

Law of the Pack

The Cub Scout follows Akela
The Cub Scout helps the pack go
The pack helps the Cub Scout grow
The Cub Scout gives goodwill

A Scout Is:

Trustworthy
Loyal
Helpful
Friendly
Courteous
Kind
Obedient
Cheerful
Thrifty
Brave
Clean
Reverent



2007 Where to go Camping Guide



Monaken Lodge



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Forward

The Monaken Lodge 103 of the Juniata Valley Council has been pleased to have been given the opportunity to assist in updating the Monaken Lodge “Where to go Camping Guide.” The material in this booklet was reorganized, assembled, and edited by Brad Strigle, 2006-2007 Camp Promotions Chairman; and Jon Cherry, 2006-2007 Monaken Lodge Chief. Randy Carper served as the adviser.

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Dear Fellow Camper

From camping and sightseeing just outside of New York City in Gateway National Recreation Area to backpacking through the mountains of Pennsylvania on the Mid-State Trail there is no shortage of places to see and things to do in the great outdoors. The number of places one can visit to enjoy nature and to get away from it all are too numerous for anyone to count, let alone list in a book over 40 pages in length.

Understanding that it would be impossible to list every great camp site, the Camp Promotions Committee of Monaken Lodge has done its best to provide you, the reader, with a large taste of “Where to go Camping” in and around the state of Pennsylvania.

This book was compiled to provide guidance and suggestions for a wide range of enjoyable camping trips. Information is provided on historical trails, Pennsylvania scout camps, canoe trips, backpacking and hiking trails, BSA High Adventure Bases, national parks and forests, Pennsylvania state parks, as well as the basics of campground safety and skills. It should be remembered that this book provides only a small taste of where one can go and what one can do in the great outdoors, therefore, one should feel free to expand and elaborate on the contents of this book. The Camp Promotions Committee of Monaken Lodge hopes that your outdoor adventures are enjoyable and safe.

Yours in Cheerful Service

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Dear Scout Leader

The Monaken Lodge of the Order of the Arrow, Boy Scouts of America, Juniata Valley Council 497 have prepared this “Where to go Camping Guide” as a service to units in our council. This guide will give you a multitude of options for local places to go camping. In addition, the guide will provide you tips regarding trip planning, standard equipment, tour permits, safety measures, and many other topics.

The main purpose of this guide is to provide you a consolidated listing of information regarding local camping opportunities. These include areas suitable for short and long term camping, hiking, canoeing, horseback riding, boating, and many others. In addition to local camping opportunities, high adventure information is also included in this guide. There is information on fees, rules on facilities, and contact information. We hope you use these resources and remember “Scouting is three-quarters-outing.”

Every three years this guide will be updated and distributed to all the Scoutmasters and Cubmasters in the council. This guide will be published online at www.monaken.org , and through an electronic copy via CD. We look forward to continue serving the packs and troops in our council.

Yours in Cheerful Service

Jon Cherry

Jon Cherry
2007 Lodge Chief

Introduction

The Where to go Camping Guide of Monaken Lodge has been assembled to give leaders in Scouting a guide to assist in the planning of camping and outdoor activities.

The Cub Scout outdoor program provides an opportunity for parent-Cub activities, day camps, weekend Cub-parent camp-outs, and extended Cub and Webelos camping.

Normally adequate facilities are available close to their home community.

The successful Boy Scout outdoor program normally provides one overnight camping experience a month and at least a week of extended camping each year. This guide should help leaders plan a diversified camping program utilizing a variety of Scout Camps for both weekend and summer camping.

CAMPING GUIDELINES

Camping Equipment

Personal Equipment:

All clothing should be comfortable and appropriate for the weather. It is a good idea to enclose items in individual plastic bags. The following is a list of suggested personal and patrol gear for a regular campout. For activities such as backpacking and canoeing, additional equipment will be needed.

Personal Equipment:

- Pack (preferably with a hip strap)
- Sleeping bag -or- 2-3 blankets
- Foam pad or air mattress
- Ground sheet (plastic)
- Jacket
- Poncho or raincoat with rain hat
- Waterproof boots (lightweight)
- Sneakers or pair moccasins
- Hat

Clothes bag(s) containing:

- T-shirts
- Long-sleeve shirts
- Pants / Shorts
- Socks
- Pajamas or sweat suit
- Handkerchief
- Swim trunks and towel
- Underwear
- Sweatshirt -or- Fleece

Eating kit containing:

Knife	Fork
Plate	Cup
Spoon	Bowl

Toilet kit containing:

Soap in a box	Washcloth	Toothbrush
Toothpaste	Comb	Metal mirror
Plastic washbasin	Hand towels	Deodorant
Toilet paper		

Repair kit containing:

Needles	Thread	Buttons	Safety pins
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Other:

Shoelaces	Toilet paper, plastic bag
Pocketknife	Flashlight with spare batteries
Bible, testament of prayer book according to your faith	
First aid kit	

Extras you may want to take:

Watch	Camera	Film
Cell Phone	Pencil / Pen	Sunglasses
Drinking cup	Canteen	Repellent
Rope	Musical instrument	Songbook
Wallet with money and ID	Air pillow	Book
Cards		

Patrol Equipment:**Tenting crew equipment:**

2-man tents with poles, pegs, and guy lines		
Dining fly (10 x 10 ft. max) with poles, pegs, and guy lines		
Patrol flag on staff		
Small U.S. flag with halyard		
Ax	Saw	Camp Spade

Repair kit containing:

Mill filer (8 in.) for ax sharpening		
Sharpening stone		
Thin wire	Twine (nylon line)	Nails

Sewing kit containing:

Thread	Needles	Safety pins
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First aid kit:

First aid supplies
Toilet paper in plastic bag
Electric lantern

Cooking crew equipment:**Cooking kit (trail chef kit) containing:**

Pots (4)	Frying pans (2)	Serving plates (4)	Cups (4)
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Chef's kit containing:

Carving knife	Spatula	Can opener
Large fork	Tongs	Potato peeler
Large spoon	Ladle	

Water container (collapsible, plastic, 2.5 gal -or- desert water bag)
Plastic washbasin for cooks
Plastic food bags (various sizes)
Sugar container
Plastic sheets (2) (4 x 4 ft. min)
Matches
Fire starters
Salt and pepper shakers
Roll of aluminum foil

Cleanup materials:

Dish mop
Liquid soap in plastic bag
Sanitizing tablets for rinse
Heavy-duty trash cans liners
Ax, saw, and camp spade
Scouring pads
Paper towels in plastic bag

Preparing a Campsite

Before setting up camp first, select a spot that:

1. Is fairly open and level with a carpet of grass and a gentle slope for rainwater runoff.
 2. Is sheltered against the prevailing wind
 3. Have adequate supplies of both wood and water easily available
 4. Is safe from rockslides, flash floods, and falling branches
 5. Has privacy
 6. Has natural beauty and enjoyable surroundings
- * **Always be sure to get permission to camp on private property**

Upon arriving on the site it is easiest to assign crews to the tasks of: fire building, setting up tents, digging the latrine, gathering wood and water, and laying out food and cooking gear.

