



DIRECTIONS to DOUGLAS Falls

Douglas Falls is located in Douglas, WV just outside of Thomas, WV.

To reach the falls: from Davis head north. Just past the gas station in Thomas, turn left onto Douglas Rd toward the B&L Gallery. Continue on the paved road past the artisan gallery. Once you go over a small bridge, there is a Y in the road. Stay to the left onto Falls Trail Rd, a gravel/dirt road – this is the old rail road grade. (If you start heading up the paved road after the bridge, you missed the gravel/dirt road.) This road can be a little rough. You should be able to make it about half way on this road before you hit some serious potholes. You can walk the remainder of the way (a mile or two), if you like. If you feel comfortable driving the remainder there is a small pull off to park prior to the bridge. It is recommended to cross the bridge by foot. Once you reach the end of the road there will be a gate across the road, which continues the Blackwater Canyon Trail. At the gate directly to your left down the hill is Douglas Falls. Be careful because this trail is steep and has loose gravel. The river that flows over the falls is the North Fork of the Blackwater River.

Half way is where the coke ovens are located. During summer months they are over grown with vegetation so you will have to look for them. This gravel/dirt road was once the old railroad grade that is now used as part of the Blackwater Canyon Trail.