



Welcome to the Wisconsin State Park System!

The Wisconsin State Park System is comprised of 50 state parks, 9 recreation areas, 15 state forests and 44 state trails. There are over 6,000 campsites across this system, plus over 500 boat access sites, 700 miles of equestrian trail and thousands of miles of hiking, biking and water trails.

Wisconsin's public lands have something for everyone! Established hiking trails, campsites and fishing holes complement activities like snowshoeing, cross-country skiing and mountain biking. There are self-guided nature trails, picnic shelters and playgrounds. Many locations offer concession and restroom amenities, while some spots remain undeveloped and open to exploration by boat or foot.

Before heading out on your big adventure, here are a few tips and reminders:

Your Pass

Your daily admission pass is valid for a one-day, one-vehicle visit to a state park, forest or recreation area. Make sure to keep this pass on the driver's side dashboard of your vehicle. Parks are open 6 a.m. until 11 p.m., seven days a week. Most state trails and some properties, like Havenwoods State Forest, do not require a vehicle pass. Along with your Park Pass, a variety of materials, guides and resources from the Department of Natural Resources may be available at your library.

Planning Your Trip

Find state park information online at dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/Parks. There, you can use our "Find a Park" tool to search by feature or amenity. If you use the search bar tool at the top right of the page, key words will help you find what you're looking for. Try words like "camp", "nature center", "kayak", or "pets" to help plan your trip.

#OutWiGo

OutWiGo is a statewide initiative by the Wisconsin State Park System that encourages everyone to improve their health and wellness by getting out and being active outdoors. Search keyword "OutWiGo" or visit dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/OutWiGo to find seasonal events, activities for kids, exploration maps and more!

Universal Recreation

From adaptive equipment to universal fishing piers, hiking trails and campsites, the DNR welcomes people of all abilities and experience levels outdoors to make memories, learn new skills and enjoy the benefits of nature. Search keywords "Open the Outdoors" to find universal outdoor recreation opportunities and amenities.

125th Anniversary Celebration

2025 marks the 125th anniversary of the Wisconsin State Park System. This milestone will be celebrated with family-friendly events, fascinating park system history and more! We invite you to join in the festivities by visiting a state park, forest, recreation area or trail in 2025.



From all of us at the Wisconsin State Park System, thank you for Checking Out Wisconsin State Parks At Your Library.

Happy exploring!

Visit the Wisconsin State Park System webpage.



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