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District 27

Hunting & Fishing Guide



*Bollinger, Cape Girardeau, Iron, Madison,
Perry, Reynolds and Scott Counties*





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Iron, Madison, Perry, Reynolds and Scott counties*

Dear sportsmen,

This guidebook provides a nice introduction to the many and varied outdoor recreation resources within the 27th Senatorial District. The seven Southeast Missouri counties I serve are home to a wide range of public lands where sportsmen and women can hunt and fish. Whatever your interest or passion — be it deer, turkey, upland game, trophy bass or enormous Mississippi River catfish — you'll find it in abundance in our region. If you are already familiar with these resources, please pass this guide along to someone who would enjoy learning more about all that Southeast Missouri has to offer.



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Missouri has a long and proud history of stewardship of wildlife and natural resources. We are blessed with the amazing variety of fish and animals God has provided, as well as a legacy of conservation that makes our state the envy of outdoor enthusiasts across the nation.

I encourage all Missourians to get out and discover the outdoors and experience the pleasures that hunting and fishing provide. Fishing just happens to be one of my most loved ways to relax, and has been a family-time favorite with my children since they were big enough to hold a fishing pole. I hope y'all find this guide helpful as you enjoy these timeless pursuits and build an outdoor recreation tradition in your own families.

Best wishes out there!

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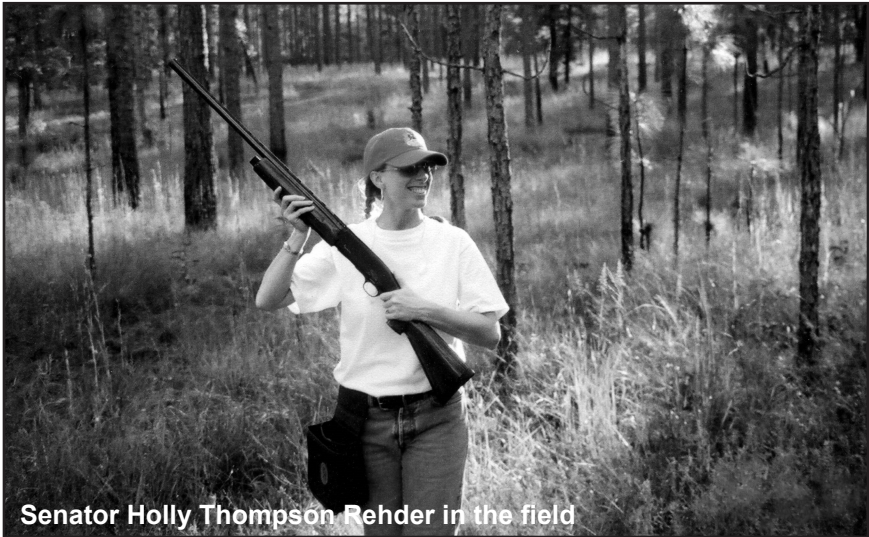
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Senator Holly Thompson Rehder in the field

Regulations

Permits: Generally, a permit is required to fish or hunt small game in Missouri. Additional permits are required for trout fishing or to hunt deer, turkey or waterfowl. Certain landowners, children under age 16 and residents age 65 or older do not need permits to fish or hunt small game. Exceptions do not apply to trout fishing or hunting turkey or deer. Exemptions also apply for certain disabled residents, as well as some veterans.

Seasons and Methods: Seasons, hours and methods vary by species and location. Consult the Missouri Department of Conservation for details. For more information, visit mdc.mo.gov or look for informational booklets where permits are sold.

Fishing: In most cases, game fish may be taken by pole and line, trotline, throwline, limb line, bank line and jug line. Certain nongame fish (including bluegill, carp, suckers, buffalo, drum and



gar) may be taken with alternative methods, such as bow, crossbow, gig, atlatl, snare, spearfishing, grabbing and snagging. Possession limits may apply in certain areas and for some species. Check posted signs or refer to regulations published by the Department of Conservation. Any species taken into possession will count toward an individual's daily limit unless immediately released. Fish stored, preserved or refrigerated must be labeled with angler's name, address, permit number, fish species and date placed in storage.

