

STATE PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Vehicle permits—A one-day or year-round vehicle permit is required; purchase online, on the Yodel app or at the park. mndnr.gov/permit
- Reservations are required for camping and lodging and can be made 120 days in advance. mndnr.gov/reservations or 866-857-2757
- Starting in 2023, there are new payment options in parks and campgrounds. For more information, see mndnr.gov/state_parks/payment-options.html.
- Learn more about the outdoors by joining naturalists for guided walks, campfire talks and other free programs throughout the year. mndnr.gov/ptcalendar
- State park gift cards are available for purchase online. mndnr.gov/giftcard



TRIP-PLANNING TIPS

Wondering where to go for outdoor adventure? These online resources can help.

Fall Color Finder

Park staff report weekly from around the state in September and October so you can find the prettiest backdrops for your fall outings. mndnr.gov/fallcolors

Snow Depth and Trail Conditions

Updated weekly throughout the winter to find the best destinations for skiing, snowshoeing and snowmobiling. mndnr.gov/snow

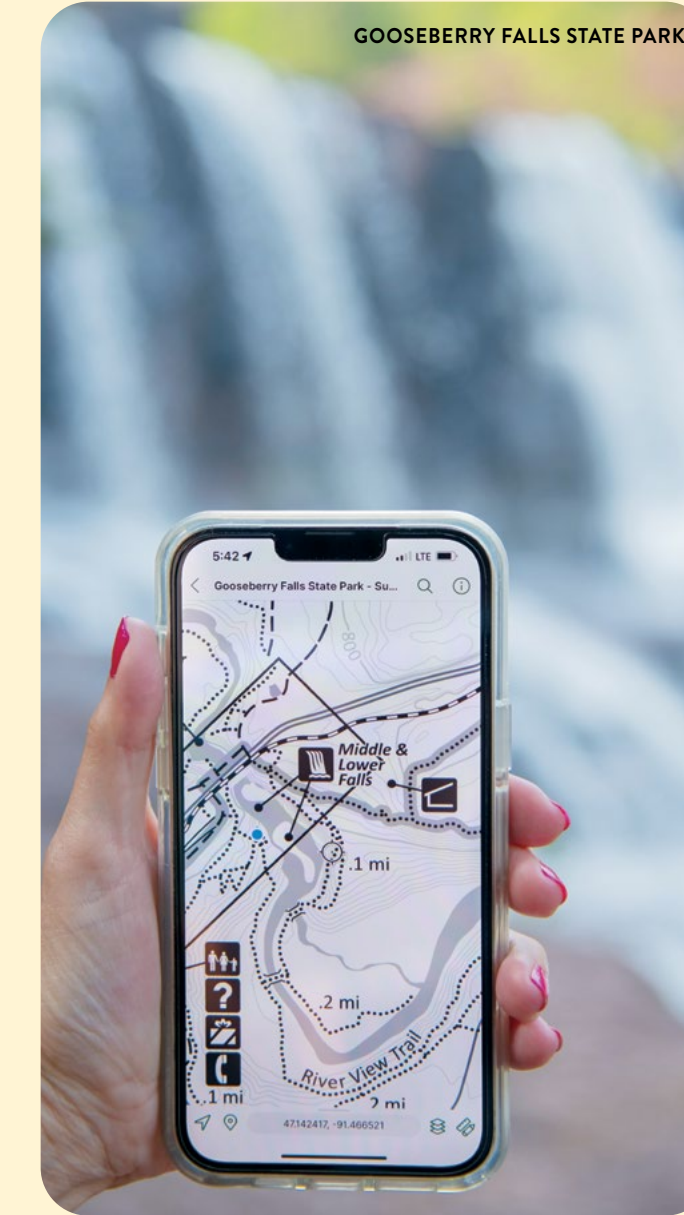
Trailblazer Newsletter

Get insider information on year-round fun in Minnesota state parks and trails with our monthly newsletter, the Trailblazer. Subscribe at mndnr.gov/trailblazer

