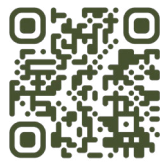


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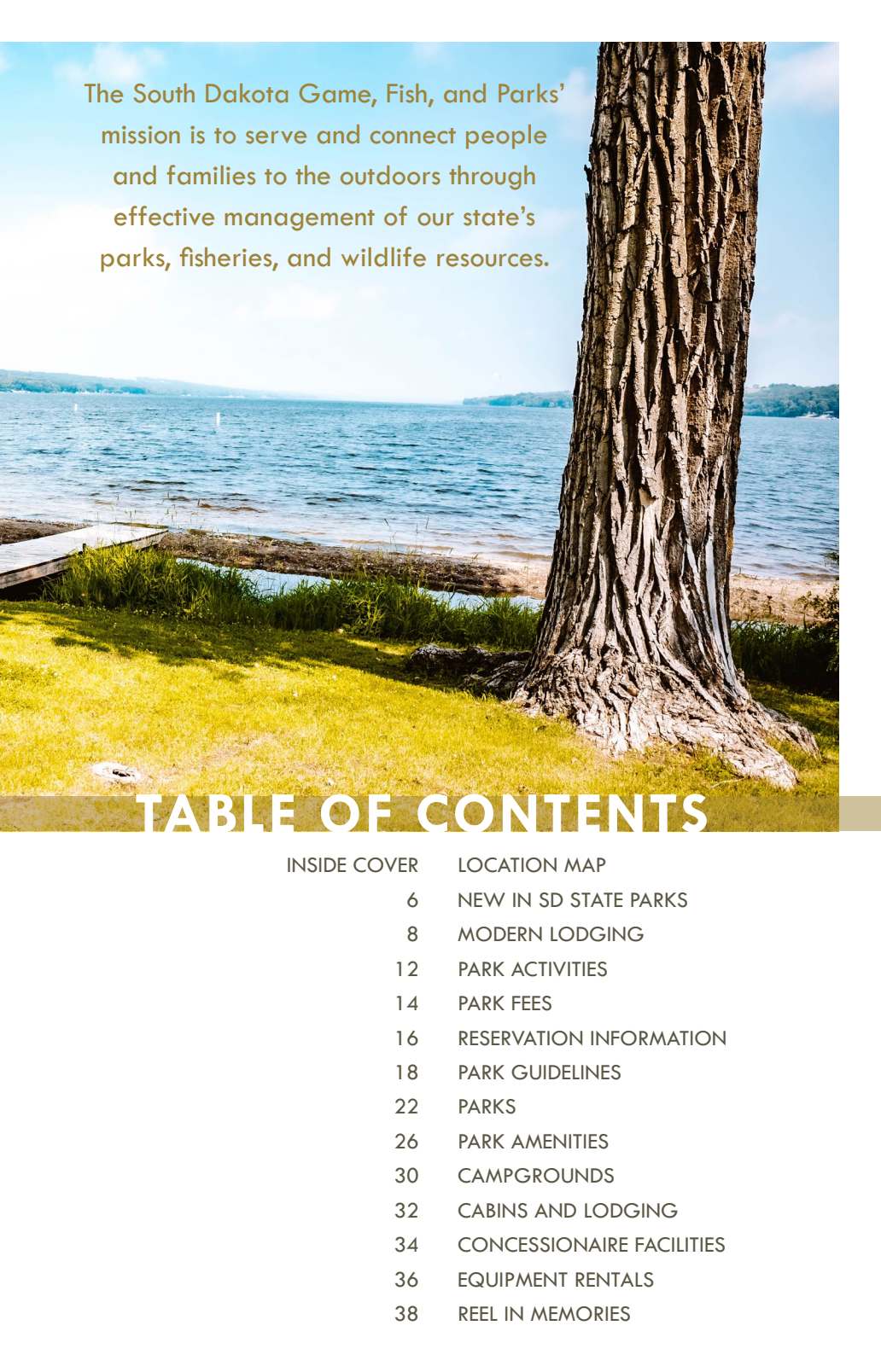
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NEW IN OUR STATE PARKS

PALISADES STATE PARK EXPANSION

In 2019, Palisades was gifted 278 acres from the South Dakota Parks and Wildlife Foundation. Since then, the park has been designing and constructing the property to allow for additional public use. The expansion will be available in 2024 and includes 76 campsites, 2 picnic shelters, a playground, a new welcome center, a dump station, and a new entrance. More amenities and recreational opportunities will come in future years, and this is all in addition to the existing park. With the new entrance to the park, the original entrance is closing. Palisades State Park's new address is 48422 256th Street, Garretson, SD

57030. This park is located 4.5 miles North and 2 miles West of I-90, exit 410.

ADAMS HOMESTEAD REMODELED VISITOR CENTER

The Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve has remodeled its visitor center, introducing new interactive exhibits and providing a space for active learning focused on history, nature, and recreation. The latest additions include the Nature Zone exhibit, the Homesteading Zone exhibit, new trail signage, and various activities.

The Nature Zone offers interactive ways to explore the preserve's wildlife and habitats, while the Homesteading

Zone immerses visitors in early pioneer life. The new trail signage improves wayfinding and highlights stories of nature and history. Visitors can enjoy activities such as exploring the cottonwood forest, fishing, creating a quilt board, or experience life in a homesteading cabin at the visitor center.

SPRING CREEK MODERN LODGING RENOVATIONS

Spring Creek Recreation Area offers newly renovated modern lodging options. The most recent upgrades have been applied to cabins 7-12. Cabins 11 and 12, which are larger cabins, are available year-round and feature three bedrooms, each with two queen beds and a private bathroom.

Spring Creek Recreation Area lodging is ideal for hunting groups, family stays during the holidays and special events. The lodging accommodates larger groups in a single cabin while offering private bedrooms and bathrooms.