Catch and Release: Where allowed, catch and release decisions must be made immediately. You may not replace smaller fish in your possession with

*For more information regarding hunting or fishing in Missouri,
visit huntfish.mdc.mo.gov*

larger ones caught later. Fish must be returned unharmed immediately.

Hunting: Non-toxic shot is required for all waterfowl hunting and other hunting on many public lands. During firearms deer seasons, other wildlife may only be hunted with a .22 rimfire rifle or shotgun with No. 4 shot or smaller. Dogs may be used to hunt wildlife, except deer, turkey and certain furbearers. Artificial lights are only allowed when hunting frogs, raccoons or certain furbearers. Hunting from or across roads is prohibited, as is the use of bait while hunting deer or turkey.

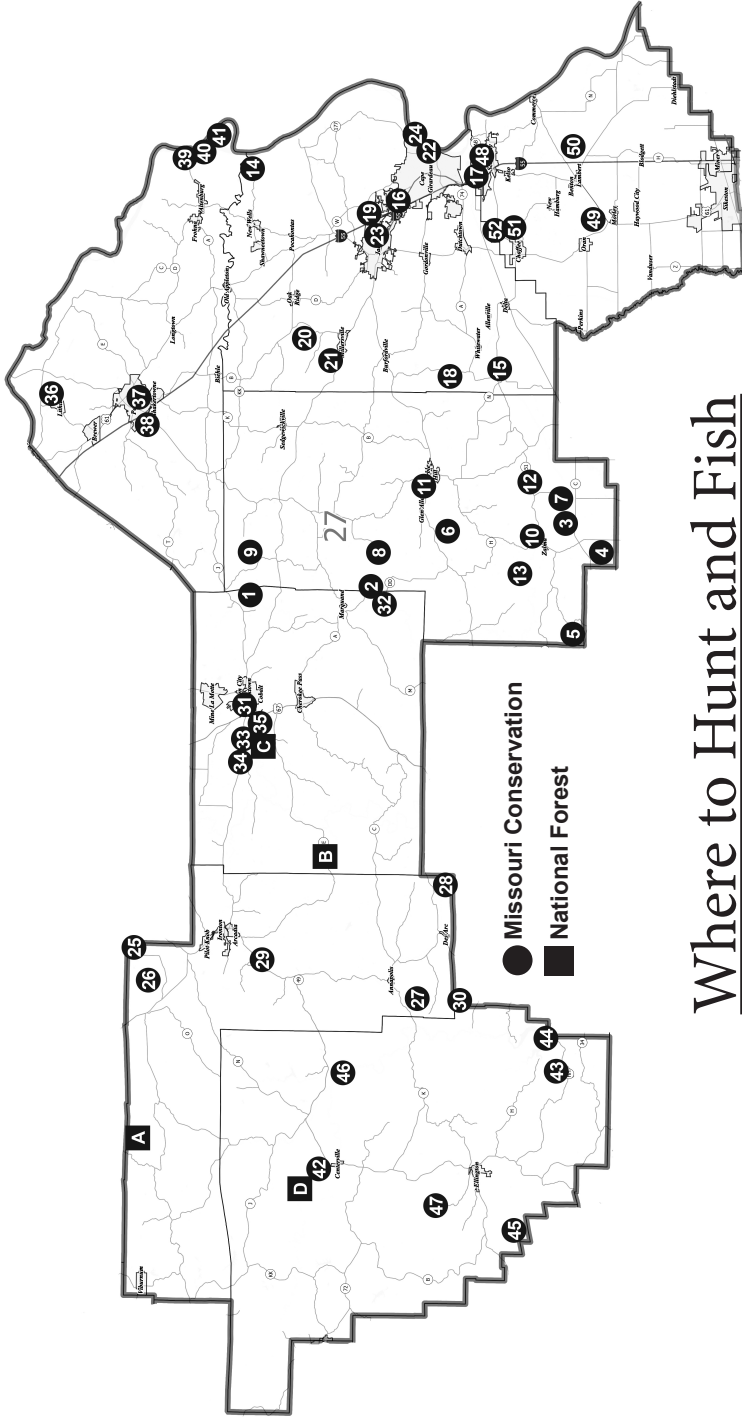
Wildlife transported or stored must be properly labeled. The use of hunter orange clothing is always encouraged and required during firearms deer seasons.