GeoPDF MAPS

Track where you are or how far you've gone on your mobile device. Navigating the outdoors is easy with free, downloadable GeoPDF maps that show your location as a blue dot moving along state park, OHV, snowmobile and other recreational trails. mndnr.gov/GeoPDF

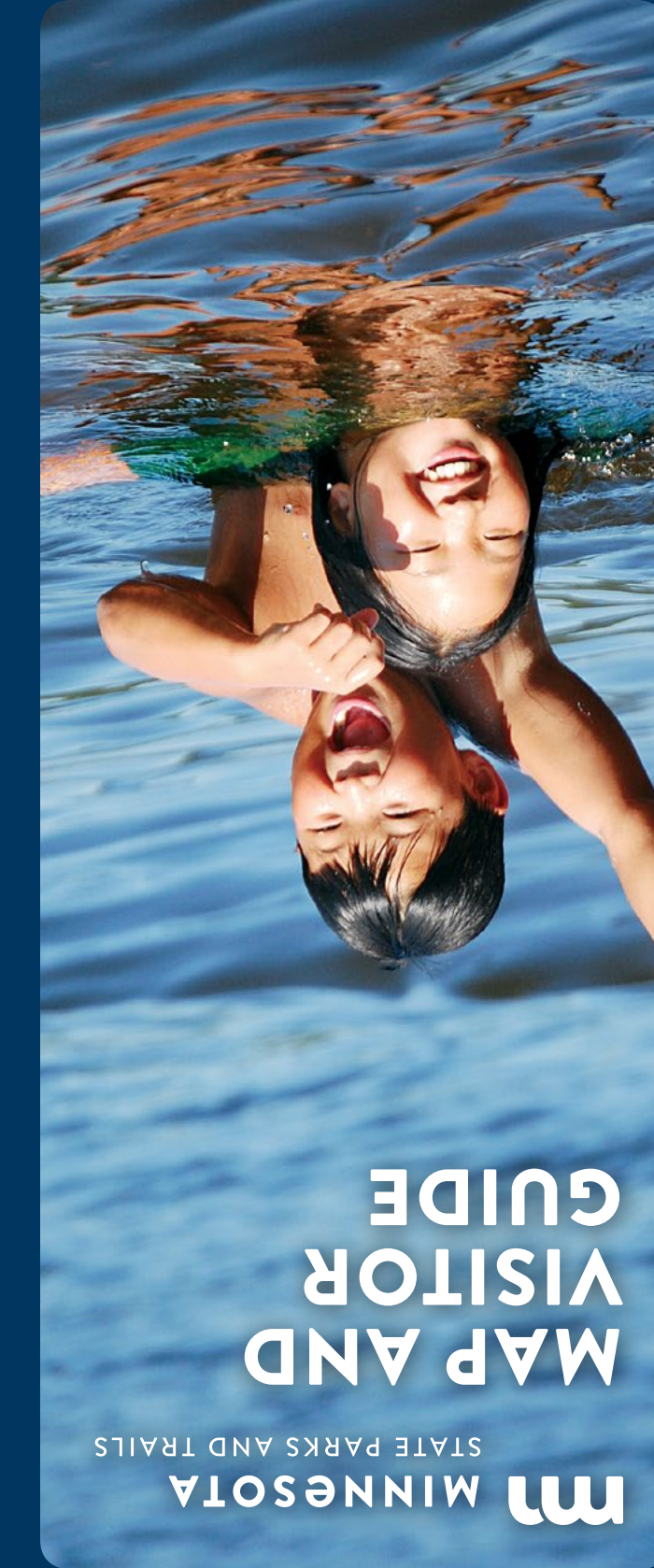
For a map of bike trails in Minnesota, visit mndot.gov/bike



