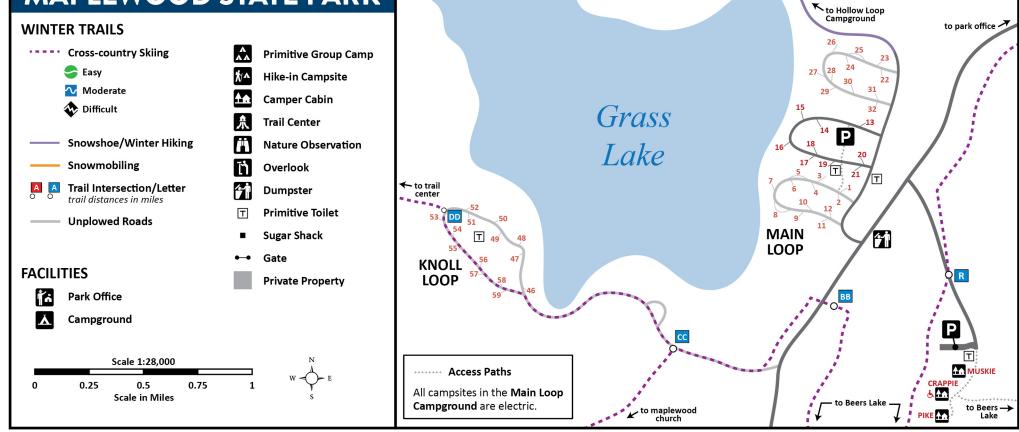


MAPLEWOOD STATE PARK



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# MAP AND GUIDE: MAPLEWOOD STATE PARK

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## **VISITOR TIPS**

- The road leading to Hallaway Hill overlook from the park office may not be accessible by vehicle due to high snow levels. Hike or snowshoe 2.5 miles (one way) from the trail center to visit the overlook.
- Keep ski trails in great shape. Hiking, snowshoeing, and dogs are not allowed on ski trails.
- Snowshoers may go off trail.
- Trails are occasionally slippery; ice cleats are recommended for hikers.
- In an emergency call 911.



# **ONLY HAVE AN HOUR?**

- Warm up at the Trail Center.
- Bring your skis and take a spin on the groomed ski trails.
- Take your snowmobile for a ride on 21 miles of groomed trails.
- Rent snowshoes from the park office and explore a snowshoe trail.
- Try winter fishing on one of the many park lakes. Call or stop by the park office for fishing conditions.



LOOKING FOR MORE TO EXPLORE DURING YOUR STAY? VISIT MNDNR.GOV/MAPLEWOOD

# **ABOUT THE PARK**

Maplewood State Park was created in 1963 to protect the area's unique natural and cultural resources. The 9,200-acre park sits between the state's eastern forests and western prairies. Each autumn, its diverse landscapes share a stunning display of brilliant reds, oranges and gold. A look beneath the rich forests and prairie restoration sites reveals hills left behind during the last ice age. The highest hills in the park approach 1,600 feet.

Changes in elevation, numerous lakes and ponds, and a mix of forest and prairie offer you a spectacular setting for skiing, snowshoeing, fishing, hiking, camping and more during your stay.



Enjoy views of snow-covered hilltops.

## TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Cataract Lake Trail**

Ski Trail • Moderate hills • Easy

Circle Cataract Lake and enjoy the view of forests, wetlands and prairies on this beginner-friendly trail loop. Access the trail from the trail center parking area.

### Hallaway Hill Trail

Snowshoeing and hiking Trail • Steep terrain Hike or snowshoe up Hallaway Hill from the trail center for an unforgettable views of Lake Lida and the rolling hills throughout the surrounding landscape.

### Woodland Trail

Snowshoeing and hiking Trail • Moderate hills Searching for solitude? Hike or snowshoe the densely forested trail for views of diverse tree species.

### Grass Lake Ski Loop

Ski Trail • Moderate hills • Steep terrain • More difficult

Circle Cataract Lake, then head south to the Knoll Loop campground before traveling north between Beers Lake and Grass Lake. This trail has some hills and is recommended for experienced skiers.

### Cow Lake Loop

Ski Trail (ungroomed) • Hilly • Steep terrain • Most difficult

Carve out your own trail by heading south to the Cow Lake trail loop to experience some of the most difficult trails in the park. This backcountry trail is accessible by the Beers Lake water access.

# MORE TO EXPLORE \_\_\_\_\_

- Join the candle-light ski event in late February.
- Reserve one of three year-round camper cabins for a rustic get-away with family or friends.
- Wildlife observation and bird-watching opportunities abound. Over 150 bird species have been recorded.
- There are three access points for snowmobilers to enter the park using the Grant-In-Aid snowmobile trails network.
- Feel free to take your snowshoes off-trail to explore new areas.
- As the winter season comes to a close, attend the maple syruping events in early spring (March-April).

0.75-mile loop

2.5-mile

1.25-mile loop

4.75-mile loop

4.25-mile loop

## SO EVERYONE CAN ENJOY...

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



### PARK OPEN

8 a.m.–10 p.m. daily.



### **VEHICLE PERMITS**

Permits required; purchase at recreation area office or entrance kiosk.



#### PETS WELCOME

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



### **CAMPGROUND QUIET HOURS**

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



### FIREWOOD

Must be purchased at this park or from vendors who sell wood approved for this park; no gathering firewood in the park.

### BE OUR GUEST \_\_\_\_\_

Stay awhile at numerous drive-in campsites (electric, non-electric), group camp, or backpack-in campsites. Or, treat yourself to a night at the cabin.

Visit mndnr.gov/reservations to reserve your site.



WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT FISHING REGULATIONS? VISIT MNDNR.GOV/FISHMN

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