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Remove manure and waste hay from stalls and hitching post areas before departure and place in designated areas. Wheelbarrows and manure forks are provided near the barns for your convenience.

Do not rinse out your trailer at your campsite.

Place yellow tickets on your campsite post and stall gates.

Rinse horses at wash bay only.

Riding on the roads outside the horse camp is permissible. However, horses are not allowed in camp area A or B, cabin areas, or the Lake Austell day use area.

All pets must be kept on a leash.

The approximately 23 miles of trails traverse through high ridge tops, streams, and bottomland forest communities, and offer the rider opportunities to view deer, wild turkeys, and a variety of other wildlife species.

Enjoy your ride, and please take special care when using the trails so that future generations of riders may enjoy them as well.

To reach the park: From Interstate 40, take exit 242 (near Forrest City) and travel 12 miles north on Hwy. 284. Follow the signs to the park.