

Environmental Education

Virginia State Parks are premier environmental education sites. Schools, scouts, groups and individuals are encouraged to come learn more about their world. Backyard Classroom programs, incorporating Virginia's Standards of Learning, promote lifelong learning. They also help young people enjoy, appreciate and understand the outdoors.

Programs & Festivals

Master new outdoor cooking recipes. Pan for gold or tour a cave. Learn or improve outdoor skills. Enjoy a rangerled hike, eagle tour or owl prowl. Workshops and events are as diverse as the parks.

There's plenty of history, too. Immerse yourself in Colonial times, the Civil War or the Underground Railroad. When it comes to festivals, you'll find music, arts and crafts, local food and beverage, classic cars and more. Up-to-theminute, comprehensive information is available at www.virginiastateparks.gov.

Nature & History

All parks have trails, many with signs explaining the environment. Wander trails at First Landing through cypress swamps or hike Caledon's trails along ridges and ravines through rare oldgrowth forest. Overlooks at Hungry Mother, Grayson Highlands and Natural Tunnel offer a glimpse of powerful geological forces that shaped the land. See how rivers shaped some parks, such as Belle Isle, James River, Natural Bridge, Powhatan and Westmoreland.

Discounts

Virginia State Parks are affordable every day, but annual passes can save you money on parking, boat launching and swimming. The Customer Loyalty Program lets you earn points that can be redeemed for free or discounted overnight stays.

Park Accessibility

Virginia State Parks strive to make each park as barrier-free as

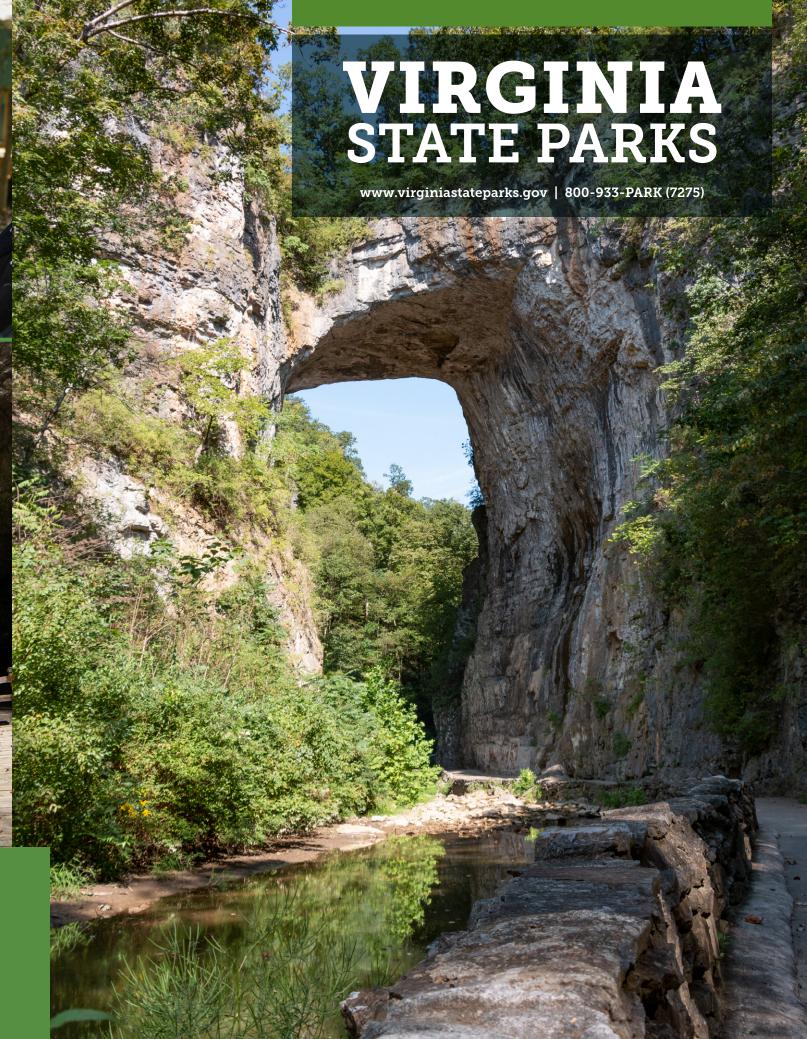


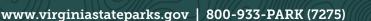


PARKS

Virginia Association for Parks







Offering experiences as diverse as the state's landscape itself, our 42 Virginia State Parks can be found along the Atlantic Ocean and Chesapeake Bay, on historic sites, in the Blue Ridge Mountains and just outside of major cities. With cabins, campsites and hundreds of miles of trails, our parks are perfect for a relaxing picnic or a two-week vacation. Connect with the natural wonder of our beautiful state with a quiet hike, a lively concert, or any one of the plentiful programs, events and activities. There's something for everyone at Virginia State Parks.



play.