NEW FACILITIES

Adams Homestead

- » Remodeled visitor center

Angostura

- » Camping cabin

Big Sioux

- » Bike fix-it station

Cow Creek

- » Vault toilet
- » Slide-in boat dock
- » Road development and shoreline access

Custer State Park

- » Rebuilt Sylvan Lake store
- » Dump station at Blue Bell

Farm Island

- » Elevated archery platform

Hartford Beach

- » Replaced fish cleaning station

Lake Poinsett

- » Basketball court
- » New decks on camping cabins
- » Shaped and extended gravel campsites

Lake Thompson

- » Upgraded shoreline trail

Lake Vermillion

- » Expanded ski beach and parking

Lewis and Clark

- » Camping cabin
- » Camping pad extensions

Mina Lake

- » Modern cabin ADA accessible

Newton Hills

- » Flush toilet and camping cabin at horse camp
- » Camping cabin at main campground

Oahe Downstream

- » Dump Station

Oakwood Lakes

- » Vault toilet at handicap fishing pier

Palisades

- » Campground and day-use area

Pelican Lake

- » Kayak launch

Roy Lake

- » ADA campsite

Spring Creek

- » Upgraded cabins to be open year round
- » Slide-in boat dock

Snake Creek

- » Expanded marina parking

OFFERING THE COMFORTS OF



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MODERN LODGE, PALISADES STATE PARK

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MODERN LODGING

GROUP LODGES

Group lodges are single rental structures with multiple rooms for larger groups. They offer more private bedrooms and accommodate large gatherings with beds for up to 10-20 people. Group lodges are a great, centralized gathering location with campsites nearby at the Group Lodge at Lake Thompson Recreation Area. The group lodges located at Newton Hills, Palisades, Shadehill, and Sheps Canyon are also ideal for accommodating everyone in your group.

SUITES

Suites are multiple rental units housed within one structure, like a motel complex. With 1-2 bedrooms and a bathroom, the modern suites at

Roy Lake and Spring Creek are great for relaxing. Whether fishing, bird watching, or making other memories, the suites provide a comfortable accommodation for everyone.

MODERN CABINS

Modern cabins are single rental structures, like cottages, with multiple rooms. Each modern cabin features 1-3 bedrooms, a bathroom, and a kitchen. The cabins provide privacy with their own deck to unwind and watch the sunset in the evening.

Many modern cabins are surrounded by activities including a dock within walking distance at Mina Lake and a yard for games. Other modern cabins at Newton Hills, Roy Lake, and Spring Creek offer nearby recreational activities for everyone.



NEWTON HILLS STATE PARK

PARK ACTIVITIES

- Activity available at the park
- Accessible activity available
- ◆ Free equipment checkout
- Equipment available for a fee
- Rental through vendor in/near park

	Hiking/biking trails	Fishing	Birdwatching	Horse trails	Disc golf	Basketball	Soccer	Volleyball	Horseshoes	Cross-country skiing	Snowshoeing	Snowmobiling	Trapshooting/rifle range	Archery range/trail	Swimming	Paddleboarding	Canoeing	Kayaking	Life Jackets
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- Activity available at the park
- Accessible activity available
- ◆ Free equipment checkout
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PARK FEES

Fees collected by South Dakota's state parks play an important role in daily operations. Park entrance licenses and camping fees comprise over two-thirds of the funding needed to operate the parks and to provide facilities and recreational opportunities for our guests.

PARK ENTRANCE LICENSES

Per vehicle

Annual license.....	\$36
Second annual license (with coupon).....	\$18
Transferable license.....	\$80
Daily license	\$8
Custer State Park 7-day license	\$20

TRAIL PASS

Per person, age 12 and older

Mickelson Trail Pass.....	\$4/day
.....	\$15/year

DAY USE RENTALS

- » Rental fees are required in addition to park entrance fees.
- » Fees are subject to sales tax.
- » Fees required year-round.

Equipment checkout..... Free
(lawn games, sport balls, discs, and other checkouts available at some parks)

Equipment rental varies by park
(canoes, kayaks, bicycles, and other rentals available at some parks)

Standard picnic shelter	\$20
Kitchenette shelter	\$50
(located at Pierson Ranch and Fort Sisseton)	
Good Earth picnic shelter	from \$100
Good Earth classroom.....	from \$100
Good Earth amphitheater	from \$300
Fort Sisseton south barracks	\$500/weekend

Gatherings in the state parks involving 50 or more people must complete a free **SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION.**

ACCOMMODATIONS

- » Camping and lodging fees are required in addition to park entrance fees.
- » Fees are subject to sales tax.
- » Fees are per unit, per night.
- » Fees are required year-round.

Campsites

See page 30-31 for a list of campgrounds.

Prime campground	\$26E/\$22
Preferred campground	\$23E/\$19
Modern campground.....	\$20E/\$16
Basic campground.....	\$15E/\$11
Tent only campsites	\$15
Semi-modern equestrian campground	\$26E/\$22
Basic equestrian campground	\$18

E = indicates electrical site

Lodging

See page 32-33 for lodging information.

Group Lodge	\$125-280
Modern cabin.....	\$120-205
Suite.....	\$85-175
Camping cabin.....	\$55

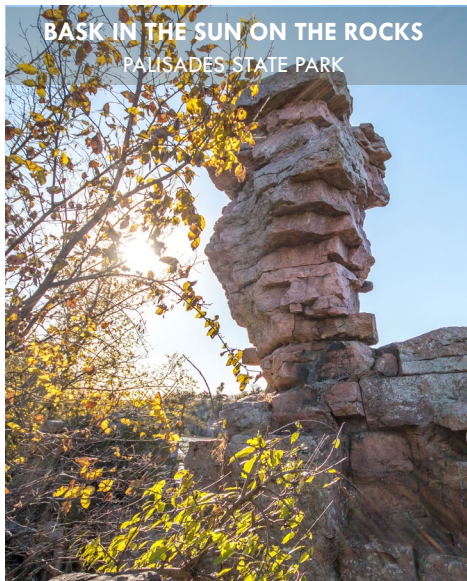
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Camping fees vary from other parks, and Custer State Park takes camping reservations up to a year in advance. See page 30 for Custer State Park camping fees.

