

PETIT JEAN STATE PARK

One of Arkansas's finest state park facilities, Petit Jean State Park lies in a unique area between the Ozark and Ouachita Mountain ranges in west-central Arkansas. Situated upon beautiful Petit Jean Mountain, the park encompasses 2,900 acres of rare natural beauty. In this lovely mountain setting are an abundance of unmarred woods, ravines, streams, springs, spectacular views and interesting geological formations preserved almost as French explorers found them 300 years ago.

The mountain received its name from the legend of Petit Jean, the story of a French girl who disguised herself as a boy and secretly accompanied her sweetheart, a sailor, to America.

FACILITIES

Lodging • Overlooking the beautiful Arkansas River Valley, Mather Lodge offers 24 guest rooms (6 doubles and 18 singles). Whether for a weekend vacation or a business conference, the lodge complex provides a variety of facilities such as a swimming pool, gift shop and full service restaurant (in-park catering available). Small groups can meet at the Lodge in the Arkansas Room or the Legacy Room (fee). Six overnight duplex cabins (12 units, all with fireplaces) are located near the Lodge (no kitchens). Each sleeps up to four persons. (NOTE: The Cabins now have phones, and Wi-Fi in the Cabins and Lodge. The Lodge swimming pool, open seasonally, is only for Lodge and cabin guests.)

Restaurant • Family dining, full menu, open daily.

Cabins • Twenty fully-equipped housekeeping cabins, 9 rustic, 5 duplex (10 units) and 2 honeymoon cabins with hot tub, all with fireplaces (fireplaces for seasonal use only - Oct. 1 to April 1), are scattered in the woods near Mather Lodge. Cabins include all-electric kitchens with cooking utensils and tableware. Linens are provided and cabins are heated and air conditioned for year-round comfort. Five cabins are barrier-free.

Camping • The park contains 125 individual campsites (including 28 pull-thru sites) offering water and electrical hookups. Fifty-five sites have 50 amp electric, water and sewer at each site. NOTE: Campers must register at the Visitor Center before occupying a campsite. All sites are reservable and may be reserved up to one year in advance. Please call to check availability. Sites are divided into 4 areas with a bathhouse in each. There is also a 24 unit rally-style camping area available for camping clubs. A reservable group camp area is available for tent camping only, year round with heated bathhouse. A trailer sanitary station is located near overflow area. For those who don't own camping equipment, a Rent-A-Yurt package which includes a tent/yurt, mats, canoe, camp stove and other camping gear, is available year round. A fly-in campground is available at the airport. Call for information.

Picnicking • Petit Jean provides wooded picnic areas along Lake Bailey and Lake Roosevelt with tables, grills, water and restrooms. Two group pavilions are available for rent / April - October. The pavilions must be reserved in advance at the Visitor Center.

Recreation • From fishing on Lake Bailey (boat motor - 10hp limit) to an afternoon softball game on the playing field, there's plenty to do at Petit Jean. During the summer, fishing boats with motors and pedal boats can be rented at the Boathouse, which also has a snack bar and game room. A modern swimming pool (no cutoffs, please), playgrounds and tennis courts provide a wide variety of activities for the entire family. The Visitor Center Meeting Room, located at the Visitor Center, can be rented for group gatherings.

Hiking Trails • More than 20 miles of trails guide you to Petit Jean's secrets. Walk to Cedar Falls; meander through Seven Hollows; enter into Rock House Cave and much more. Trail maps and brochures are available at the Lodge or Visitor Center. Exhibits, books on plants and animals, and program schedules, including interpretive walks will be found in the Visitor Center.

Other Facilities • Picnic and grocery supplies, firewood and gift shops are located near the park (some facilities are open seasonally only). The Petit Jean airport is open to general public aviation with fuel available, a fly-in campground, and shuttle service to the park for a fee.

NOTE: Cabin reservations can be made by calling Mather Lodge. Campers must register at the Visitor Center before occupying a site. All sites are assigned. Bikes, motorcycles or horses are not allowed on the hiking trails.

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NOTICE: To preserve scenic beauty and ecology, fences and warning signs have not been installed in some park locations. Caution and supervision of your children are required while visiting these areas.

INTERPRETIVE SERVICES

Begin your stay at Petit Jean with a trip to the Visitor Center and Gift Shop. While there, enjoy the interpretive exhibits on the park's history and environment. Park interpreters provide guided hikes, nature talks and workshops plus evening programs at the outdoor amphitheatre (summer). Off-season programs and guided hikes are available; groups may request special programs to meet specific interests year-round (advance arrangements necessary). Special events held annually include Fall Senior American Specials, Fishing Derby, Wildflower Weekend, Eagle Awareness and the Antique Car Show.



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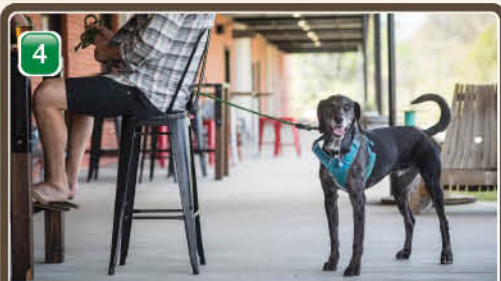


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