NOTES: All dry sticks and leave must be cleared 10 ft. from the fire ring, and tents must be well beyond that. The latrine is to be at least 100 ft. from camp, trails, or water source. Tents should be set up on a gentle down slope to allow for drainage.

Leave No Trace

The BSA is committed to Leave No Trace, which is a nationally recognized outdoor skills and ethics awareness program. Its seven principals are guidelines to follow at all times.

Plan Ahead and Prepare

- Know the regulations and special concerns for the area you'll visit.
- Prepare for extreme weather, hazards, and emergencies.
- Schedule your trip to avoid times of high use.
- Visit in small groups when possible. Consider splitting larger groups into smaller groups.
- Repackage food to minimize waste.
- Use a map and compass to eliminate the use of marking paint, rock cairns or flagging.

Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces

- Durable surfaces include established trails and campsites, rock, gravel, dry grasses or snow.
- Protect riparian areas by camping at least 200 feet from lakes and streams.
- Good campsites are found, not made. Altering a site is not necessary.
- In popular areas:
 - Concentrate use on existing trails and campsites.
 - Walk single file in the middle of the trail, even when wet or muddy.
 - Keep campsites small. Focus activity in areas where vegetation is absent.
- In pristine areas:
 - Disperse use to prevent the creation of campsites and trails.
 - Avoid places where impacts are just beginning.

Dispose of Waste Properly

- Pack it in, pack it out. Inspect your campsite and rest areas for trash or spilled foods. Pack out all trash, leftover food, and litter.
- Deposit solid human waste in catholes dug 6 to 8 inches deep at least 200 feet from water, camp, and trails. Cover and disguise the cathole when finished.
- Pack out toilet paper and hygiene products.
- To wash yourself or your dishes, carry water 200 feet away from streams or lakes and use small amounts of biodegradable soap. Scatter strained dishwater.

Leave What You Find

- Preserve the past: examine, but do not touch, cultural or historic structures and artifacts.
- Leave rocks, plants and other natural objects as you find them.

- Avoid introducing or transporting non-native species.
- Do not build structures, furniture, or dig trenches.

Minimize Campfire Impacts

- Campfires can cause lasting impacts to the backcountry. Use a lightweight stove for cooking and enjoy a candle lantern for light.
- Where fires are permitted, use established fire rings, fire pans, or mound fires.
- Keep fires small. Only use sticks from the ground that can be broken by hand.
- Burn all wood and coals to ash, put out campfires completely, then scatter cool ashes.

Respect Wildlife

- Observe wildlife from a distance. Do not follow or approach them.
- Never feed animals. Feeding wildlife damages their health, alters natural behaviors, and exposes them to predators and other dangers.
- Protect wildlife and your food by storing rations and trash securely.
- Control pets at all times, or leave them at home.
- Avoid wildlife during sensitive times: mating, nesting, raising young, or winter.

Be Considerate of Other Visitors

- Respect other visitors and protect the quality of their experience.
- Be courteous. Yield to other users on the trail.
- Step to the downhill side of the trail when encountering pack stock.
- Take breaks and camp away from trails and other visitors.
- Let nature's sounds prevail. Avoid loud voices and noises

Information on Leave No Trace was taken from The Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics. For more information log onto www.lnt.org.

Swimming

Swimming is an enjoyable pastime while at summer camp or on a troop campout, but swimming can be dangerous as well. Troops should always follow the eight points of the safe swim defense:

1. **Adult Supervision** – an adult leader is in charge at all times. He or she must be trained in water rescue or have helpers who are.
2. **Physical Fitness** – each swimmer must provide a current health history with no restrictions on aquatic activities
3. **Safe Area** – before swimming the area must be cleared of large rocks, sunken logs, and other hazards. Then the area must be marked off into no more than 3.5 ft. for non-swimmers; deeper for beginners; and over the head for swimmers.
4. **Lifeguard** – two lifeguards stand on shore at all times ready to assist.
5. **Lookout** – a lookout is a post where he can see and hear the entire swimming area. He directs any help needed.
6. **Ability Groups** – scouts swim areas matching their ability. Non-swimmers are just learning; beginners can jump into the water and swim 50 ft.; and a swimmer can swim 300 ft. and float.
7. **Buddy System** – everyone swims with a buddy of the same ability. Buddies check-in together, stay close to each other while swimming, and check-out together.
8. **Discipline** – everyone knows and follows the first seven rules.

For more information regarding BSA swimming policies and procedures see the current Guide to Safe Scouting: Aquatics Safety online at www.scouting.org/pubs/gss/gss02.html.

On a Hike

Before setting out on a hike, you should plan a definite route and destination. Leave a copy of your plans behind with someone in case there is an emergency. Take into account the terrain and elevation of the area while planning. Some good ideas for equipment on a hike are:

1. Footwear – shoes should be well broken in with hard soles and good traction. They should be large enough to allow the toes to wiggle while fitting snugly around the arch and heel to reduce friction. On smooth terrain, low shoes may work, but in rougher areas, it is advisable to wear high top shoes or boots for the ankle support.
2. Wearing two pairs of socks or polypropylene liners helps to reduce friction, which can cause blisters.
3. Dress according to the weather and terrain. If it is cold, dress in layers that can be shed as you warm up walking. Be sure to check a weather report before leaving so that you know the temperature and precipitation to expect.
4. Food should be light and prepared before you leave. It would be a good idea to have some kind of snack food to eat as you hike.
5. Additional Equipment:

Personal Gear:

Canteen
Notebook and Pencil / Pen
Map and Compass
Pocketknife
Handkerchief
Cell Phone
Camera and Film

Patrol Gear:

Rope
First Aid Kit
Matches
Cooking Gear (if needed)

While hiking, it is best to come down lightly on the heel of your toes pointed straight ahead and push off with the toes. Keep the speed that is comfortable and enjoyable for everyone. If you are going too fast to concentrate on anything but walking, you may need to slow down. It is best to stop and rest for three to five minutes about every half-hour.

Always remember to obey all “keep out” and “no trespassing” signs. When walking cross-country, “watch your step” and don’t cross-planted fields. You should never hitchhike or walk on railroad tracks. Always get permission to start a cooking fire. If you are not sure of the safety of drinking water, purify it with tablets or boiling.