Hunter Certification: Completion of a hunter education course is required. Certification is not required for children younger than 16 who hunt with a permitted adult, or for residents born prior to 1967. Landowners hunting on their own property are also exempt. More information about hunter education courses can be found online at huntfish.mdc.mo.gov.

Waterfowl Hunting in Missouri

To pursue, possess or transport ducks, coots or geese, hunters must obtain a Missouri migratory bird hunting permit and a federal duck stamp in addition to a Missouri small game hunting permit. Lesser requirements apply during the Light-Goose Conservation Order, when blue, snow and Ross geese may be hunted. Only shotguns, 10-gauge or smaller, are allowed. Any shotgun capable of holding more than three shells must be plugged to limit capacity. Only non-toxic shot is allowed. Live decoys are prohibited. Some areas allow open hunting, while others allocate access through a morning draw at the facility. For information about seasons, hours, limits and access, refer to the Missouri Department of Conservation website at huntfish.mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/waterfowl.





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Bollinger County

MDC Regional Office:
573-290-5730

Agent Clayton Lewis:
573-238-5442

Amidon Memorial CA – 1,630 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel, dove. Fishing: sunfish, black bass. Camping, bird watching, hiking trails, trapping with permit.

From Fredericktown, take Route J east, then Route W south, then County Road 208 east.

Castor River CA – 9,688 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, squirrel, dove. Fishing: catfish, black bass, sunfish. Shooting range, bird watching, camping.

From Marble Hill, take Highway 34 west 12 miles. Continue west to access campgrounds, trails and shooting range.

Dark Cypress Swamp Unit of Duck Creek CA – 790 acres.

Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel, dove, waterfowl. Dog training, bird watching.

From Advance, take Route C

west 7 miles, take County Road 614 north 1 mile to Greenbrier, then Route W north 3 miles, then County Road 604 east for 0.75 mile, then south for 0.25 mile.

Duck Creek CA – 6,318 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel, dove, waterfowl (morning draw). Fishing: black bass, catfish, crappie, sunfish. Bird watching, camping, dog training, field trials, shooting range, trapping with permit.

From Puxico, take Highway 51 north 9 miles to the main entrance.

Gipsy Towersite – 40 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, squirrel. *Located west of Route TT on a private lane in the southwest corner of Bollinger County.*

Grassy Towersite – 40 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, squirrel. *From Marble Hill, take Highway 34 west 5 miles, then County Road 508 southeast 1.5 miles.*

Greenbrier Unit of Duck Creek CA – 473 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel, dove, waterfowl. Fishing: black bass,

For maps, access hours and other information about Conservation Department facilities, visit nature.mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/places

Rabbit Hunting



catfish, crappie, sunfish, white bass. Camping, bird watching, trapping with permit.

From Advance, take Route C west 7 miles.

Hawn Access (Crooked Creek)

– 81 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel. Fishing: sunfish, black bass.

From Marble Hill, take Highway 51 northwest 7 miles, then Route OO west 1.5 miles, then County Road 846 north 1.25 miles.

Little Whitewater CA – 80 acres.

Hunting: deer, turkey, squirrel.

From Patton, take Highway 72 west 5 miles, then Route HH north 2.5 miles, then Gravel Road 916 east 2 miles.

