



### CAMPING

Tims Ford Main Campground is open year-round. It offers 52 RV or tent campsites, each with water and 30-amp electric hookups, picnic tables, and fire rings. Four sites have full hookups. Bathhouses with hot/cold showers and a dump station are centrally located.

Fairview Campground, eight miles from the main park area, is open year-round. It is located on the lake and has 82 campsites. 29 sites have full hookups. All sites are equipped with 20-, 30-, and 50-amp electricity. The campground has a bathhouse with hot/cold showers and a central dump station. Campsites are available for reservations.

Also popular are the paddle-in campsites, located on the six nearby islands. These are primitive campsites with limited amenities. Campers must bring in and carry out everything needed. Please practice Leave No Trace. Another campsite is a paddle-in or hike-in backcountry campsite found on the Evans Loop Trail. Additional hike-in backcountry campsites are available on Spann House Trail, Lost Creek Overlook Trail, and Boiling Fork Trail.

Turkey Creek Primitive Campground is nine miles north of the main park. This campground is open March–October. There are 20 tent-only, primitive sites. Each site has a fire ring and picnic table, with no water or electricity. All offer a grassy surface and range from sunny to partial shade. Sites are limited to two tents and six people each.

### GOLF COURSE

The Bear Trace is a challenging 18-hole Jack Nicklaus-designed signature golf course featuring several holes with scenic views of Tims Ford Lake. The course offers a seasonal short-order grill. For information and tee times, call 931-968-0995.

### NEARBY ATTRACTIONS

- Historic Winchester: 12 miles.
- Historic Lynchburg: 12 miles.
- Jack Daniels Distillery: 12 miles.

### NEARBY STATE PARKS

- Old Stone Fort State Archeological Park: 25 miles.
- South Cumberland State Park: 35 miles.

### NEARBY ANNUAL EVENTS

- April: High on the Hog Bar-B-Que Cook-off, Winchester.
- June: Frontier Days, Lynchburg.
- Sept.: Polly Crockett Festival, Cowan.
- Oct.: Jack Daniels Bar-B-Que Cook-off, Lynchburg, third weekend.

### ANNUAL PARK EVENTS

- Easter Weekend: Easter egg hunt
- Oct.: Heritage Day, second weekend.
- Dec.: A Tims Ford Christmas, second Saturday.
- Please check the park's website or facebook page for additional information.



### GET INVOLVED

Volunteers help Tims Ford State Park preserve and protect the park's abundant natural and cultural resources, giving of their time and talents to ensure the park's integrity for all future generations. You may contact the park directly for volunteer opportunities or become a member of the park's Friends group. To learn more about volunteer opportunities, please contact the park visitor center.

### TIMS FORD STATE PARK

570 Tims Ford Drive  
Winchester, TN 37398  
931-968-3536 Visitor Center  
800-471-5295 Cabin Reservations

### HOURS OF OPERATION

8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.: Visitor Center

### DIRECTIONS

From Nashville, take I-24 E to exit 111 at Manchester. Turn left onto Hwy 55 W into Tullahoma. Turn left onto State Hwy 130 S. Follow Hwy 130 S to Awalt Rd./SR 476 and turn right. Follow Awalt Rd./SR 476 until it dead ends at Mansford Rd./SR 476. Turn left onto Mansford Rd./SR 476. The park entrance is 1.6 miles on the right.

From Chattanooga, take I-24 to exit 127. Turn left onto Hwy 64 W, Veterans Memorial Bypass. Turn right onto Mingo Rd. Take Mingo Rd. to a 4-way stop, turn right onto Owl Hollow Rd., then turn left at Hwy 50 W, then right onto Mansford Rd./SR 476. The park entrance is five miles on the left.



