

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 20 mph.**
2. **Keep pets on a 6-foot leash.**
3. **Clean up after your pets.**
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 HOURS

GROUNDS


8 a.m. – sunset
Seven days a week


LAKE


Closes 30 minutes
before the park closes


CLOSED

Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Eve
Christmas Day
New Year's Day




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Parks, Recreation
and Open Space



LAKE CRABTREE COUNTY PARK





WELCOME TO LAKE CRABTREE COUNTY PARK

ABOUT THE PARK

From hiking to history to fishing and flying kites, there's something for everyone at Lake Crabtree County Park. The 215-acre park and adjacent flood control lake provide unlimited opportunities for exploration. Keep reading to learn about park features, and check out the map for information on water activities and trails.



OPEN PLAY AREA

The large floodplain area is a prime location to toss a frisbee, spread a picnic blanket, walk a leashed pet and more. Two volleyball courts are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

PLAYGROUNDS

Kids can burn off energy at the Tot Lot (for 2- to 5-year-olds) and the Kids Lot (for 5- to 12-year-olds).



PICNICKING

Large groups, families and individuals can find the perfect spot to picnic at Lake Crabtree. Tables and grills are located throughout the park, and three shelters are available to rent. Each shelter has a charcoal grill and tables.

GARDENS

Drought-tolerant plants that thrive in this part of North Carolina grow in the WaterWise Garden, presented by the Master Gardeners of Wake County and North Carolina Cooperative Extension. A Certified Wildlife Habitat® adjacent to the park office includes a bird feeder station and a sampling of native plants.

HISTORIC HOMESITE

Discover the history of Piedmont North Carolina farms. Take a mobile tour to learn about a tobacco farm that once stood on what is now the park's trails.

EDUCATIONAL AND RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS

Environmental education programs for schools, groups and the public are designed to accommodate a variety of ages and curricula. Call or visit us online for upcoming program info.





- Advanced Loop
- East Loop
- West Loop
- Advanced Flow
- Connector trails
- East-West connector
- Walkways

MULTI-USE TRAILS

Cycling and hiking (9.4 miles)

Designed for beginner to intermediate mountain bikers, these trails are also used by joggers, hikers and walkers. Class 1, pedal-assisted eBikes are permitted, but motorized vehicles are not allowed. Cyclists must wear ANSI or Snell-approved safety helmets. Additional trail access is available from the Town of Cary's Black Creek Greenway or from William B. Umstead State Park via Old Reedy Creek Road near Interstate 40.

HIKING TRAILS

(Foot traffic only)

Lake Trail (6 miles)
Blue blazes mark this pedestrian loop, shared in part with the Town of Cary's Black Creek and Crabtree Creek greenways. On average, expect 2.5 to 3 hours to complete the full hiking loop.

- ▶ Bikes are only permitted along multi-use sections.
- ▶ No fishing is allowed.

Old Beech Nature Trail (0.6 miles)
This short loop provides a self-guided environmental education experience. Take a mobile tour to learn about the forest habitats seen on the trail.

TRAIL STATUS

All trails are subject to closure for natural recovery, workdays, special events and inclement weather. Call 919-460-3390 for updates.

PARK ENTRANCE
AVIATION PARKWAY

INTERSTATE 40

TO OLD REEDY CREEK ROAD PARKING AREA



BOATING

Lake Crabtree offers accessible, year-round public boat launch areas, including a two-lane ramp for trailered craft and car-top launch areas. The following boats are permitted on the lake: paddle craft, sailboats and non-gasoline powered boats.

A variety of boats are available seasonally for free reservation at the boat rental complex. Contact staff at **919-460-3398**.

FISHING

Catch and release fishing is permitted in designated areas only, including an accessible pier and platform along the shoreline. All North Carolina fishing laws apply. Learn about the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission's Tackle Loaner Program by calling **919-460-3390**.

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| Restroom | Hiking trail | Open play |
| Picnic area | Bicycling/Mountain biking | Traditional/Natural playgrounds |
| Picnic shelter | Bike skills area | Volleyball |
| | | Gardens |
| | | Historic homesite |
| | | Boat ramp |
| | | Hand launch |



BIKE SKILLS AREAS

Hone your mountain biking skills with the constructed elements, pump track and dirt jumps.