Trip Essentials
- Wearing pants and a shirt
- Whistle or other sound signaling device
- Photo identification
- Drinking water
- Flashlight
- First aid kit
- Sun protection and insect repellent
- Cell phone
- Waterproof bags and extra dry clothing
- Camping gear (tent, food, etc.)
- Fishing license (if fishing)
- Camping permit and map
- Survival kit

About the Blueway
The Tims Ford Blueway is designed to meet the interests of a growing population of paddlers. The town of Estill Springs is located at the northernmost end of the Blueway. In the early 1800s the town's mineral springs attracted individuals in pursuit of the reputed curative qualities of the water. Today, the remaining springs are still the source of the town's water supply. Further downstream is the city of Winchester. The historic district offers antique shops, art galleries and fine dining. Access to the Blueway as well as camping is available at the City Park. Nearby Tims Ford State Park is named for an early river crossing and is known for its scenic views, natural surroundings and biologically significant habitats. The park offers camping, cabin rentals, a marina, hiking and biking trails with spectacular views of the reservoir, and access to the Blueway. Five islands, accessible only by boat, can be reserved for primitive camping through the state park.

Tims Ford Lake is located in Franklin County, in the south central portion of Tennessee. The lake is formed by the 175-foot-tall Tims Ford Dam that stretches 1,580 feet across the Elk River. The reservoir covers 10,700 acres with a maximum depth of 150 feet and 255 miles of shoreline. Construction of the dam by the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) began in 1966. In 1970 the dam was completed and within a few weeks the reservoir was filled. In addition to power generation and recreation, Tims Ford provides water supply and flood damage control on the Elk River. Tims Ford Lake is named for a crossing on the Elk River near Winchester, Tennessee. The crossing, or ford, was on or near land owned by Abner Mansfield Tims, an early settler in the area.

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Latitude/Longitude

Tims Ford State Park/Lakeview Marina
35°12'30.330", 86°14'39.368"
Winchester City Park
35°12'02.690", 86°19'58.930"
Estill Springs City Park
35°15'07.048", 86°10'32.364"
Dry Creek Beach
35°11'33.692", 86°08'58.476"
Haw River Greenground/Ship Boat Ramp
35°12'11.770", 86°13'08.868"
Holiday Landing Marina
35°12'20.348", 86°14'24.026"
Tims Ford Marina
35°12'30.424", 86°14'03.828"
Toggles Creek Greenway
35°16'00.204", 86°15'35.834"
Jewel Bridge
35°15'13.000", 86°15'05.804"
Lost Creek Boat Ramp
35°15'53.168", 86°16'16.728"
Arlington Search Boat Ramp
35°13'24.040", 86°17'04.800"
Placentia Grove Boat Ramp
35°10'55.590", 86°13'01.850"
Rock Creek Boat Ramp
35°15'07.348", 86°15'41.450"
Turkey Creek Boat Ramp
35°15'53.020", 86°14'51.847"
Devils Stop Island
35°12'11.770", 86°08'53.868"
Mogiel Bend Island
35°13'02.070", 86°12'07.840"
Green Island
35°12'20.752", 86°15'33.108"
Lostwood Bend Island
35°12'10.064", 86°14'32.700"
Big Island
35°14'20.488", 86°16'01.314"
Little Island
35°14'02.284", 86°16'19.309"

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Put-in/take-out drive time: 10 minutes. Camping and cabins are also available.

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Devil Step – Dripping Springs Loop: For this 3 mile paddle head north from Devil Step boat ramp following the southern shoreline past the Devil Step state park campground down to Dripping Springs cove. This area is comprised of Dripping Springs residential and ideal for fishing.

Dry Creek Beach – Devil Step Boat Ramp: For this 2 paddle put in at Dry Creek beach and take a right put (east) out of Dry Creek cove. Take the left to head west following the southern shoreline. This area contains almost 100 yards of low residential areas.

Eagle’s Nest – Devil Step Boat Ramp: For this 2 mile paddle put in at Eagle’s Nest and paddle following the southern shoreline past the Devil Step state park campground down to Dripping Springs cove. This area is comprised of low residential areas.

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