



**CEDARS OF LEBANON STATE PARK** is located in Wilson County and is part of the Cedars of Lebanon State Forest. Over 1,139 acres in size, the park offers a variety of recreational and lodging opportunities and is a popular location for weddings and events. The park is noted for its ecologically significant limestone glade habitat. Nineteen rare and endemic species of wildflowers are found here.

**HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE**

High demand for cedar wood throughout the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, left the area now known as Cedars of Lebanon State Park and Forest nearly cleared of its timber. Following reforestation and development for jobs, recreation and timber by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) in the 1930s, this land now contains one of the largest public stands of eastern red cedar in the United States. Not true cedars, instead these trees are actually junipers, a close cousin. Early settlers associated these evergreens with the dense cedar forests depicted in the biblical lands of Lebanon and began calling them 'cedars.' The original park, completed in 1937, is now listed on the National Register of Historic Districts.



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**CABINS**

There are nine cabins sleeping up to six people. Each cabin has linens, a full kitchen, cable TV, air conditioning, a picnic table and grill and a gas fireplace.

**GROUP LODGE**

A large group lodge sleeps 80 people in two separate sleeping quarters. The facility includes a large kitchen, indoor meeting space, and an outdoor fire pit. Great for scout troops, family reunions, and retreats.

**MEETING AND EVENT SPACE**

The Assembly Hall, with its fireplace and stage, can accommodate up to 250 people. The Cedar Forest Lodge is a charming stone and wood building that is popular for weddings, and accommodates up to 75 people. The Juniper Gazebo accommodates approximately 30 to 40 guests.

**PLANNED PROGRAMS**

Seasonal Interpreters conduct daily programs throughout the summer including guided tours, campfire programs, owl prowls and wagon rides. A list of the weekly activities is posted at various locations throughout the park and at [tnstateparks.com](http://tnstateparks.com).

**HORSE STABLES**

The park offers more than 12 miles of riding trails. We currently do not have a vendor providing rides to the public.

**SPLASH PAD**

The park's newest feature is coming soon!

**GIFT SHOP**

A gift shop at the visitor center offers a variety of seasonal merchandise and limited-edition gifts.

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328 Cedar Forest Road  
Lebanon, TN 37090  
615-443-2769  
Reservations: 888-TN-PARKS (888-867-2757)

**HOURS OF OPERATION**

8:00 A.M. until 10:00 P.M.

**DIRECTIONS**

The park is located approximately 31 miles east of Nashville in Wilson County. It is six miles south of I-40 on U.S. Highway 231 (State Route 10).



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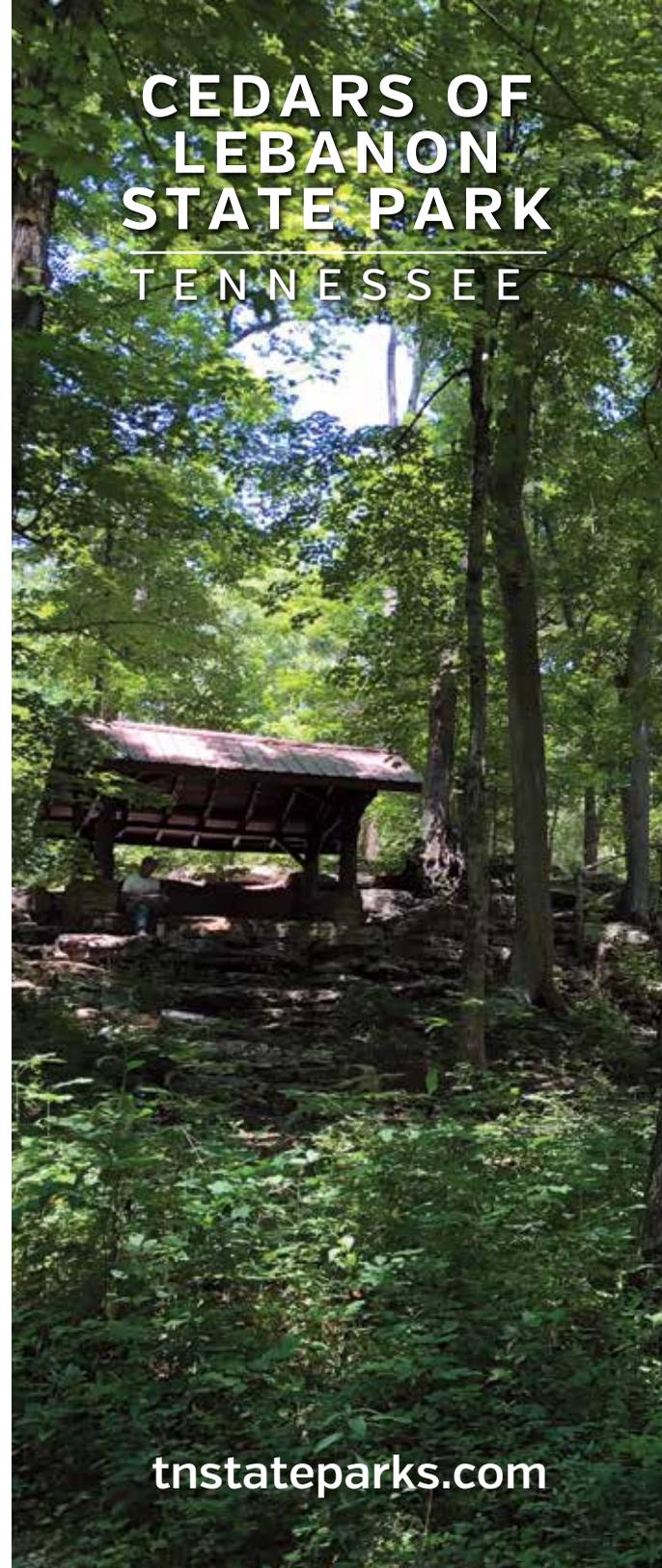


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### CAMPING

There are three camping areas for RVs and tents. Campsites have 20-, 30-amp electrical service. A few have 50-amp service. All have water, a fire ring, and a picnic area. There are three bathhouses and a dump station. A laundry and camp store are nearby.

### PICNIC PAVILIONS AND PLAYGROUNDS

There are 11 picnic pavilions for park guests. Three pavilions can be reserved, and the others are on a first come, first serve basis. Playgrounds and restrooms are located near each shelter area.

### HIKING

Ten miles of hiking trails meander through the forests and cedar glades. Trails range from easy to moderate and are open year-round. Trail maps are available in the park office.

### ANNUAL EVENTS

- May: Elsie Quarterman Wildflower Festival
- October: WPA Day (a historical festival featuring life during the 1930s)
- October: Chills and Thrills Halloween Festivities

### OTHER NEARBY STATE PARKS

- Long Hunter State Park: 18 miles
- Bledsoe Creek State Park: 28 miles



### NATURE CENTER

The nature center is open upon request and during the summer. Displays interpret the ecological and cultural significance of the park. The butterfly garden and Jackson Cave are located behind the nature center.

### DISC GOLF

There is an 18-hole short course landscaped through cedar woods with limestone karst topography. The throws are short but technical.

### GET INVOLVED

The Friends of Cedars of Lebanon State Park assist in protecting and preserving the cultural and natural resources of the park. By giving of their time and talents they help ensure their park's integrity for future generations to enjoy. It's easy to show your support—join the Friends group or participate in one of the many volunteer opportunities offered. Learn more at [friendsofcedars.com](http://friendsofcedars.com).

To learn more about volunteer opportunities in your area visit [www.tnstateparks.com](http://www.tnstateparks.com).

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