

and fireplaces are located in different areas of the park. Comfort stations and playgrounds are nearby.

The wildlife that inhabits Shakamak includes a variety of species adapted to life in the forest and water. Mammals such as white-tailed deer, raccoon, fox squirrel, and red fox are commonly seen by park visitors, as are various birds such as cardinals, nuthatches, bluejays, redheaded woodpeckers and an abundance of waterfowl.

Shakamak is well known for fishing and offers three lakes totaling more than 400 acres. Each lake is easily accessible with a boat launch. Boat rental is available on all three lakes.

A pool/slide located near Lake Shakamak provides swimmers and sunbathers an excellent waterfront. The pool is open from the Saturday before Memorial Day through Labor Day and is staffed with qualified lifeguards. Swimming is allowed only at the pool and only when lifeguards are on duty.

A large group camp with dorms provides showers in each room. Kitchen and dining facilities are available for groups under adult supervision. There are 12 group camp cottages available seasonally. Please call the Central Reservation System or check online for availability. The mess hall and cottages can be rented separately during the off-season, Nov. 1 through the Thursday before Memorial Day. Reservations are available through the Central Reservation System.

Family cabins are equipped with electric range, refrigerator, showers, modern restrooms, beds, and air conditioning and heating units. Family cabins are available from spring to fall. Dates vary. There are 26 cabins that sleep six, one cabin that sleeps four and two cabins that sleep eight. During the off-season, cabins may be rented a minimum of two nights. During peak season cabins may be rented a minimum of seven nights. Some cabins are available year-round. For more information regarding cabin reservations, use the Central Reservation System online or call toll-free.

The staff at Shakamak enjoys being host to all park visitors. We hope your stay is pleasant. We welcome you to enjoy, respect and accept this hospitality.

THIS IS YOUR PARK

Visitors shall observe the rules, which are designed to fulfill the purpose for which state parks were established, namely, to preserve a primitive landscape in its natural condition for the public's use and enjoyment.

Please let wild animals remain wild.

Feeding deer is prohibited. Feeding of wild animals can result in harm to both animals and people. Animals who depend on handouts become a nuisance to visitors and a danger to themselves. Please lock up all food and coolers inside cars or campers. Roll up car windows tightly.

ACTIVITIES AND FACILITIES

BOAT LAUNCH-Privately owned boats may be launched on any of the three lakes during the recreation season. Each lake is accessed by a boat launch. A launch permit is required to launch private boats. Only electric trolling motors, powered by no more than two 12-volt batteries, are allowed.

BOAT RENTAL—State-owned boats may be rented by the hour or day. Boat rental is handled at the front gate during the recreation season.

CAMPING—Campground equipped with flush toilets, hot water and showers, plus accessible accommodations. Occupancy is limited to 14 consecutive nights. Some sites will accommodate both tents and trailers. Electricity is available at campsites. Water is accessible at different locations throughout the campground. Reservations are available through the Central Reservation System.

CAMP STORE— Open seasonally.

FAMILY CABINS—For a moderate fee, cabins may be rented April through October. Occupancy is limited to 14 consecutive nights. Some of the cabins are available year-round. Cabins may not be rented to anyone under age 21, except when accompanied by a responsible adult. Reservations are available through the Central Reservation System.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Do not injure or damage any structure, rock, tree, flower, bird or wild animal. Do NOT gather limbs, brush or trees (either dead or alive) for firewood because they rebuild the natural humus.
- Any firearm (except lawfully possessed handguns), BB gun, air gun, CO, gun, bow and arrow, paint gun or spear gun in possession in a state park must be unloaded or un-nocked and stored in a case or locked within a vehicle, except when owner is participating in an activity authorized by written permit.
- · Dogs and cats must be attended at all times and kept on a leash no longer than 6 feet.
- NO PETS allowed in cabins or cabin area.
- Vending or advertising without permission of the Department of Natural Resources is prohibited.
- Camping is permitted only in the campground. Youth groups must be under adult supervision.
- · Fires shall be built only in designated places.
- Please comply with the Carry In/Carry Out trash policy in all day-use areas. Overnight guests must put waste in receptacles provided for that purpose.
- Motorists shall observe posted speed limits, and park only in designated areas.
- Swimming is limited to places and times designated by the Department of Natural Resources.
- Drinking water should be taken only from pumps, hydrants or fountains provided for that purpose. This water is tested regularly for purity.
- Report lost or found articles to the park office.
- · All motorized vehicles shall remain on paved roadways. Snowmobiles are prohibited.
- Use of metal detectors is prohibited.
- Park closes from 11 p.m. until 7 a.m. No one is allowed in the park between these hours, except registered campers and cabin guests.