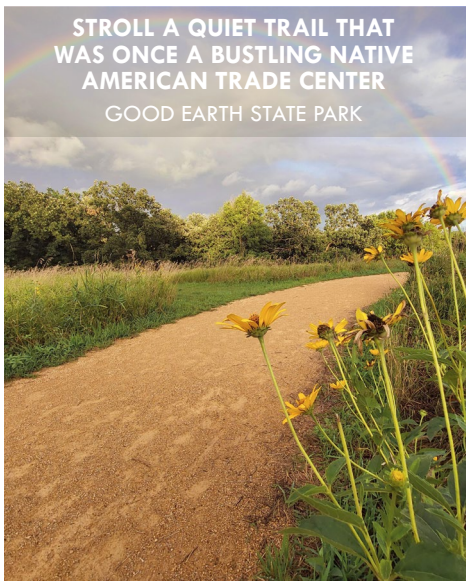


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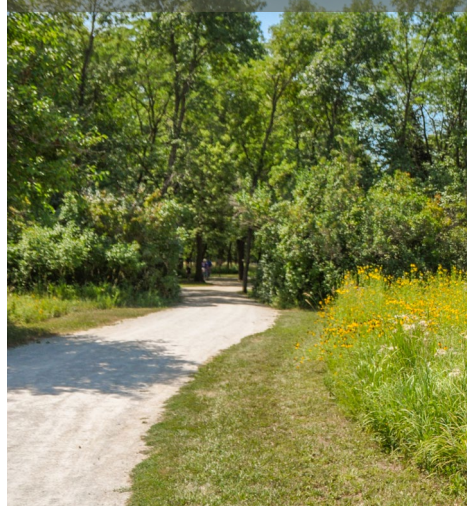
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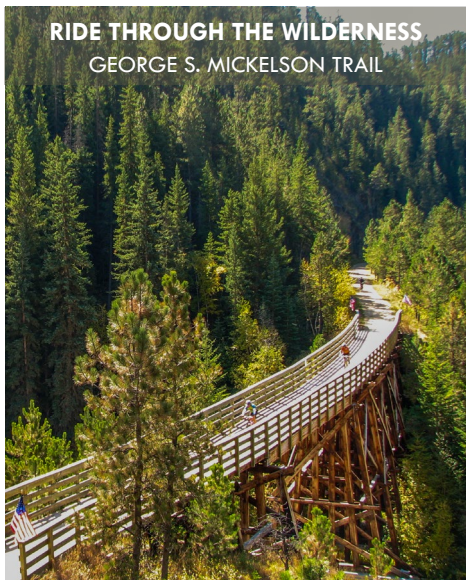
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GOOD EARTH STATE PARK



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RESERVATION INFORMATION

RESERVATION GUIDELINES

- » Make reservations online at campsd.com or by calling 1.800.710.CAMP (2267).
- » Reservations open online and through the call center at 7 a.m. CT on the first day of the facility's reservation window.
- » Reservation call center is open year-round, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. CT, 7 days a week.
- » Online reservations can be made 24 hours a day once the reservations open at 7 a.m. CT the first day of the 90-day window.
- » A campsite can only be occupied for 14 consecutive nights before the camper must leave the park for at least one night.

PAYMENT AND FEES

- » Full payment is required at the time a reservation is made.
- » A non-refundable \$2 fee is assessed to all phone reservations.
- » A \$7.70 per site, non-refundable reservation fee applies to nonresidents.
- » Gift cards are accepted online, through the call center and at the parks. Gift cards can be combined with other payment methods.
- » Dogs and cats are allowed in pet-designated lodges, cabins, and suites with a \$10 pet accommodation fee.

CANCELLATIONS OR CHANGES

- » Changes in departure dates and full cancellations can be done online or through the call center before your arrival date. Cancellations to the beginning of a reservation are not allowed.
- » **Cancellation fees within 7 days:**
 - » Campsite | One half of one night of the camping fee
- » **Cancellation fees within 30 days:**
 - » Camping cabin | One half of one night of the rental fee
 - » Modern cabin | One half of one night of the rental fee
 - » Lodge | One half of one night of the rental fee
 - » Standard picnic shelter | \$5 fee

AT THE PARK

- » All campers are required to register before they set up on a site.
 - » *Campers with reservations:*
If staff is not available, set up on your designated campsite.
 - » *Campers without reservations:*
If staff is not available, make a reservation online or through the call center and then set up on the campsite you reserved.
- » Cash, credit cards and gift cards are accepted at the park for payment of any state park fees, merchandise, and services.

Visitors reserving an **ADA CAMPSITE** or **CAMPING CABIN** should book their site as early as possible. A handicap permit number is required when making a reservation for an ADA campsite. Visit campsd.com or call 1.800.710.2267.

CAMPSITES

- » Reservations open 90 days prior to arrival, except at Custer State Park where reservations open one year in advance.
- » Reservations can be made up to the day of arrival if sites are available.
- » Check-in/checkout time is 4 p.m., except at Custer where check-in/checkout time is noon.

CAMPING CABINS

- » Reservations open 90 days prior to arrival.
- » Reservations must be made by midnight at least two days before arrival.

MODERN LODGING

- » Group Lodges, Modern Cabins, Suites
- » Reservations open one year prior to arrival.
- » Reservations must be made by midnight two days prior to your arrival.
- » A two-night stay is required.
- » Dogs and cats are allowed in pet-designated lodges, cabins, and suites with a \$10 fee.

LARGE GROUP CAMPSITES

- » Custer State Park and Lewis and Clark Recreation Area accept group reservations up to one year prior to arrival.
- » Payment is required and cancellation fees apply once the reservation is made.
- » Call 1.800.710.2267. Online reservations not available for large group campsites.

PICNIC SHELTERS

- » Reservations open 90 days prior to arrival.
- » Reservations must be made by midnight two days before arrival.
- » Reservations secure use from 8 a.m.-11 p.m.
- » Fort Sisseton State Park and Pierson Ranch Recreation Area each feature a picnic shelter with a kitchenette.

SAME-DAY RESERVATIONS

- » Campgrounds at Center Lake at Custer State Park and the Yankton section campground at Lewis and Clark Recreation Area are available for same-day reservations.
- » All open sites can be reserved beginning at 7 a.m. CT on the day of arrival.
- » Campers are required to place their camping unit on and to occupy their campsite by 10 p.m. on the first night of their reserved stay. If they fail to do so, they will be charged a cancellation fee and forfeit the reservation.

FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED

The following campgrounds are available on a first-come, first-served basis:

- » Bear Butte State Park
 - » Burke Lake Recreation Area
 - » Little Moreau Recreation Area
 - » North Wheeler Recreation Area
 - » Okobojo Point Recreation Area
- NOTE: All Lakeside Use Areas with camping are available on a first-come, first-served basis. (*page 31*)

GUIDELINES AND REGULATIONS

CAMPING

- » Campsite check-in/checkout time is 4 p.m., except at Custer State Park where check-in/checkout time is noon.
- » Camping is permitted only in designated areas.
- » One camping unit permitted per site.
- » Electrical hook-ups are available only to campers registered on an electrical site. Extension cords may not be run from one campsite to another.

VEHICLES

- » Motor vehicles must stay on established roads and parking lots.
- » Only vehicles licensed to operate on public roads are allowed to operate on park roads.
- » A valid park entrance license must be affixed to the vehicle in designated fee areas.
- » Mopeds, scooters, and golf carts that are not registered for public road use may operate on park roads if they are equipped with safety equipment required by state law. A valid park entrance license is required. For more information, visit gfp.sd.gov and search “off-highway vehicles.”

QUIET HOURS

- » Between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m., parks are open to registered campers only. Quiet hours are in effect during this time.

BACK-IN CAMPSITES

- » To avoid damage to grass and confusion on park roads, campers must back-in to all campsites unless they are designated as pull-through sites.