Maple Flats Access (Castor River) – 72 acres.

Fishing: white

bass, sunfish, catfish, crappie, black bass.

From Zalma, take Highway 51 north 0.5 mile.

Pellegrino Lake (Marble Hill) – 2

acres. Fishing: black bass, catfish, sunfish.

Approximately 0.5 mile west of Marble Hill on Highway 34.

Sank CA – 118 acres.

Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel.

From Zalma, take Highway 51 north 8 miles.

Sweetgum Access (Castor River)

– 161 acres. Hunting: deer, dove.

Fishing: white bass, sunfish, catfish, black bass.

From Zalma, take Highway 51 north, then Route H north, then County Road 708 west 1.5 miles.

Cape Girardeau County

**MDC Regional Office:
573-290-5730**

**Agent Rachel Webster:
573-450-1763**

Apple Creek CA – 2,100 acres.
Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel, dove. Fishing: white bass, sunfish, catfish, black bass. Bird watching, camping, trapping with permit. Archery, shotgun and rifle/pistol ranges. Biking, hiking and horseback trails. Disabled accessible.

North of Cape Girardeau, take the Fruitland exit off Interstate 55, then Highway 61 north 7 miles, then Route CC east 6 miles.

Block Hole Access (Castor River Diversion Channel) – 10 acres.

Fishing: white bass, sunfish, catfish, crappie, black bass. Disabled accessible.

From Delta, take Route N (N. Liberty Street) north from Highway 25 (E. State Street), then at the junction of Routes N/T/U take Route U east 0.5 mile.

Cape Girardau Conservation Nature Center – Visitor center open Tuesday through Saturday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Nature trails and wildlife viewing areas. Fishing: sunfish, catfish, crappie, black

bass. Disabled accessible.

Located within the north portion of Cape Girardeau County Park, just east of Interstate 55 (Exit 99). Take Kingshighway (State Highway 61) east 0.25 mile of Interstate 55 to the park and nature center.

Headwaters Access (Headwater Diversion Channel) – 12.5 acres.

Fishing: white bass, sunfish, catfish, crappie, black bass.

In Cape Girardeau, take Highway 74/61 south, then Old Highway 61 (S. Kingshighway) south at the access sign. When Cape Girardeau river gauge is at 33 feet, water is on the parking lot. When Cape Girardeau river gauge is 6-8 feet, water is too shallow to access the Mississippi River.

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Lake Girardeau CA – 350 acres.
Hunting: deer by archery methods. Fishing: sunfish, catfish, crappie, black bass. Bird watching, trapping with permit. Disabled accessible.
From Jackson, take Highway 34 west 7 miles, then Route U south 6 miles. Watch for signs.

Litz Park Lake (Jackson) – 2 acres. Fishing: white bass, sunfish, catfish, crappie, black bass.

From the Jackson/Cape Girardeau exit on Interstate 55, go north on E. Jackson Boulevard, then right on Shawnee Boulevard, then left on Vera Wagner Drive.

Maintz Wildlife Preserve – 803 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel, dove, quail. Fishing: sunfish, black bass, catfish. Camping, field trials, bird watching, archery range, trapping with permit.

From Jackson, take Highway 72 west, then Route B north, then County Road 472 west 1.5 miles to the area.

Old Plantation Access (Whitewater River) – 70 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, dove, quail. Fishing: catfish, sunfish, black bass. Trapping with permit. *From Millersville, take Highway 72 west, then County Road 485 north to the access.*

Red Star Access (Mississippi River) – 8 acres. Fishing: catfish. *In Cape Girardeau, north of downtown, look for a brown MDC sign at 2nd and Main, then follow 2nd Street east one block to Water Street, where the access begins. The boat ramp closes when the river reads 33 feet on the Cape Girardeau river gauge. The boat ramp is not usable when the*

Mississippi River is at or below 8 feet on the gauge.