For more information regarding BSA hiking and camping policies and procedures see the current Guide to Safe Scouting: Camping online at www.scouting.org/pubs/gss/gss03.html#c.

Backpacking

Backpacking combines the experiences of camping and hiking into one trip. A crew should consist of between four and ten with at least two adult leaders. Packs should have a properly adjusted frame and hip strap. It is usually a good idea to load the heaviest gear toward the top of the pack. Equipment is similar to camping gear but slimmed down to fit in packs. Items should be sealed in waterproof bags inside of the pack.

Personal Gear:

- Pack
- Sleeping Bag
- Foam Pad
- Jacket
- Poncho or Raincoat
- Hat
- Pair of Sneakers or Moccasins
- Waterproof Boots

Clothes Bag Containing:

- T-shirts
- Long-sleeve Shirt
- Pants / Shorts
- Socks
- Pajamas
- Underwear
- Sweatshirt / Fleece
- Handkerchief

Toilet Kit Containing:

- Soap in a box
- Washcloth
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Comb
- Metal Mirror

- Hand Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Deodorant

Other Equipment:

- Flashlight
- Emergency Signal
- Pocketknife
- Canteen
- First Aid Kit
- Bible, Testament, or prayer book

Extras you may want to take:

- Watch
- Cell Phone
- Camera and Film
- Wallet with money and ID
- Notebook and Pencil / Pen
- Nylon line
- Drinking Cup
- Insect Repellent
- Sunscreen
- Sunglasses
- Air Pillow
- Playing Cards

Crew Gear:

- 2-man tent with pegs, guy lines, and ground cloths
- First-aid kit
- Matches
- Map and Compass
- Heavy-duty trash bags
- Plastic bags
- Sugar container
- Salt and pepper
- Ladle
- Large spoon
- Water container
- Scouring pads
- Toilet paper
- Camp stove
- Fire starter
- Sewing kit (containing: thread, needles, and safety pins)

While on the trail, it is a good idea to keep moving at an easy but steady pace with short, frequent breaks. Trail meals should be light and easy to prepare. To avoid attracting animals, food scraps need to be carefully collected and disposed of away from camp. In some areas, it may be necessary to put any item with an odor in a bear bag strung from a tree. Lastly, all washing and bathing should be done well away from any water source.

WHERE TO GO CAMPING

Historical Trails

*Below is a list of National Approved Historic Trails from the Boy Scouts of America.
For more information or for more trails, log onto www.scouting.org/boyscouts/trails/*

Delaware Canal Trail

Contact: Delaware Canal State Park
Upper Black Eddy, PA
Phone: (610) 982-5560
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/delawarecanal.aspx

Durham Trail

Contact: Minsi Trails Council, BSA
Lehigh Valley, PA
Phone: (610) 264-8551

Benjamin Franklin Historical Trail

Contact: American Historical Trails, Inc.
Monroe, NC 28111
Phone: (704) 289-1604

Erie Historical Trail

Contact: French Creek Council, BSA
Erie, PA 16509
Phone: (814) 868-5571

Gettysburg Heritage Trails

Contact: York-Adams Area Council, BSA
York, PA 17403
Phone: (717) 843-0901

Washington Crossing Historic Trail

Contact: Bucks County Council, BSA
Doylestown, PA 18901
Phone: (215) 348-9436

Philadelphia Bicentennial Trail of Freedom

Contact: American Historical Trails, Inc.
Monroe, NC 28111
Phone: (704) 289-1604

Pennsylvania Scout Camps

*All Boy Scout Information was derived from the Order of the Arrow Northeast Region
Directory of Council Camps and Outdoor Facilities.*

Allegheny Highlands Council – Camp Elk Lick

Contact: 50 Hough Hill Rd – Box 0261
Falconer, NY 14733
Phone: (716) 665-2697
Website: www.alleghenyhighlands.org
Camp Location: Smethport, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (180), Mountain Biking,
Climbing, Pool, Boating, Lake, Cross County Skiing, Tent
Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Bucks County Council – Camp Kirby

Contact: One Scout Way
Doylestown, PA 18901
Phone: (215) 348-9436
Website: www.buckscountybsa.org
Camp Location: Upper Black Eddy, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (100), Mountain Biking,
Pool, Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Bucks County Council – Camp Ockanickon

Contact: One Scout Way
Doylestown, PA 18901
Phone: (215) 348-9436
Website: www.buckscountybsa.org
Camp Location: Pipersville, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (450), Mountain Biking,
Climbing, COPE, Pool, Boating, Lake, Tent Camping,
Activity Field, Cabins

Bucktail Council – Camp Mountain Run

Contact: 209 First St.
DuBois, PA 15801
Phone: (814) 371-5650
Website: www.bucktail.org
Camp Location: Penfield, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (300), Mountain Biking,
Climbing, COPE, Boats, Lake, Tent Camping, Activity
Field, Cabins

Chester County Council – Camp Ware

Contact: 504 S. Concord Rd.
West Chester, PA 19382
Phone: (610) 696-2900
Website: www.cccbsa.org
Camp Location: Peach Bottom, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (200), Climbing, COPE,
Pool, Boating, Lake, High Adventure, Tent Camping,
Activity Field, Cabins

Chief Cornplanter Council – Camp Olmsted

Contact: 316 Fourth Ave
Warren, PA 16365
Phone: (814) 723-6700
Website: www.home.penn.mindspring.com
Camp Location: Russell, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (150), Climbing, Boating,
Lake, Cross County Skiing, Tent Camping, Cabins

Columbia Montour Council – Camp Lavigne

Contact: 5 Audubon Court
Bloomsburg, PA 17815
Phone: (570) 784-2700
Website: www.columbiamontourbsa.org
Camp Location: Benton, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (200), Pool, Boating,
Lake, Tent Camping, Cabins

Cradle of Liberty Council – Camp Treasure Island

Contact: Parkway, 22nd and Winter Sts.
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Phone: (215) 988-9811
Website: www.colbsa.org
Camp Location: Pipersville, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (400), Mountain Biking,
Climbing, COPE, Pool, Boating, Lake, High Adventure,
Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins, Treks

Cradle of Liberty Council – Delmont Scout Reservation

Contact: Parkway, 22nd and Winter Sts.
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Phone: (215) 988-9811
Website: www.colbsa.org
Camp Location: Pennsburg, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (500), Mountain Biking,
Pool, Boating, Lake, Cross County Skiing, Tent Camping,
Cabins