PETS IN THE PARK

- » Keep pets on a leash no longer than 10 feet at all times when in the campgrounds and near other visitors.
- » Leashes can be removed if in a remote area and more than 200 feet from other visitors. However, pets must be kept under immediate control.
- » Animals are not allowed in comfort stations and visitor centers. Service animals are allowed.
- » Dogs and cats are allowed in pet-designated lodges, cabins, and suites for a \$10 fee. A list of pet-friendly cabins is available at gfp.sd.gov/camping-regulations.
- » Owners must clean up after their pets. A cleaning or replacement fee may be charged for pet damage to park facilities.
- » Pets are not allowed on designated swimming beaches. Pets are welcome to swim in other areas.
- » Please do not leave pets unattended.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Visitors are welcome to host special events like reunions and meetings in a state park. Please fill out the special events form at gfp.sd.gov or contact the park directly.

PARK ENTRANCE LICENSES

Buying

Customers can buy a park entrance license online at campsd.com, at any state park or regional Game, Fish and Parks office, or at a self-service kiosk located at parks.

Multiple licenses

- » Each park entrance license purchase includes a coupon for the purchase of a second license for half price.

FIRES AND FIREWORKS

- » Campfires are allowed only at designated campsites and in approved fireplaces, stoves, or grills.
- » All types of fireworks are prohibited on state-managed lands.

FIREWOOD RESTRICTIONS

- » Collecting firewood is prohibited.
- » No out-of-state firewood is allowed in state parks and recreation areas due to the threat of bug infestations.
- » Do not bring wood that has been within the emerald ash borer quarantine area into any South Dakota state park unless it has a label affixed certifying it as emerald ash borer treated and safe to move.
- » In parks located within the quarantine area, outside firewood must have a label affixed certifying it as emerald ash borer treated and safe to move.

A **CAMPING UNIT** is any one hard-sided camper and/or one or more tents, if all occupants meet the definition of family (parents or grandparents and their minor children) or do not exceed six people.

- » Firewood is available for purchase in the parks or from local stores outside the quarantine area.
- » Smooth dimensional lumber scraps are acceptable if sized to fit within the firegrate. Wood containing nails, screws, or hardware - including rough and pallet lumber - cannot be brought into any state park area to be used as firewood.
- » If you purchase firewood from a state park within the quarantine area, do not remove it from the park.

Restrictions may change. Ask park staff or visit gfp.sd.gov for the most current information. Visit EmeraldAshBorerInSouthDakota.sd.gov to learn what else you can do.

RESELLING CAMPSITES

- » Reselling campsites is prohibited.
- » Campers who cannot make a scheduled stay can transfer the reservation to another date or park at no extra cost. If upgrading, the difference in fees will apply. Transfers can only be done by calling 1.800.710.CAMP. Specify that you wish to transfer your reservation to avoid a cancellation fee.

GUIDELINES AND REGULATIONS

DISABLED VETERAN PASS

Any South Dakota resident who meets one of the following criteria may apply for a free lifetime park entrance license and half-priced camping:

- » A veteran's allotment for a total disability which is deemed a service-connected injury.
- » The recipient of the United States Veterans Administration "K" Award.
- » Was held as a prisoner of war.

Apply online at gfp.sd.gov.

LASER LIGHTS

- » Those who set up outdoor lights while camping, such as laser light projectors, are asked to be courteous to fellow campers. Please turn them off between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m.

HUNTING IN PARKS

- » Hunting, with restrictions, is allowed in state parks between October 1 and April 30. Details can be found in the current *Hunting and Trapping Handbook*. Additional opportunities may also be available in designated areas of select state parks in September and May. Contact the park for details.

SWIMMING BEACHES

For the safety of swimmers, designated swimming beaches do not allow:

- » Glass
- » Boats, including kayaks, canoes, and paddleboards
- » Pets
- » Fishing

Please look for other areas that accommodate these activities.

FREE ENTRANCE FOR MILITARY GROUP EVENTS



Park entrance licenses and Mickelson Trail passes are not required for past and present military personnel participating in an eligible military group event. This includes South Dakota military veterans, members of the South Dakota National Guard and military reserve units, patients of veterans' hospitals in South Dakota and family members and guests attending the event.

To host a military event in a state park, complete the special event application at gfp.sd.gov. For more information, call 605.773.3391.

AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES

To help slow the spread of zebra mussels and other aquatic invasive species in South Dakota, it is important to practice CLEAN, DRAIN, DRY:

- » All trailered boats must have all drain plugs, bailers, valves, and other devices used to control the drainage of water opened or removed, except while in a boat ramp parking area or while being launched or loaded.
- » Aquatic bait and fish may not be transported outside of a boat ramp parking area in raw water taken from a lake, river, or stream. Aquatic bait can be transported in domestic water (tap water, well water, bottled water, ice). Most domestic water must be

treated to remove chlorine prior to putting bait in it.

- » Anglers may transport fish still in raw water to an adjacent fish cleaning station. If no cleaning station is available, aquatic bait must be disposed of in trash containers or transported in domestic water and all plugs must be pulled before travel.
- » Unused bait should be poured into the fish grinder at a cleaning station or drained and disposed of in the trash. It is a violation of state statute to dump unused minnows into a water body.

For more information, visit SDLeastWanted.sd.gov.

RESPECT THE PAST NEVER REMOVE ARTIFACTS

HELP PROTECT OUR CULTURAL RESOURCES.

Cultural resources provide an understanding and appreciation of South Dakota's heritage. The removal of cultural resource artifacts from land managed by South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks is a violation of state and federal laws.

If you find an artifact, please leave it in its place and contact our Department Cultural Resource Protection Officer at 605.668.2985. Please provide accurate information on where the item or items have been located.

STATE PARKS AND RECREATION

ADAMS HOMESTEAD AND NATURE PRESERVE <i>2 miles SW of McCook Lake, SD, Exit 4 off I-29</i>	605.232.0873
ANGOSTURA RECREATION AREA <i>Off US 18/385, 10 SE of Hot Springs, SD</i>	605.773.2866
BEAR BUTTE STATE PARK <i>6 miles NE of Sturgis, SD off SD 79</i>	605.347.5240
BEAVER CREEK NATURE AREA <i>5 miles SE Brandon, SD off I-90, Exit 406</i>	605.594.3824
BIG SIOUX RECREATION AREA <i>4 miles S Brandon, SD off I-90, Exit 406</i>	605.773.8106
BIG STONE ISLAND NATURE AREA <i>4 miles N of Big Stone City off SD 15 on Big Stone Lake</i>	605.432.6374
BURKE LAKE RECREATION AREA <i>2 miles E of Burke, SD off US 18</i>	605.773.5527
BURYANEK RECREATION AREA <i>20 miles NW of Platte, SD off SD 44</i>	605.773.5527
CHIEF WHITE CRANE RECREATION AREA <i>5 miles W of Yankton, SD off SD 52</i>	605.668.2985
COW CREEK RECREATION AREA <i>15 miles NW of Pierre, SD off SD 1804</i>	605.773.3117
CUSTER STATE PARK <i>5 miles E of Custer, SD off US 16A custerstatepark.com</i>	605.394.2693
FARM ISLAND RECREATION AREA <i>4 miles E of Pierre, SD off SD 34</i>	605.773.2885
FISHER GROVE STATE PARK <i>7 miles E of Redfield, SD off US 212</i>	605.472.1336
FORT SISSETON HISTORIC STATE PARK <i>10 miles SW of Lake City, SD off SD 10</i>	605.910.4465
GEORGE S. MICKELSON TRAIL <i>In the Black Hills, runs from Edgemont to Deadwood mickelsontrail.com</i>	605.584.3896