Rotary Lake (Jackson) – 3 acres. Fishing: trout, sunfish, catfish, crappie, black bass. Disabled accessible. *In Jackson at Highway 61, take Parkview Street west to Jackson City Park.*

Windy Bar Island CA (Mississippi River) – 583 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, waterfowl. Fishing: catfish. Trapping with permit. *Cannot be reached by automobile. Accessed by watercraft from Red Star Access. The southern end of Windy Bar Island is 4 river miles north of Red Star Access. The northern end of Windy Bar Island is 4.5 miles south of the Trail of Tears State Park boat launch.*

Iron County

**MDC Regional Office:
573-290-5730**

**Agent Sarah Ettinger-Dietzel:
573-466-9119**

Bismarck CA – 1,188 acres. Hunting: Deer, turkey, squirrel, dove. Fishing: sunfish, catfish, crappie, black bass. Birdwatching, trapping with permit. *From Bismarck, take Route N south, then Grider Road west to Lakeview Road.*

Buford Mountain CA – 3,949 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, squirrel. Camping, birdwatching, hiking.

From Ironton, take Highway 21 north 8 miles, then Route U northeast approximately 4 miles.

Funk Memorial State Forest and Wildlife Area – 180 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel, dove, quail. Camping. *From Vulcan on Highway 49, take Route BB west approximately 4 miles.*

Graves Mountain CA – 3,027 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, squirrel, bear. Camping, birdwatching. *From Sam A. Baker State Park, take Highway 143 north to the area main tract.*

Ketcherside Mountain CA – 4,984 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, squirrel. Camping, hiking, birdwatching, trapping with permit. *From Ironton, take Highway 21 south 4 miles. Take Route CC north to firetower.*

Riverside CA – 2,768 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel. Camping, birdwatching, trapping with permit. *From Piedmont, take Highway 49 north 6 miles, then Route CC west 1.80 miles, and County Road 462 north to the area.*

Madison County

MDC Regional Office:
573-290-5730

Agent Alan Lamb:
573-934-0824

Amidon Memorial CA – 1,630 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel, dove. Fishing: sunfish, black bass. Camping, bird watching, hiking trails, trapping with permit. *From Fredericktown, take Route J east, then Route W south, then County Road 208 east.*

Fredericktown City Lake – 140 acres. Fishing: white bass, sunfish, catfish, crappie, black bass. *From Fredericktown, take Route OO north, then County Road 209 west 1 mile.*

Marquand Access (Castor River) – 63 acres. Hunting: deer, rabbit. Fishing: white bass, sunfish, black bass. *From Marquand, take Route DD south 0.75 mile.*

Millstream Gardens CA – 916 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel, dove, quail. Fishing: white bass, sunfish, crappie, black bass. Bird watching, archery range, hiking trails, whitewater paddling in St. Francis River. *From Fredericktown, take Highway 72 west 8 miles. From*

Whitetail Deer



south of the river, take Route D to the area.

Roselle Access (St. Francis River) – 22 acres. Fishing: white bass, sunfish, catfish, black bass. *From Fredericktown, take Highway 72 west 12 miles.*

Thompson Ford Access (Little St. Francis River) – 84 acres. Hunting: deer by archery methods. Fishing: white bass, sunfish, catfish, black bass. Trapping with permit. *From Fredericktown, take Highway 72 west, then County Road 504 south, then County Road 503 south. The entrance is on the west side of the road just before the river crossing.*

Perry County

MDC Regional Office:
573-290-5730

Agent Chris Doran:
573-517-9056

Blue Spring Branch CA – 476 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel, dove, quail. Fishing: sunfish, catfish, crappie, black bass. Bird watching, hiking trails, trapping with permit. *From Perryville, take Highway 61 north, then Route V north until the pavement ends, then follow County Road 916 into the area.*

Legion Lake 1 (Perryville) – 9 acres. Fishing: white bass, sunfish, catfish, black bass.