Cradle of Liberty Council – Hart Scout Reservation

Contact: Parkway, 22nd and Winter Sts.
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Phone: (215) 988-9811
Website: www.colbsa.org
Camp Location: Green Lane, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (350), Mountain Biking,
Pool, Boating, Lake, Cross County Skiing, Tent Camping,
Cabins

Cradle of Liberty Council – Big Spring Scout Reservation

Contact: Parkway, 22nd and Winter Sts.
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Phone: (215) 988-9811
Website: www.colbsa.org
Camp Location: East Stroudsburg, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (350), Mountain Biking,
Climbing, COPE, Boating, Lake, High Adventure, Cross
County Skiing, Tent Camping, Cabins, Treks

Cradle of Liberty Council – Firestone Scout Reservation

Contact: Parkway, 22nd and Winter Sts.
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Phone: (215) 988-9811
Website: www.colbsa.org
Camp Location: East Stroudsburg, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Mountain Biking, Climbing, Lake,
High Adventure, Cross County Skiing, Tent Camping

Five Rivers Council – Camp Brule’

Contact: Parkway, 22nd and Winter Sts.
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Phone: (215) 988-9811
Website: www.colbsa.org
Camp Location: Pennsburg, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (500), Mountain Biking,
Weekend COPE, Boating, Lake, Cross County Skiing, Tent
Camping, Cabins

French Creek Council – Custalogatown Scout Reservation

Contact: 1815 Robinson Rd West
Erie, PA 16509
Phone: (814) 868-5571
Website: www.frenchcreek.bsa.org
Camp Location: Carlton, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (350), Mountain Biking,
COPE, Pool, Boating, Lake, High Adventure, Nearby
Skiing, Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins, Treks

Greater Pittsburgh Council – Camp Anawanna

Contact: Flag Plaza – 1275 Bedford Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
Phone: (412) 471-2927
Website: www.gpc-bsa.org
Camp Location: Amity, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Greater Pittsburgh Council – Camp Baker

Contact: Flag Plaza – 1275 Bedford Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
Phone: (412) 471-2927
Website: www.gpc-bsa.org
Camp Location: Beaver Falls, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Greater Pittsburgh Council – Camp Guyasuta

Contact: Flag Plaza – 1275 Bedford Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
Phone: (412) 471-2927
Website: www.gpc-bsa.org
Camp Location: Sharpsburg, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Pool, Boating, Lake, Tent Camping,
Activity Field, Cabins

Greater Pittsburgh Council – Camp Twin Echo

Contact: Flag Plaza – 1275 Bedford Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
Phone: (412) 471-2927
Website: www.gpc-bsa.org
Camp Location: New Florence, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall, Lake, Cross County
Skiing, Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Greater Pittsburgh Council – Heritage Scout Reservation

Contact: Flag Plaza – 1275 Bedford Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
Phone: (412) 471-2927
Website: www.gpc-bsa.org
Camp Location: Farmington, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (400), Climbing, COPE,
Boating, Lake, High Adventure, Cross County Skiing, Tent
Camping, Activity Field, Cabins, Horses

Hawk Mountain Council – Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation

Contact: 5027 Pottsville Pike
Reading, PA 19605
Phone: (610) 926-4965
Website: www.hawkmountainacouncil.org
Camp Location: Schuylkill Haven, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (400), COPE, Pool,
Boating, Lake, Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Juniata Valley Council – Camp Seven Mountains

Contact: 9 Taylor Drive
Reedsville, PA 17084
Phone: (717) 667-9236
Website: www.jvcbsa.org
Camp Location: Spring Mills, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (350), Mountain Biking,
Climbing, Pool, Boating, Lake, Tent Camping, Activity
Field, Cabins

Keystone Area Council – Camp Hidden Valley

Contact: One Baden Powell Lane
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
Phone: (717) 766-1591
Website: www.keystonebsa.org
Camp Location: Loysville, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (300), Mountain Biking,
Pool, Boats, Lake, Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Mason Dixon Council – Camp Sinoquipe

Contact: 18600 Crestwood Dr
Hagerstown, MD 21742
Phone: (301) 739-1211
Website: www.mason-dixon-bsa.org
Camp Location: Fort Littleton, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (250), Mountain Biking,
Climbing, COPE, Boats, Lake, Skiing, Tent Camping,
Activity Field, Cabins

Minsi Trails Council – Camp Minsi

Contact: PO Box 20624
Lehigh Valley, PA 18002
Phone: (610) 264-2599
Website: www.minsitrails.com
Camp Location: Pocono Summit, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (360), Boats, Lake, Tent
Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Minsi Trails Council – Akelaland Scout Reservation

Contact: PO Box 20624
Lehigh Valley, PA 18002
Phone: (610) 264-2599
Website: www.minsitrails.com
Camp Location: Jonas, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (210), COPE, Boating,
Lake, Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Minsi Trails Council – Settler Scout Reservation

Contact: PO Box 20624
Lehigh Valley, PA 18002
Phone: (610) 264-2599
Website: www.minsitrails.com
Camp Location: Jonas, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (310), Boats, Lake, High
Adventure, Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Moraine Trails Council – Camp Agawan

Contact: 830 Morton Court
Butler, PA 16001
Phone: (724) 787-6791
Website: www.morainetrails.org
Camp Location: New Castle, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (125), Pool, Boating,
Lake, High Adventure, Pirate Ship, Tent Camping, Activity
Field, Cabins, Castle

Moraine Trails Council – Camp Bucoco

Contact: 830 Morton Court
Butler, PA 16001
Phone: (724) 787-6791
Website: www.morainetrails.org
Camp Location: Slippery Rock, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (200), Pool (Heated),
Boating, Lake, High Adventure, Tent Camping, Activity
Field, Cabins, Environmental Center

Northeastern Pennsylvania Council – Camp Acahela

Contact: One Bob Mellow Drive
Moosic, PA 18507
Phone: (570) 207-1227
Website: www.nepabsa.org
Camp Location: Blakeslee, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (300), Pool, Lake, Tent
Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Northeastern Pennsylvania Council – Camp Goose Pond

Contact: One Bob Mellow Drive
Moosic, PA 18507
Phone: (570) 207-1227
Website: www.nepabsa.org
Camp Location: Lake Ariel, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (280), Mountain Biking,
Climbing, COPE, Lake, High Adventure, Water Skiing,
Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins, Treks

Penn's Woods Council – Camp Anderson

Contact: PO Box 332
Johnstown, PA 15907
Phone: (814) 288-0162
Website: www.pcwbsa.org
Camp Location: Tyrone, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall, High Adventure, Tent
Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Penn's Woods Council – Camp Seph Mack

Contact: PO Box 332
Johnstown, PA 15907
Phone: (814) 288-0162
Website: www.pcwbsa.org
Camp Location: Penn Run, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (280), Mountain Biking,
Climbing, COPE, Boating, Lake, Tent Camping, Activity
Field, Trek

