**ACTIVITIES AND FACILITIES**

**BIKE TRAILS**—Approximately 3 miles of trail connect the campground and swimming pool. One mile runs through woodland. The remaining 2 miles run adjacent to roads.

**MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS**—Trailheads for 8 miles of mountain bike trails are located at Sycamore Ridge. Do not ride in soft or muddy conditions. Children under 12 should ride with an adult. Helmets are required.

**CAMPING**—200 electric sites; 20 sites have 50-amp service; the remaining have 30-amp. Five modern comfort stations available; one is heated during winter months. Occupancy is limited to two weeks. Most sites are located in a communal living experiment and are available only where designated. Reservations through the Central Reservation System. Minimum rental age is 21. Reserve with a credit card. Two ADA cabins available.

**FISHING**—Two wildlife ponds along Trail 5, Wabash River picnic area also offers excellent fishing. State license required.

**HIKING**—Eight miles of easy to moderate hiking trails. Vehicle use is prohibited on these hiking trails.

**HORSE TRAIL**—7.5 miles of horse trails for day use ONLY.

**LIFESTYLE HISTORIC NATURALIST SERVICE**—Available from mid-May through October. Hikes, programs, talks, crafts plus evening activities, school, scout and other groups should be scheduled at least one month in advance. Program schedules are available at the Interpretive Services desk in the campground and park office.

**PICNIC AREAS**—An ideal environment for a family gathering or company celebration. Six picnic areas, five shelter houses, public tables, charcoal grills, modern restrooms, and playground equipment. Seasonal restrooms. Reserves through the Central Reservation System. Minimum rental age is 21. Reserve with a credit card. Two ADA cabins available.

**SWIMMING**—Olympic-size pool open Saturday before Memorial Day to Labor Day. (Conditions may require closing pool prior to Labor Day.) 110-foot long water slide, pay phone. Swimming prohibited in Wabash River. Alcohol not permitted in swimming area.

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

**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, CO₂ gun, bow and arrow, paint gun or spear gun in possession in a state park must be unloaded or un-networked and stored in a case or locked within a vehicle, except when owner is participating in an activity authorized by written permit.
- Pets must be attended at all times and kept on a leash of 6 feet or less. Owners are required to clean up any fecal matter left by their pets in the park. Pests are not allowed in the restrooms, shower houses or nature centers.
- Vending or advertising without permission of the Department of Natural Resources is prohibited.
- Swimming 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 day-use areas. All waste must be put out in receptacles provided for that purpose.
- Motorists shall observe posted speed limits and park only in designated areas.
- Swimming in the Wabash River is prohibited. Take no risks!
- 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 roadway. Snowmobiles are prohibited.
- Use of metal detectors is prohibited.
- Bicycles are prohibited on paved recreational trails, except where specifically designated. Please remain on paved surfaces and use bike trail lane, as well as paved bike trail from pool parking lot to Rush Creek.
- Trail from pool parking lot to Rush Creek.
- Do not ride in soft or muddy conditions. Children under 12 should ride with an adult. Helmets are required.

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

**CENTRAL RESERVATION SYSTEM**

Reservations for all types of camping, family cabins, and shelters at state parks, reservoirs and forests can be made online or by calling toll-free.
- Call: 1-866-636-PARK (1-866-636-7275)

Online: camp.IN.gov

Reservations for the Indiana State Park Inns and Im-om-pared cabins can be made online or by phone.
- Call: 1-877-lodges1 (1-877-563-4371)

Online: IndianaInns.com

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Write: Harmonie State Park
3451 Harmonie State Park Rd
New Harmony, IN 47631
Call: 812-682-4821
Online: on.IN.gov/harmoniesp

**SPECIAL NOTE**

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

**DNR PROPERTIES NEARBY**

**Blue Grass Fish & Wildlife Area**—wildlife viewing, fishing, hunting, trapping, dog training area, boating, boat launch

**Hovey Lake Fish & Wildlife Area**—fishing, ice fishing, boating, boat ramp, hunting, trapping, dog training areas, picnic area

**Twin Swamps Nature Preserve**—Hiking trails, boardwalk, parking

Pick up an Indiana Recreation Guide for more information.

