

shower building with flush toilets is located in the  
ity at each pad and a sanitary dump station. A  
**Camping:** The trailer camping area has electric-  
**Facilities**

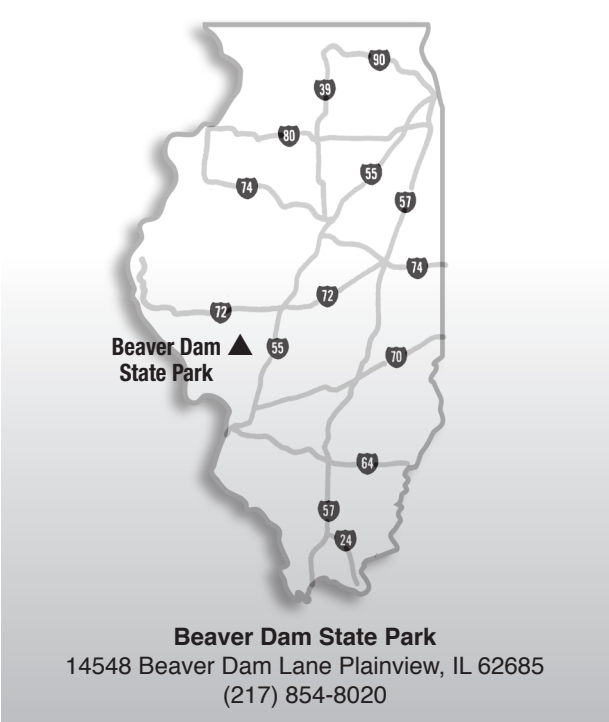
are also commonly seen.  
found seasonally in the park. Pileated woodpeckers  
wees and cuckoos. Waterfowl and shorebirds are  
cardinals, titmice, nuthatches, chickadees, pee-  
the natural setting are bluebirds, orioles, finches,  
Some of the many types of songbirds that enrich  
periodically seen within the park boundaries.  
rather a white-color phase of the grey squirrel, are  
insects. White squirrels, which are not albinos, but  
ers. The park is also a home for snakes, frogs and  
squirrels, wild turkeys, hawks, owls and woodpeck-  
quiet walker may discover deer, fox, raccoons, grey



center of the trailer camping area. Water is avail-  
able in the area, but there are not water hookups at  
each site. Tent camping is in a separate area with  
nearby rest rooms and water. Reservations cannot  
be made for tent camping.  
In order to stay in the rent-a-cabin, a reservation  
is required. The park facilities are open year round;  
however, please call ahead in the winter months.  
A designated area for youth-group camping,  
such as Boy or Girl Scouts, features restrooms,  
water, fire pads and picnic tables. Group camp  
areas can be reserved through [www.reserveamerica.com](http://www.reserveamerica.com). All camping is situated in wooded areas  
where large oak and hickory trees provide shade  
throughout the day.  
Camp sites #11-50, group camp areas, cabin  
and shelters may be reserved through [www-reserveamerica.com](http://www-reserveamerica.com).  
**Picnicking:** There is one large section of the  
park available for picnicking. Picnic tables and bar-



to provide habitat for many kinds of animals. A  
farmland, open fields, a lake and a marsh combine  
The combination of upland and bottomland woods,  
**Wildlife**  
acres.  
chases have increased the park to a total of 751  
Park was 425 acres in 1947. Additional land pur-  
The initial land acquisition for Beaver Dam State  
closed.  
transit business disappeared and the hotel was  
With the advent of the automobile, however, this  
horse-drawn coach which took guests to the hotel.  
Station. Trains stopping here were met by a large  
houses and a railroad stop known as Macoupin  
One mile northeast of the hotel existed a cluster of  
hotel which stood just inside the park entrance.  
Sarah Rhodes, who for some time operated a small  
area then became the property of the family of Mrs.




- While groups of 25 or more are welcome and encouraged to use 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. We hope you enjoy your stay. Remember, take only memories, leave only footprints.
- For more information on state parks, write to the Department of Natural Resources, Clearinghouse, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, IL 62702-1271, call (217) 782-6302 or visit our website at [www.dnr.illinois.gov](http://www.dnr.illinois.gov).
- For more information on tourism in Illinois, call the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity's Office of Tourism at (217) 782-7500.
- Hearing-impaired individuals may call the Department of Natural Resources' TTY number, (217) 782-9175, or use the Ameritech Relay Number, 1-800-526-0844.

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fishing and boating throughout the season. The  
and fall picnics at the lake. Their families enjoyed  
For a number of years, the club held summer  
double the water depth.  
\$2,500 to build a dam at each end of the lake to  
formed the Beaver Dam Lake Club. They spent  
the early 1890s, 18 men from the Carlinville area  
The lake became a well-known fishing spot when in  
**Park History**  
named for a beaver dam that created its lake.  
beaver is virtually gone from this area, the park is  
among the most popular activities. Although the  
nicking, hiking and tent and trailer camping are  
ational opportunities on its 750 acres. Fishing, pic-  
Beaver Dam State Park offers a variety of recre-  
Carlinville and situated in an oak/hickory woodland,  
Located in Macoupin County 7 miles southwest of  
**The Park**




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# Beaver Dam

## S T A T E P A R K





Beaver Dam





beque grills are provided, or picnickers may bring their own grills. Four pavilions are located in the picnic area and can be reserved.

