumbling Rock Cave                         |
| Gourdneck Cave     | Neversink              | Valhalla                                   |
| Holly Creek Cave   | Rattling Cave          | Varnedoe Cave                              |
| Hound Dog Drop     | Run to the Mill Cave   | Wolf River Cave                            |
| Horse Skull Cave   | Rustys Cave            | Every other smaller cave on SCCi property! |

## **National Speleological Society (NSS) Cave Preserves**

The most up to date information about the NSS Preserves located in the TAG area may be accessed via the Cave Preservation Network website at <https://learnmore.caves.org>, which has a tab labeled, "Our Preserves" under the "About" dropdown menu. Preserve managers may be contacted by the following email addresses:

Shelta Cave (AL): [SheltaPreserve@caves.org](mailto:SheltaPreserve@caves.org)  
Haggard Cave: [HaggardPreserve@caves.org](mailto:HaggardPreserve@caves.org) (also see below)  
Secret Cave (TN): [OgdenPreserve@caves.org](mailto:OgdenPreserve@caves.org)  
Thunderhole (TN): [ThunderholePreserve@caves.org](mailto:ThunderholePreserve@caves.org)  
Red Trillium Cave (TN): [AttawayPreserve@caves.org](mailto:AttawayPreserve@caves.org)  
Tree Root and Blue Balloon Cave (AL): [StephensonPreserve@caves.org](mailto:StephensonPreserve@caves.org)

## **Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) Caves**

Entry into caves owned by the TVA —whether gated or ungated—is prohibited. Restrictions are in place to mitigate the continuing spread of disease, including white-nose syndrome, and to prevent disturbance to breeding bat colonies. Requests for approval to enter caves for academic or research purposes must be submitted to TVA's Public Land Information Center at 1-800-882-5263 or [plic@tva.gov](mailto:plic@tva.gov) and receive pre-approval in writing from TVA.

## **Pigeon Mountain (GA) Wildlife Management Area Access Information**

All visitors to Pigeon Mountain and other Georgia WMAs must have a personal hunting or fishing license (yes, even if you are just caving and not hunting or fishing). Each visitor must have his or her own license. Single-day (\$5) and Annual licenses (\$30) are available. Non-Georgia residents cost twice as much. Permits may be online at: **<https://www.gooutdoorsgeorgia.com>**. This includes ALL caves on Pigeon Mountain, including these popular destinations:

|                          |                     |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Pettyjohns Cave          | Ulla Cave           |
| Ellisons Cave            | Drag Fold Cave      |
| Anderson Spring Cave     | Nash Waterfall Cave |
| Richards Cave            | Flowing Stone Cave  |
| Mountain Cove Farm Caves | The Pocket          |

## **Land Trust of North Alabama (LTNA) Information**

In 2019 the Land Trust of North Alabama (LTNA) and the National Speleological Society (NSS) signed a Memorandum of Understanding to promote karst education and management of natural resources. As part of this relationship, the NSS has partnered with the Land Trust to help manage the cave and karst resources found on LTNA Preserves. Please send an email to [ltналиaison@caves.org](mailto:ltналиaison@caves.org) (spell that carefully) to request a permit application. Caves on LTNA property include: Pauls Cave/The Cataract, Plywood Pit, Three's a Crowd, and many others.

## **Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) and Tennessee State Forest Information**

The State of Tennessee considers all caves on WMA property and within State Forests to be closed to visitation. This includes the Franklin-Marion State Forest as well as the Bear Hollow WMA.

## **Special Cave Access and Other Useful Information**

Animal Farm Cave (TN): Personal permission from the landowner, Mr. Cardin, is required to visit. Closed during hunting season.

Antler Pit (AL): Avoid during hunting season.

Anvil Cave (AL): Bluff entrance accessible from Flint Creek is still open. All other entrances are closed.

Anderson Spring Cave (GA): Access is available from the top of the mountain only, to stay on WMA land. See the new Pigeon Mountain WMA requirements above.

Big Coon Valley (AL): Some caves in Big Coon Valley (such as Iliad/Odyssey, Iron Hoop and Elmos Canyon) are on Skyline Wildlife Management Area land. Take care not to trespass on private property in accessing them. Updated boundary maps are available online.

Big Room Cave or Big Mouth Cave (TN): Email [kristine@thecaverns.com](mailto:kristine@thecaverns.com) for more information.

Birthday Pit (AL): Closed during hunting season.

Blowhole Cave (TN): Access is closed due to the Covid-19 pandemic. This will change as the situation changes. Contact Caralynn Strand of the Nashville Grotto.

Blue Spring Cave (TN): Permission from owner Lonnie Carr is required. Contact him at 931-761-2704.

