

LAKE FRIERSON STATE PARK

Located just 10 miles north of Jonesboro, Lake Frierson State Park is a haven for both fishermen and nature-lovers alike. This beautiful 114-acre park is situated atop scenic Crowley's Ridge, a unique geological phenomenon which rises 100-200 feet above the surrounding delta and stretches from Cape Girardeau, Missouri to Helena, Arkansas. The park sits on the eastern shore of Lake Frierson, a 335-acre fishing lake managed by the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission. Excellent catches of bass, bream, crappie and catfish are routinely reported. Since 1975, Lake Frierson State park has provided both recreation and environmental education to park visitors.

Why An Environmental Education Park?

In today's fast-paced society, technology takes care of our daily needs causing most people to lose touch with the natural world our ancestors knew so well. However, technology cannot replace our dependence on the Earth's natural resources, and as a nation we have been slow to recognize this. Our quality of life is directly related to the quality of our environment. Issues such as energy for the future, pollution, and waste disposal can only be answered by all of us, as individuals, to gain a deeper understanding and respect for the natural environment that surrounds us.

FACILITIES

Camping ♦ Located in a beautiful, wooded area near the lake and boat ramp are seven campsites. Four are equipped for RV's and camping trailers with electric and water hook-ups. Three are for tents only. All sites are equipped with table, grill and a lantern hanger.

Tent pads are available on selected sites.

A bathhouse and sanitary dump station are at nearby Crowley's Ridge State Park.



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.

Pavilion ♦ A 2,400-square foot multi-purpose, barrier-free pavilion overlooks Lake Frierson. This facility is heated and air conditioned. It includes restrooms, electrical outlets, projection screen, ceiling fans, tables, chairs and a large outdoor sheltered grill. It is available throughout the year for family reunions, company picnics, weddings, birthday parties, workshops and classes. This facility will accommodate 80 people. A rental fee is required and advance reservations are encouraged.

Gift Shop ♦ A gift shop is located inside the Visitor Center. A wide selection of educational, gift and souvenir items are available as well as necessities such as ice, wood, charcoal, and fishing tackle. You may also purchase your Arkansas fishing and hunting licenses here.

Other Facilities ♦ Shopping, restaurants, service stations, laundry and hospitals are minutes away in nearby Jonesboro.

RECREATION

Fishing and Boating ♦ This timber filled lake provides excellent habitat for bass, bream, channel catfish and crappie. There is a free boat launch ramp on park property. Fishing boat rentals, boating supplies, tackle, fishing license and other items are available at the Visitor Center.

Visitors may rent fishing boats (with and without motors), kayaks or pedal boats (seasonal) at the Visitor Center. A barrier-free fishing pier is located in the day use area.

Wildlife Watching ♦ Lake Frierson State Park is an excellent wildlife viewing area. Along the park trails watch for deer, squirrels, raccoons, opossums, snakes, box turtles, songbirds and wildflowers. On the lake and along the shoreline, osprey, woodpeckers, herons and kingfishers are seen year round along with aquatic turtles, frogs, toads and snakes. This is also a good viewing area for migratory waterfowl in the winter. Please report your sightings at the Visitor Center!

Picnicking ♦ Overlooking the lake, the picnic areas offers tables, grills, water and nearby restrooms. Adjacent to the picnic area is a barrier-free playground.

INTERPRETATION AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Programs ♦ Interpretive and educational programs are available year round. Programs may include guided nature hikes, slide shows, demonstrations, special events and weekend programming. Schools, scouts and other organized groups are encouraged to request special programs year-round with advance notice.

Trails ♦ Dogwood Lane Trail is approximately 1/2-mile long self-guided interpretive trail with a 1/8-mile spur that leads to the Visitor Center. Lake Frierson State Park has more dogwoods than any other state park its size and bursts into a wild array of dogwood blossoms in the spring.

LOCATION

From Jonesboro, travel 10 miles north on Arkansas Highway 141 to the park. From Paragould, travel 12 miles west on U.S. 412, then 8 miles south on Arkansas Highway 141 to the park. From Walnut Ridge, travel 16 miles east on U.S. 412, then 8 miles south on Arkansas Highway 141 to the park.

