

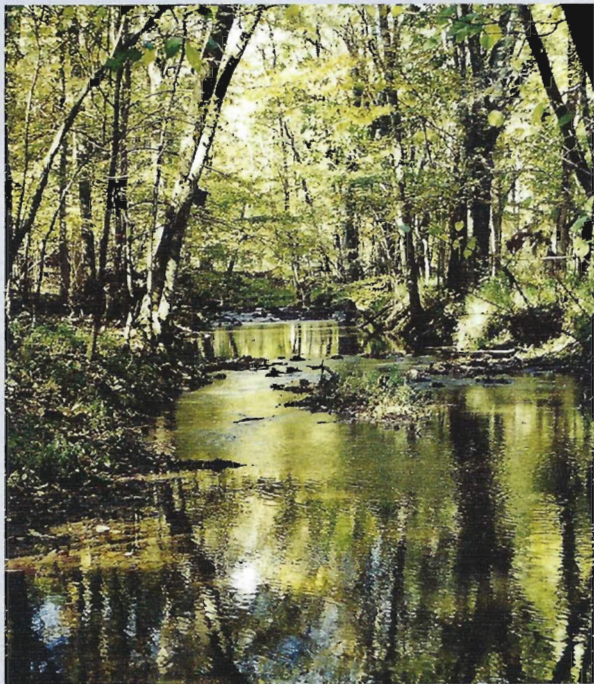
TENNESSEE STATE PARKS

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Bledsoe Creek State Park

is located on the backwaters of Old Hickory Lake. Surrounded on three sides by water and forest, this 164-acre park offers campers and day-use visitors an opportunity to observe an abundance of songbirds, waterfowl, mammals, reptiles and amphibians, and rare native wildflowers.

Historical Significance

The surrounding community is rich with history; the park was named for settler Isaac Bledsoe, who built a frontier fort close to here in 1779. Bledsoe's Lick provided water and attracted game for Native Americans at Castalian Springs, a large prehistoric Mississippian village, and white settlers, who hunted abundant buffalo. Nearby Wynnewood, an early stagecoach stop, is the largest standing log structure in Tennessee.

Camping

Open year-round, the campground has 46 sites equipped with picnic tables, grills, paved pads and 50 amp electrical connections. Water for each site and a dump station are available during summer months. A handicap accessible bathhouse with showers is available. Pets are allowed, but must be leashed. Reservations are first-come, first-serve. Six primitive sites are available.

Picnic Pavilions and Playgrounds

Two pavilions are available for rent. Shelter 1 can accommodate approximately 50 people. Shelter 2 can accommodate approximately 100 people. Call the Park Office for reservations. There are three playgrounds, four horseshoe pits, volleyball court and a baseball field.

Fishing

Year-round fishing is available. Favorite catches are catfish, crappie, perch, bream, stripe, large and small-mouth bass. A Tennessee Fishing License is required.

Boating

The park has two launch ramps, one at the campground for campers only and one on Zeigler Fort Road for public.

Hiking

There are over six miles of hiking trails ranging from easy to moderate, winding through bottomland and ridgetop forests. The Birdsong Trail is paved and handicap accessible.

Planned Programs

Interpretive programs on a variety of topics are available for all ages upon request in advance.

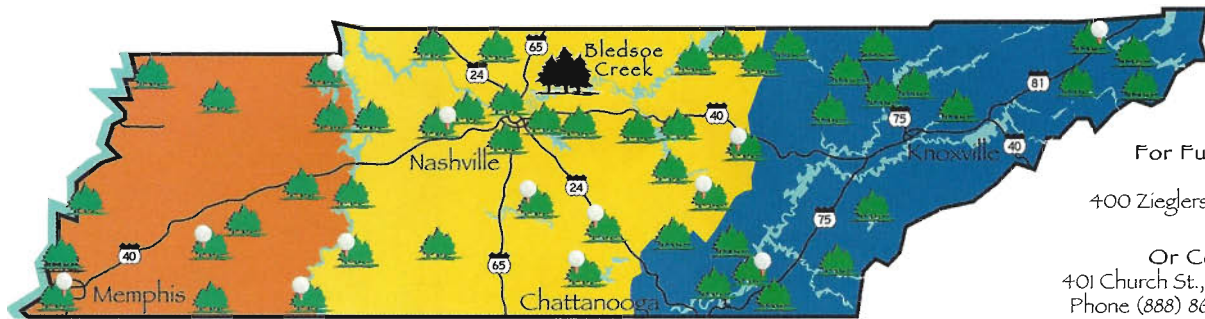
Nearby Attractions

- Bledsoe's Fort, 2 miles
- Wynnewood Historic Area, 2 miles
- Cragfont Historic Mansion, 4 miles

Other Nearby State Parks

- Cedars of Lebanon State Park, 28 miles
- Long Hunter State Park, 31 miles





Hours of Operation:
 Summer: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
 Winter: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Camper quiet time:
 10:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.

For Further Information Contact:
 Bledsoe Creek State Park
 400 Ziegler's Fort Road / Gallatin, TN 37066
 Phone (615) 452-3706

Or Contact: Tennessee State Parks
 401 Church St., 7th Floor / Nashville, TN 37243
 Phone (888) 867-2757 / www.tnstateparks.com

From Interstate 65 Traveling From Nashville: Traveling north from Nashville on I-65, take Exit 95 to Vietnam Veterans Blvd. (Hwy. 386). Take Hwy. 386 to Hwy. 31-E North into Gallatin, TN. Pick up Hwy. 25 East and travel approximately 7 miles to mile marker 20. Turn right onto Ziegler's Fort Rd. Travel 1 mile to the park entrance.

From Interstate 65 Traveling From Kentucky: Take State Hwy. 109 Exit from I-40 and go north to Gallatin. Turn east of State Route 25 to the Ziegler Fort Road and the park entrance.

From Interstate 40 East: Take Lebanon Exit 238 (Hwy. 231) off of I-40 through Lebanon. Travel 15 miles to Hwy. 25. Turn left and travel 7 miles to Ziegler's Fort Rd. Turn left and travel 1 mile to the park entrance.

From Interstate 40 West: Take Gallatin Exit 232 (Hwy. 109) off of I-40. Travel north 15 miles across the Cumberland River Bridge. Travel 2 miles to Airport Rd. and turn right. Travel to the intersection at Hwy. 25. Turn right onto Hwy 25 and travel 2 miles to Ziegler's Fort Rd. Turn right and travel 1 mile to the park entrance.



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