Bluff River Cave (AL): Avoid during hunting season. The landowner no longer wants cavers walking in from the road switchback nearest to the cave. Park on Skyline land and walk the extra half mile to the entrance.

Bowling Cave (AL): Permission required.

Buggytop Cave (TN): The state of Tennessee is allowing access to caves on state land on a permit basis. Contact South Cumberland State Park for details. DO NOT enter Buggytop or any other caves within the park boundaries without the proper permit and authorization. Open May 1 through November 1.

Bucks Pocket Cave (AL): Closed during hunting season.

Bull Cave (TN): Park permission is required. Trespassers will be prosecuted. Currently closed due to WNS concerns.

Cagle Chasm (TN): Closed after dark. Cavers are allowed to walk the trail directly to the pit. Park ONLY along the edge of the paved road before you get to the dog kennels, do not block any gates. Please be off the mountain before dark.

Camps Gulf Cave (TN): All permits are through Fall Creek Falls State Park and the caves are only open from May to the end of August. Access is through a web page URL which appears to change annually and is taken down in the off season.

Case Cave (GA): Caving reservations can be made for Sittons and Case Cave up to 11 months in advance by calling Cloudland Canyon Park at 706-657-4050. Caving permit requirements are subject to change at any time, so contact the Park well before your trip.

Cedar Ridge Crystal Cave (TN): Gated. Contact the Chattanooga Grotto to arrange access.

Cherry Hollow Cave (AL): Contact Melinda Sutton-Griffin at [tommyslazyg@gmail.com](mailto:tommyslazyg@gmail.com) in advance of any trip.

China Cave (TN): Contact Chuck Sutherland ([cjsuther21@gmail.com](mailto:cjsuther21@gmail.com)) for access information.

Climax Cave (GA): You must sign a release form and drop it off at the owners' house before going into the cave. There is a gate in the Sand Crawl. The Flint River Grotto is the contact for the key. No caving on Sunday. There have been reports of Histoplasmosis from trips going into South Climax.

Conley Hole (TN): Closed during hunting season.

Coronation Drop (AL): Closed during hunting season.

Crackerjack Cave (AL): Closed during hunting season. At other times, contact the owner who lives nearby.

Cripps Mill Cave (TN): Large summertime bat population, cave should be avoided May through October. Access by contacting Alison Harris of the Upper Cumberland Grotto.

Cuyler Cave (TN): The Blowing Cave entrance (E2) of Cuyler Cave is closed. The Byrd entrance to Cuyler is open and requires a release form from Agnus Caughorn. Her number is 865-453-8887.

Eblens Cave (TN): Contact James Lewis of the East Tennessee Grotto at least two weeks in advance for access, 865-483-5880. Please do not try to contact the landowner directly.

Ellisons Cave (GA): On Crockford-Pigeon Mountain Wildlife Management area. No camping at trail head parking lot. Designated camp area located 1/3 mile away on Blue Hole Road. No ropes are to be left stashed or rigged in the cave. Cave use cards are to be filled out at the Blue Hole Kiosk for use of any of the Ellisons entrances.

Eudy Cave (AL): Permission required.

Fargo Well (AL): Closed during hunting season. At other times, talk to the Proctor family in the brick house below the caves.

Fern Cave (AL): Contact Steve Pitts for access information.

Fiery Top Drop (TN): Closed during deer hunting season, September through January.

Grassy Cove Saltpeter Cave (TN): The cave is now owned by the State of Tennessee and is closed without a research permit.

Graves Cave (AL): Gated. For access contact members of the Birmingham Grotto, specifically Tony 256-550-1159, Dave 205-616-1490, or Scott 205-914-7487. The lock is a changeable combination lock like used at Sinking Cove. We plan to change the combination monthly.

Greens Well (AL): Closed during all hunting seasons (Oct 1 thru May 1). Contact Mr. Tony Andreoni at 256-316-4539 for access at other times.

Grindstone Cave (TN): Open by permission. Contact owner Michael Hills at 423-987-3993.

Gross Skeleton Cave (AL): Permission required. For permission to enter upper entrance, contact the new owner, Greg Murray at 256-797-0339 or torimurr@hotmail.com. The owner of the bottom entrance, Orvel Weeks, also wants cavers to call him before visiting at (256) 572-9461.

Guess Cave (AL): See Jacobs Mountain Cave/Skyline information below. The horizontal entrance is currently silted shut, and the vertical entrance requires a low-air-space swim.

Guffey Cave (AL): Gated. Dan Harbin, the landowner can be reached at 256-878-9489. Cave is closed during deer hunting season!

Guys Cave (AL): The cave is on Skyline land, but you must come in from the top of the mountain. DO NOT park in the private valley below the cave.