STATE TRAILS

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- There are over 1,300 miles of state trails in Minnesota, ranging from paved, railroad-grade bike trails to natural terrain for horseback riding, and a world-class mountain biking system. Find your perfect trail with our trail start-up guide at mndnr.gov/shiftgears
- Passes are required for horse riding, snowmobiling and cross-country skiing. All other state trail use is free.
- Snowmobile trails open December 1—if the ground is frozen and there is adequate snow cover for grooming. mndnr.gov/snowmobiling



I CAN! PROGRAMS

Learn new outdoor skills or brush up on old ones at an I Can! program. Registration begins in the spring. mndnr.gov/ican

WATER RECREATION

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- Minnesota has 3,000 public trailer and carry-in access sites for boaters. Amenities at each site vary. mndnr.gov/wateraccess
- Water trails are great places to explore in a canoe or kayak. Find a river for your skill level. mndnr.gov/watertrails
- Check real-time river gauge readings for Minnesota state water trails to avoid paddling in unsafe conditions. mndnr.gov/river_levels



TOURS

Learn about one of the state's premier underground mines, or Minnesota's longest cave, or a prairie occupied by bison from the Minnesota Conservation Herd. mndnr.gov/tours



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STATE FORESTS

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- Minnesota state forests offer a remote and rustic outdoor experience, including 53 campgrounds with designated campsites available on a first-come, first-served basis (fee required). mndnr.gov/stateforests
- Minnesota state forests have thousands of miles of off-highway vehicle trails. mndnr.gov/OHV



JOIN A CLUB

The Hiking and Passport clubs help you discover new destinations and spend time outdoors while earning rewards. Passport Club members stamp their passport at all Minnesota state parks and recreation areas. Hiking Club members hike 200 trail miles in 67 state parks and recreation areas.

Get your club books at Minnesota State Parks and Trails Nature Stores or go online and join a club. mndnr.gov/clubs



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MINNESOTA STATE PARKS, TRAILS AND FORESTS

Legend:

- State Park
- State Recreation Area
- ▲ State Wayside
- Paved State Trail
- Unpaved State Trail
- State Water Trail
- State Forest
- ◆ State Forest Campground
- Major Lake
- Major City

State Forests with Campgrounds

Forest	Campgrounds
B1 Beltrami Island	(3 campgrounds)
B4 Birch Lakes	
C2 Bowstring	(2 campgrounds)
D4 Chengwatana	
E3 Cloquet Valley	
C3 Crow Wing	
E2 Finland	(3 campgrounds)
D3 General C.C. Andrews	
D2 George Washington	(8 campgrounds)
F2 Grand Portage	(3 campgrounds)
B3 Huntersville	(3 campgrounds)
D2 Kabetogama	(4 campgrounds)
C3 Land O' Lakes	
D3 Nemadji	
F2 Pat Bayle	
B3 Paul Bunyan	(2 campgrounds)
C3 Pillsbury	(2 campgrounds)
E6 Richard J. Dorer Memorial	
Hardwood	(9 campgrounds)
C4 Sand Dunes	(2 campgrounds)
D3 Savanna	
D4 St. Croix	(2 campgrounds)
B3 Two Inlets	

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Check for alerts: Weather, construction, staffing and other variables may impact what is offered at a state park. A park will post alerts and notices on their website so you can prepare for a great experience.

Accessibility: Facilities identified above as accessible may not all meet current ADA standards and not all accessible facilities are listed. For more information, please call the parks.

Fishing: Minnesotans do not need a license to fish at most state parks. Also, most parks have free fishing equipment available.

Wi-Fi: Many parks now have Wi-Fi, but access may be limited to certain areas. To find out where it is available, call ahead or ask when you arrive.

Drones: It's unlawful to land any aircraft, including drones, within the boundaries of any state park, recreation area or wayside.

Winter trails: It's OK to venture off the trails in the snow. Hiking and snowshoeing are allowed anywhere in the parks except on trails groomed for skiing or snowmobiling.