SHENANDOAH VALLEY

Seven Bends	540-328-0847	СТ		•	•			B/H	
Shenandoah River	540-622-6840	СТ		•				B/E/H	
Sky Meadows	540-592-3556			•				B/E/H/U	
VIRGINIA MOUNTAINS									
Douthat	540-862-8100	T	•	• FP		•	•	B/E/H	
Natural Bridge	540-291-1326				•			Н	
Smith Mountain Lake	540-297-6066	•	•	• FP		•	•	B/H	
NORTHERN VIRGINIA									
Lake Anna	540-854-5503	•		•		•	•	B/E/H/U	
Leesylvania	703-730-8205	•	•	• FP		•		H/U	
Mason Neck	703-339-2385	СТ	•	•	•	•		B/H/U	
Sweet Run	540-668-6230				•			E/H	
Widewater	540-288-1400	СТ		•	•	•		UD	
CHESAPEAKE BAY									
Belle Isle	804-462-5030	•	•	• FP		•		B/E/H/U	
Caledon	540-663-3861			•		•		B/H	
Machicomoco	804-642-2419	СТ		•				B/H	
Westmoreland	804-493-8821	•	•	• FP		•		B/H/U	
COASTAL									
Chippokes	757-294-3728			•		•		B/E/H/U	
False Cape	757-426-7128			•				B/H	
First Landing	757-412-2300	•		•		•	•	B/H/U	
York River	757-566-3036	•	•	• FP	•	•		B/E/H/U	
EASTERN SHORE									
Kiptopeke	757-331-2267	•	•	• FP		•	•	H/U/B	
CENTRAL VIRGINIA									
Bear Creek Lake	804-492-4410	T	•	•		•	•	B/E/H	
High Bridge Trail	434-315-0457				•			B/E/H/U	
Holliday Lake	434-248-6308	T	•	•		•	•	B/E/H	
James River	434-933-4355	•	•	•		•		B/E/H/U	
Pocahontas	804-796-4255	T	•	•		•	P	B/E/H/U	
Powhatan	804-598-7148	СТ		•		•		B/E/H	
Sailor's Creek Battlefield	804-561-7510				•			Н	
Twin Lakes (Cedar Crest Conference Center)	434-392-3435 434-767-2398	T	•	•		•	•	В/Н	

Boat Launch
Boat Rentals
Fishing
Day Use Only
Playgounds
Swimming

540-328-0847 CT • • R/H

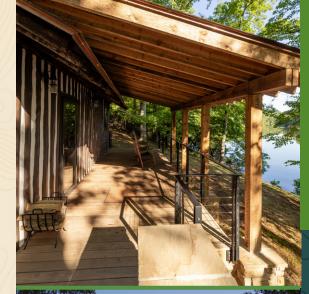


Claytor Lake	540-643-2500	•	•	• FP		•	•	B/H/		
Grayson Highlands	276-579-7092			•		•		B/E/		
Hungry Mother (Hemlock Haven Conference Center)	276-781-7400 276-781-7425	T	•	•		•	•	B/H/		
New River Trail	276-699-6778	СТ	•	•		•		B/E/H		
Shot Tower	276-699-6778				•					
SOUTHERN VIRGINIA										
Fairy Stone	276-930-2424	T	•	•		•	•	B/E/H		
Occoneechee	434-374-2210	•	•	•		•		B/E/		
Staunton River Battlefield	434-454-4312			•	•			B/H		
Staunton River	434-572-4623	•		•		•		B/E/		
HEART OF APPALACHIA										
Breaks Interstate*	276-865-4413	T	•	•		•	P	B/E/		
Clinch River	276-254-5487	СТ		•	•			B/I		
Natural Tunnel (Cove Ridge Conference Center)	276-940-2674 276-940-2696			•		•		B/H,		
Southwest Virginia Museum	276-523-1322							H/U		
Wilderness Road	276-445-3065					•		B/E/		