Pennsylvania Dutch Council – Camp Bashore

Contact: 630 Janet Ave
Lancaster, PA 17601
Phone: (717) 394-4063
Website: www.padutchbsa.org
Camp Location: Licksdale, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (350), Mountain Biking,
Boating, Lake, Cross County Skiing, Tent Camping,
Activity Field, Cabins, Horses

Pennsylvania Dutch Council – J. Edward Mack Scout Reservation

Contact: 630 Janet Ave
Lancaster, PA 17601
Phone: (717) 394-4063
Website: www.padutchbsa.org
Camp Location: Newmanstown, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (275), Mountain Biking,
COPE, Boating, Lake, Cross County Skiing, Tent
Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Susquehanna Council – Camp Karoondinha

Contact: 815 Northway Rd
Williamsport, PA 177001
Phone: (570) 326-7339
Website:
Camp Location: Millmont, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (300), COPE, Pool,
Boating, Lake, Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Westmoreland Fayette Council – Camp Conestoga and Buck Run

Contact: 2 Garden Center Drive
Greensburg, PA 15601
Phone: (724) 832-8780
Website: www.wfbsa.org
Camp Location: Greensburg, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall, COPE, Pool, Boating,
Lake, High Adventure, Tent Camping, Activity Field,
Treks

Westmoreland Fayette Council – Camp Tenacharison

Contact: 2 Garden Center Drive
Greensburg, PA 15601
Phone: (724) 832-8780
Website: www.wfbsa.org
Camp Location: Smithton, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Tent Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

York Adams Area Council – Camp Tuckahoe

Contact: 2139 White Street
York, PA 17404
Phone: (717) 843-0901
Website: www.yaac-bsa.org
Camp Location: Dillsburg, PA
Facilities: Weekend Camping, Dining Hall (500), Mountain Biking,
COPE, Pool, Boating, Lake, Cross County Skiing, Tent
Camping, Activity Field, Cabins

Canoe Trips

All information about Canoeing in Pennsylvania is taken from the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. For more information or to plan a canoe trip, log onto www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/recreation/canoeing.aspx.

Clear Creek: 10 Miles

Home of the Clarion River, the Clear Creek trip lasts about 4.5 hours and is a “C” class waterway with an average downward flow of 4 miles per hour. A launch area is available near the cabin area.

Cook Forest: 10 Miles

The Clarion River is a “C” class waterway that is an excellent trip during the spring and fall seasons. The trip lasts about 4.5 hours (from Clear Creek to Cook Forest State Park). A canoe launching area is available near the cabin area.

Delaware Canal:

Enjoy great views of the wildlife, River Islands, and Nockamixon Cliffs on this trip along the PA and NJ borders. The Delaware River and Canal feature many different species of fish.

Ohiopyle:

This trip features class I and II rapids which are ideal for beginning kayakers and experience canoers. The trip begins near Confluence and ends near Ohiopyle.

Oil Creek:

Classified as a beginner’s creek in normal conditions this creek can change rapidly so canoesits should call the park office for the current water conditions. The canoeing season is from March to June.

Swatara:

Swatara Creek is a popular area for canoeing in the spring. There are several locations of easy access to the creek for put-in and take-out of boats.

Tyler:

Neshaminy Creek offers calm, easy boating upstream from the canoe rental. The canoe rental operates daily from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day, weather permitting.

Warriors Path:

A boat ramp for canoes, rafts and small boats is available as a take out or launch site for floating the Raystown Branch of the Juniata River. Boating or rafting can be enjoyed during the spring or late fall. The water level of the river is usually too shallow for summer boating.

Backpacking and Hiking

Outside Pennsylvania:

Appalachian Trail

Contact: Appalachian Trail Conservancy
799 Washington Street
PO Box 807
Harpers Ferry, WV 25425

Phone: (304) 535-6331

Website: www.appalachiantrail.org/

Distance: 2168 Miles stretching over 14 states

Information: This legendary foot trail stretches across fourteen states and passes through many state and national parks as well as wilderness areas. The length of the trail allows backpackers to choose the pace and terrain that best suits them.

Douthat State Park

Contact: Douthat State Park
14239 Douthat State Park Road
Millboro, VA 24460

Phone: (540) 862-8100

Website: www.dcr.virginia.gov/state_parks/dou.shtml

Distance: Over 40 Wooded Trails

Information: There are many branches and small trails connecting with the main route. There are also self guided bike trails that are open year round. Difficulty ranges from easy to hard.

Chesapeake and Ohio Canal

Contact: C&O Canal NHP Headquarters
1850 Dual Highway, Suite 100
Hagerstown, MD 21740

Phone: (301) 739-4200

Website: www.nps.gov/choh/

Distance: 184 Miles covering 2 states and Washington DC

Information: The trail runs along the east Potomac River and is ideal for hiking, biking, and horseback riding. A 21 mile stretch (Washington DC to Cumberland, MD) has been restored to appear as it did when the canal was functioning. In this area, there are activities such as boating, canoeing, and ice skating. Every two to five miles, there is a “hiker-biker overnight” where water, restrooms, and campsites are available.

Inside Pennsylvania:

Taken from the Pennsylvania State Parks: 20 Must See Parks. For more information log onto <http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/twenty/20parks.aspx>.

Black Moshannon:

Contact: Black Moshannon State Park
4216 Beaver Rd
Philipsburg, PA 16866

Phone: (814) 342-5960

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/blackmoshannon.aspx

Information: Features Black Moshannon Bog Natural Area. Trails help people explore the area. Overnight accommodations are available.

Canoe Creek:

Contact: Canoe Creek State Park
RR 2 Box 560
Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

Phone: (814) 695-6807

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/canoecreek.aspx

Information: This 155-acre lake is a favorite amongst anglers. The park has the largest bat colony in PA.

Cherry Springs:

Contact: Cherry Springs State Park
c/o Lyman Run
Galeton, PA 16922

Phone: (814) 435-5010

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/cherrysprings.aspx

Information: Cherry Springs features the darkest skies at night in the East Coast due to its remote location. The park features camping and picnicking.

Cook Forest:

Contact: Cook Forest State Park
PO Box 120
Cooksburg, PA 16217

Phone: (814) 744-8407

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/cookforest.aspx

Information: Called "Forest Cathedral," the park is a National Natural Landmark. The park features trees that are over 300 years old.