Haggard Cave (TN): Owned and managed by the NSS. Permission via permit is required. 6-person per day limit. Contact Brad Long and Lesley Colton, NSS Preserve Managers at HaggardPreserve@caves.org.

Halleys Hole (AL): See Jacobs Mountain/Skyline WMA information below.

Hermit Cave (TN): Stop by the owner's house (Leann Smith) to let her know you're on the property. If you can't find anyone home, please choose another destination, do not just park and go.

Hubbards Cave (TN): Access restricted due to presence of Gray Bats and historical artifacts. Contact Cory Holliday (cholliday@tnc.org) for more information.

Hurricane Cave (GA): The lower entrance is considered closed by GDOT, as a section of the concrete culvert has partially collapsed.

Indian Cave (PU62): Intermittent bat roost, contact Chuck Sutherland (cjsuther21@gmail.com) for access information.

Jacobs Mountain/Skyline WMA (AL): Permission is not needed to visit caves on Skyline land but take care not to trespass on neighboring private land. The gates are closed from May 1 through Oct 1, but you can hike in any time.

Johnson Cave (TN): Permission required.

Keystone River Cave (TN): Closed during hunting season. Contact Daniel Titus at 931-686-2768 for other times.

King Spring-Bolding Pit (AL): Contact Melinda Sutton-Griffin at tommyslazyg@gmail.com in advance of any trip.

Kingston Saltpeter Cave (GA): This cave is owned by a private foundation, but administered by the NSS. It cannot be accessed without crossing gated private property. Contact Larry Blair (NSS member, GA) for information.

Lamons Cave (AL): Contact the Huntsville Grotto for access information. These caves are absolutely closed during hunting season!

Levi Cave (TN): Call or text Jennifer at 423-702-0689 before visiting.

Lost Creek Cave (TN): All permits are through Fall Creek Falls State Park and the caves are only open from May to the end of August. Access is through a web page URL which appears to change annually and is taken down in the off season.

Lowery Cave (GA): Lowery Cave is a Gray Bat hibernaculum and should not be visited during hibernation season.

Manitou Cave (AL): Contact Annette Reynolds at manitoucaveofal@gmail.com or 205-915-3886, or see www.manitoucave.org.

Martin Springs High Hole (TN): Closed during hunting season. Contact owner Stan Sewell at stan@battlecreekpowersports.com at other times. You'll need to sign a release form and drop it by his place of business, Battle Creek Power Sports on Hwy 28 in Jasper, before going.

Mink Cave (AL): Mink Cave is owned by Ken Albrecht (who also owns the upper entrance of Gross Skeleton). See entry for Gross Skeleton (above) for Mr. Albrecht's address. Do not go to Mink Cave without Mr Albrecht's permission.

Morgan Pit (TN): Adjacent to the Albert and Ethel Ogden Nature Preserve. Access has been good, but the landowners would like liability waivers signed. Contact Chuck Sutherland (cjsuther21@gmail.com) for access information.

Morrell Cave (TN): The owner charges \$5.00 a head "for parking"; owner has release forms and keys for the gated entrance.

Moses Tomb (AL): Cavers are welcome any time, though the property will be used for hunting purposes also. If you wish to camp there during hunting season, park at Jack Hart's cabin instead.

Nasal Cavity (AL): Closed during hunting season.

Newsome Sinks area: This area is closed. This area is an endangered species habitat and the penalties for trespassing are severe. Caves in this area include: Mikes Wolf Cave, Peterson's Pit, Sycamore Cave, Hughes Cave, Rabbit Cave, and Chapel Cave.

Norsemans Wells (AL): Permission is not needed to visit caves on Skyline land but take care not to trespass on neighboring private land. The gates are closed from May 1 through Oct 1, but you can hike in any time.

Nunley Mountain Cave System: Contact the owner Julianne Ramsey at jpr3e3@gmail.com for access information.

Old Blowing Cave (AL): Closed during hunting season.

Paint Rock River Cave (AL): See Jacobs Mountain/Skyline information above.

Pauls Cave (AL): The Land Trust of North Alabama has implemented a plan for visiting all caves on LTNA preserves, which includes Pauls Cave / The Cataract. See the LTNA section above for more details.

Pretty Well (AL): Closed during hunting season. At other times, do NOT park on the narrow road below the cave.

Rawhide Horror Hole (TN): Closed during hunting season.

Red Trillium Cave (TN): NSS Preserve, permit required. Contact Kristine Ebrey & Maureen Handler, Preserve Managers at [AttawayPreserve@caves.org](mailto:AttawayPreserve@caves.org).

Richard O'Hara's Bloody Elbow Cave (AL): Closed during hunting season.

