

Turtle Rock Retreat

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The directions are as follows:

1. From Little Rock take Hwy 7 North at Russellville to Jasper. There are some short cuts off Hwy 7, but on the first trip the simplest route is through Jasper. At all events the drive into Jasper is very nice and Jasper is a charming town.
2. The Ozark Café in Jasper is a great place for lunch. From Jasper to go to TRR, go north on Hwy 7, past Emma's Museum of Junk on the left, past the Junction Stop, which is a convenience store/gas station, and over the Little Buffalo River bridge. Make an immediate left after the bridge onto Hwy 74. You just go a short distance on Hwy 74, then you turn left onto Hwy 327, which is steep curving intersection. Hwy 327 goes to Parthenon. The drive from Jasper to Parthenon follows the Little Buffalo River valley and it is a very beautiful area. TRR is located on the Little Buffalo River.
3. At Parthenon, which is a very small community with a small little store, a big old two story rock building and a new post office, stay on the main road turning left at the two story rock building. Go over the bridge for about a mile. You will then see road sign to Murray. Turn right at the Murray Road sign. The Murray Road is a dirt road.
4. After turning right on the Murray cutoff go approximately 3 miles down the Murray Road, you will come to a fork which has signs say Beckham Creek. Go left to Murray. You should also see some signs to Creek's End. You can follow the Creek's End signs. Again go left to get to TRR, do not go right toward Beckham Creek.
5. From the fork you go up the mountain on and then go down the mountain. As you go down the mountain, you will see a bank of mailboxes with a sign Murray to the left and Shiloh to the right. The distance from the fork where you go left up the mountain to the mailboxes is approximately 1.5 miles. As you are coming down the mountain overlooking the mailboxes, you can see Turtle Rock Retreat. You will also see turtle Pond. Go left by the mailboxes and you will also go past the Turtle Rock mailbox, a single mailbox by a 20' red gate on your right. Go past the red gate a couple hundred yards and you will come to the entrance way on your right. The entrance way has an attractive wood fence and a reddish orange tube gate. You cannot miss it.

If you get lost, just ask a local how to get to Murray. You can also ask someone on the road. Every one around Murray will know where the Jerry and Linda Patchen place is.

WELCOME! YOU ARE AT TURTLE ROCK RETREAT!