



Hours of Operation

6 a.m. until 10 p.m.

Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park

600 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243
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Tennessee State Parks

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Annual Events

- June - Tennessee Statehood Day
- October - Tennessee History Festival

Nearby Attractions

- Nashville Farmers Market
- Sounds Baseball Stadium
- State Capitol Building
- Tennessee State Museum

Nearby State Parks

- Radnor Lake State Park
- Long Hunter State Park

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Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers and Friends assist in protecting, preserving and promoting the cultural and natural resources of their favorite state park, giving of their time and talents to ensure their park's integrity for future generations to enjoy. It's easy to show your support - join a Friends group or participate in one of the many volunteer opportunities we offer individuals, families and groups. To learn more about volunteer opportunities in your area, visit www.tnstateparks.com.



Directions:

The park is located north of the State Capitol, between James Robertson Parkway and Jefferson Street and between 6th and 7th Avenues.



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Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park

is located in the shadow of the State Capitol in downtown Nashville. The park gives visitors a taste of Tennessee's history, natural wonders and serves as a lasting monument to Tennessee's Bicentennial Celebration, held June 1, 1996. Throughout the park are several monuments representing various aspects of Tennessee's unique history, including a 200-foot granite map of the state, a World War II Memorial, a 95-bell carillon and the Pathway of History. The 11 planters along the Walkway of the Counties feature native plant species from different regions of the state.

Historical Significance

With the urban building boom in downtown Nashville during the late 1950s and early 1960s, the Tennessee State Capitol disappeared from site on the east, west and south sides. The northern side of the Capitol was not conducive to the construction of skyscrapers due to the swampy conditions that existed in many areas between the Capitol and the Cumberland River. Because of its natural attributes, the historic French Lick that attracted wildlife, Native Americans, trappers and settlers to what would become Nashville also preserved the remaining view of the Capitol and became the home of the Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park.

Splashpad

The park's 31 river fountains are a great way to escape the summer heat. They operate April thru October.



Museum

The park's visitor center maintains exhibits that interpret Tennessee historical events.

Restaurants

The Nashville Farmer's Market is located next to the park and is home to restaurants and shops with a wide variety of offerings and cuisines year-round.

Picnic Pavilion

Picnic tables are located under the train trestle and are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Restrooms are also available.

Hiking and Bike Trails

Ranger-led and self-guided tours are popular along the .90-mile Bicentennial Mall Trail. A two-page park map is available at the park office or online. Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park is linked with Metro Nashville's Greenway Trail System. Visitors may access the trail on the 6th Avenue side of the park. Nashville's Greenway Trail will take you south along the Cumberland River to Riverfront Park. You may access other parts of the Greenway Trail from there.

Planned Programs

A variety of programs and festivals are planned throughout the year. Rangers in historical period dress present programs to school and other tour groups.

Amphitheater

The park features a 2,000-seat amphitheater that provides dramatic views of the State Capitol building. The amphitheater was designed after the Greek theater at Epidaurus and may be reserved for a fee.