Delaware Canal:

Contact: Delaware Canal State Park
11 Lodi Hill Road
Upper Black Eddy, PA 18972

Phone: (610) 982-5560

Website:
www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/delawarecanal.aspx

Information: The park contains an historic canal and towpath and many miles of river shoreline. The canal is a National Historic Landmark

Greenwood Furnace

Contact: Greenwood Furnace State Park
15795 Greenwood Road
Huntingdon, PA 16652

Phone (814) 667-1880

Website:
www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/greenwoodfurnace.aspx

Information: Located in Huntingdon County, Greenwood Furnace is the largest collection of historic ironmaking community buildings.

Hickory Run:

Contact: Hickory Run State Park
RR 1 Box 81
White Haven, PA 18661

Phone: (570) 443-0400

Website:
www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/hickoryrun.aspx

Information: Boulder Field is a National Natural Landmark that features over 40 miles of hiking trails, 3 state park natural areas and miles of trout streams.

Hyner View:

Contact: Hyner View State Park
c/o Hyner Run
Hyner, PA 17738

Phone: (570) 923-6000

Website:
www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/hynerview.aspx

Information: The park has a spectacular view overlooking the West Branch of the Susquehanna River.

Jennings Environmental Education Center:

Contact: Jennings Environmental Education Center
2951 Prospect Rd.
Slippery Rock, PA 16057
Phone: (724) 794-6011

Website:
www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/jennings.aspx

Information: Known has a relict prairie and home to the prairie flower, the blazing star. This ecosystem is rare in PA. Visitors should try to visit in July or August when the prairie is in full bloom.

Kinzua Bridge:

Contact: Kinzua Bridge State Park
c/o Bendigo
Johnstown, PA 15845

Phone: (814) 965-2646

Website:
www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/kinzuabridge.aspx

Information: Once the worlds highest and longest railroad bridge at 301 ft tall and 2,053 ft long, this bridge was placed on National Register of Historic Places and is a National Engineering Landmark.

Leonard Harrison:

Contact: Leonard Harrison State Park
4797 Route 660
Wellsboro, PA 16901
Phone: (570) 724-3061

Website:
www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/leonardharrison.aspx

Information: The park along with the Colton Point State Park offer spectacular views of Pine Creek Gorge (PA's Grand Canyon). The Pine Creek Trail runs through the bottom of the gorge and provides great bicycling.

McConnells Mill:

Contact: McConnells Mill State Park
RR 2 Box 16
Portersville, PA 16051
Phone: (724) 368-8091

Website:
www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/mcconnellsmill.aspx

Information: A gorge that was craved by several glacial lakes and a National Natural Landmark. Tour the rolling gristmill or covered bridge. Also features hiking, whitewater boating.

Ohiopyle:

Contact: Ohiopyle State Park
PO Box 105
Ohiopyle, PA 15470

Phone: (724) 329-8591

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/ohiopyle.aspx

Information: Ohiopyle Falls provides some of the best whitewater boating in the Eastern US. Visitors can hike and bike along the 28-mile Youghiogheny River Trail that is a National Nature Landmark.

Oil Creek:

Contact: Oil Creek State Park
305 State Park Road
Oil City, PA 16301

Phone: (814) 676-5915

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/oilcreek.aspx

Information: Birthplace to the oil industry, the park features deep hollows, steep hills, wetlands, and creek. The sites can be toured by traveling the 9.5-mile trails or an excursion trail.

Presque Isle:

Contact: Presque Isle State Park
301 Peninsula Drive, Suite 1
Erie, PA 16505

Phone: (814) 833-7424

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/presqueisle.aspx

Information: A National Natural Landmark, the isle is the only surf beach in PA located on Lake Erie.

Pymatuning:

Contact: Pymatuning State Park
2660 Williamsfield Rd
Jamestown, PA 16134

Phone: (724) 932-3141

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/pymatuning.aspx

Information: One of the largest state parks in PA, the lake offers great fishing. Many attractions are located nearby to offer different exhibits.

Raccoon Creek:

Contact: Raccoon Creek State Park
3000 State Route 18
Hookstown, PA 15050

Phone: (724) 899-2200

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/raccooncreek.aspx

Information: One of the largest parks in PA, the park is a wildflower preserve that offers a 100-acre lake for fishing, and boating.

Ricketts Glen:

Contact: Ricketts Glen State Park
695 State Route 487
Benton, PA 17814

Phone: (570) 477-5675

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/rickettsglen.aspx

Information: A National Natural Landmark that features over 22 named waterfalls with the highest one being the Ganoga Falls (94-ft).

Trough Creek:

Contact: Trough Creek State Park
RR 1 Box 211
James Creek, PA 16657

Phone: (814) 658-3847

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/troughcreek.aspx

Information: This creek empties into Raystown Lake. Incredible hiking trails, and Balanced Rock is a geologic wonder.

Worlds End:

Contact: Worlds End State Park
PO Box 62
Forksville, PA 18616

Phone: (570) 924-3287

Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/worldsend.aspx

Information: Camping, cabins, and hiking on the Loyalsock Trail bring many visitors to the park. Spectacular scenery, fall foliage, and outstanding views are just some of the things this park offers.

High Adventure Bases

Florida National High Adventure Sea Base

Contact: Florida National High Adventure Sea Base
PO Box 1906
Islamorada, FL 33036

Phone: (305) 664-4173

Website: www.bsaseabase.org/index2.html

Information: This year-round base centers on the ocean. Just a few of the activities to enjoy here are scuba diving, small boat sailing, and motor boating. There are opportunities to explore corral reefs and other underwater wonders also. You will learn the ways of the sea from experienced captains and instructors.

Philmont Scout Ranch:

Contact: Philmont Scout Ranch
Attn: CHQ
17 Deer Run Rd
Cimarron, NM 87714

Phone: (505) 376-2281

Website: www.scouting.org/philmont/

Information: This magnificent 137,493-acre spread set in the peaks and valleys of the Sangre de Cristo mountain range. It offers a wide variety of terrain for backpacking or horseback treks. More than twenty staffed camps make available activities such as rock climbing, gold panning, fly fishing, burro racing, and black powder rifle shooting happen here.

Northern Tier National High Adventure

Contact: Northern Tier National High Adventure, BSA
14798 Moose Lake Rd
PO Box 509
Ely, MN 55731

Phone: (218) 365-4811

Website: www.ntier.org/

Information: Available at both Northern Tier and Maine, this program hones winter camping skills. Activities like cross county skiing, igloo building, tracking, and ice fishing characterize this program.

National Parks

Pennsylvania

The information is provided by the National Park Service. For more information or for more parks in Pennsylvania, log onto www.nps.gov/state/pa/.