**Concession:** The concession stand on the lake is open year round, but call 217-854-9400 for specific hours of operation. Food, picnic supplies, live bait, tackle, boat rentals and fishing licenses are available.

**Fishing:** The park contains a 59-acre lake, which has a maximum depth of 10 feet and 1.7 miles of shoreline. Over the years, the lake has been stocked with largemouth bass, bluegill, trout, sunfish and channel catfish. A free boat launch and docks are available for public use. No gasoline engines are allowed; only electric trolling motors. Check the information display for daily catch and size limits.

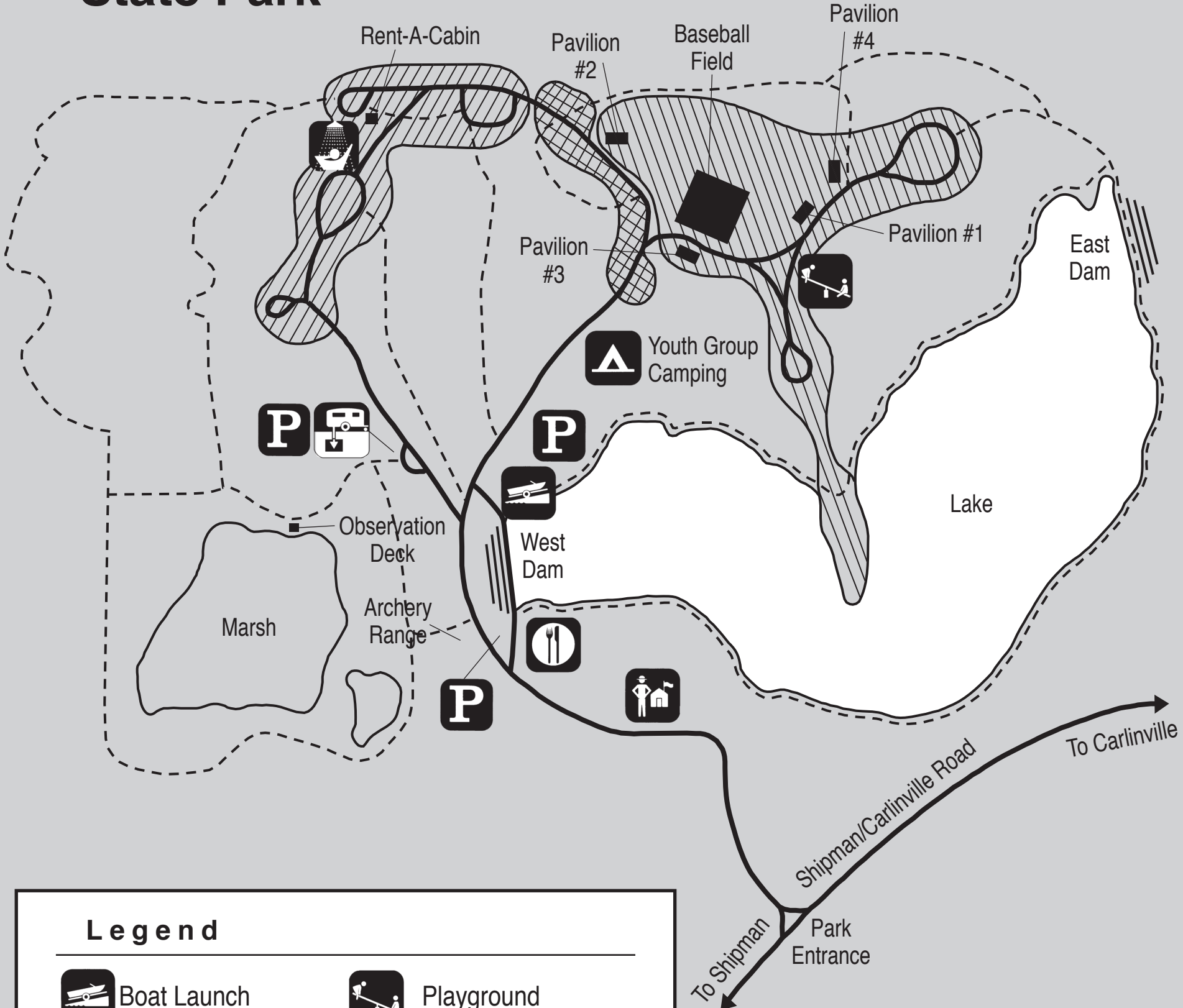
**Hiking Trails:** Approximately eight miles of hiking trails are found in the park. These trails encircle the lake, lead past the marsh, and extend through various wooded areas in the park. See the map below.

**Playground Equipment:** Playground equipment is located in the picnic area.

**Archery Range:** An archery range is located across from the concession and may be used free of charge. Archers must bring their own bows and arrows. Broadhead points and crossbows are not allowed. All archers under 16 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

**Winter Activities:** When conditions are suitable, ice fishing and ice skating are permitted. Adequate snow cover permits cross-country skiing and sledding.

# Beaver Dam State Park



## Legend

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|--------------|--------------------------|
| Boat Launch  | Playground               |
| Campground   | Sanitary Dumping Station |
| Concession   | Showers                  |
| Hiking Trail | Electric Campground      |
| Parking      | Tent Campground          |
| Park Office  | Picnic Area              |

