



### Gift Shop

The visitor's center gift shop carries a variety of gifts and souvenirs.

### Nearby Attractions

- Davy Crockett Tavern, Morristown – 8 miles
- Great Smoky Mountains National Park – 45 miles

### We're Mobile!

The Tennessee State Parks Pocket Ranger app is available at the Apple app store and Google Play.



### Directions

From East on I-40 through Knoxville and take Exit 394 (hwy. 11 E North). This is about 35 miles from the park and Morristown. From South on I-75 take Exit 12 (Hwy 160). Travel North on 160 to Hwy 11E, turn right and then take Panther Creek Road on the left. The park is approximately 2.5 miles on the right. From Gatlinburg, get on I-40 East and take Exit 417 (Hwy. 92). Travel toward Jefferson City. At the light, turn right (Hwy. 11E North). Travel to Morristown and Panther Creek State Park.

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### Hours of Operation

Open 7 days a week  
8 a.m. – 6 p.m. April 1 – Oct. 31  
8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Nov. 1 – March 31

### Panther Creek State Park

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Morristown, TN 37814  
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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.

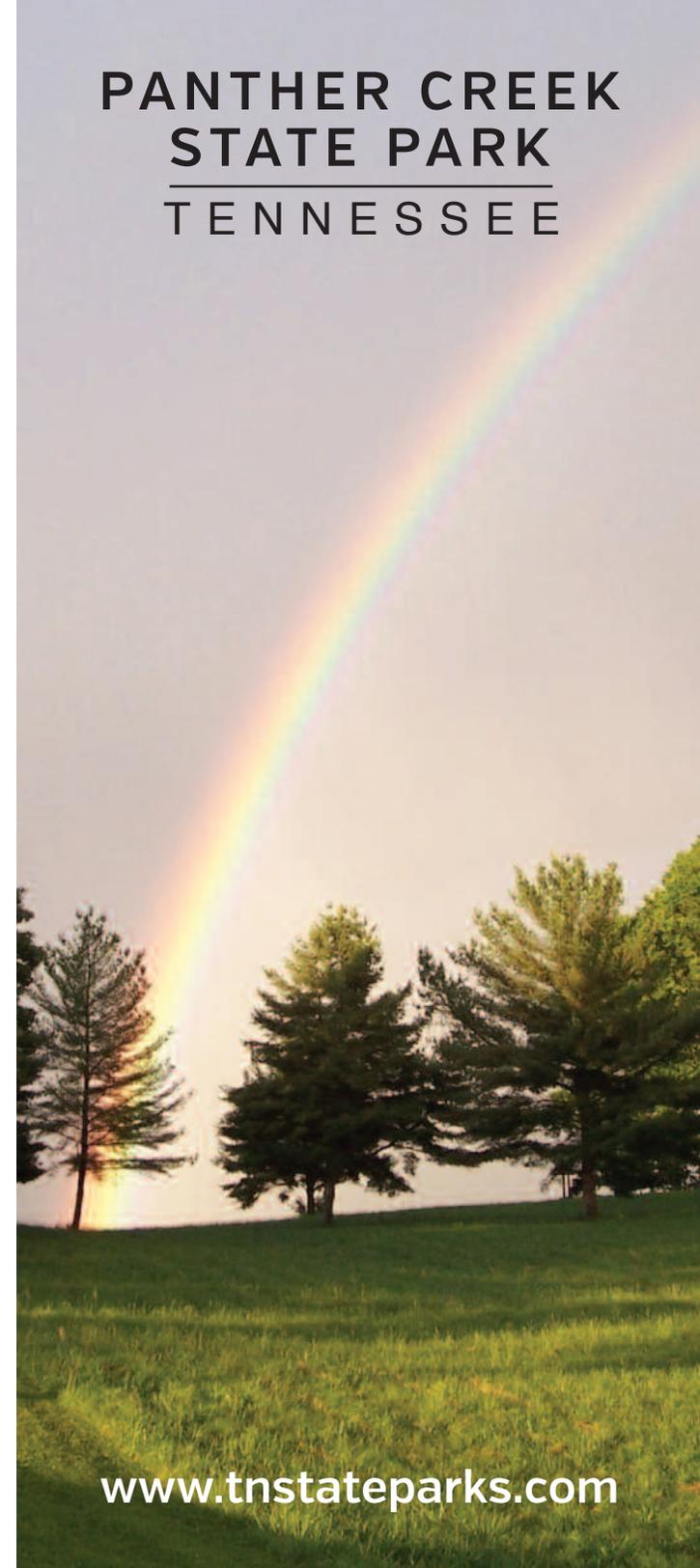


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# PANTHER CREEK STATE PARK TENNESSEE



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**Panther Creek State Park** covers 1,444 acres and is located on the shores of Cherokee Reservoir, six miles west of Morristown. The park offers a variety of recreational opportunities including: camping, fishing, boating, picnicking, swimming, hiking, biking and horseback riding.

### Historical Significance

The park is located in the Hamblen County community of Panther Springs, one of the oldest settlements in the county. Panther Springs, at one time, was the first stop on the stagecoach route out of Knoxville on the way to Abingdon, Virginia. Prior to this time, the Cherokee Indians were the most prominent Native American tribe in the area.

### Camping

Panther Creek has 50 campsites complete with water, electrical hookups, grills, picnic tables, fire rings and two bathhouses. A laundry and dump stations are also available. The campground and facilities are open year-round. Maximum stay is two weeks. Campsites may be reserved online or by calling the park.

### Swimming

The swimming pool opens Memorial Day weekend and closes mid-August. Lifeguards are on duty during pool hours. There is a small fee and camping guests pay half price admission.

### Hiking

Panther Creek has more than 30 miles of trails ranging from moderate to difficult. Visitors are encouraged to Leave No Trace when using our trails. Hikers can enjoy a magnificent view of Cherokee Lake and the Cumberland Mountains from the Point Lookout Trail, which reaches 1,460 feet above sea level.

### Boating/Fishing

Cherokee Lake is a beautiful lake for boating and fishing. The park provides a boat ramp for visitors to launch from mid-April to late September. Cherokee Lake offers year-round catches of bass, crappie, bluegill, catfish and bream.



### Horse Trails

The park has more than 10 miles of scenic horse trails for the equestrian rider. A horse trailer parking area is located just past the boat ramp. All riders must have proof of Coggins papers on them at all times.

### Biking

Panther Creek has more than 10 miles of mountain biking trails ranging from easy to difficult. The Trout Lily Trail is a jewel among mountain bikers. It is a two mile loop developed by the Appalachian Mountain Bike Club and is for experienced riders.



### Picnic Pavilions and Playgrounds

Three picnic pavilions may be reserved up to one year in advance. Capacity ranges from 12 to 80 people. Two pavilions have grills. Reservations may be made online or by calling the park.

### Planned Programs

Visitors can enjoy a variety of recreational and educational programs year-round. During the summer, a seasonal interpretive ranger provides interpretive programs and activities including nature hikes, environmental education activities and canoeing.

