

Can you find all 8 historical locations within the park?

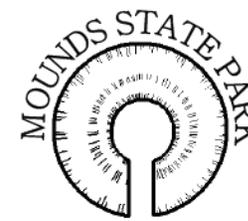
Information and answers on the inside of this brochure!

1. N 40°05.690'
W 085°37.175'
2. N 40°05.651'
W 085°37.359'
3. N 40°05.672'
W 085°37.402'
4. N 40°05.624'
W 085°37.433'
5. N 40°05.634'
W 085°37.318'
6. N 40°05.557'
W 085°37.445'
7. N 40°05.779'
W 085°37.397'
8. N 40°05.698'
W 085°37.511'

**Simple directions for operating
Garmin Etrex 10 units**
*These can be borrowed from
Mounds State Park Nature Center*

1. Turn on unit by pressing “light” button on side.
2. Use toggle to move around on screen.
3. Move to “Where To?” and push toggle in to select.
4. Toggle to “Coordinates” and select it.
5. Using the toggle, enter N and W coordinates using number and arrow pad one digit at a time.
6. Select “done.”
7. A map will display showing your current location as a dot and the coordinates’ location marked by a flag. Zoom in using the down arrow on the left side of the unit. A scale at the left bottom of the screen will show distance.
8. You can now navigate to the location or choose to display a compass view for easier navigation. Hit “menu” twice to navigate to the main screen and select “Compass.” A compass will appear with a directional arrow and “Dist to next” will display how far away you are. As long as the distance is decreasing you are headed the right way!
9. When it is time to find a new coordinate, simply hit menu twice to return to the main menu and start with step 3.

HAVE FUN!



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GPS History Adventure



**Take a self-guided
techno-trek through
Mounds’ past!**

**Discover our prehistoric, pioneer,
and amusement park heritage.**

**You can use your own GPS unit,
borrow one for free from the Nature
Center, or download a free app for
your Smartphone!**

Historical Locations

PIONEER TIMES

The Bronnenberg family came to Indiana from Germany in the early 1800s. They farmed 600 acres, including the land that is now the park, and it was called “Mounds Farm.” They protected the land from the plow and artifact hunters.

1. Bronnenberg Home

This beautiful brick home was built in the 1840's by the Bronnenberg family and has been added onto to accommodate the growing family. The inside has been restored by the Friends of Mounds State Park to represent 1897 and is open select dates and times seasonally for touring.



Apple Store



Android Store

To learn more about Mounds State Park's history, check out “The Indiana State Parks History Tour App” available in your Smartphone's app store. You can also learn more inside the Nature Center or talk to a naturalist.

*Can't find a location
using the coordinates?
Ask a naturalist!*

PREHISTORIC TIMES

The mounds and earthworks on this property date back over 2,000 years to the Early Woodland tradition. This tradition is characterized by pottery use, a hunting/gathering lifestyle, and a wide trade network. There is much speculation as to whether or not these mounds were made and used by one culture or two, so the park refers to the prehistoric people as the Adena-Hopewell for simplicity.

2. Great Mound

You are in the center of a complex of mounds likely used for ceremonial purposes. From this mound, you can observe astronomical alignments with other mounds within the complex and dips in the outer embankment. The Adena-Hopewell could use it as a calendar by watching the sun set and stars rise above it.

3. Fiddleback Mound

On the summer solstice, the first day of summer, the sun will set behind this mound when viewed from the center of the Great Mound.

4. Earthwork D

On the winter solstice, the first day of winter, the sun will set behind this earthwork when viewed from the center of the Great Mound.

5. Earthwork B

When standing in the center of the Great Mound, the star Fomalhaut rises over this earthwork in the fall.

AMUSEMENT PARK TIMES

The Union Traction company leased land from the Bronnenberg family in 1897. They ran their Interurban railway line to the land and it quickly went from a popular picnic spot to an amusement park. It featured a roller-coaster, dance hall, restaurant, shooting gallery, and more. In 1929, at the start of The Great Depression, the park went out of business and the land was purchased by the Madison County Historical Society and donated to the state of Indiana. It became Mounds State Park in 1930.

6. Interurban Station

Do you see the cement blocks? These are left over from the Interurban station that dropped visitors off at the amusement park! Visitors could ride this train from downtown Anderson to the park for a nickel.

7. Pile of Bricks

This pile of bricks was part of a canoe rental. Imagine renting a canoe and enjoying the sights and sounds of the White River!

8. Artesian Well

You have found remnants of the well where thirsty amusement park goers could stop and get a drink. There used to be tin cups here that thirsty visitors could dip into the well. They would then wipe the cup off on their sleeve and leave it for the next thirsty patron!