Rocky River Cave (TWR25): Access by contacting Nicole "Kitty" Blanton of the Upper Cumberland Grotto.

Roaring River area (AL): This includes Roaring River Cave, Skylight Cave and others in the area. Closed during all hunting seasons. Please contact Andrew Monaghan to request permission at the following email address: [cheaha@gmail.com](mailto:cheaha@gmail.com)

Roberson Cave (TN): Contact Chuck Sutherland ([cjsuther21@gmail.com](mailto:cjsuther21@gmail.com)) for access information.

Rumbling Falls Cave: All permits are through Fall Creek Falls State Park and the caves are only open from May to the end of August. Access is through a web page URL which appears to change annually and is taken down in the off season.

Sawmill Well (TN): Stop by the owner's house (Leann Smith) to let her know you're on the property. If you can't find anyone home, please choose another destination, do not just park and go.

Secret Cave (TN): Gated NSS Preserve, permit required. Contact Megan Atkinson, Chris Hudson, or Chuck Sutherland, Preserve Managers at [OgdenPreserve@caves.org](mailto:OgdenPreserve@caves.org).

Shelta Cave (AL): Gated NSS Preserve. A permit can be obtained by contacting Kevin Reeves or Bill Torode, Preserve Managers at [SheltaPreserve@caves.org](mailto:SheltaPreserve@caves.org).

Signal Light Pit (TN): Large groups should park at the fireworks store and walk the extra 5 minutes to the cave.

Sittons Cave (GA): Caving reservations can be made for Sittons and Case Cave up to 11 months in advance by calling Cloudland Canyon Park at 706-657-4050. Caving permit requirements are subject to change, so contact the Park well before your trip.

Solution Rift (TN): Cavers are welcome year-round, but it's best to contact LeAnn Smith at (423) 582-8640 before visiting.

Summers Double Pot (AL): Landowner permission required at other times. Call Linda Payne for access: 256-663-0817.

Sweet Pot (TN): Closed during hunting seasons. At other times call Mr. Flint at 423-443-0918.

The Old Mill Cave (TN): Contact Chuck Sutherland ([cjsuther21@gmail.com](mailto:cjsuther21@gmail.com)) for access information.

Thunderhole (TN): NSS Preserve, permit required. Contact Megan Atkinson and Chris Hudson, NSS Preserve Managers at [ThunderholePreserve@caves.org](mailto:ThunderholePreserve@caves.org).

Torode Pit (AL): See Jacobs Mountain/Skyline information above.

TTU Cave (TN): Contact Chuck Sutherland ([cjsuther21@gmail.com](mailto:cjsuther21@gmail.com)) for access information.

Ulla Cave (GA): On Crockford-Pigeon Mountain Wildlife Management area, see above for permit info. Park at Kiosk area on Dougherty gap road. The sometimes sump located near the entrance is 14 feet below the nearby creekbed level. Heavy rain will close passage for long periods of time. Use caution!

Vernal Well and Vinson Cave (AL): Please contact Dan Brown at 121 Black Hawk Rd before entering any cave on this property.

War Eagle Pit (AL): Closed during deer hunting season and also squirrel season, Oct 1 – Feb 28. Contact Milton Polsky for more information, 256-599-3584.

Washpot (AL): Closed during hunting season.

Water Well (AL): Closed during hunting season. This applies to nearby Wils Welsh Well and Fargo Well also. At other times, talk to the Proctor family below the caves.

West Cemetery Cave (TN): Contact Chuck Sutherland ([cjsuther21@gmail.com](mailto:cjsuther21@gmail.com)) for access information.

Wicked Splendor Cave (TN): Closed during hunting season.

Williams Saltpeter Cave (AL): See Jacobs Mountain/Skyline information above.

Wils Welsh Well (AL): Closed during hunting season. This applies to nearby Wils Welsh Well and Fargo Well also. At other times, talk to the Proctor family below the caves.

Worleys Cave (TN): There is an \$8 fee.

Information about hunting seasons:

Alabama Wildlife Management: [www.outdooralabama.com/hunting](http://www.outdooralabama.com/hunting)  
 Tennessee Wildlife Management: [www.tn.gov/twra/hunting.html](http://www.tn.gov/twra/hunting.html)  
 Georgia Wildlife Management: [www.georgiawildlife.com](http://www.georgiawildlife.com)

**NOTE:** This list may not include every closed cave in TAG. It is complete only to the best of our knowledge. Contact your local Grotto for information about caves in your area before attempting to visit. If you have any additions, updates, corrections, or questions about this list, please contact Andy Zellner at: [andyzellner@gmail.com](mailto:andyzellner@gmail.com)