

WOOLLY HOLLOW STATE PARK

Tucked away in the foothills of the forested Ozark Mountains in north central Arkansas just 50 miles north of metropolitan Little Rock is Woolly Hollow, one of Arkansas's most picturesque state parks. Driving along the entrance road overlooking the blue waters of Lake Bennett, visitors are impressed with the quiet beauty of this scenic spot and realize they have discovered a place worth visiting. Designated a state park in August of 1973, Woolly Hollow has been developed into a first-class vacation spot and a prime outdoor hideaway.

The park preserves the Woolly Cabin, a one-room log home erected on the Woolly family homestead in 1882 by Martin Alfred Woolly, son of William Riley Woolly, the head of a family who came to Arkansas in 1851. Martin Woolly took up land in "the Hollow" in 1859. This started the chain of events that led to his namesake being used here over a century later. Originally located less than a mile southwest of the park, the cabin was moved to its present site and restored in 1975.

Of a more recent historical note, clear and cool 40-acre Lake Bennett, in the middle of this 440-acre park, was named for Dr. Hugh H. Bennett, first director of the U.S. Soil Conservation Service. Constructed in 1935 by the CCC and WPA, Lake Bennett was the first SCS watershed project in the United States built for scientific study of the effects of water run-off, silt, and erosion control from a specific watershed.

FACILITIES

Camping ♦ Scattered among the trees near the lake are 30 Class AAA campsites. Equipped with water, dual-electric, and sewer hookups as well as a table and grill at each site, plus a modern bathhouse nearby, this first-class campground provides year-round camping pleasure at its best. Plus, ten Class D campsites with community water spigots are available.

Food Services ♦ Adjoining the beach bathhouse at the entrance to the swimming area, the snack bar offers a variety of refreshments such as hot dogs, hamburgers, corn dogs, snow cones, ice cream, cold drinks, and snack items from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Bagged ice is also sold at the snack bar.

Other Facilities ♦ A pavilion, located in the picnic area, may be reserved for family or group outings at a modest fee. A barrier-free fishing pier is at the southwest corner of the snack bar parking lot. A gift shop is in the park office/snack bar. Shopping facilities,

restaurants, medical facilities, service stations, coin laundries and other services are in nearby towns. A golf course is located within 3 miles of the park entrance.

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 office before being used (deposit and fee required).

RECREATION

Swimming ♦ The sandy swimming beach on Lake Bennett is in a controlled area with lifeguards on duty. A modern bathhouse and the snack bar are adjacent to the beach. The swimming area is open from Memorial Day to Labor Day (Hours: Noon to 7 p.m.). Note: A nominal fee is charged for swimming.

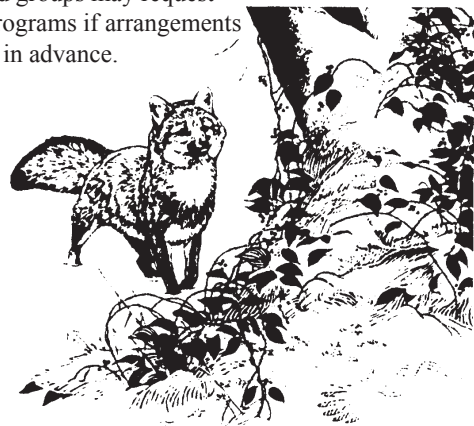
Fishing and Boating ♦ Fishing in Lake Bennett offers a variety of species including bass, crappie, bream and catfish. Flatbottom fishing boats, canoes, kayaks and pedal boats are available for rent at the Snack Bar/office building. The calm waters of Lake Bennett provide an ideal atmosphere for fun boating in canoes and pedal boats. A free launch ramp is available for visitors who bring their own boats.

Picnicking ♦ Woolly Hollow has 13 shaded picnic sites and a playground over-looking the swimming beach. The sites have tables, charcoal grills and water hydrants.

INTERPRETIVE SERVICES

Programs ♦ A park interpreter offers unique programs (Memorial Weekend through Labor Day) to all park visitors. These range from guided hikes, to recreational activities, to special events on the park's history.

Organized groups may request special programs if arrangements are made in advance.



Wayside Exhibits ♦ Woolly Hollow offers several exhibits that you can experience on your own. Wayside exhibits include: Lake Bennett/CCC exhibit on the swim beach, Artesian Aquifer in AAA campground, Springfield Searcy Road in AAA campground, Woolly Cabin at Woolly Cabin, and Park Map at Huckleberry Trailhead.

Trails ♦ The area surrounding the lake is ideal for discovering the natural beauty of the Ozark foothills. The 3.5 - mile **Huckleberry Nature Trail** winds its way through the wooded scenery around Lake Bennett. This trail, originally constructed in the mid-1930's by the CCC, was restored in 1981 by the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC). The Gold Creek loop is a fifth mile trail that follows a section of the Gold Creek. The Cabin Trail is a 0.5 mile trail that veers from the Huckleberry Trail and ends at the Woolly Cabin.

