



# MAP AND GUIDE: BUFFALO RIVER STATE PARK

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CLAY COUNTY  
218-498-2124



## ! VISITOR TIPS

- Office hours are limited from Labor Day to Memorial Day.
- Please keep your dog leashed and near you.
- There are no bike trails in the park.
- In an emergency call 911.
- Non-emergency sheriff's number: 701-451-7660

## 🕒 ONLY HAVE AN HOUR?

- Take the Picnic Area Trail to some great fishing spots. Then, cast a line into the Buffalo River for a variety of fish such as white sucker, river redhorse and goldeye.
- Walk the Prairie View Trail for colorful wildflowers and grasses.
- Cool off in the park's man-made and chlorinated swimming pond.



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## ABOUT THE PARK

Buffalo River State Park, created in 1937, offers public recreation in a scenic riverine forest. Enjoy a picnic area, swimming pond and campground nestled just inside the shade of the woods. Hike trails along the Buffalo River or into one of the largest and highest quality northern tallgrass prairies in the United States. This 4,658-acre tallgrass prairie complex is managed cooperatively by Buffalo River State Park, The Nature Conservancy, and Minnesota State University Moorhead Regional Science Center. Structures built through the 1930s Works Progress Administration can also be found in the park.



Explore the varied landscapes of  
Buffalo River State Park.

## TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS

### Bluestem Trail

2-mile loop

Mostly flat with a few rolling hills • Mowed grass  
Follow this trail to reach the Bluestem Prairie Scientific and Natural Area (SNA), and discover which of the over 250 species of wildflowers and grasses are in bloom.

### River View Trail Loop

3-mile loop

Mostly flat • Mowed grass  
Experience the Buffalo River along much of this trail. Watch for deer, signs of beaver, and many different species of birds. Start from the picnic/swimming area and cross the bridge.

### Wide Sky Trail

0.75 miles one-way

Flat • Mowed grass  
Explore the wide open prairie along this trail from the parking lot to the Minnesota State University Moorhead Regional Science Center.

### Muskoda Trail

0.5-mile loop

Flat • Mowed grass  
Interpretive signs along this trail help unlock the unique history and features of the park.

## MORE TO EXPLORE AT THE PARK

The Minnesota State University Moorhead Regional Science Center does not have regular public hours. If their building is locked, visitors are welcome to visit their sculpture or walk on their trails.

## SO EVERYONE CAN ENJOY THE PARK...

A FULL SET OF STATE PARK RULES AND  
REGULATIONS IS AVAILABLE AT [MNDNR.GOV](http://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 at beaches.



### FIREWOOD

Purchase only from approved vendor;  
no gathering firewood in the park.



### 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](http://mndnr.gov/parks)

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