In Perryville, take Highway 51 or Perryville Boulevard east from Interstate 55, go right on Alma Avenue, then left on Big Springs Boulevard, then right on Veterans Drive.

Perry County Community Lake

– 309 acres. Fishing: white bass, sunfish, catfish, crappie, black bass. Bird watching, archery range, hiking trails, trapping with permit. Disabled accessible.

From Perryville, take Route T west 1.5 miles, then County Road 700 southwest.

Red Rock Landing CA – 560

acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel. Fishing: white bass, catfish, crappie, black bass. Camping, bird watching, trapping with permit. Includes access to Mississippi River and Cinque Hommes Creek.

From Perryville, take Highway 61 south, then Route P east, then Route C north, then at Crosstown take County Road 350 east to the area. Conservation Area is inaccessible by road when the Mississippi River level is over 20 feet on the Chester river gauge.

Seventy-Six CA – 818 acres.

Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel, dove. Fishing: white bass, catfish, crappie, black bass. Bird watching, camping, hiking trails, trapping with permit.

From Perryville, take Highway

61 south 7 miles, then at the south edge of Longtown take Route D east, then take Route C southeast, then in Brazeau take Route D northeast until it ends at a gravel road. Follow this road into the area. When the Chester river gauge reaches 32.5 feet, the bridge into the Conservation Area is impassable.

Tower Rock Natural Area – 32

acres. Fishing: catfish, crappie.

Bird watching, hiking trails.

From Altenburg, take Route A east, then County Road 460, then follow this road south to the area. Road access to the area is difficult when the Mississippi River is 32 feet or higher on the Chester river gauge.

Reynolds County

MDC Regional Office:

573-290-5730

Agent Eric Long:

573-663-2856

Centerville Access (West Fork of Black River) – 49 acres. Fishing:

white bass, sunfish, black bass.

Birdwatching.

From Centerville, take Highway 21 north to the West Fork of the Black River.

Clearwater CA – 11,210 acres.

Hunting: deer, turkey, squirrel, bear. Camping, birdwatching, trapping with permit.

From Garwood, take Highway 34

east, then take the Route HH spur.

Clearwater Lake Management

Lands – 12,659

acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, bear, rabbit, squirrel, dove, quail. Fishing: white bass, catfish, crappie, black bass. Camping, birdwatching.

From Piedmont, take Route HH west 5 miles to Clearwater Lake Dam to access area by water. Other areas can be accessed via high-clearance vehicles from Reynolds County Roads.

Current River CA – 29,290

acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, bear, squirrel. Fishing: rock bass, sunfish, suckers, black bass. Camping, birdwatching. Rifle, pistol and archery range.

There are three entrances. One is located 3 miles west of Ellington on Highway 106. Another is located on South Road in Ellington. The other is located on Reynolds County Road 626.

Ketcherside Mountain CA

– 4,984 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, squirrel. Camping, hiking, birdwatching, trapping with permit.

From Ironton, take Highway 21 south 4 miles. Take Route CC north to firetower.



Lesterville Access (Black River)

– 53 acres. Fishing: white bass, catfish, black bass. Birdwatching.

From Lesterville, take Highway 21 east 1 mile, then Peola Road (County Road 342) south to the junction with County Road 364. Take County Road 364 south 1.5 miles to the Lesterville Access.

Logan Creek CA – 12,561

acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, bear, squirrel. Camping, birdwatching, trapping with permit.

From the junction of Highway 106/Route B west of Ellington, take Route B north 3 miles to the main tract.

Riverside CA – 2,768 acres.

Hunting: deer, turkey, rabbit, squirrel. Camping, birdwatching, trapping with permit.

From Piedmont, take Highway 49 north 6 miles, then Route CC west 1.8 miles, and County Road 462 north to the area.