TABL	E LEGEND:	* Not manage	* Not managed by DCR's Virginia State Parks						
В	Biking								
CT	Car-top Boat Launch		★ SWEET						
E	Equestrian		RUN						
FP	Fishing Pier								
H	Hiking	SKY	MASON						
P	Pool Swimming	MEADO	NECK						
T	Electric Motors Only	SHENANDOAH							
U	Universally Accessible	RIVER	66						
UD	Under Development								
		SEVEN BENDS	LEESYLVANIA						
		81	WIDEWATER						



Boat Launch Boat Remals Fishing Day Use Only Playgrounds Swimming





With lodges, cabins, yurts and campsites, the fun doesn't end at sundown. Many cabins are available year-round, and most campgrounds are open from the first Friday in March to the first Monday in December. Primitive campsites are available year-round.

Many parks offer overnight facilities suitable for reunions, weddings and special events. Some parks even have equestrian campsites.

Shenandoah River	•	•	•	•	•	up to 60 ′	HI, CI	
Sky Meadows							HI	
Douthat	•	•			•	up to 50 ′		
Smith Mountain Lake	•				•	up to 50 ′		
Lake Anna	•	•	•	•	•	up to 60 ′		
Leesylvania							HI, CI	
Belle Isle		•			•	up to 45'	HI, CI	
Caledon							HI, CI	
Machicomoco			•		•	up to 50 ′	HI	
Westmoreland	•			•	•	up to 40 '	HI, CI	
Chippokes	•		•		•	up to 50 ′		
False Cape							HI	
First Landing	•		•		•	up to 50 ′		
Kiptopeke	•	•	•		•	up to 40 ′		
Bear Creek Lake	•	•			•	up to 35 ′		
Holliday Lake					•	up to 40 '		
James River	•	•			•	up to 40 ′	HI, CI	
Pocahontas	•	•	•	•	•	up to 65 ′		
Powhatan			•		•	up to 60 ′	HI, CI	
Twin Lakes	•	•			•	up to 36 ′		
Claytor Lake	•	•	•		•	up to 40 '		
Grayson Highlands			•		•	up to 50 ′		
Hungry Mother	•	•	•		•	up to 35 ′		
New River Trail							HI, CI	
Fairy Stone	•	•	•		•	up to 30 ′		
Occoneechee	•	•	•		•	up to 65 ′		
Staunton River	•				•	up to 45 ′		
Breaks Interstate	•		•		•			
Natural Tunnel	•	•	•		•	up to 50 ′		
Southwest Virginia Museum	•							
Wilderness Road							G	

PRIMITIVE CAMPING: HI - Hike-in, CI - Canoe-in, G - Group Camping by Permit

Cabins & Lodges

If you'd like a cozy cabin, you're in luck. Twentyone parks rent cabins. Cabin sizes and sleeping arrangements vary by park. All cabins have kitchens and bathrooms with a shower. They have rustic furniture, a microwave, a refrigerator, an oven and kitchen necessities. For larger groups and retreats, five and six-bedroom lodges are available. All cabins have fireplaces, except for cabins at Chippokes and the Martin Cottage at Twin Lakes. Cabins at Smith Mountain Lake have woodstoves.

Between Memorial Day and Labor Day, the standard cabin rental period is six nights. The required stay is four nights for a reservation made three months in advance and two nights one month in advance. At other times, there's a two-night minimum stay

Camping

Camping cabins do not include bathrooms or appliances. Guests use campground restrooms.

Developed and group campsites have picnic tables, grills and access to bathhouses. **Primitive** campsites generally have fire grills, picnic tables, vault toilets and non-potable water.

Campgrounds at Douthat, Hungry Mother, Pocahontas and Shenandoah River are open year-round.

Yurts

They're like cabins decks, doors, walls, floors, furniture and beds. But it's like camping ... there's no electricity, and they are in the campgrounds.



A yurt is a circular domed tent with a collapsible frame that in days past was covered by felt or skins. Our yurts are enveloped in canvas and built on a solid foundation.

So if you're in the mood for camping but not wild about setting up a tent or prefer "roughing it" just a little, consider renting a yurt.