



MAP AND GUIDE: LAKE BRONSON STATE PARK

3793 230TH ST
LAKE BRONSON, MN 56734
KITTSOON COUNTY
218-754-2200



VISITOR TIPS

- Bring your bike and enjoy the paved trails in the area.
- Elk live in this county, you may even see one in the park.
- Kids and parents can enjoy a playground at the visitor center.
- In an emergency call 911.
- Non-emergency sheriff’s number: 218-843-3535.

CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

The DNR has begun replacing the dam at Lake Bronson. The lake and lakebed are closed to all public use, as well as some trails in the park. Additional trail or park closures may occur during the life of the project. Visit the website for the most current information.



ONLY HAVE AN HOUR?

- Experience bird’s-eye views of the park from an observation tower built by men working for the Works Progress Administration in the 1930s. This is the largest tower in the state park system.
- Delve into the story of prairie and aspen parkland habitat with exhibits that engage all ages at the visitor center.
- Immerse yourself in unique and scenic habitat with a hike on the Aspen Parkland Interpretive Loop.



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DURING YOUR STAY?
VISIT [MNDNR.GOV/LAKEBRONSON](https://mndnr.gov/lakebronson)

ABOUT THE PARK

Lake Bronson State Park came to exist as the result of a Works Progress Administration (WPA) project during the Great Depression. Workers built a dam and several buildings before the land was given to the state in 1937. Long before that, the area was used by American Indians living on the shores of glacial Lake Agassiz. Pioneers later homesteaded the region. These uses have created a park rich in cultural resources that you might experience during your stay: Arvilla artifacts, pioneer cemeteries and homesteads, and WPA buildings, campsites and the dam.



Enjoy all the lake has to offer.

TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS

Hiking Club Trail	3.6-mile loop
Small hills • Mowed grass • Packed dirt	
Take a stroll through both wooded and prairie habitats in the park.	
Aspen Parkland Trail	1.75-mile loop
Mostly flat • Mowed grass	
View the unique aspen parkland landscape and discover its story through interpretive signs.	
Around the lake trail	5.8-mile (1.2 currently under construction)
Flat • Mowed grass • Paved	
Hike or bike all the way around Lake Bronson. You may see a glimpse of mink, waterfowl or otters.	
Meander Trail	2-mile loop
Small hills • Mowed grass • Packed dirt	
Enjoy the quiet sounds of nature on the most remote trail in the park.	

MORE TO EXPLORE

- Horseback riders can ride eight miles of trails in the park. Don’t forget to purchase your horse pass. Find horse trailer parking at the eastern boat landing parking lot.

BE OUR GUEST

- Stay overnight at a drive-in campsite (electric or non-electric). Go for a more rustic experience at a backpack campsite or group camp. Reservations are required. Visit mndnr.gov/reservations or call 866-857-2757.
- Call the park to rent the visitor center’s Great Room for your next get-together.

SO EVERYONE CAN ENJOY THE PARK...

A FULL SET OF STATE PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS IS AVAILABLE AT THE PARK OFFICE OR [MNDNR.GOV](https://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.



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.



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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