Scott County

**MDC Regional Office:
573-290-5730**

**Agent Andrew Mothershead:
573-380-2578**

Cape LaCroix Bluffs CA – 63 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, squirrel, waterfowl. Bird watching. *From Cape Girardeau, take Exit 91 on Interstate 55, then take Route AB (Nash Road) east approximately 3 miles.*

General Watkins CA – 1,107 acres. Hunting: deer, quail, rabbit, squirrel, turkey. Fishing: black bass, catfish, crappie, sunfish. Camping, bird watching, hiking trails. *From Benton, take Highway 61 south 3 miles to the south side of the area. From Oran, take Highway 77 south 1.5 miles to the west side of the area.*

Sand Prairie CA – 200 acres. Hunting: rabbit and quail require daily hunting permit (available at parking lot). Deer and turkey by archery methods only. Trapping with permit. *From Interstate 55, take the Benton exit (80) to Highway 77 southeast (left) for approximately 2 miles, then County*

Road 333 north approximately 2 miles to the area.

Tywappity Community Lake – 119 acres. Fishing: sunfish, catfish, crappie, black bass. Camping, bird watching, hiking trails. Disabled accessible.

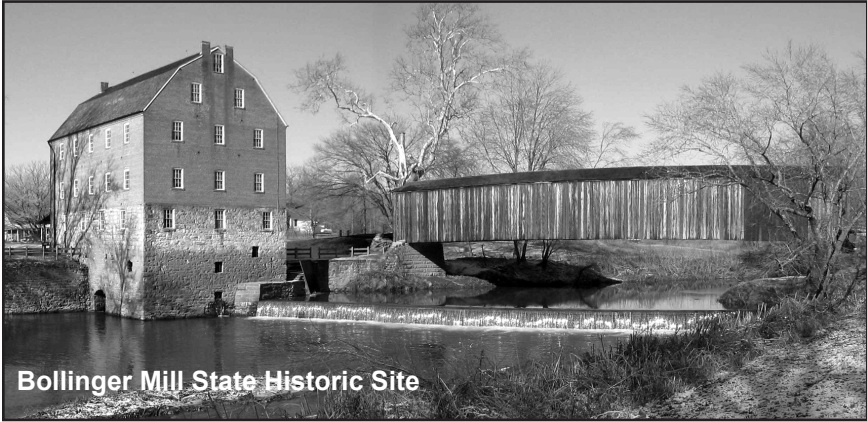
From Chaffee, take Route A east to Route RA, then proceed to the lake.

Tywappity Towersite – 64 acres. Hunting: deer, turkey, squirrel. *From Chaffee, take Route A east to Route RA, then proceed to the lake.*

Pond Fishing



State Parks & Historic Sites



Hunting is not allowed in state parks, but a number of Missouri's parks offer opportunities for fishing. The 27th Senatorial District is home to four state parks and two historic sites. For more information, visit mostateparks.com.

Battle of Pilot Knob State Historic Site — Located in Iron County, this 77-acre site includes a visitors center and museum recalling a Civil War battle.

Bollinger Mill State Historic Site — Located in Cape Girardeau County, the site includes a historic mill and one of the few surviving covered bridges in Missouri.

Elephant Rocks State Park — Visitors to this park in Iron County walk a 1.5-mile trail to see billion-year-old elephant-shaped boulders.

Johnson's Shut-ins State Park — Most visitors to this 9,400-acre park in Reynolds County flock to the shut-ins area where the East Fork of the Black River flows through igneous rock. The park features campsites, lodging cabins and 37 miles of trails.

Taum Sauk Mountain State Park — At 1,772 feet above sea level, the park's namesake mountain is the highest point in Missouri. Located in Iron County, the 8,400-park includes Mina Sauk Falls, the tallest in the state. A 14-mile section of the Ozark Trail connects to Johnson Shut-ins State Park.

