

# The Nature Conservancy Protection Projects

470k+ acres conserved across the state since 1978



### Mississippi River Land Protection

Along the Mississippi River and its iconic tributary, the Hatchie River, large-scale land protection of floodplains has led to the expansion of public recreation areas and safeguarding wildlife corridors while reducing flood damage and improving water quality.



### Jewels of Middle Tennessee

Wildflowers are delicate jewels that have been protected in this area since 1978 when TNC purchased the Taylor Hollow Preserve. Numerous cedar glades also have been acquired to safeguard rare and endangered plants, including the iconic Tennessee coneflower.



### Northern Cumberland Plateau Large-Scale Connectivity

In 2019, the Conservancy led the protection effort of 253,000 acres - the biggest single project in Tennessee, Kentucky and Virginia since the creation of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in 1934. Most recently, TNC helped protect 729 acres, including the icon Fern Lake that will be transferred to the Cumberland Gap National Historic Park.

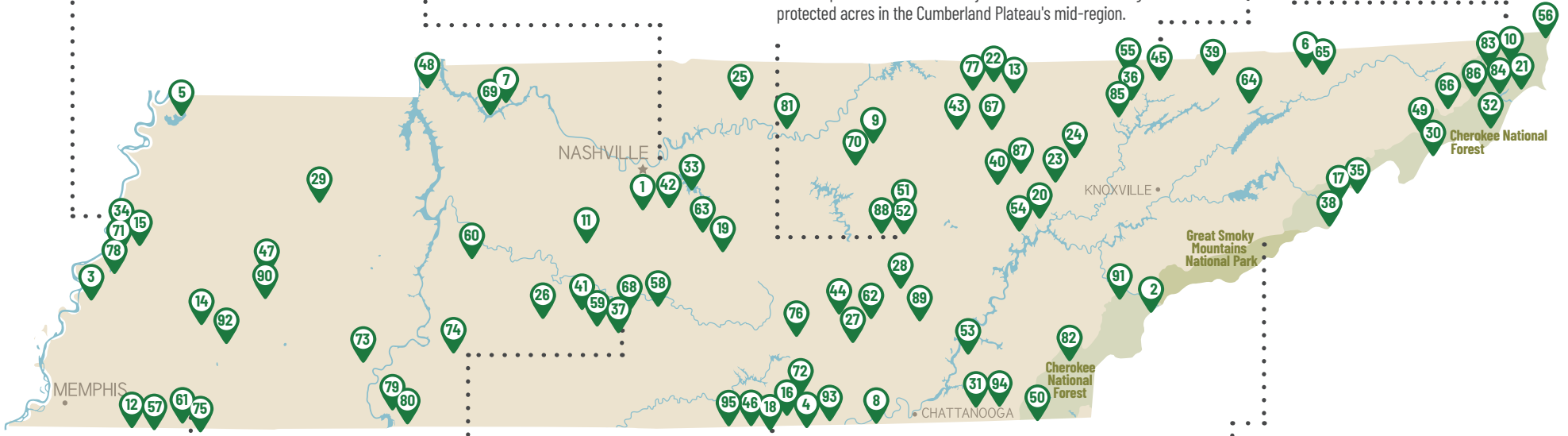


### An Oasis in Northeast Tennessee

Shady Valley, where the Conservancy began work in the 1970s, is a bountiful place for nature. From historic cranberry bogs to natural sandy artesian springs, Shady Valley preserves are open to the public and showcase a variety of private land conservation projects.

### Conservation Platform

In 2018, Bridgestone Americas, Inc. donated nearly 5,800 acres which represents the crown jewel of over 65,000 contiguous protected acres in the Cumberland Plateau's mid-region.



### Hatchie River Watershed

Working alongside conservation partners and the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, the Conservancy has helped protect lands in the Hatchie River watershed that provide public access for outdoor recreation.



### Protecting A Vital Resource

The Duck River is considered to be the richest river in varieties of freshwater animals on the North American continent. Since 1999, The Nature Conservancy has been working on the Duck River with local communities, businesses, and government agencies to ensure the long-term protection of the river's water quality and ecological integrity.



