



### BOATING

The park rents fishing boats, rowboats, paddleboards, paddleboats, kayaks, and canoes for use on Byrd Lake. Personal rowboats, canoes and kayaks, and paddleboards may be launched for a small fee.

### HIKING

Fourteen miles of trail meander around the lake, and through the woods. Hikes range from easy to moderate day hikes, to overnight hiking adventures. Trail maps are available at the park office.

### FISHING

The 50-acre Byrd Lake is well known for its fishing. You may catch largemouth bass, catfish, crappie, shell cracker, and rainbow trout, stocked annually. The boat dock is open from May until October. A Tennessee fishing license is required and may be purchased locally.

### SWIMMING

An Olympic-sized pool features two diving boards, a swim lane, and a wading pool for children. Complete with dressing rooms, showers, lounging areas, and a snack bar, the pool is a favorite place for park guests. There is a small entry fee, and pool passes can be purchased online or at the park office.

### MOUNTAIN BIKING

Four miles of dedicated mountain bike trail contain technical features that will help beginners hone their skills and challenge more advanced riders. Helmets are required.



### PICNIC PAVILIONS/SHELTERS

Picnic tables, grills, water fountains, and restrooms are conveniently located throughout the park. There are four large pavilions; each may be reserved with a deposit up to a year in advance.

### GIFT SHOP

A gift shop inside the park restaurant offers clothing, walking sticks, and a wide variety of unique souvenirs and gift items. Gift items are also for sale in the park's visitor center and camp store.

### PLANNED PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Interpretive and recreational programs for all ages are scheduled weekly during summer months. Programs are provided for organized groups year-round upon request.

### AMPHITHEATER

The amphitheater, seating approximately 75, is behind the restaurant on the bank of Byrd Lake. During the summer it is used for weekly programs and special activities.

### ANNUAL EVENTS

- March: Kite Day
- April: Spring Rock Climbing Workshop
- April: Easter Egg Hunt
- April: Wildflower Photography Workshop
- May: Byrd Creek Trail Run
- June: Junior Ranger Camps
- June: Triathlon
- October: Women's Rock Climbing Workshop
- October: Trunk or Treat
- November: Beginning Backpacking Workshop
- December: Christmas on the Plateau

### NEARBY ATTRACTIONS

- Cumberland Homesteads Museum: one mile
- Cumberland County Playhouse, Crossville: six miles
- The Crabtree House/Living History Museum: one mile
- Ozone Falls State Natural Area: 12 miles

### OTHER NEARBY STATE PARKS

- Fall Creek Falls: 35 miles
- Rock Island: 44 miles
- Burgess Falls: 46 miles

### GET INVOLVED

Volunteers and the Friends of Cumberland Mountain State Park assist in protecting, preserving, and promoting the cultural and natural resources of Cumberland Mountain. They do this by giving of their time and talents to ensure the park's integrity for future generations to enjoy. It's easy to show your support—join the Friends of Cumberland Mountain at [cmspfriends.com](http://cmspfriends.com). To learn more about volunteer opportunities in your area, visit [tnstateparks.com/about/get-involved](http://tnstateparks.com/about/get-involved).

### CUMBERLAND MOUNTAIN STATE PARK

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### HOURS OF OPERATION

8:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. CT

### DIRECTIONS

Take I-40 East from Nashville to Exit 317. Travel south on U.S. Highway 127 for nine miles. Park entrance is on the right. From Knoxville, take Exit 322. The park is within six miles.



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## CUMBERLAND MOUNTAIN STATE PARK

Cumberland Mountain State Park is a 1,586-acre park situated on the sandstone tableland of the Cumberland Plateau. The biological diversity of the Cumberland Mountain area is remarkable, as the park contains every type of tree, shrub, and flower found on the Cumberland Plateau. A summer walk on the Byrd Lake Trail will testify to this claim. The park is home to typical Tennessee mammals such as deer, rabbit, squirrel, raccoon, skunk, and gray and red fox, as well as a variety of songbirds and waterfowl.

## HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

Land was acquired south of Crossville in 1934 as a project of the Farm Security Administration to provide a recreation area for some 250 families selected to homestead in the general area of Cumberland County. The Homestead Act was established by the Roosevelt Administration to aid in building a self-sustaining community and create further colonization in this then-sparsely populated part of the state. The Civilian Conservation Corps, the Works Projects Administration, and the American Friends Service Committee constructed the park, which opened in 1940. The park's architecture is unique. A local rock, Crab Orchard sandstone, was used to build many of the park's buildings. The Crab Orchard stone dam/bridge is the park's best-known landmark and is the largest masonry structure ever built by the CCC.

## CAMPING

The park has 145 campsites in five camping areas. Campsites have water and electrical hookups; 14 sites have sewer hookups. Each camping area has a heated bathhouse with hot showers. A camp store is open from May through October. An overnight backpacking campsite is available on the eight-mile backpacking trail. Online reservations are available.

## CABINS

The park has 37 cabins. Each cabin is fully equipped for housekeeping, including linens and cable TV. Many have fireplaces. Firewood is available during the winter months starting the first week in October through the end of April. The Mill House is the perfect retreat for six people. Located just below the park's dam, the sound of the falls flowing through the dam's arches creates a relaxing atmosphere during your stay. It is open year-round. The park has several cabins that accommodate pets. Online reservations are available.

## RECREATION HALL

The park recreation lodge offers 2,788 square feet of event space. The hall has a stage, fireplace, and restrooms, and the swimming pool is nearby. Capacity ranges from 150 to 225 people, making it ideal for weddings and reunions.

## MEETING ROOMS

The park restaurant has three meeting rooms with Wi-Fi for parties, banquets, and private events. Capacities range from 50 to 125 people. Accessible parking is available.

## RESTAURANT

The Homestead Harvest Restaurant seats 200 and is open all year except during the Christmas holiday. The restaurant features a beautiful view of the lake and dam and serves Southern cuisine in a comfortable atmosphere.

## GOLF COURSE

The Bear Trace at Cumberland Mountain is a beautifully-designed Jack Nicklaus 18-hole course. The snack bar, renowned for its hamburgers, is open to the public and is popular with locals as well as park guests.

