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We are going to visit Lake Crabtree County Park. Lake Crabtree is a 215 acre park with trails, playgrounds, an open play area, and gardens to explore. We can also walk by the lake shore and climb the observation tower. Here at the park we can have fun learning about nature, play outside, and have a picnic!

When we arrive at Lake Crabtree we will drive down the main park road and can choose where to go first.



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We can take the first right turn into the floodplain parking lot. From here we can visit the WaterWise Garden, run around in the open play area field, or go on a nature hike. The Old Beech Nature Trail is a great self-guided trail where we can learn about different habitats and the wildlife that lives there.



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Lake Crabtree County Park has two different playgrounds for us to enjoy on our visit. The first one is next to the Beech Shelter, which is the third right turn along the main park road. There is also one more playground near the Dogwood Shelter. To get to this one, we can take the fifth right turn at the sign that says White Oak Shelter, Dogwood Shelter, Fishing Pier, and Amphitheater. There are a lot of picnic tables around each playground to sit and have a snack at as well!



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A little farther down we will see a sign for the Boat Rental Complex. This is where we can walk next to the water, and climb the big observation tower to get the best view of the park.

This is also the best spot to watch the sunset in the evening!



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Right across from the road down to boat rental is the park office. If we stop by the office, we might find some park staff. They can give us more information about the park and answer questions.

Sometimes there is no one at the office because they are out working in a different part of the park. Park staff where gray shirts, if we have a question or need help when we are out in the park, we can talk to them.



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If I designed a "My Lake Crabtree Park Pack" before my visit, I can follow my visual schedule. I can also change my plans and choose to see something different.

If I haven't designed a "My Lake Crabtree Park Pack" before my visit, I can create my own using the one from the Lake Crabtree park office. We can find it and more in the Adventure Backpacks bin. Check out another Adventure Backpack to learn more about nature and do some fun activities!



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