Valley Forge:

Contact: Valley Forge National Park
1400 North Outer Line Drive
King of Prussia, PA 19406

Phone: (610) 783-1077

Website: www.nps.gov/vafo/

Information: Valley Forge was the camp of the Continental Army of the USA under command of Gen Washington for 6 months; it is a few miles from Philadelphia

Flight 93 Memorial:

Contact: Flight 93 Memorial Park
109 West Main Street
Suite 104
Somerset, PA 15501

Phone: (814) 443-4557

Website: www.nps.gov/flni/

Information: This park is in honor of the passengers and crew of Flight 93. These individuals gave their lives by thwarting a planned attack on Washington, DC. The Flight 93 National Memorial is a permanent memorial to the heroes on that plane.

Washington, D.C.

The information is provided by the National Park Service. For more information or for more parks in Washington, D.C., log onto www.nps.gov/state/dc/.

Ford's Theatre

Contact: National Mall and Memorial Parks
900 Ohio Drive SW
Washington, DC 20024

Phone: (202) 426-6841

Website: www.nps.gov/foth/

Information: Just days after Gen Lee's surrender, President Lincoln was assassinated in Ford's Theatre by John Wilkes Booth. The theatre now serves as a national park preserving the life of President Lincoln.

Maryland

The information is provided by the National Park Service. For more information or for more parks in Maryland, log onto www.nps.gov/state/md/.

Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine:

Contact: Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine
2400 East Fort Ave
Baltimore, MD 21230

Phone: (410) 962-4290

Website: www.nps.gov/fomc/

Information: This is the site where the Battle of Baltimore took place during the War of 1812. Also it is where Francis Scott Key wrote the poem known now as “The Star-Spangled Banner”

Virginia

The information is provided by the National Park Service. For more information or for more parks in Virginia, log onto www.nps.gov/state/va/.

Historic Jamestowne:

Contact: Colonial National Historical Park
PO Box 210
Yorktown, VA 23690

Phone: (757) 898-2400

Website: www.nps.gov/jame/

Information: The first successful English colonization of North American began at Jamestown in 1619.

Yorktown Battlefield:

Contact: Colonial National Historical Park
PO Box 210
Yorktown, VA 23690

Phone: (757) 898-2410

Website: www.nps.gov/york/

Information: This battlefield secured the victory and independence of the US with the surrender of Gen Cornwallis to Gen Washington.

New York

The information is provided by the National Park Service. For more information or for more parks in New York, log onto www.nps.gov/state/ny/.

Federal Hall:

Contact: Federal Hall National Memorial
26 Wall Street
New York, NY 10005

Phone: (212) 825-6888

Website: www.nps.gov/feha/

Information: The birthplace of American politics: George Washington took the Oath of Office here; and site of the first Congress, Supreme Court, and Executive Branch. It now serves as a museum and memorial to the beginnings of the US.

National Forests

This list is compiled from the US Department of Agriculture: Forest Service. For More information or to find a National Forest, please log onto www.fs.fed.us/

Pennsylvania

Allegheny:

Contact:

Allegheny National Forest
222 Liberty St., PO Box 847
Warren, PA 16365

Phone:

(814) 723-5150

Website:

www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/allegheny/

Information:

In 1992, Congress designated 87 miles of the Allegheny River as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System to protect its natural, cultural and recreational features. This designation protects its free-flowing condition for the enjoyment of present and future generations. Beginning at the Kinzua dam, this prestigious river flows through areas of narrow forest valleys and broad rural landscapes. There are over one hundred undeveloped islands, including seven Wilderness Islands included in this stretch of river. The Clarion River has also been designated as wild and scenic.

West Virginia

Monongahela National Forest:

Contact:

Monongahela N.F. Supervisor's Office
200 Sycamore St
Elkins, SV 26241

Phone:

(304) 636-1800

Website:

www.fs.fed.us/r9/mnf/

Information:

In this 909,000-acre National Forest there is a National Recreation Area, 2 Wilderness Areas, and the National Radio Astronomy Observatory. There are 23 campgrounds, 17 picnic areas, and 500 plus miles of hiking trails. The extensive backwoods road and trail system is used for hiking, mountain biking, and horse riding. There are many miles of railroad grades that are a link in the recreation use of the Forest. The longest is the Glady to Durbin West Fork Railroad Trail, which is 23 miles long. Recreation ranges from self-reliant treks in the wildernesses and backcountry areas to the challenges of mountain climbing to traditional developed site camping.

New York

Finger Lakes National Forest:

Contact: Green Mtn and Finger Lakes National Forests
231 N Main St
Rutland, VT 05701

Phone: (802) 747-6700

Website: www.fs.fed.us/r9/gmfl/

Information: The Forest's scenic beauty along the ridges between Cayuga Lake and Seneca Lake offer unlimited recreation opportunities any season of the year. Whether you are a hiker, cross country skier, camper, fishing or hunting enthusiast, snowmobiler, horseback rider, mountain biker, or wildlife watcher, the Finger Lakes National Forest can provide the recreational experience you are seeking!

The Finger Lakes National Forest is a four-season recreation experience. The most popular season is autumn when the trees and pastures are ablaze with color. Autumn is also very popular for hunting in the woods and brush lands of the forest. Summer is popular for camping, hiking, horseback riding, bicycling, and fishing. Winter brings out cross country skiers, snowmobiles, and snowshoe enthusiasts. In spring, the Forest bursts forth from the grip of winter with emerging leaves on the trees, bird flyway activity, and numerous wildflowers that are visible along many of the Forest trails and pastures. The first fishing days are enjoyed by a lot of people. Mud season is usually short but intense. Going "off-road" and hiking on wet trails is not encouraged during this time.

Ohio

Wayne National Forest:

Contact: Wayne National Forest
Supervisor's Office and Athens Ranger District
13700 US Highway 33
Nelsonville, OH 45764

Phone: (740) 753-0101

Website: www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/

Information: Wayne National Forest is located in Southeastern Ohio. The forest, which is 833,990-acres, provides opportunities for hiking, horseback riding, mountain hiking, hunting, nature study, camping, picnicking, and scenic drives. Lakes Vesuvius and Timbre Ridge provide primitive boat access. Fishing for panfish, catfish, and bass is permitted throughout the forest's waterway and lakes.

