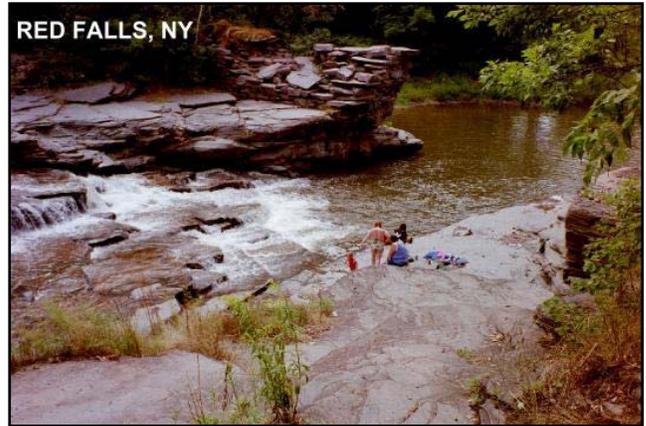


River Swimming

Red Falls

Natural Swimming Hole. Large and small cascades over flat rocks stepping down to large deep pool. Some higher cascades allow jumping into narrow, deeply eroded slots. Remnants of old rock RR support allows varying levels of high jumps into large, deep pool. Lots of fun.

Directions from Hunter : RT 23A West to RT 23. Make right turn onto RT 23. Approx 1.5 to 2 miles east, Park on right side across from Dent Rd. (Parking is not permitted on the roadside, but there is a small pull out into the trees here where a few cars can squeeze in.



If there is no space to park at Red Falls, a nearby alternative swimming place is: Turn south (left) on RT 23A continue a short distance to County RT 2 (sign says : "To Terra Books"). Go south (left) on RT 2 and, just across the bridge, on the left, there is a swimming place in the river below.

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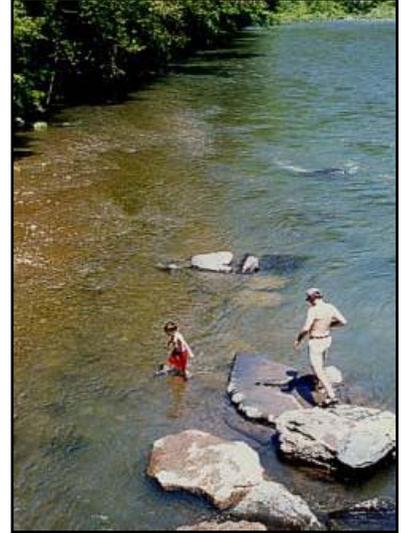
In the town of Woodstock, in a town park, off RT 212 is a local swimming hole, might also be called the "Tannery Brook" swimming.



River Swimming

Esopus Creek

The Esopus Creek runs nearly the entire length of Route 28 as it passes through the Catskill Mountains. The creek is famous for fishing and recreation like tubing and floating. For scenic beauty, there is nothing to compare with the Esopus Creek. At many points along the creek there are small parking areas and state maintained fishing access points allowing you to get down to the creek and experience it for yourself first hand. Walk down, dip your feet and enjoy the afternoon..



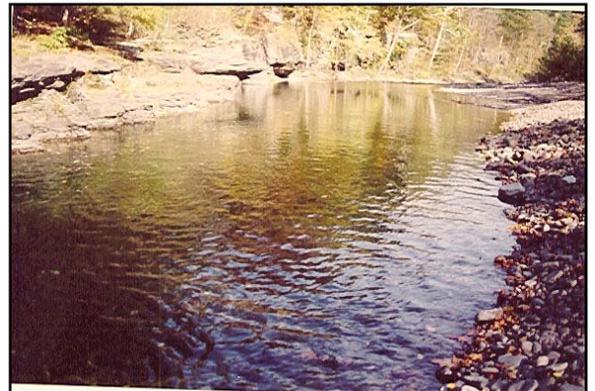
Schoharie Creek

The Schoharie creek runs west from Tannersville along Rt 23A. There are numerous places alongside the road to find a spot for a quick dip in the creek. Avoid any area of the river where the water is moving too swiftly. One very nice spot is just west of Dolan's lake park, right under the Bike path bridge. The water is deep enough here, but not running too fast. This area is within walking distance of Scribner Hollow.



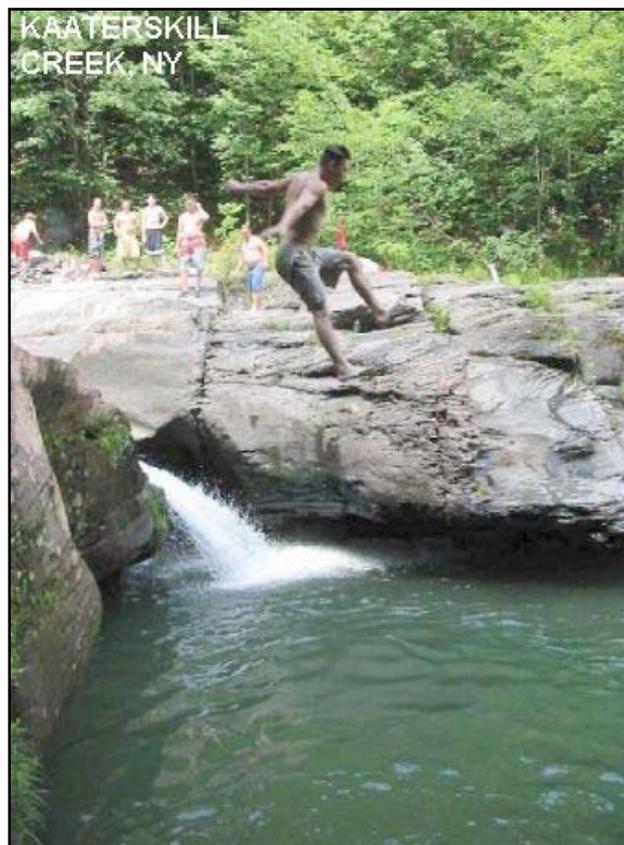
Catskill Creek

Cross bridge over Cornwallville Creek and go to end of CR 67A. Turn left onto CR 67 and pull to park off left shoulder (1-2 cars). ALL OTHER AREAS ARE POSTED "NO PARKING". You can climb down steep bank to swim from rocks, or walk back over bridge to sandy beach. The limited parking make both locations users are mainly nearby residents or kids that bicycle in.



Swimming in Kaaterskill Creek

RT 23A, 1.4 miles west the junction of RT 32A and RT 23A in Palenville, there is a large pullout on the south (left) side of the road. (Apparently called "Palenville" by locals.) Park here and continue walking west on the road, along Kaaterskill Creek. There are several quite steep paths along here (behind the guard rail) that go down to the creek. About the 3rd path you come to is the most gradual and goes right down to an outstanding, huge, swimming hole.



RT 32A, 1 mile south of the junction of RT 23A and Rt 32A in Palenville. This area is called Helena falls, and is right next to the bridge carrying RT 32A over Kaaterskill creek. Park along side the road but be careful not to block driveways of local residents.

