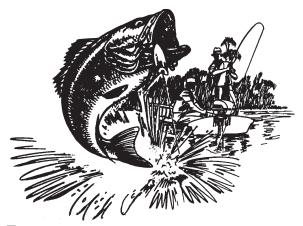
LAKE QUACHITA STATE PARK

Stretching westward from Blakely Mountain Dam, Lake Ouachita (Wash'i taw) extends into the headwaters of the Ouachita River, spanning nearly half of Garland and Montgomery Counties in the Ouachita Mountains of west-central Arkansas. The 975 miles of rugged shoreline encircle 40,000 acres of clean, inviting waters. Recognized as one of Arkansas's superior fishing lakes where bass, crappie, bream and catfish abound, Lake Ouachita is also stocked with smallmouth bass, walleye, and stripers which add to the fishing thrills. Lake Ouachita's wide open waters and quiet coves offer fun for water-skiers, sailing enthusiasts, kayakers, and scuba divers. At the eastern end of the lake in the beautiful pine forest is Lake Ouachita State Park.



FACILITIES

Cabins ◆ Four three-bedroom cabins which sleep up to ten people, and four two bedroom cabins which sleep up to six are nestled among the trees overlooking the lake. These fully equipped housekeeping units with fireplaces are heated or cooled for year-round vacation comfort. Relax on the patio balconies for an after-dinner view of the breathtaking scenery of the surrounding mountains reflecting softly in the shimmering water. **Camping** ◆ Scattered along the forest-covered lakeshore are 93 campsites. Fifty-eight have dual-voltage electricty and frost-proof water hydrants with sewer hookups, table, and a grill. Modern bathhouses with hot showers are handy to all sites, and one sanitary dump station is nearby. Some sites remain open year-round for those who prefer the less-crowded, mild weather of off-season camping.

Four camper cabins are located near camping area C. These single room cabins are furnished with heat/ac, electrical service, one queen bed, two bunk beds, a small table, and a small screened porch. They do not include kitchens, bathrooms, or linens.

Marina ◆ A full-service, 70-slip marina provides ski boats, fishing boats, and party barges, plus rental slips (covered and uncovered), mooring buoys, and transient slips. Live bait, fuel, and fishing supplies are available. Launch ramps are located near the marina and in Camp Area A.

Other Facilities ◆ The visitor center houses the park offices, audiovisual room, store, gift shop, restrooms and exhibits which feature the famous Three Sisters Springs, the history of the lake and the surrounding area, and the natural environment and geology of the lake and mountains. Overlooking the lake by the marina is a large, shaded picnic area with tables, grills, restrooms, playground, and swimming beach.

Hospitals, gas stations, shopping, and other services are minutes away in nearby towns, including the famous resort city of Hot Springs National Park.

NOTE: Reservations can be made by calling the visitor center or booking online. Two of the eight cabins are pet friendly; please no pets in the other cabins. Service animals are welcome. 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. Campers must vacate the site by 3 p.m. Lake Ouachita and all land contained within its shores are under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Visitors and boaters must follow U.S.A.C.E. and Arkansas Game & Fish Commission rules and regulations.

INTERPRETIVE SERVICES

Programs ◆ Park interpreters offer guided hikes, kayaking, scenic lake cruises, snorkeling, astronomy programs, nature talks and demonstrations. Groups may request programs of specific interest year-round if arrangements are made in advance. Kayak exploration tours and overnight kayak expeditions with island camping are scheduled several times a year.

Trails ◆ The Caddo Bend Trail provides a 4-mile hiking experience as it meanders through the forests and along the shoreline of Point 50 Peninsula. The Dogwood Trail (1/2-mile loop) begins near Camp Area C and is perfect for the casual hiker. A unique

boating trail, the Ouachita Geo-float Trail, is offered by the Corps of Engineers (booklets can be obtained at the park).

Three Sisters Springs ◆ This has been a major attraction in the area since the late 1880s. The water welling up from these springs is said to have "curative powers" for different ailments.

LOCATION

From Hot Springs, travel 3 miles west on U.S. 270, then 12 miles north on Hwy. 227 to the park. Approaching the park from Hwy. 7, turn on Hwy 192, and travel west 6 miles to Hwy. 227, then 2 miles north to the park.

For further information on park hours, fees, and services, contact:

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