### Southern Cumberland Plateau Recreation Playground

Public recreation areas totaling over 80,000 acres, including the Walls of Jericho, Head of the Crow State Park, and Bear Hollow Mountain Wildlife Management Area, span the Tennessee/Alabama state line.



### Cherokee National Forest

Along Tennessee's Southern Appalachian mountain range, the Conservancy has worked with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Park Service on land protection, aquatic barrier removal, and prescribed fire to restore and connect healthy forest and river systems.

- Radnor Lake State Natural Area
- Tapoco Lands
- Lower Hatchie National Wildlife Refuge
- Pumplog Hollow and The Narrows
- Reelfoot Lake
- Clinch River and Kyles Ford
- Barnetts Woods State Natural Area
- Tennessee River Gorge, Aetna Mountain, Franklin State Forest
- Washmorgan Hollow
- Shady Valley
- Kelly Creek Seeps
- William B. Clark State Natural Area
- Big South Fork National River and Recreational Area
- Hatchie River National Wildlife Refuge
- Chickasaw National Wildlife Refuge
- Bear Hollow Mountain Wildlife Management Area - North Unit
- French Broad River
- Walls of Jericho
- Cedar Glades and Barrens
- Clifty Creek Gorge
- Doe Mountain
- Tally Wilderness Area, Pogue Creek Canyon, Jim Creek
- Frozen Head State Park
- North Cumberlands Wildlife Management Area/Connecting the Cumberlands
- Taylor Hollow State Natural Area
- Langford Branch Seeps and Dry Branch Seeps
- Savage Gulf/South Cumberland State Park
- Fall Creek Falls State Park
- Jarrell Switch Refuge
- Cherokee National Forest - Unicoi County
- Bendabout Farm (Conservation Easement)
- Cherokee National Forest - Carter County
- Longhunter State Park and Couchville Cedar Glades
- Chickasaw State Park
- Cherokee National Forest - Greene County
- McCloud Mountain
- Yanahli Wildlife Management Area
- Cherokee National Forest - Cocke County
- Powell River State Natural Area
- Obed Wild & Scenic River
- Duck River
- Tennessee Coneflower Sites
- Skinner Mountain
- Hubbards Cave
- Cumberland Forest Project/Ataya/Tackett Creek
- Bear Hollow Mountain WMA - South Unit
- Middle Fork Forked Deer River/Jackson Wetlands
- Land Between the Lakes
- Buffalo Mountain Camp
- Conasauga River
- Shafer-Tuuk Tree Farm (Conservation Easement)
- The Bridgestone Nature Reserve at Chestnut Mountain
- Piney River Gorge
- Mt. Roosevelt Wildlife Management Area
- North Cumberlands Wildlife Management Area - Highcliff
- Cherokee National Forest - Tri-Corner
- Wolf River- Clark Restoration Site
- Duck River-Allen Dairy (Conservation Easement)
- Duck River-Kennedy (Conservation Easement)
- Alexander Cave Preserve
- Sunnybell Cedar Glade State Natural Area
- Clinch-Torbett (Conservation Easement)
- Pearson Cave
- Watauga River Bluffs State Natural Area
- Colditz Cove State Natural Area
- Duck River-Anderson Tract
- Bellamy Cave
- Cummins Falls State Park
- Sunk Lake State Natural Area
- Hawkins Cove State Natural Area
- White Oak Swamp
- Beech Creek Bluffs State Natural Area
- Shaws Creek Bottoms
- Little Hickory Creek
- Wolf River Cave
- John Tully WMA and State Forest
- Walker Branch Dragonfly & Damselfly Preserve State Natural Area
- Neill Forest
- Piper Cave
- Cherokee National Forest - McMinn County
- Cherokee National Forest - Sullivan County
- Cherokee National Forest - Johnson County
- Cumberland Trail - Campbell County
- Lick Creek Bottoms WMA
- Cumberland Trail - Morgan County
- Lost Creek SNA
- Cumberland Trail - Rhea County
- South Fork Forked Deer
- Cherokee National Forest - Monroe County
- Hatchie River Bottoms WMA
- Head of the Crow
- Cherokee National Forest - Polk County
- Paint Rock River Wildlife Refuge

