

MAP AND GUIDE: BEAVER CREEK VALLEY STATE PARK

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VISITOR TIPS

- Rattlesnakes are in the park, but are rarely seen. Give them space and leave them be if encountered.
- The campground is open April to October.
- Cell phone service is generally not available in the park.
- In an emergency call 911.
- Non-emergency sheriff's number: 507-725-3379



ONLY HAVE AN HOUR?

- Visit scenic Big Spring by hiking a 0.25-mile trail from the day-use area parking lot.
- Walk the new pedestrian bridge over babbling Beaver Creek.
- Hike the short loop of Beaver Creek Valley Trail to hear the water and enjoy the shade.
- Trout fish year-round with 2.3 miles of fishable waters. Catch and release only from mid-October to mid-April. Trout stamp needed.



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ABOUT THE PARK

Big Spring, the source of Beaver Creek, became part of Beaver Creek Valley State Park in 1937. Today, the park protects rare and diverse plants and animals. The scenic beauty of this valley, in the driftless area of Minnesota, offers a unique setting for a day hike or camping trip.

Fish for trout in the streams, experience spring wildflowers and bird migrations, hike quiet trails, or marvel at steep valley walls carved by glacial meltwater thousands of years ago.

There is no biking allowed in the park, but the Root River State Trail is only a 20 minute drive away.



Peaceful, tranquil trails await you.

TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS -

Beaver Creek Valley Trail	3.5-mile loop	
Mostly flat • Mowed grass Meander along Beaver Creek and through its cool valley surrounded by bluffs. Take the full loop or return Rock Trail spur for a shorter 1-mile loop.	near the Plateau	
Switch Back Trail	1 mile one-way	
Steep terrain • Packed dirt Expect a steep hike with narrow ledges from the creek to the top of the bluff. You will be rewarded with beautiful overlooks of the Beaver Creek Valley.		
Plateau Rock Trail Steep terrain • Packed dirt	1 mile one-way	
Get ready for steep inclines and scenic vistas.		
Hole in the Rock Trail Rolling hills • Packed dirt • Mowed grass Hike up and down bluffs, through cool woods with rock formations and into a small dry bluff prairie.	1 mile one-way	

MORE TO EXPLORE —

- Enjoy art and wildlife displays at the visitor center.
- Stay overnight at a drive-in campsite (electric or non-electric), walk-in campsite or seasonal camper cabin. Call 866-857-2757 or visit MNDNR.GOV/RESERVATIONS to reserve.
- Visit in April and May for spring wildflowers and the warbler migration.

- Lots of places to cool off in the spring-fed spring.
- Close to area bike trails, including the Root River State Trail, and the Mississippi River.

SO EVERYONE CAN ENJOY THE PARK...

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



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.



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

? 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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