AREAS

GOOD EARTH STATE PARK AT BLOOD RUN	605.213.1036
<i>From Sioux Falls, SD: I-29/Exit 73, 10 miles E, 2 N, 1 E off 85th Street</i>	
HARTFORD BEACH STATE PARK	605.432.6374
<i>15 miles N of Milbank, SD off SD 15</i>	
INDIAN CREEK RECREATION AREA	605.845.7112
<i>2 miles SE of Mobridge, SD off US 12</i>	
LAFRAMBOISE ISLAND NATURE AREA	605.773-2885
<i>SW side of city of Pierre, SD</i>	
LAKE ALVIN RECREATION AREA	605.987.2263
<i>4 miles E, 1 N Harrisburg, SD off Co. 135</i>	
LAKE COCHRANE RECREATION AREA	605.882.5200
<i>10 miles E of Clear Lake, SD off SD 22</i>	
LAKE HERMAN STATE PARK	605.256.5003
<i>2 miles W of Madison, SD off SD 34</i>	
LAKE HIDDENWOOD RECREATION AREA	605.845.7112
<i>5 miles NE of Selby off US 12/83</i>	
LAKE LOUISE RECREATION AREA	605.910.4589
<i>14 miles NW of Miller, SD off US 14</i>	
LAKE POINSETT RECREATION AREA	605.983.5085
<i>14 miles NE of Arlington, SD off US 81</i>	
LAKE THOMPSON RECREATION AREA	605.847.4893
<i>6 miles SW of Lake Preston, SD off US 14</i>	
LAKE VERMILLION RECREATION AREA	605.773.5877
<i>5 miles S of I-90 at Montrose, SD Exit 374</i>	
LEWIS AND CLARK RECREATION AREA	605.668.2985
<i>6 miles W of Yankton, SD off SD 52</i>	
LITTLE MOREAU RECREATION AREA	605.765.9410
<i>6 miles S of Timber Lake, SD off SD 20</i>	
LLEWELLYN JOHNS RECREATION AREA	605.374.5114
<i>12 miles S of Lemmon, SD off SD 73</i>	
MINA LAKE RECREATION AREA	605.626.3488
<i>11 miles W of Aberdeen and 1 mile N off US 12</i>	

STATE PARKS AND RECREATION

NEWTON HILLS STATE PARK <i>6 miles S of Canton, SD off Co. 135</i>	605.987.2263
NORTH POINT RECREATION AREA <i>1 mile NW of Pickstown, SD off US 281</i>	605.773.8239
NORTH WHEELER RECREATION AREA <i>16 miles S of Platte, SD off SD 1804</i>	605.773.8239
OAHE DOWNSTREAM RECREATION AREA <i>5 miles N of Fort Pierre, SD off SD 1806</i>	605.223.7722
OAKWOOD LAKES STATE PARK <i>12 miles NW of Volga, SD off US 14</i>	605.627.5441
OKOBOJO POINT RECREATION AREA <i>17 miles NW of Pierre, SD off SD 1804</i>	605.773.3117
PALISADES STATE PARK <i>4.5 miles N, 2 W of I-90, Exit 410 near Garretson, SD</i>	605.773.6245
PEASE CREEK RECREATION AREA <i>9 miles S of Geddes, SD off SD 1804</i>	605.773.8239
PELICAN LAKE RECREATION AREA <i>9 miles SW of Watertown, SD off US 212</i>	605.882.5200
PICKEREL LAKE RECREATION AREA <i>10 miles N of Waubay, SD off US 12</i>	605.910.4515
PIERSON RANCH RECREATION AREA <i>4 miles W of Yankton, SD off SD 52</i>	605.668.2985
PLATTE CREEK RECREATION AREA <i>14 miles SW of Platte, SD off SD 44</i>	605.773.5527
RANDALL CREEK RECREATION AREA <i>1 mile W of Pickstown, SD off US 281</i>	605.773.8239
REVHEIM BAY RECREATION AREA <i>1 mile SE of Mobridge, SD off US 12</i>	605.845.7112
RICHMOND LAKE RECREATION AREA <i>10 miles NW of Aberdeen, SD off US 281</i>	605.626.3488
ROCKY POINT RECREATION AREA <i>8 miles E Belle Fourche, SD off SD 212</i>	605.773.2408

AREAS

ROY LAKE STATE PARK <i>3 miles SW of Lake City, SD off SD 10</i>	605.910.4521
SANDY SHORE RECREATION AREA <i>5 miles W of Watertown, SD off US 212</i>	605.882.5200
SHADEHILL RECREATION AREA <i>14 miles S of Lemmon, SD off SD 73</i>	605.374.5114
SHEPS CANYON RECREATION AREA <i>6 miles S of Hot Springs, SD on SD 71, 5 miles E on Sheps Canyon Road</i>	605.773.2866
SICA HOLLOW STATE PARK <i>15 miles NW of Sisseton, SD off SD 10</i>	605.448.5701
SNAKE CREEK RECREATION AREA <i>14 miles W of Platte, SD off SD 44</i>	605.773.5527
SPEARFISH CANYON NATURE AREA <i>1 mile W from the Scenic Byway at Savoy on FDR 222 in Spearfish Canyon</i>	605.584.3896
SPIRIT MOUND HISTORIC PRAIRIE <i>5 miles N of Vermillion, SD off SD 19</i>	605.987.2263
SPRING CREEK RECREATION AREA <i>15 miles NW of Pierre, SD off SD 1804</i>	605.773.3117
SPRINGFIELD RECREATION AREA <i>1 mile E of Springfield, SD off SD 37</i>	605.668.2985
SWAN CREEK RECREATION AREA <i>9 miles W of Akaska, SD off US 83</i>	605.937.8413
UNION GROVE STATE PARK <i>11 miles S of Beresford, SD off I-29</i>	605.987.2263
WALKER'S POINT RECREATION AREA <i>9 miles SE of Madison, SD off SD 19</i>	605.256.5003
WEST BEND RECREATION AREA <i>35 miles SE of Pierre, SD off SD 34</i>	605.773.2885
WEST POLLOCK RECREATION AREA <i>3 miles SW of Pollock, SD off SD 1804</i>	605.845.7112
WEST WHITLOCK RECREATION AREA <i>18 miles W of Gettysburg, SD off US 212</i>	605.937.8413

