Welcome to Trombatore Trail!

Hike to the scenic summit of Blue Ridge Pastures for a birdseye view of the Upper Hickory Nut Gorge! The 2.5 mile Trombatore Trail descends 700 feet into the Upper Brush Creek watershed—through a lush hardwood forest of curious trees and hillsides teeming with spring wildflowers—before climbing 500 feet to its terminus atop the grassy meadow of Blue Ridge Pastures. Rated strenuous in difficulty, this out-and-back trail is 5 miles roundtrip and climbs 1,200 feet (with uphill segments each way).

Conserving Carolina partnered with the Trombatore family, the private landowners of the property traversed by the trail, to grant public access for hikers to enjoy the natural majesty of their spectacular land. At the trail’s end, Blue Ridge Pastures—privately owned by the Ager family—is forever protected by a conservation easement by Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy (SAHC).

Conserving Carolina partnered with the Carolina Mountain Club to construct the Trombatore Trail. The trail is a segment of the budding Upper Hickory Nut Gorge Trail loop and the Hickory Nut Gorge State Trail.