Trail of Tears State Park — This 3,415 acre park in Cape Girardeau County offers visitors campgrounds, hiking and equestrian trails and fishing in the Mississippi River and Lake Boutin.

Mark Twain National Forest

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Salem Ranger Station
573-729-6656
(Iron/Reynolds counties)

The Mark Twain National Forest encompasses 1.5 million acres of public land in 29 Missouri counties. Portions of the forest are located in Iron, Madison and Reynolds counties.

The densely wooded forest offers Missourians some of the most isolated and rugged recreational environments in the state. Many areas of the forest are only accessible on foot, horseback or mountain bike.

Most land within the forest is open for public hunting. No fees are charged to hunt, but all usual hunting regulations and permit requirements apply.

Fishing opportunities abound within the Mark Twain National Forest, which includes a variety of small lakes, ponds and perennial streams, many suitable for floating with canoes or kayaks.

Throughout the forest, public land is interspersed with private

property. Users must pay close attention to property markings to avoid trespassing.

The U.S. Forest Service has topographic, vehicle use and visitor maps available for areas of the national forest at fs.usda.gov/mtnf/maps-pubs.

The Ozark Trail

Nearly 300 miles of hiking, biking and equestrian trails provide backcountry access to the Missouri Ozarks. Portions of the Ozark Trail are located in Iron and Reynolds counties. Fully developed, the trail will eventually span 700 miles from St. Louis to Arkansas. Primitive camping is permitted along most sections of the trail.

Campgrounds

Campground facilities within the Mark Twain National Forest are open from mid-April through October. Call the ranger station or check recreation.gov for details.

Council Bluff Recreation Area

— Located in Iron County, the 440-acre Council Bluff Lake is the largest lake within the Mark Twain National Forest. Wild Boar Ridge Campground includes non-electric campsites for tents and RVs, a swimming beach and play

area. The 12-mile Lake Shore Trail encircles the lake and the Trace Creek section of the Ozark Trail is located west of the recreation area. Waterfowl hunting is permitted.

From Potosi, take Highway P south for 10 miles to Route C, then travel 1 mile on C to Route DD. Turn left on DD and continue approximately 7 miles to the recreation area entrance.

Marble Creek Recreation Area

— The Marble Creek campground and trailhead are located near the western edge of Madison County. The area provides access to Marble Creek and the Marble Creek section of the Ozark Trail.

From Fredericktown, head south on Highway 67 approximately 3 miles to Route E. Turn right and travel 15 miles to Marble Creek.

Silver Mines Recreation Area

– Located along the St. Francis River in Madison County, the area includes the only waterway in Missouri classified as “white water.” The area features campsites and walking trails.

From Fredericktown, take Highway 72 west to Route D, then follow it to Silver Mines.

Sutton Bluff Recreation Area —

The area provides access to the Karkaghne section of the Ozark Trail and more than 40 miles of trails for use by ATVs and UTVs. Fishing is available in the West Fork of the Black River.

From Centerville, travel 3 miles northeast on Highway 21. Take County Road 907 northwest for 7 miles, then proceed south 3 miles on County Road 849.

The Scourge of Feral Hogs

Feral hogs continue to wreak havoc throughout Southeast Missouri. Invasive wild boars destroy habitat, cause soil erosion and damage crops. Despite this persistent threat, wildlife officials oppose hunting these destructive creatures, preferring a systematic trapping effort as the best way to eradicate feral swine. Regardless of their thoughts on hunting, Missourians need to be aware that hunting feral hogs is currently illegal within the Mark Twain National Forest, as well as on land managed by the Missouri Department of Conservation. It is legal to take feral hogs on your own property, however. The Conservation Department would like landowners to report feral hog sightings online at mdc.mo.gov/feral-hog-sighting-damage-report, or by calling 573-522-4115, ext. 3296.

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“I hope y’all find this guide helpful as you enjoy the timeless pursuits of hunting and fishing and build an outdoor recreation heritage in your own families.”

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