

PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

Safety and enjoyment go hand in hand. The following rules and regulations have been established to ensure a safe and pleasant visit.

1. **Speed limit is 10 mph.**
2. **Clean up after your pets.**
3. **Keep pets on a 6-foot leash.**
4. **Park only in designated areas.**
No parking on roadsides or outside park gates.

The following are prohibited:

- Open fires
- Alcoholic beverages
- Tobacco and vapor products
- Hunting
- Feeding of wildlife
- Swimming
- Collection or release of any natural material or living organism unless otherwise designated by Wake County Parks, Recreation and Open Space staff
- Amplified music
- Littering
- Firearms
This does not prohibit concealed handgun permit holders from legally carrying a concealed handgun in accordance with N.C.G.S. 14-415.11.
- Overnight parking and camping
- ATVs and other motorized vehicles

PARK PHOTO POLICY

Registration is required for client-based photography. For more information, visit wakegov.com/parks/photography.



PARK HOURS

GROUNDS

8 a.m. – sunset
Seven days a week



BUILDINGS

Monday – Saturday
8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday
1 – 5 p.m.

CLOSED

Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Eve
Christmas Day
New Year's Day

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HISTORIC OAK VIEW COUNTY PARK



WELCOME TO HISTORIC OAK VIEW COUNTY PARK

ABOUT THE PARK

Historic Oak View County Park is a historic site that began as a 19th century plantation. The park includes historic farm buildings and structures, a visitor's center and gardens. The property's history reflects the transition from an antebellum plantation to a system of farm management, sharecropping and tenant farming. The site also has two picnic shelters, fishing ponds, hiking trails, goats and chickens. The park is open daily for visitors of all ages to experience Oak View's cultural and natural history.

RECREATION

Relax and enjoy the park's natural beauty. Have a picnic, cast a line in the ponds (NC freshwater fishing regulations apply), stroll through the gardens or take a hike down a shaded trail. Planning a gathering? Two picnic shelters are available to rent.

TOURS AND PROGRAMS

Public: The park offers free guided tours and programs for all ages. Want to tour the park on your own? Ask any staff member about our self-guided activities.

Group: Programs are available for a wide range of age groups. Field trip programs correlate with the North Carolina Standard Course of Study and feature inquiry-based learning that encourages students to think critically about history.



FARM ANIMALS

The chickens and goats love welcoming visitors to the park, so make sure to stop by and see them. The chicken coop is located next to the Tenant House, and the goats can be found in one of the outdoor pens or in the barn.



PLACES FOR KIDS TO LEARN AND PLAY

The popular, interactive "Farmer's Corner" in the Farm History Center teaches children about farm life through hands-on activities, games, puzzles and books. Put your imagination to work and try your hand at farm chores at the "All in a Day's Work" station in the livestock barn.

EXHIBITS

Exhibits in many of the park's buildings interpret farm life from the 19th century to today.



SELF-GUIDED TOUR

Visit wakegov.com/parks/mobiletours or scan the QR code to begin your tour!



- 1 Farm History Center**
Features the Farmer's Corner and park information
- 2 Livestock barn**
Home to the park's goats and the All in a Day's Work play area
- 3 Educational gardens**
Demonstration crop field and garden beds
- 4 Cotton gin house**
Built around 1900 to gin cotton from Oak View and surrounding farms
- 5 Cemetery**
The final resting place of several members of the Williams family, who founded the plantation in the 1830s
- 6 Kitchen garden**
Herbs and flowers grown for culinary, medicinal and aesthetic purposes
- 7 Plank kitchen**
The oldest building on the property, built around 1825
- 8 Water tower**
Constructed around 1900 to store water pumped from an underground well
- 9 Carriage house**
Used for housing carriages and wagons, later converted to a two-car garage
- 10 Main farm house**
First built for the Williams family in 1855, with additions added by the Poole family in the 1940s
- 11 Gazebo**
First constructed in the 1910s out of red cedar logs
- 12 Tenant house**
Built in the 1870s and stylistically similar to the original Oak View tenant houses
- 13 Pecan grove**
Planted in the early 1900s to supplement the farm's income following the boll weevil infestation
- 14 Olivia Raney Local History Library**
Houses historical and genealogical research collections relating to the history of Wake County
- 15 Fruit orchard**
Educational orchard featuring a variety of fruit trees and grape vines that thrive in North Carolina

- Farm animals
- Fishing
- Gardens
- Hiking trail
- Open play
- Picnic area
- Picnic shelter
- Restroom

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