PARK AMENITIES

	Adams Homestead	Angostura*	Bear Butte	Beaver Creek	Big Sioux*	Big Stone Island	Burke Lake	Buryanek*	Chief White Crane*	Cow Creek*	Custer*	Farm Island*	Fisher Grove*	Fort Sisseton*	GS Mickelson Trail	Good Earth	Hartford Beach*
Entrance fee		●	●		●			●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Total campsites		166	19		49		15	44	146	46	338	90	22	14			89
Electrical sites		160			43			41	144	38	209	90	22	10			87
Accessible sites		7			1			1	2		5	2	1				3
Tent-only sites		6	4		6				2		69			4			2
Showers		●			●			●	●	●	●	●	●	●			●
Dump station		●			●			●	●	●	●	●	●				●
Horse campsites			4								29E						
Camping cabins		14			3		3	10	4	50	4		3				4
Modern cabins																	
Suites																	
Lodge																	
Resort		●									●						
Playground		●	●		●			●	●		●	●	●			●	●
Swimming beach		●									●	●					●
Hiking trail		●	●	●	●		●		●		●	●		●	●	●	●
Horse trail			●		●						●			●			
CC ski trail		●															●
Warming shelter					●							●	●		●		●
Picnic shelters		1	5	1	2	1	2	1	1		12	4	1	1	14	1	1
Historical sites		●		●	●	●	●				●	●		●	●	●	●
Fishing dock		●	●				●		●		●	●		●			
Fish cleaning station		●						●		●		●					●
Boating/ramps		●	●				●	●	●	●	●	●		●			●
Visitor center		●	●	●							●	●		●		●	
Concessions		●									●		●				

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	Indian Creek*	LaFramboise Island	Lake Alvin	Lake Cochrane*	Lake Herman*	Lake Hiddenwood	Lake Louise*	Lake Poinsett*	Lake Thompson*	Lake Vermillion*	Lewis & Clark*	Little Moreau	Llewellyn Johns*	Mina Lake*	Newton Hills*	North Point*
Entrance fee	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●
Total campsites	123			30	72	13	37	114	103	130	422	5	10	38	136	115
Electrical sites	120			30	70	13	29	108	97	126	417		10	38	128	115
Accessible sites	1			1	2		1	2	1	3	5			1	2	2
Tent-only sites	3				2		2	6	6	4	5				9	
Showers	●			●	●		●	●	●	●	●			●	●	●
Dump station	●			●	●		●	●	●	●	●			●	●	●
Horse campsites											8E				10E	
Camping cabins	2			1	4		2	4	5	9	20			1	11	7
Modern cabins														1	1	
Suites																
Lodge									●						2	
Resort	●										●					
Playground	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			●	●	●
Swimming beach			●	●	●		●	●	●	●	●			●	●	●
Hiking trail	●	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			●	●	
Horse trail											●				●	
CC ski trail		●			●										●	
Warming shelter															●	
Picnic shelters	2	1	1	1	2	1	3	2		1	8	1	2	1	6	1
Historical sites		●			●								●			
Fishing dock		●	●	●	●		●			●	●			●	●	
Fish cleaning station	●						●	●	●	●	●					●
Boating/ramps	●	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●	●	●		●	●	●
Visitor center								●			●					
Concessions	●										●					●

PARK AMENITIES

	North Wheeler	Oahe Downstream*	Oakwood Lakes*	Okobojo Point	Palisades*	Pease Creek*	Pelican Lake*	Pickereel Lake*	Pierson Ranch*	Platte Creek*	Randall Creek*	Revheim Bay	Richmond Lake*	Rocky Point*	Roy Lake*
Entrance fee	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Total campsites	27	205	145	18	111	29	83	65	67	36	132		24	62	101
Electrical sites	25	205	133		93	24	83	65	67	36	132		24	57	90
Accessible sites		4	4		4	1	1	1	1	1	3		1	3	2
Tent-only sites			6		18										12
Showers		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		●	●	●
Dump station		●	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●		●	●	●
Horse campsites			6			5	7E								
Camping cabins		8	7		6		2	7	2		4		1	2	3
Modern cabins		4						1							6
Suites															6
Lodge		●			●										
Resort															
Playground		●	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Swimming beach		●	●				●	●		●		●	●	●	●
Hiking trail		●	●		●	●	●	●	●			●	●		●
Horse trail			●			●	●						●		
X-Country ski trail		●	●				●						●		
Warming shelter			●				●						●		
Picnic shelters		5	5	7	1	1	1	1	4	1	2	4	2	4	1
Historical sites			●		●										
Fishing dock		●	●				●	●			●		●		●
Fish cleaning station	●	●				●		●		●	●			●	●
Boating/ramps	●	●	●	●		●	●	●		●	●		●	●	●
Visitor center		●													
Concessions															●

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	Sandy Shore*	Shadehill*	Sheps Canyon*	Sica Hollow*	Snake Creek*	Spearfish Canyon	Spirit Mound	Spring Creek	Springfield*	Swan Creek*	Union Grove*	Walker's Point*	West Bend*	West Pollock*	West Whitlock*
Entrance fee	●	●	●	●	●			●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Total campsites	17	85	33	12	114				20	26	25	43	119	29	105
Electrical sites	15	85	22		110				19	23	17	42	108	29	101
Accessible sites	1	4	1		2					1		1	1		1
Tent-only sites	2										4	1			4
Showers	●	●	●		●			●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Dump station		●	●		●				●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Horse campsites			11	12							4E				
Camping cabins	2	7	1		10				2			2	4		2
Modern cabins								12							
Suites								4							
Lodge		●	●												
Resort					●										
Playground	●	●	●		●				●		●	●	●	●	●
Swimming beach	●	●			●										●
Hiking trail	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		●		●		●
Horse trail			●	●							●				
X-Country ski trail															
Warming shelter															
Picnic shelters	1	1			1				1		2		2		1
Historical sites				●	●		●								
Fishing dock									●			●			
Fish cleaning station		●			●			●	●	●		●	●	●	●
Boating/ramps	●	●	●		●			●	●	●		●	●	●	●
Visitor center		●													
Concessions					●			●							

CAMPGROUNDS

PRIME \$26E/\$22

Campgrounds feature restrooms and showers and have at least a ninety percent summer weekend occupancy.

