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# MAP AND GUIDE: OLD MILL STATE PARK

33489 240TH AVENUE NW ARGYLE, MN 56713 C/O LAKE BRONSON STATE PARK 218-754-2200

VISITOR TIPS

• Cool off at the swimming pond from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

- Experience the annual Grinding Days hosted by Marshall County Historical Society at the end of August. On this special day, the historical society operates the grist mill and grinds grain to make flour.
- In an emergency call 911.
- Non-emergency sheriff's number: 218-745-5411



## ONLY HAVE AN HOUR?

- Step into the past with a visit to Larson Mill and the Pioneer Cabin.
- Soak in the historic scenery at the Stone Bridge.
- Enjoy blooming prairie flowers on the Agassiz Self-Guided Trail.



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## ABOUT THE PARK

The park preserves a piece of Minnesota's past. It holds the original site of a water-powered mill built by the Larson family in 1886, as well as a settler's cabin. A steam-powered mill was later built by Larson's son and remained in operation until 1937. The restored engine and mill are fired up once a year to commemorate the heritage of local farm communities.

The Middle River meanders through the park and provides a backdrop for the picnic area and campground.

## TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS ——

Agassiz Self-Guided Trail (Hiking Club Trail)1.3-rMostly flat • Mowed grassIndexHike the edge of a prairie scattered with a mix of deciduous and coniferous trees. You will catchglimpses of the Middle River along the way. An observant eye may also spot deer, black bears, ornumerous birds and small mammals that call this area home.Riverine Forest TrailGentle hill • Mowed grass

Walk amongst the oak trees and view the Middle River from above.

#### Larson Pines Trail Mostly flat • Mowed grass

View scotch pine trees, planted by the Larson family, when they settled in this area in the 1880s.

## MORE TO EXPLORE AT THE PARK -

- Pack a picnic lunch and enjoy wide open spaces in the picnic area.
- Stay overnight at a drive-in campsite. Call 866-857-2757 or visit MNDNR.GOV/RESERVATIONS to reserve.
- Watch for over 100 bird species in the park's riverine forest, prairie, oak savanna and wet prairie.
- Return in winter for a sliding hill and access to snowmobile trails.

## SO EVERYONE CAN ENJOY THE PARK...

A full set of STATE PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS is available at mndnr.gov.



VEHICLE PERMITS Permits required; purchase at 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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Peek into the area's rich past.

1.3-mile loop

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