

# **MAP AND GUIDE:** LAKE MARIA **STATE PARK**

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## **VISITOR TIPS**

- Wear good hiking shoes and watch for rocks and roots.
- Please stay on designated trails.
- Respect the privacy of those in campsites and cabins.
- Horse trails are open May 1 to Nov. 1.
- In winter, groomed ski trails are for skiers only. Please hike or snowshoe on designated trails.
- In an emergency call 911.
- Non-emergency sheriff's number: 763-682-1162.



## ONLY HAVE AN HOUR?

- Park at the trail center and enjoy a beautiful hike on the Biorkland Trail.
- Watch for local species at the wildlife observation area.



# **ABOUT THE PARK**

Lake Maria State Park protects almost 1,600 acres of rolling wooded terrain dotted with small lakes and woodland marshes. Established in 1963, the park offers quiet outdoor experiences to photographers, birdwatchers, backpackers, hikers and anyone interested in beauty and solitude. Hike trails and you will see Big Woods vegetation with remnants of old-growth oak, maple and basswood trees. The park's diverse habitat is home to many animals including the threatened Blandings turtle and over 200 resident and migrant bird species.



Wildlife abounds at the park.

# TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS -

Anderson Loop Trail

Hilly • Packed dirt

Step through prairie grasslands and enjoy the view at the Anderson Hill Lookout. Return to the trail center through a shaded oak and maple forest.

5.5-mile loop Big Woods Loop

Hilly • Packed dirt

This lovely trail offers variety during any season. Explore lookouts, old-growth forest, ponds, marshes and rolling terrain.

Bjorkland Trail (Hiking Club Trail)

2-mile loop

3-mile loop

Mostly flat • Packed dirt

This popular trail leads you through meadows and forest with a rest stop at Bjorkland Lake.

Kettle Kame Trail 1.75-mile loop

Hilly • Packed dirt

The most rugged trail in the park follows rolling hills and ponds that highlight a kettle and kame landscape carved by glaciers. Watch for wildlife near the lakes and old-growth forest.

## MORE TO EXPLORE AT LAKE MARIA

- Hike the self-guided Zumbrunnen Interpretive Trail and discover more about the area.
- Check for interpretive programs and special events.
- Get on the water with canoe and kayak rentals.
- Cast a line from the fishing piers on Little Mary Lake.
- Find souvenirs, GPS checkout and firewood for sale at the park office on weekends.

# **SO EVERYONE CAN ENJOY THE PARK...**

A FULL SET OF STATE PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS IS AVAILABLE AT MNDNR.GOV.



#### **PARK OPEN**

8 a.m.-10 p.m. daily.



#### **VEHICLE PERMITS**

Permits required; purchase at park office or entrance kiosk.



#### **PETS WELCOME**

Keep on 6-foot leash; pick up after; attend at all times; not allowed in buildings or on groomed ski trails.



#### **FIREWOOD**

Must be purchased at this park or from vendors who sell wood approved for this park: firewood collection is allowed in backpack camping areas only.



#### **CAMPGROUND QUIET HOURS**

10 p.m.– 8 a.m.; only registered campers may be in campground during quiet hours.



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# MORE INFORMATION

**Minnesota Department of Natural Resources** Information Center 500 Lafayette Rd., St. Paul, MN 55155-4040 888-646-6367 or mndnr.gov/parks

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