Angostura Recreation Area
Big Sioux Recreation Area
Chief White Crane Recreation Area
Farm Island Recreation Area
Fort Sisseton Historic State Park
Hartford Beach State Park
Lake Cochrane Recreation Area
Lake Herman State Park
Lake Louise Recreation Area
Lake Poinsett Recreation Area
Lake Thompson Recreation Area
Lake Vermillion Recreation Area
Lewis and Clark Recreation Area
Mina Lake Recreation Area
Newton Hills State Park
North Point Recreation Area

Oakwood Lakes State Park
Palisades State Park
Pease Creek Recreation Area
Pelican Lake Recreation Area
Pickerel Lake Recreation Area
Pierson Ranch Recreation Area
Randall Creek Recreation Area
Richmond Lake Recreation Area
Rocky Point Recreation Area
Roy Lake State Park
Sandy Shore Recreation Area
Shadehill Recreation Area
Sheps Canyon Recreation Area
Snake Creek Recreation Area
Union Grove State Park
Walker's Point Recreation Area

PREFERRED \$23E/\$19

Campgrounds feature restrooms and showers and have an 80-89 percent summer weekend occupancy.

Fisher Grove State Park
Buryanek Recreation Area
Oahe Downstream Recreation Area
Springfield Recreation Area
West Bend Recreation Area

CUSTER STATE PARK

Camping fees vary from other state parks and recreation areas. Custer State Park takes camping reservations up to one year in advance. For more information visit custerstatepark.com.

CAMPING FEES

Camping cabin	\$55
French Creek Horse Camp	\$40E
Modern campgrounds	\$30E/\$26
Semi-modern campgrounds	\$19
Tent only/Non-electric.....	\$15

MODERN \$20E/\$16

Campgrounds feature restrooms and showers and have less than an eighty percent summer weekend occupancy.

- Cow Creek Recreation Area
- Indian Creek Recreation Area
- Okobojo Point Recreation Area
- Platte Creek Recreation Area
- Swan Creek Recreation Area
- West Pollock Recreation Area
- West Whitlock Recreation Area

BASIC \$15E/\$11

Campgrounds without modern facilities.

- Amsden Dam Lakeside Use Area
- Bear Butte Lakeside Use Area
- Burke Lake Recreation Area
- Dude Ranch Lakeside Use Area
- East Whitlock Lakeside Use Area
- Elm Creek Lakeside Use Area
- Lake Carthage Lakeside Use Area
- Lake Hiddenwood Recreation Area
- Llewellyn Johns Recreation Area
- North Wheeler Recreation Area
- Sand Creek Lakeside Use Area
- S. Scalp Creek Lakeside Use Area
- Sheps Canyon Lakeside Use Area
- South Shore Lakeside Use Area
- Tabor Lakeside Use Area
- Walth Bay Lakeside Use Area
- Whetstone Bay Lakeside Use Area
- White Swan Lakeside Use Area

EQUESTRIAN \$18-40

Campgrounds specifically for campers with horses. Includes trailer parking and corrals/hitching posts.

Custer State Park, French Creek Campground.....\$40E

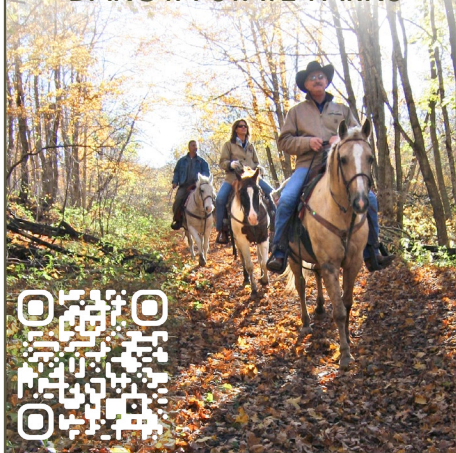
Semi-modern equestrian campgrounds..... \$26E/\$22

- » Lewis and Clark Recreation Area
- » Newton Hills State Park
- » Oakwood Lakes State Park
- » Pelican Lake Recreation Area
- » Sheps Canyon Recreation Area
- » Union Grove State Park

Basic Equestrian Campgrounds..\$18

- » Bear Butte State Park
- » Pease Creek Recreation Area
- » Sica Hollow State Park

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**HORSE TRAILS IN SOUTH
DAKOTA STATE PARKS**





CAMPING CABINS

These one-room, log-style cabins are found in parks and recreation areas throughout the state and are available to rent year-round. Each cabin has heating, air conditioning, and electricity. Furnishings can include a set of bunk beds, a double bed, a table and benches. A porch provides a pleasant place to relax and enjoy the scenery.

CAMPING CABIN FEES

Prices per night. Fees are subject to sales tax.

Camping cabin..... \$55

Cabin campsite \$20-26

Campsite is adjacent to the cabin and can only be rented by the party renting the cabin. Not available at all parks. Contact the park.

ABOUT CAMPING CABINS

- » Cabins are reservable year-round, 90 days prior to arrival, except at Custer State Park where reservations are taken one year in advance.
- » **Reservations must be made by midnight at least two days before arrival.**
- » Camping cabins sleep up to 4 or 5 people.
- » Linens are not included.
- » Check-in time is 4 p.m.
- » Checkout time is 11 a.m.
- » No smoking in the cabins.
- » No cooking in the cabins.

LODGING

The state parks feature several different lodging options to fit your needs. They offer the comforts of home in an outdoor setting any time of the year. Lodging accommodations feature heating, air conditioning, electricity, and bathroom facilities. The number of bedrooms, maximum occupants, extent of kitchen facilities, and availability of other amenities vary by unit. Visit gfp.sd.gov for detailed information.

SUITE FEES

Multiple rental units housed within one structure. Units feature 1-2 bedrooms, sleep 3-8. Prices per night per unit. Fees subject to sales tax.

Roy Lake.....	\$120-175
Spring Creek.....	\$85

GROUP LODGE FEES

Single rental structure with multiple rooms for larger groups. Feature 3-5 bedrooms, sleep 12*. Prices per night. Fees subject to sales tax.

Lake Thompson.....	\$280
Newton Hills.....	\$280
Oahe Downstream.....	\$125
Non-profit youth groups.....	\$40
*Set up for large gatherings, no bedrooms	

Palisades.....	\$280
Event shelter.....	\$50
Shadehill.....	\$280
Sheps Canyon.....	\$280
Lodge campsite.....	\$20-\$26
Campsite is adjacent to the lodge and can only be rented by the party renting the lodge. Not available at all parks. Contact the park.	