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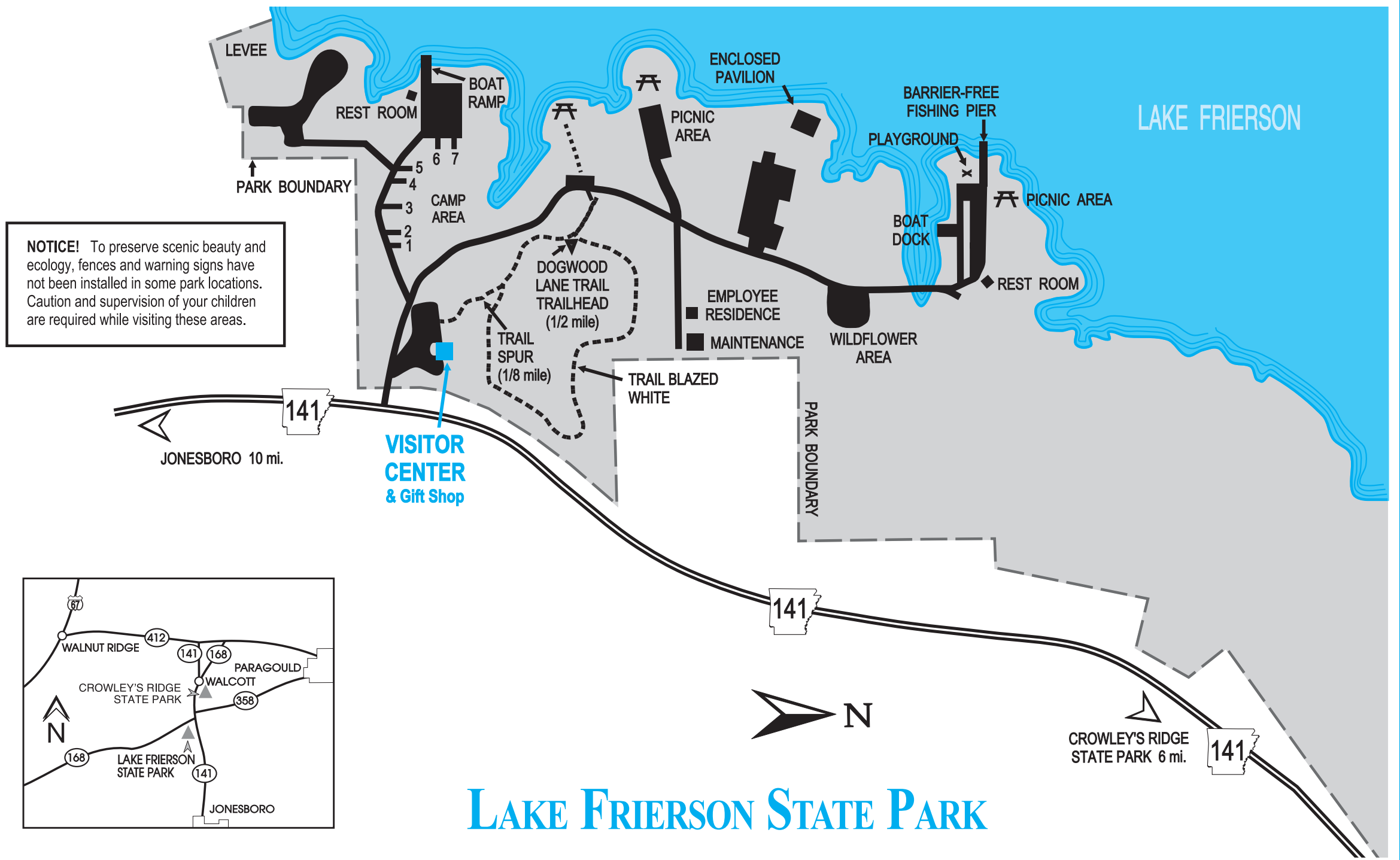


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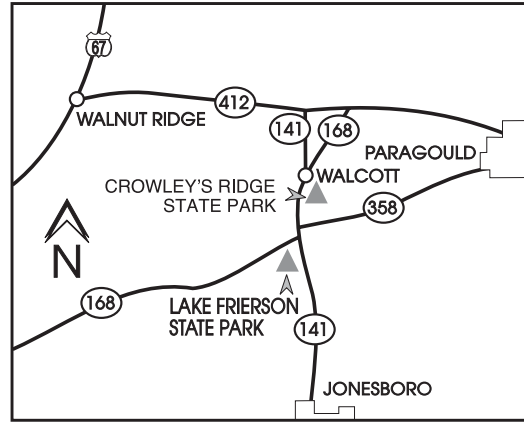
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NOTICE! To preserve scenic beauty and ecology, fences and warning signs have not been installed in some park locations. Caution and supervision of your children are required while visiting these areas.



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