LOCATION

Take Exit #125 off I-40 at Conway, then go 12 miles north on U.S. Highway 65 to Arkansas Highway 285 (just one mile north of Greenbrier); take Highway 285 east 6 miles to the park entrance.

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

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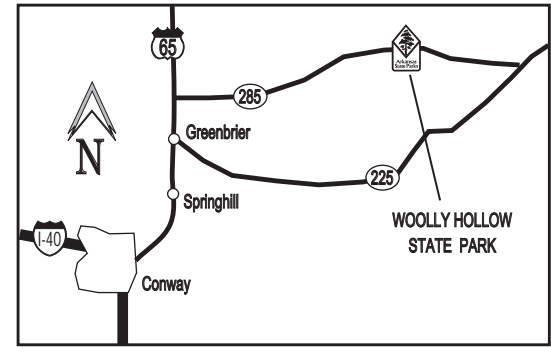


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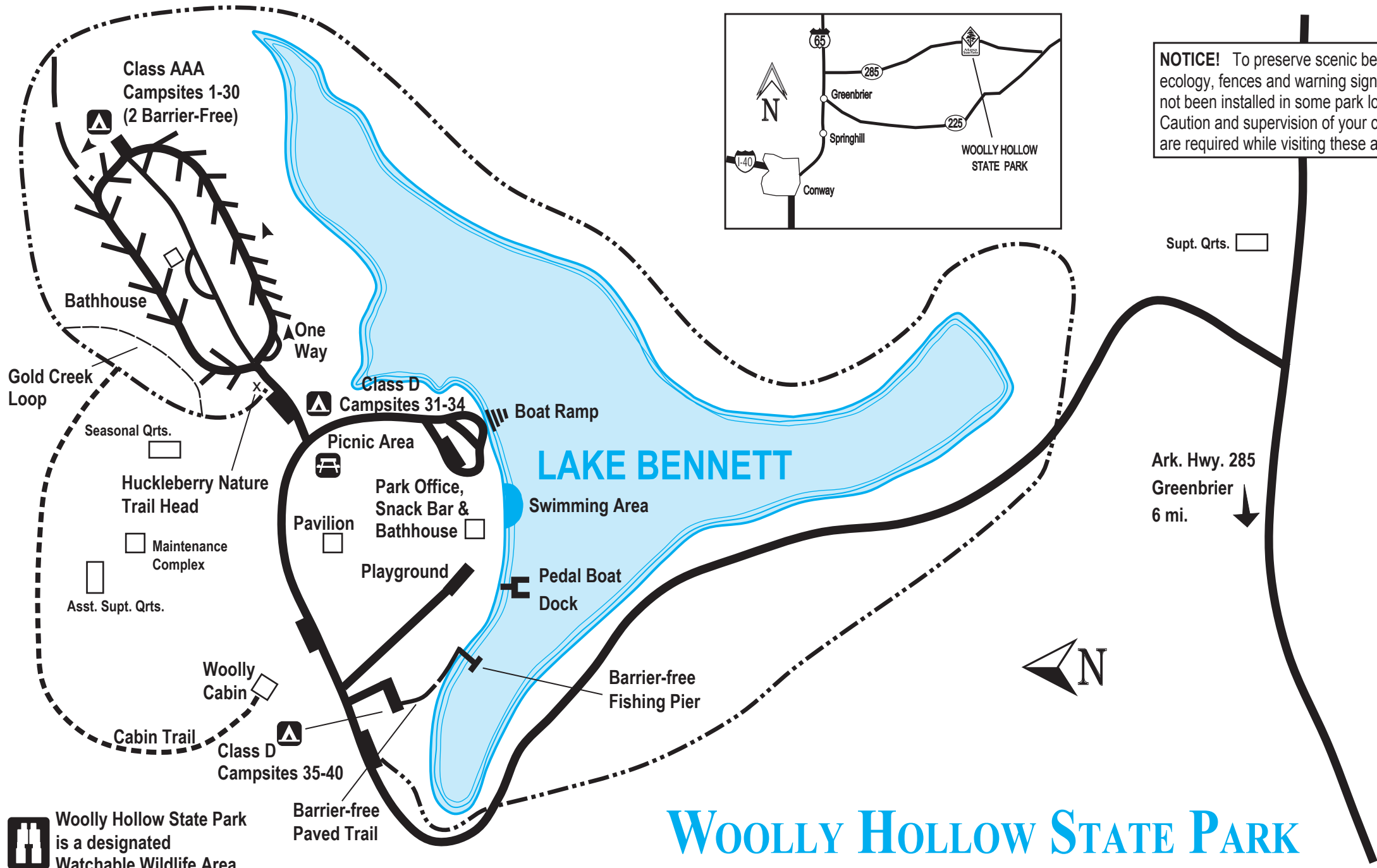
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NOTICE! To preserve scenic beauty and ecology, fences and warning signs have not been installed in some park locations. Caution and supervision of your children are required while visiting these areas.



 Woolly Hollow State Park is a designated Watchable Wildlife Area

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