**North Carolina State Parks**

**GPS**: 35.096000, -82.951000

**Park Information**

North Carolina State Parks are open every day, with the exception of Christmas Day. Park hours vary with the seasons. Please visit the North Carolina State Park website or contact the park office for the most current information about seasonal hours, activities, alerts, camping fees, programs, rules, and weather.

**Contact Information**

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**Rules & Regulations**

- Make your visit a safe and rewarding experience. Some of our regulations are posted for the protection of our visitors and our park. A complete list is available at the park office.
- The removal or destruction of any plant, animal, artifact, rock, or mineral is prohibited.
- Hunting and trapping are not permitted.
- N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission boating and fishing regulations are enforced.
- Fireworks are not permitted.
- All firearms and weapons are prohibited in visitor centers and park offices.
- Camping and fires are allowed in designated areas by permit only.
- The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
- Swimming is permitted in designated areas only.
- Pets must be on an attended leash no longer than six feet.
- Horses and mountain bikes are permitted on designated trails only.
- Unlicensed motor vehicles are prohibited.
- Please stay on designated trails. Many rare plants live on thin soils and wet rocks, and they are vulnerable to damage from climbing, trampling, and scraping.
- Allow plenty of time for a hike so you won’t be caught by darkness.
- Venomous snakes, ticks, and poisonous plants may be encountered in some areas. Be watchful and use caution. Remember that all plants and animals are protected.

Go to the visitor center or the Division’s website for a full listing of Rules and Regulations at www.ncparks.gov.