

# SPLIT ROCK CREEK STATE PARK

## PARK OVERVIEW

## CAMPGROUND

# MAP AND GUIDE: SPLIT ROCK CREEK STATE PARK

336 50TH AVENUE  
JASPER, MN 56144  
PIPESTONE COUNTY  
507-348-7908



## VISITOR TIPS

- Horseback riding is welcome on designated trails. Don't forget to purchase a horse pass for riders age 16 and older.
- Check office hours on arrival to plan the best times to rent canoes, kayaks, paddleboards, paddleboats and rowboats.
- In an emergency call 911.
- Non-emergency sheriff's number: 507-825-1100.



## ONLY HAVE AN HOUR?

- Hike along the lake for views of Prairie Hill, the dam and the historic stone bridge.
- Cool off at the swimming beach on Split Rock Lake.
- Fish for crappies, perch, catfish and bullheads at the fishing pier.



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## ABOUT THE PARK

In 1937, area residents petitioned state lawmakers to create a state park that would protect a unique hillside teeming with native prairie flowers. Shortly after, Works Progress Administration (WPA) workers built a dam and created the only lake in Pipestone County. The efforts of both groups resulted in a park that has offered recreation and enjoyment for generations of visitors. Camp overnight or come for the day to paddle the lake, cast a fishing line, view stunning wildflowers, picnic or hike. There is plenty here to keep you coming back for more.



Cool off at Split Rock Lake.

## PARK HIGHLIGHTS

### Hiking Trail

2.5-mile loop

Mostly flat • Mowed grass • Gravel

See all the park has to offer from this trail. Hike from the campground, across Prairie Hill, along the wooded shores of Split Rock Creek Lake, and then across the Split Rock Creek Dam before looping back.

### Split Rock Lake

Rent canoes, kayaks, paddleboards, paddleboats or rowboats from the park office (Memorial Day to Labor Day) and explore the calm waters of the lake. Take a dip in the water at the sandy swimming beach. The lake is the only sizable body of water in Pipestone County, making it a great place to view waterfowl.

### Picnic Area

Enjoy a meal or just take in the lake view from the park's picnic area.

### Prairie Hill

View the flowered hillside that inspired the park's creation. This small prairie holds diverse plant species. The prairie changes its colors as each season passes. Watch for pasque flower, blazing star and prairie smoke. Park your car in the lot along the west side of the road leading to the campground.

### Historic Bridge

Works Progress Administration workers built this stone bridge from local quartzite in the 1930s. It still spans Split Rock Creek today. The bridge is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

## 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 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 an electric or non-electric campsite or a group campsite and stay awhile. Visit [mndnr.gov/reservations](http://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](http://mndnr.gov/parks)

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