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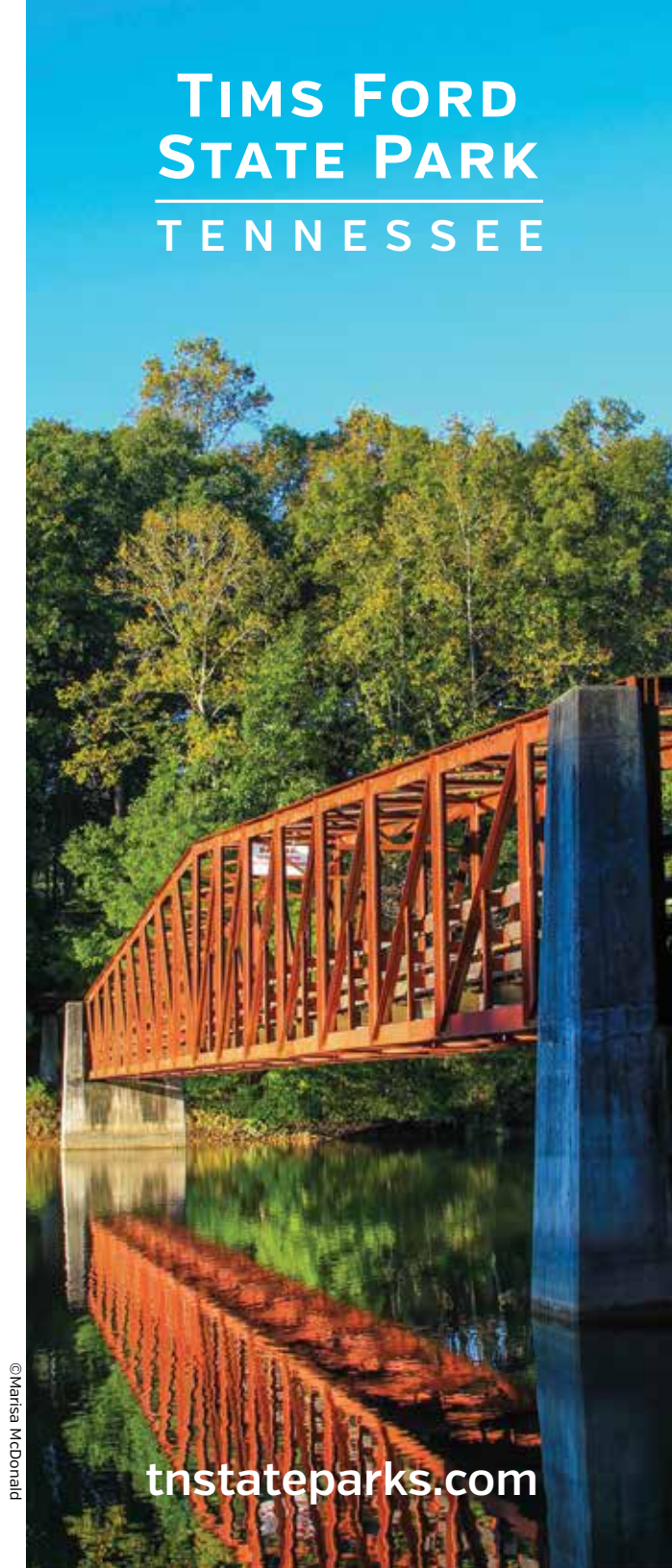


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## TIMS FORD STATE PARK

The park is on the Tims Ford Reservoir in the rolling hills of southern middle Tennessee. The 10,700-acre Tims Ford Lake is one of the most picturesque in Tennessee, and is regarded as one of the top bass fishing and recreational lakes in the Southeast.

The name Tims Ford is derived from an early river crossing constructed by Abner Tims. Long before Tims Ford Dam's construction on the Elk River's headwaters, the area was used extensively by Native Americans as hunting and fishing territory. Archaeological excavations uncovered numerous artifacts and occupational sites, indicating that man had occupied the area as much as 10,000 to 12,000 years ago.

The 1,322-acre park was established in 1978. Today, Tims Ford is noted for scenic views, natural surroundings, and biologically significant wildlife habitats. The park includes campgrounds and cabins, along with several areas where visitors can relax on the lake while fishing, skiing, or boating. Visitors may also spend the day hiking or biking on the park's trails, or enjoy a picnic lunch in the public use areas. Visitors will enjoy viewing white-tailed deer, wild turkeys, songbirds, and many other animals common to the middle Tennessee area.

## GIFT SHOP

There is a gift shop at the visitor center that offers a variety of seasonal and branded merchandise.

## MEETING ROOMS

Tims Ford features a recreation building with two meeting rooms available to rent. The small meeting room can accommodate 40 people, and the large meeting room can accommodate up to 80 people. There is also a small conference room at the visitor center that can accommodate 20-30 guests. For reservations, call 931-968-3536.

## CABINS

Tims Ford State Park has 20 cabins, open year-round, located on the bluffs overlooking Tims Ford Lake. The cabins have two bedrooms and will sleep six to eight people. Each has a full kitchen with modern appliances, and a full bath with a shower. There is a living area with an electric fireplace, and decks off of each room overlooking the lake. Pet-friendly cabins are available.

## TRAILS

Tims Ford State Park offers over 23 total miles of trails. Six miles of paved biking/hiking trails connect all the park's major areas. A multi-use mountain bike/hiking trail has an out-and-back total of over 16 miles and runs along Tims Ford Reservoir's shoreline. The park also offers four dirt trails for foot traffic only that total over five miles in length. One of these trails includes two swinging bridges and offers spectacular views of the reservoir.

## PLANNED PROGRAMS

Tims Ford offers a wide variety of weekly interpretive and recreational programs. To learn about current programs being offered, visit the park visitor center, Facebook, or the park website [tnstateparks.com/parks/tims-ford](http://tnstateparks.com/parks/tims-ford). Groups may schedule ranger-led programs through the park visitor center by calling 931-968-3536.

## BOATING

Tims Ford State Park manages eight public boat ramps around the lake and leases two marinas, providing ample access to Tims Ford Lake. Lakeview Marina, located within the main park area, provides boat rentals, fishing bait, camp supplies, and marine gas. For information, call 931-967-6711. Holiday Landing Resort and Marina offers a full-service marina with slip rentals, gas, pontoon boat rentals, and a floating restaurant, The Bluegill Grill. For more information, call 931-455-3151.

## FISHING

Tims Ford Lake provides year-round fishing opportunities for anglers. The lake is known for Smallmouth and Striped Bass, but an angler could expect to catch Largemouth Bass, Crappie, Catfish and Bluegill. Bait and a cleaning station available at Lakeview Marina.

## PICNIC PAVILIONS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Two picnic pavilions can be reserved, and each will accommodate up to 50 people. The park has several public use areas around the lake that are popular for family picnics. A recreational complex provides visitors with volleyball, basketball and horseshoes, and equipment rental. Playgrounds are located at the recreational complex and inside the Main Campground.