Pennsylvania State Parks

Information from this was provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Natural Resources. www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/

Bald Eagle State Park:

Contact: Bald Eagle State Park
149 Main Park Rd
Howard, PA 16841
Phone: (814) 625-2775
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/baldeagle.aspx
Facilities: Boating, Marina, Fishing, Picnicking, Swimming, Hunting, Hiking, Camping, Ice Fishing, Sledding, Ice Skating, Cross County Skiing

Big Pocono State Park:

Contact: Big Pocono State Park
c/o Tobyhanna
Tobyhanna, PA 18466
Phone: (570) 894-8336
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/bigpocono.aspx
Facilities: Picnicking, Hiking, Horseback Riding, Hunting, Skiing

Big Spring State Park:

Contact: Big Spring State Park
c/o Forest District #3
RR 1, Box 486
Blain, PA 17006
Phone: (717) 536-3191
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/bigspring.aspx
Facilities: Picnicking, Camping, Hiking, Snowmobiling

Clear Creek State Park:

Contact: Clear Creek State Park
38 Clear Creek State Park Rd
Sigel, PA 15860
Phone: (814) 752-2368
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/clearcreek.aspx
Facilities: Cabins, Camping, Canoeing, Hunting, Swimming, Picnicking, Fishing, Sledding, Cross Country Skiing

French Creek State Park

Contact: French Creek State Park
843 Park Rd
Elverson, PA 19520
Phone: (610) 582-9680
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/frenchcreek.aspx
Facilities: Fishing, Boating, Swimming, Picnicking, Disc Golf,
Orienteering, Hunting, Trails, Horseback Riding, Trail
Biking, Camping, Cabins

Gifford Pinchot State Park:

Contact: Gifford Pinchot State Park
2200 Rosstown Rd
Lewisberry, PA 17339
Phone: (717) 292-4112
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/giffordpinchot.aspx
Facilities: Boating, Trails, Hunting, Swimming, Picnicking,
Horseback Riding, Fishing, Disc Golf, Biking, Camping,
Cabins, Ice Fishing, Ice Skating and Boating, Cross
Country Skiing

Laurel Mountain State Park:

Contact: Laurel Mountain State Park
c/o Linn Run
Rector, PA 15677
Phone: (724) 238-6623
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/laurelmountain.aspx
Facilities:

Poe Paddy State Park:

Contact: Poe Paddy State Park
c/o Reeds Gap
Milroy, PA 17063
Phone: (717) 667-3622
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/poepaddy.aspx
Facilities: Camping, Fishing, Picnicking, Hiking, Snowmobiling

Poe Valley State Park:

Contact: Poe Paddy State Park
c/o Reeds Gap
Milroy, PA 17063
Phone: (717) 667-3622
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/poevalley.aspx
Facilities: Boating, Fishing, Swimming, Picnicking, Hunting,
Camping, Hiking, Cross County Skiing, Ice Sports,
Snowmobiling

Prince Gallitzin State Park:

Contact: Prince Gallitzin State Park
966 Marina Rd
Patton, PA 16668
Phone: (814) 674-1000
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/princegallitzin.aspx
Facilities: Boating, Hunting, Picnicking, Bridle Trail, Mountain Biking, Fishing, Swimming, Camping, Cabins, Cross Country Skiing, Iceboating

Reeds Gap State Park:

Contact: Reeds Gap State Park
1405 New Lancaster Valley Road
Milroy, PA 17063
Phone: (717) 667-3622
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/reedsgap.aspx
Facilities: Fishing, Swimming, Camping, Hiking, Cross County Skiing, Hunting, Picnicking

Shawnee State Park:

Contact: Shawnee State Park
132 State Park Rd
Schellsburg, PA 15559
Phone: (814) 733-4218
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/shawnee.aspx
Facilities: Camping, Cabins, Hiking, Bicycling, Picnicking, Fishing, Hunting, Boating, Swimming, Snowmobiling, Sledding, Ice Fishing, Ice Skating

Warriors Path State Park:

Contact: Warriors Path State Park
c/o Trough Creek
James Creek, PA 16657
Phone: (814) 658-3847
Website: www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/warriorspath.aspx
Facilities: Boating, Cross County Skiing, Fishing, Picnicking, Hiking, Hunting

Miscellaneous Attractions

Hershey Park:

Contact: Hershey Park
100 W. Hersheypark Drive
Hershey, PA 17033

Phone: 1-800-HERSHEY

Website: www.hersheypa.com/

Information: Spend all day here riding rides, or enjoying the many shows and shops. There is also a tour of the chocolate plant, which takes you through the production procedure. Group rates are available. Hershey Highmeadow Camp offers camping sites nearby.

Seven Springs Ski Resort:

Contact: Seven Springs Mountain Resort
777 Waterwheel Dr
Seven Springs, PA 15622

Phone: (814) 352-7777

Website: www.7springs.com/

Information: Seven Springs offers plenty of things to do from concerts, camping, fishing, hiking, biking, horseback riding, campfires and picnics, and swimming, to numerous things indoors to do as well.

Lake Raystown Resort:

Contact: Lake Raystown Resort
100 Chipmunk Crossing
Enriken, PA 16638

Phone: (814) 658-3500

Website: www.raystownresort.com/

Information: There are a variety of things to do here from fishing, boating, water skiing, biking and mopeds, water slides, swimming, and camping.

Blue Knob Ski Resort:

Contact: Blue Knob All Seasons Resort
Overland Pass
PO Box 247
Claysburg, PA 16625

Phone: (800) 458-3403

Website: www.blueknob.com/

Information: Blue Knob is Pennsylvania's Highest Skiable Mountain that offers a ski school, 18 trails and slopes, food and lodging, day and night skiing, and three types of slopes. Rates are reasonable and equipment is available for rent.

Pennsylvania State Capitol

Contact: PA State Capitol
3rd Street, Capitol Hill
Harrisburg, PA 17125

Phone: (800) 868-7672

Website: www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/toursWelcome.cfm

Information: This magnificent 475-room building is set in a 13-acre park. Dominating Harrisburg's skyline, is the Capitol Dome, which was designed after the Cathedral of Saint Rome.

Philadelphia Zoo:

Contact: Philadelphia Zoo
3400 West Girard Ave
Philadelphia, PA 19104

Phone: (215) 243-1100

Website: www.philadelphiazoo.org/

Information: America's first zoo, it features ten animal building; habitat exhibits; over 1,600 birds, mammals, and reptiles; and is a 42-acre garden setting with free parking, refreshments, and souvenirs.

Pittsburg Zoo and PPG Aquarium:

Contact: Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium
One Wild Place
Pittsburgh, PA 15206

Phone: (412) 665-3640

Website: www.zoo.pgh.pa.us/

Information: Located 5 miles from downtown Pittsburgh, the zoo is an 77-acre facility that has 64 Species Survival Plans and has 72 threatened or endangered species.

Historic Philadelphia:

Contact: Independence Hall Association
2022 Waverly Street
Philadelphia, PA 19146

Phone:

Website: www.ushistory.org/tour/index.html

Information: Tour the historic downtown Philadelphia Tour features the Federal Reserve Bank, First Bank of the US, Liberty Bell, President's House, Signers Park, and so much more.

