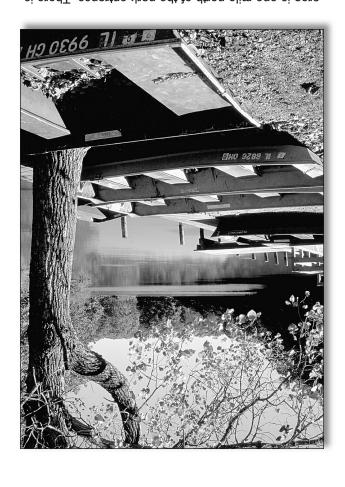
plies are available at the concession stand. catch limits for the lake and pond fishing. Fishing suppark. Check at the park office on length and daily Fishing also is allowed at the ponds located in the crappie, channel catfish, and sauger/walleye hybrids. peen stocked with largemouth bass, bluegill, redear, managed by draw-downs and stocking. The lake has To maintain a desirable fish population, the lake is Fishing is a favorite pastime for Ramsey Lake visitors.

Fishing

the park office. Oak campground, and a separate parking area near a 1.8-mile hiking trail that is accessible from White area is one mile north of the park entrance. There is



ReserveAmerica.com for rental information. tricity, that can sleep up to six is available. Contact campgrounds. A Rent-a-cabin with bunk beds and elecgroups. Reservations are available for portions of the grounds. A special site is available for organized youth

area, along with a small campground for horses. This

A 15-mile horse trail is located in the north end of the

drants are conveniently placed throughout the campviews of shade trees and natural beauty. Water hy-40 sites available in a densely wooded area with great fire pads and primitive toilets. Hickory Grove also has Grove is the choice for those needing only picnic tables, available with electricity for organized groups. Hickory a flush toilet and shower building. Another 24 sites are available with a sanitary disposal station, electricity, and a tent or park a trailer. The area includes 91 campsites Campers have many sites from which to choose to pitch

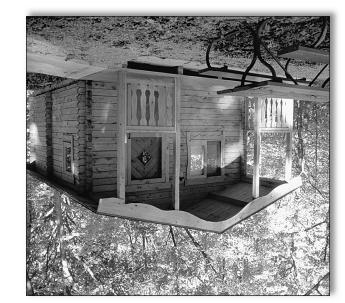
Camping

Trails

advanced reservations, contact the park office. knolls overlooking the lake. For information regarding bles and stoves and are located in shady areas on Picnic areas are popular choices. These sites have tapicnics, Fox Knoll, Coon Ridge and Blackberry Fork ment. For people who prefer smaller, more secluded tables, stoves, primitive toilets and playground equipareas offer ideal surrounding. Both have shelters, water, For large groups, Shady Grove and Lakeview Picnic

Picnicking

upgrade and maintain the area. and civic groups have actively helped to secure land and years, county and township officials, concerned citizens have increased the acreage to 1,960. Throughout the



were purchased for a lake site and additional purchases various groups for public recreation. In 1947, 815 acres vately owned by S. E. Stokes, the site often was used by machinery display attracted many people. Although prilake. Other events, such as dances, carnivals and a large the big springs at the northwest corner of the present one of the largest dog trial events, which was held near of its use by fox and coon hunters. It also was the site of park was known as "Old Fox Chase Grounds" because Ramsey Lake has a colorful background. For years, the

History

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camp. The park is located one mile northwest of Ramgetic outdoor types who want to hike, hunt, fish or place for people who want to relax or for those eneropportunities. Ramsey Lake State Park is the perfect cluded picnic areas and excellent fishing and hunting ation spot. Visitors will enjoy the picturesque woods, se-Lake make this state park a unique and popular recre-Rolling hills, timbered shoreline and beautiful Ramsey

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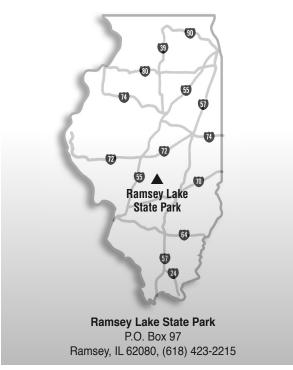


Boating

A launching ramp and boat dock are conveniently located on Ramsey Lake. Boats are also available for rent. Gas motors are not allowed, but electric trolling motors are permitted. The concession offers fishing boats for rent. Bait, tackle, various camping supplies, and snacks are also available.

Hunting

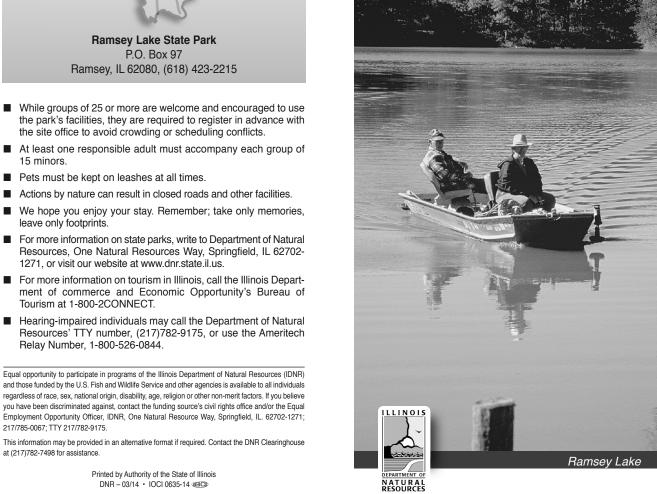
Hunters will find abundant game at Ramsey Lake State Park. Dove, squirrel, quail and pheasant can be hunted with shotgun. Deer and turkey can be hunted with bow and arrow. A daily fee pheasant program is run during the hunting season. Other hunting dates and times may differ from state regulations, so check with the site office for information.



- the park's facilities, they are required to register in advance with the site office to avoid crowding or scheduling conflicts
- At least one responsible adult must accompany each group of 15 minors
- Pets must be kept on leashes at all times.
- Actions by nature can result in closed roads and other facilities.
- Resources, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, IL 62702-1271, or visit our website at www.dnr.state.il.us.
- ment of commerce and Economic Opportunity's Bureau of Tourism at 1-800-2CONNECT.
- Hearing-impaired individuals may call the Department of Natural Resources' TTY number, (217)782-9175, or use the Ameritech

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This information may be provided in an alternative format if required. Contact the DNR Clearinghouse at (217)782-7498 for assistance.



Other

Winter activities are also popular at Ramsey Lake. Ice fishing, snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, sledding and ice skating are among the recreational activities for the cold weather sports enthusiast. The 13-mile designated snowmobile trail provides a winter wonderland view of the park when snow cover and weather permit.

For more information, contact the Site Superintendent, Ramsey Lake State Park, P.O. Box 97, Ramsey, IL 62080, phone (618)423-2215.



