McCarthy Forest is 794 acres adjacent to Pinnacle State Park. Enjoy great hiking trails in the spring, summer, and autumn, as well as wonderful cross-country skiing trails in the winter. Difficulty varies along the various segments of the trails. The first half mile between parking lots is very easy - a nice hike for families. If you head right from the second parking lot, you will encounter the Otter Slide Trail which is steeper and considerably more difficult. If you bear left at the second parking lot you will merge onto the Beaver Pond Trail which can be wet or marshy, especially in the spring. Picnic areas are available nearby in Pinnacle State Park.