The birth of the Ohio River, the primary feature of the park, began in the Ice Age, when glaciers and periodic natural damming began to form the river. The Ohio River was shallow enough to walk across in the periods when the river level is increasing, and the Ohio River valley is one of the oldest unglaciated valleys in the world.

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