For a complete list of rules and regulations, inquire at park office.

DNR PROPERTIES NEARBY

- Hillenbrand Fish and Wildlife Area-boating, boat ramps, dog training areas, fishing, hunting, trapping, wildlife watching
- Redbird State Recreation Area-ORV recreation, boating, fishing, hiking, mountain biking, picnic area, shelter house, trapping
- Greene-Sullivan State Forest-archery range, bridle trails, camping, fishing, fishing pier, hiking trails, hunting, picnic area, play/sports area, shelter house, wildlife watching, trapping

Pick up an Indiana Recreation Guide for more information.

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cabins, and shelters at state parks, reservoirs

and forests can be made online or by calling

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Online: Indianalnns.com

FOR MORE INFORMATION



Write: Shakamak State Park 6265 W. S.R. 48 Jasonville, IN 47438 Call: 812-665-2158 Online: on.IN.gov/shakamaksp

SPECIAL NOTE

Receipts from admission and service charges are used to help defray the operation and maintenance costs of the park. List of fees available in the main office.

DESCRIPTION OF HIKING TRAILS

TRAIL & DESCRIPTION	DISTANCE	DIFFICULTY
Trail 1	3.95 miles	Moderate
Begins and ends near the	pool area an	d follows the

shoreline of Lake Shakamak. This is an interesting trail on which to see waterfowl and shore birds.

1.5 mile Moderate Trail 2 Joins with Trail 1 east of the pool parking lot and proceeds through an oak forest and pine plantings, past an abandoned coal mine and returns to Trail 1, south of the group camp.

Trail 3 1.4 miles Moderate Trail 3 goes through oak woods along the north shore of Lake Lenape, to the saddle barn. Native white-tailed deer have been observed on this trail.

1.6 miles Moderate Trail 4 Joins with Trail 3. Goes through oak trees and pines. Bridges and stairs add to the beauty. This trail takes you out to the campground.

Trail 5 2.2 miles Moderate Hike along the scenic shore and dam of Lake Kickapoo. Take in the beautiful aquatic view of the lake while watching waterfowl and shore birds.

Trail 6 1.08 miles Easy Multi-use trail for hiking or biking. There are no bridges or stair structures. Trail winds through oak and pine forest.

Trail 7 1.6 miles Easy Multi-use trail for hiking or biking. There are no bridges or stair structures. Trail winds through oak and pine forest. Native white-tailed deer have been observed on trail.

PLEASE STAY ON MARKED TRAILS.

For a list of park events, visit interpretiveservices.IN.gov



FISHING—Shakamak is well-known for fishing and offers three lakes totaling more than 400 acres. An Indiana Fishing License is required. All Indiana fishing laws are in effect. Online licenses available at IndianaOutdoor.IN.gov.

GROUP CAMP—The group camp is designed for Δ organized groups under adult supervision. The group camp will accommodate 270 persons and is equipped with a kitchen, dining hall and modern restroom facilities. Reservations are available through the Central Reservation System.

HIKING-Several miles of trails through the wooded areas and along the lake shores provide visitors with closer contact with the wonders of nature.

PICNIC AREA—Areas are provided throughout the park with tables, grills, toilet facilities, playground equipment and playfields. Reservations for shelters are available through the Central Reservation System.

TENNIS/BASKETBALL COURTS-Two double courts are provided on a first-come, first-served basis and are located at the playground picnic area near the family cabins. A single basketball court is located in the camping overflow parking.

SWIMMING-Swimming is permitted only when lifeguard is on duty. Pool/slide and bathhouse open Saturday before Memorial Day through Labor Day.



Please carry out all trash you produce in order to keep your park clean and beautiful for others to enjoy!



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This beautiful spot was once unmanaged <u>on.IN.gov/stateparks</u> forest and abandoned coal mines. In 1927-

1929, Clay, Greene and Sullivan counties donated the land to the State of Indiana as a state park.

Shakamak owes its name to Native Americans, who played a prominent part in the history of this region until the close of the War of 1812, aiding Tecumseh in his efforts against the United States.

Early residents mined coal from shaft mines, farmed the rich Wabash Valley land, and operated several mills and brick plants. Brick was plentiful during the time the park was established, as evidenced by the many buildings and structures finished with brick. In the early 1930s, the Civilian Conservation Corps workers developed much of the park, planting trees and doing erosion control in many areas. Many of the buildings and other structures still used today were built by the CCC.Shakamak offers various facilities to make a stay enjoyable. Picnickers have their choice of several picnic areas. Shelters