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.

With its outstanding facilities and varied topography, Harmonie State Park brings to mind the utopia sought by some of the area’s early settlers. From the flat floodplains along the Wabash River to the rolling hills in the camping areas, this is a perfect place for outdoor activities. The state park is located approximately 25 miles northwest of Evansville, and 4 miles south of New Harmony, in Posey County.

Eight picnic areas, some of which have shelter houses, playground equipment, and running water, are located in scenic areas throughout the park. The Wabash River picnic area offers views of the river at its finest. The facilities include a 200-site family campground with electrical hookups and modern restrooms, as well as a youth-group area in a more primitive setting. The Olympic-size swimming pool is the most popular spot for the young at heart, while nature enthusiasts enjoy the summer naturalist programs, hiking the trails or riding their bikes.

**HARMONIE STATE PARK**

Indiana Department of Natural Resources

**DESCRIPTIONS OF HIKING TRAILS**

**TRAIL & DESCRIPTION DISTANCE DIFFICULTY**

**Trail 1** 1.5 miles Moderate

Starts from the main entrance and winds through Redbud Grove picnic area.

**Trail 2** 2 miles Easy

A relatively short trail leading from the youth tent campground into a ravine and gradually ascending into the Wabash River. This trail returns to the youth tent area.

**Trail 3** 1.5 miles Moderate

Starts from the Poplar Grove picnic area and continues past the water tower. Overlooks a small stream. Returns to picnic area after ascending a steep hill.

**Trail 4** 2.5 miles Moderate

A fairly long trail with steep hills, winds through natural forests descending into ravines across two streams. The trail joins three picnic areas, any of which may be used as a starting point. Follows a short section of Trail 1.

**Trail 5** .75 miles Easy

Beginning near the campground gatehouse, crosses the dam on a wildlife pond and ends at the cabin. This is a good trail for observing pond life and white-tailed deer. Additional loop return back to where you started. 1.5 miles Easy

Trail 6 Three-fourths of a mile, easy trail. Begins and ends at Cherry Hill picnic area.

**TRAIL 7** 1 mile Easy

A short walk to a pioneer cemetery where two wives of Henry Edmonds are buried.

**River Walk** .25 miles Easy

Follows the Wabash River from picnic area to boating ramp.

**DESCRIPTIONS OF MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS**

**TRAIL & DESCRIPTION DISTANCE DIFFICULTY**

**Trail 1** 4 miles Beginner

This is a loop trail designed for riders of all skill levels. It can be ridden in either direction. This trail is also available for hiking.

**Trail 2** 6 miles More Difficult

This is a more difficult trail to ride, designed for an intermediate skill level. It is also available for hiking. Currently under construction; look for more miles in the future.

**PLEASE STAY ON MARKED TRAILS.**

The unique efforts of two communal living experiments can be seen in the nearby town of New Harmony, which retains some of its colorful history for public interest. The two experiments originated in New Harmony in the 1800s—the Harmonites of the Rappite Community (1814-1824) and the Owen Community (1824-1860).

Immigrants from Württemberg, Germany, led by Father George Rapp, settled here to escape religious oppression. Expecting the imminent second coming of Christ, his group lived communally, working the land. In 1824 Father Rapp sold the town to Robert Owen, who was an industrialist and reformer from New Lanark, Scotland. Owen’s dream was to establish a new moral and educational experience through education by developing the sense of reason rather than an education of actual knowledge. From this community emerged the first free public school, equal education for boys and girls, the first free public library, and the first kindergarten in the United States.

The combination of a small interesting town, beautiful scenery, a friendly atmosphere and exciting recreation areas make the first Indiana state park in Posey County an ideal environment for a family vacation or for a Sunday weekend outing or long vacation. You are always welcome!