

## Louisiana's State Parks & Historic Sites

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Without a doubt, Sportsman's Paradise is the undisputed king of Louisiana's state park system. With more than twice the number of state parks and historic sites than any of the state's other four regions, Sportsman's Paradise in North Louisiana has it all! Sites in the area include:

- Chemin-A-Haut SP (Bastrop)
- Jimmie Davis SP (Chatham)
- Lake Bistineau SP (Doyline)
- Lake Bruin SP (St. Joseph)
- Lake Claiborne SP (Homer)
- Lake D'Arbonne SP (Farmerville)
- Mansfield SHS (Mansfield)
- Poverty Point SHS (Epps)
- Poverty Point Reservoir SP (Delhi)



The tennis courts at Lake D'Arbonne State Park in Farmerville, La.

One of the oldest areas of the state, the Crossroads region is the site of much history as well as some of the state's best fishing and outdoor recreation. From historic Natchitoches, founded in 1714 as the oldest European settlement in the Louisiana Purchase Territory, to the wide appeal of the Toledo Bend Reservoir area to serious anglers everywhere, Crossroads is the preferred destination of many outdoor enthusiasts.

- Fort Jesup SHS (Many)
- Fort St. Jean Baptiste SHS (Natchitoches)
- Forts Randolph and Buhlow SHS (Pineville)

- Hodges Gardens SP (Florien)
- Kent Plantation House SHS (Alexandria)
- Los Adaes SHS (Robeline)
- Marksville SHS (Marksville)
- North Toledo Bend SP (Zwolle)
- Rebel SHS (Marthaville)
- South Toledo Bend SP (Anacoco)



Two-bedroom cabin at South Toledo Bend State Park in Anacoco, La.

One of the most culturally diverse regions in the United States, Louisiana's Cajun Country also boasts some of the state's most fascinating, and richly varied natural environments. From the haunting beauty of its cypress swamps, to its abundant wildlife, Louisiana's Cajun Country offers the adventure of a lifetime to outdoor enthusiasts of every description.

- Chicot SP (Ville Platte)
- Cypremort Point SP (Cypremort Point)
- Grand Isle SP (Grand Isle)
- Lake Fausse Pointe SP (St. Martinville)
- Longfellow-Evangeline SHS (St. Martinville)
- Louisiana State Arboretum (Ville Platte)
- Palmetto Island SP (Abbeville)
- Sam Houston Jones SP (Lake Charles)

From exquisitely maintained plantation homes and historic forts to fascinating family graveyards, river locks and a wealth of outdoor activities and scenic beauty, the State Parks and Historic Sites of Louisiana's Plantation Country offer the visitor a treasure trove of unique and memorable experiences.

- Audubon SHS (St. Francisville)
- Centenary SHS (Jackson)
- Locust Grove SHS (St. Francisville)
- Port Hudson SHS (Zachary)

- Rosedown Plantation SHS (St. Francisville)
- Tickfaw SP (Springfield)



A cannon at the Port Hudson State Historic Site in Zachary, La.

From the tall pines of Lake Pontchartrain's Northshore, to the moss-draped serenity of an exotic tropical swamp, to historic forts and exceptional fishing, the Louisiana State Parks in the greater New Orleans area offer you the chance to experience wildlife of a different sort.

- Bayou Segnette SP (Westwego)
- Bogue Chitto SP (Franklinton)
- Fairview-Riverside SP (Madisonville)
- Fontainebleau SP (Mandeville)
- St. Bernard SP (Braithwaite)



Bayou Segnette Wave Pool in Westwego, La.

Enjoy championship fishing, relive a Civil War Battle, hear the best of Louisiana's country music, hike one of the many nature trails or pitch a tent under the stars. If you want to get away from it all and learn a little bit about history along the way, visit Louisiana's State Parks, Historic Sites and Preservation Area! Enjoy history, camping, hiking, fishing, biking, birding, nature trails and more in Louisiana's great outdoors.

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