

# **MAP AND GUIDE: GLACIAL LAKES STATE PARK**

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### **VISITOR TIPS**

- Hikers, be aware of horse riders and share the trails.
- Horseback riding is welcome on designated trails. Don't forget to purchase your horse pass for riders age 16 and older.
- Be safe and check for ticks.
- Keep an eye out for poison ivy.
- Signalness Lake is non- motorized. electric trolling motors only.
- In an emergency call 911.



### **ONLY HAVE AN HOUR?**

- Picnic at the beach area or swim in the spring-fed waters of Signalness Lake.
- Drop a line for sunfish, crappies, large-mouth bass, northern pike, yellow perch and walleye from a fishing pier near the beach.
- Reach scenic views by hiking Mardy's Trail around the lake.



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## **ABOUT THE PARK**

Glacial Lakes State Park was established in 1963 to preserve the area's rolling prairies, high quality habitat, and rich plant life. The park also protects special glacial landforms such as kames (cone-shaped hills), kettles (water-filled depressions), and glacial erratics (large boulders left by the glaciers). Glaciers also left behind glacial till (dirt and gravel) that formed the area's hills and steep rolling terrain. Wildflowers and prairie grasses blanket the landscape from spring through fall. Visit the park and explore all the grasslands have to offer.



Experience sweeping prairie vistas.

#### TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS —

Mardy's Trail 1.7-mile loop

Rolling hills • Packed dirt

Hike around Signalness Lake through oak-dominated forest, over rolling prairie hills, and across glacial formations with scenic lake views. Watch for deer, frogs, muskrats and a variety of birds.

High Peak Trail 2.3-mile loop

Mostly flat • Some hills • Mowed grass

Prairie and oak savanna will surround you along this trail. See for miles when you reach the bench at the peak. Search for kames and kettles below or take in a sunset.

Group Camp Loop Trail 1-mile loop

Rolling hills • Packed dirt • Gravel

Discover lake views, old bur oak trees, and stunning prairie landscape as you hike this trail.

Villard-Starbuck Trail 5 miles one-way

Rolling hills • Paved

Bike, walk or in-line skate from the park to the town of Starbuck. Pass rolling farmlands, wetlands, views of Lake Minnewaska, a city park and small shops. If you wish to continue, the paved trail heads east out of town, all the way to Villard.

#### MORE TO EXPLORE AT THE PARK —

- Check out GPS units, Kids Discovery Kits, birding kits and fishing equipment from the park office.
- Rent a canoe, kayak, paddleboard or rowboat at the park office.
- Enjoy a free naturalist program.
- Hike the park's less-traveled southeastern trails for a peaceful prairie experience.

# **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.



#### PETS WELCOME

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



## **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

Reserve a camper cabin, drive-in campsite (electric or non-electric), backpack-in campsite, group camp or horse camp and stay awhile. Visit mndnr.gov/reservations.

# 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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