

Picnic Pavilions and Playgrounds

Picnic areas are equipped with tables and grills with playgrounds nearby. Two-picnic pavilions are available with tables, electricity and bathrooms. A large shelter may be reserved for a fee.



Annual Events

- March - Wildflower Guided Hikes
- October - Fall Color Cruises
- October - Pickin' in the Park
- December - Holiday Homecoming

Nearby Attractions

- Great Smoky Mountains National Park
- Big South Fork Recreation Area
- Cumberland Gap National Historic Park
- American Museum of Science and Energy
- - Oak Ridge

Nearby State Parks

- Justin P. Wilson Cumberland Trail State Park
www.cumberlandtrail.org
- Cove Lake State Park - 10 miles



We're Mobile!

The Tennessee State Parks Pocket Ranger app provides users access to all Tennessee State Parks, historic sites and campgrounds with detailed information, amenities, facility maps and directions. Visitors can plan a trip by searching for a park by GPS location or activity including hiking, camping, boating, birding and more. Once in the park, GPS and GIS mapping technology will allow you to track and record trails, mark waypoints, locate your friends within the parks and enjoy GeoChallenge activities and games. The app is available at the Apple app store and Google play.



Directions

From I-75, take exit 128 and go 2.5 miles south on Hwy. 441 to the entrance of the park.



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Hours of Operation

8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET Park Office
Park closes at 10 p.m.

Norris Dam 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.



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Norris Dam State Park

is located on the shores of Norris Lake and situated on 2,473 acres in the ridges and valleys of East Tennessee. In addition to the outstanding recreational activities, great emphasis is placed on conservation education and an appreciation of our historical and cultural treasures which include the Caleb Crosby Threshing Barn, 18th century Rice Grist Mill, the Lenoir Museum and the historic CCC Camp Kinchen. Interpretive panels and stone remains tell the story of this original CCC camp.

Historical significance

During construction of Norris Dam, TVA's first project, President Roosevelt sent workers known as the Civilian Conservation Corp (CCC) to create a recreational park. Many of the facilities that were constructed by the CCC during 1933 -1936 are still in use.

Museums

The park contains three interpretative facilities. The Lenoir Museum has a diverse collection of artifacts that depict the Appalachian way of life. The 18th Century Rice Gristmill, originally constructed in 1798 in Union County, was dismantled and rebuilt on Clear Creek in 1935 by TVA. The Caleb Crosby Threshing Barn was originally built on the Holston River in the 1830s and relocated to its present site in 1978. It displays old farm tools, plows and a horse drawn wagon.

Cabins

The park has 19 rustic cabins and 10 three bedroom deluxe cabins. Located in a quiet, wooded setting, cabins are completely equipped for housekeeping including electrical appliances, cooking utensils and linens. All cabins have fireplaces, outdoor picnic tables and grills and playgrounds and hiking trails nearby.



Camping

Norris has two camping areas with a total of 85 sites. Each have picnic tables, grills, 20/50 electrical amperage and water hookups. Modern bathhouses and dump stations are provided, and a laundromat is located near the park Village Green Complex adjacent to the pool and recreation center. The maximum stay limit is two weeks. A primitive camping area is available to scout and other youth groups by reservation only.

Boating/Marina

Located on the shores of Norris Lake, the park offers recreational boating, skiing and fishing. The fully equipped marina with boat ramp offers boat rentals including pontoon and house boats and provides guide service information.



Fishing

Norris Dam provides excellent opportunities for Largemouth, Spotted and Smallmouth Bass and is stocked annually with Walleye and Striped Bass. Immediately below Norris Dam there is a coldwater tailwater on the Clinch River. Wade fishing during non-generation periods is very productive for Rainbow, Brook and Brown Trout. Bigger trout are often taken by boat during power generation periods. Its trophy size rockfish and walleye fishing, bass, crappie, bluegill and catfish can also be found at Norris Lake.



Hiking

Approximately 21 miles of wooded trails located throughout the park provide spectacular views of Norris Lake and its surrounding hills and valleys.



Planned Programs

Planned interpretative activities such as lake cruises, nature hikes, historical tours and wildlife programs are offered throughout the year.



Meeting Rooms/Event Venue

Two rooms for gatherings are located on the west section of the park. Meeting Room A seats 12, while the larger Meeting Room B, which is located by the swimming pool, seats 75. These may be reserved for up to a year in advance. The Tea Room is also a popular venue for weddings, reunions and receptions. For more information including prices, please contact the park directly at 865-426-7461.

