# DAISY STATE PARK

Daisy State Park provides access to Ouachita Mountain scenery and the clear waters of Lake Greeson while encouraging a feeling of community where generations are connected and memories are made.

Surrounded by the beautiful Ouachita Mountains is Lake Greeson, a 7,000-acre Corps of Engineers impoundment formed in 1950 from the Little Missouri River. Famous for its clean, clear water, fishermen catch stripers, black bass, crappie, bream, catfish, white bass, and smallmouth. This deep lake is also stocked with northern pike and walleye. The river above and below the lake is stocked with rainbow trout for winter and spring trout fishing.

Daisy State Park is on the north end of Lake Greeson just off U.S. Highway 70 near the town of Daisy. The park is surrounded by vast timberlands (privately owned); add the Ouachita National Forest just a few miles to the north, and this area offers a bonanza of vear-round recreation. From fishing, boating, camping, hiking, swimming, waterskiing and scuba diving, to in-season hunting on timber company and U.S. Forest Service lands (no hunting in state parks), to touring backcountry roads, southwest Arkansas offers some of the best outdoor fun in the state.

During your stay at Daisy State Park, you may want to visit Caney Creek Wilderness, Camp Albert Pike, Shady Lake, Little Missouri Falls, or Winding Stairs, all in nearby Ouachita National Forest where cascading streams, mountain trails and high country picnic sites provide days of enjoyable outings.

You can enjoy whitewater floating and fishing on the Little Missouri, Cossatot, and Caddo rivers, which offer floating for most every experience level up to Class V. River levels and difficulty are dependent upon rainfall. Ask the park staff for information and floating locations.

A beautiful drive into the mountains to the west will take you to Cossatot River State Park-Natural Area. The scenery, trails and river here are worth the drive; the exhibits in the new visitor center are a bonus.

Just 23 miles south is Crater of Diamonds State Park, the only diamond-producing volcanic "pipe" open to the public in North America. For a small fee, you can search for diamonds and keep all you find!

#### **FACILITIES**

**Camping** ◆ Open year-round, Daisy State Park offers a variety of experiences. For visitors needing water and electrical hook-ups, 82 campsites with asphalt-surfaced pads are available including 26 campsites with 50 amp and water, and 56 with 30 amp and water. The park also offers 21 tent sites (no hookups), 10 of which are for walk-in camping. All campsites have tables and grills. There are six clean, modern bathhouses and a sanitary dump station. Two free boat launch ramps are available.

**Picnicking** ◆ Scattered among the pines and hardwoods, the shaded picnic sites at Daisy are equipped with tables and grills for cookout fun at no charge. **Group Facility Rentals** ◆ A large, enclosed pavilion with restroom is available for rent. Plenty of open space surrounds the pavilion, making it ideal for games and group activities. A playground is also available.

The Interpretive Center is also available to rent for small groups. It is equipped with a full kitchen, ice maker, A/V projector and surround sound. Meeting room for approximately 30 people.

**Nearby Facilities** ◆ The Corps of Engineers provide 12 campgrounds around the lake. A campground is also available at Crater of Diamonds State Park. Stores, service stations, motels, marinas, restaurants. miniature golf, canoe rental, bait and fishing supplies are available in nearby communities. A public golf course is 18 miles northeast at Glenwood. Call for a tee-time: 501-356-4422. Bear Creek Motorcycle Trail starts in Daisy and has 16 miles of trails for ATV's. mountain bikes, dirt bikes, and hiking.

**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. The pavilion must be reserved at the Visitor Center before being used (deposit required).

## **INTERPRETIVE SERVICES**

An interpretive program of guided hikes, games, crafts, nature talks and demonstrations plus evening slides and movies at the park's outdoor amphitheater are offered to the public free of charge during the summer (Memorial Day through Labor Day). Organized groups may request special interest programs (advance arrangements required). Our summer cruises and winter eagle watch cruises are very popular.

### LOCATION

From the town of Daisy on U.S. 70, the park is 1/4 mile south; from Hot Springs, travel 50 miles southwest on U.S. 70 to Daisy; from Murfreesboro, go 20 miles on Arkansas 27 to Kirby, then 6 miles west on U.S. 70 to Daisy; from DeQueen, on U.S. 71, travel 41 miles northeast on U.S. 70 to Daisy: from I-30 at Texarkana, take U.S. 71 north 43 miles to U.S. 70 and then drive 33 miles northeast to Daisy.

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For further information on park fees, services or pavilion reservations, contact:

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