MODERN CABIN FEES

Single rental unit with multiple rooms. Feature 1-3 bedrooms, sleep 3-10. Prices per night. Fees subject to sales tax.

Mina Lake.....	\$150
Newton Hills.....	\$185
Oahe Downstream.....	\$120-150
Pickrel Lake.....	\$150
Roy Lake.....	\$120-150
Spring Creek.....	\$150-205

ABOUT LODGING

- » Reservations can be made up to one year prior to arrival.
- » Reservations must be made by midnight two days prior to your arrival.
- » A two-night stay is required.
- » Linens are not included.
- » Furnishings are provided.
- » Basic kitchenware provided.
- » Check-in time is 4 p.m. Checkout time is 11 a.m.
- » No smoking.
- » Dogs and cats are allowed in pet-designated lodges, cabins, and suites with a \$10 accommodation fee.
- » Learn more about each facility at gfp.sd.gov.



CONCESSIONAIRE FACILITIES

These facilities are privately operated under agreement with South Dakota Game, Fish, and Parks. Contact the establishments for more information.

ANGOSTURA RECREATION AREA NEAR HOT SPRINGS

ANGOSTURA MARINA AND RESORT
605.745.6665

Marina, beachside restaurant, modern cabins, convenience store, floating fuel dock, bait.

CEDAR SHORE LAKESIDE USE AREA NEAR OACOMA

ARROWWOOD CEDAR SHORE RESORT,
MARINA, AND RV PARK

605.734.6376 | arrowwoodcedarshore.com

Hotel, convention center, restaurant and lounge, marina, floating fuel dock, bait shop, campground. Open year round.

CUSTER STATE PARK | NEAR CUSTER

CUSTER STATE PARK RESORTS

888.875.0001 | custerresorts.com

Features a variety of accommodations in four resorts – Blue Bell Lodge, Legion Lake Lodge, the State Game Lodge, and Sylvan Lake Lodge – including cabins and rooms, convenience stores, restaurants, recreation/equipment rentals, wildlife tours, trail rides. See the 2024 *Tatanka, a guide to Custer State Park*. Open year round.

INDIAN CREEK RECREATION AREA | NEAR MOBRIDGE

BRIDGE CITY MARINA AND RESORT

605.845.9129 | bridgecitymarina.com

Marina, restaurant, modern cabins, convenience store, fuel, bait. Open year round.

LEWIS AND CLARK RECREATION AREA | NEAR YANKTON

LEWIS AND CLARK MARINA

605.665.3111 | lewisandclarkpark.com

Marina, floating fuel dock, slip and boat rentals, boat service, restaurant, convenience store.

LEWIS AND CLARK RESORT

605.665.2680 | lewisandclarkpark.com

Lodge, motel rooms, modern two- and three-bedroom cabins, cottages, full hook-up campsites, outdoor swimming pool, basketball court, two large picnic shelters. Open year round.

NORTH POINT RECREATION AREA | NEAR PICKSTOWN

FORT RANDALL MARINA

605.487.7272

Marina, convenience store, floating fuel dock.

SNAKE CREEK RECREATION AREA | NEAR PLATTE

DOCK 44 MARINA

605.337.3080 | dock44.net

Marina, modern cabins, restaurant, bait, convenience store, floating fuel dock.

SPRING CREEK RECREATION AREA | NEAR PIERRE

BOAT HOUSE BAR AND GRILL AT SPRING CREEK

605.773.3117 ext.2 | boathousesd.com

Restaurant and bar

RENT AN ADVENTURE

South Dakota State Parks offer a variety of rental and check-out opportunities. Try a new activity or skip the hassle of hauling your own equipment!

See pages 12-13.

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KAYAKS

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LIFE JACKETS

YARD GAMES

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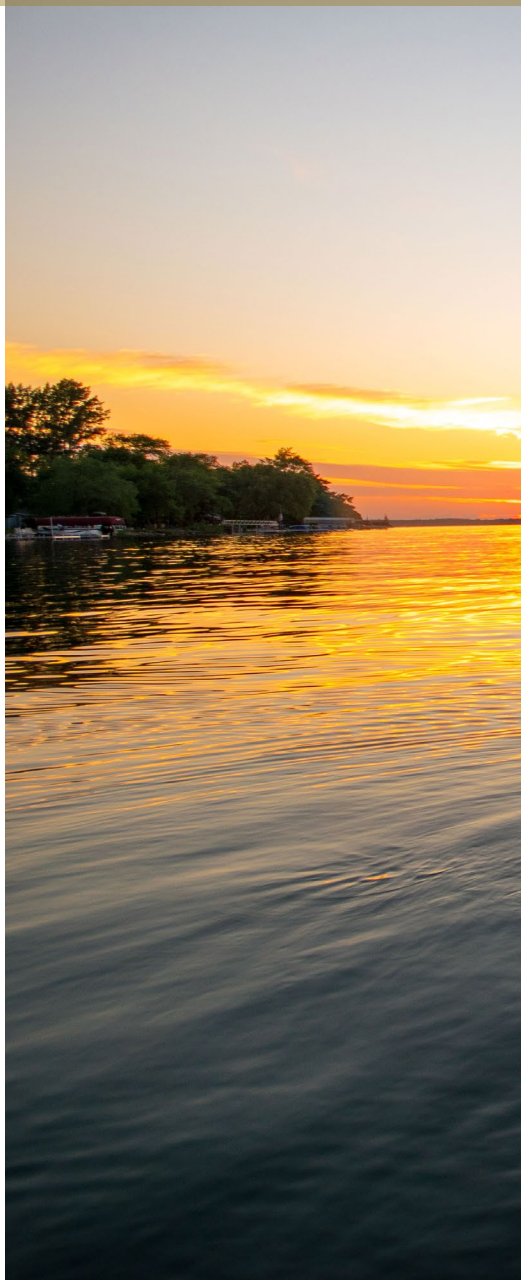
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- » Reel in Memories at South Dakota State Parks in 2024! Share a photo of each of your fishing adventures to earn prizes. The more state parks you fish, the more prizes you can collect. Prizes are awarded at 1, 5, 10, and 15 parks.
- » Cast your line at 20 or more participating state parks to be entered to win the grand prize of the Ultimate State Park Camping Experience. Items include; a 2-night stay at Modern Lodge complete with camping and fishing gear.
- » Reel in Memories all year in South Dakota State Parks, January 1 to December 31, 2024.
- » Signs are posted at participating South Dakota State Parks, Recreation Areas, Nature Areas, and Lakeside Use Areas. Learn More!
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Each year, parks across the state hire seasonal employees, volunteers, and interns to help provide a positive experience for our guests. Here is your opportunity to work in the natural beauty of your favorite state park.

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