

# oklahoma

## parks for kids



### 1. Chickisaw National Recreation Area

Become a Junior Ranger! Hitch a boat ride on the Lake of the Arbuckles. Visit Travertine Nature Center then view the flower park and look for butterflies! Spend the night by the campfire.

### 6. Washita Battlefield National Historic Site

Become a Junior Ranger! Hike the Discovery Trail and check out the Native Garden. Watch a film to learn about the historic battle fought here.

### 2. Beaver's Bend State Park

See the trees from prehistoric times at the Forest Heritage and Education Center then learn about poisonous snakes at Beaver's Bend Nature Center. Hike the Forest Heritage Tree Trail then go swimming, fishing or canoeing! Camp overnight.

### 3. Alabaster Caverns State Park

Take a guided tour of the cave then enjoy a picnic. Go on a hike, play a game of volleyball, and then spend the night camping!

### 4. Black Mesa State Park

See the view from the top of Mesa, nearly 5,000 feet above sea level! Go bird watching and spend the night camping!

### 5. Osage Hills State Park

Climb the observation tower for a great view then hike the Waterfalls Trail. Find Look-Out Lake or go for a swim in the pool. Go fishing then camp overnight.

### 7. Quartz Mountain State Park

Learn about natural history at the Nature Center then hike the Wichita Interpretive Trail. Go bird watching and keep an eye out for bald eagles in the winter near Lake Altus-Lugert.

### Buddy Bison's Fact Blites!



- The state bird is the scissor-tailed flycatcher which has a long forked tail. The bird was featured on the Oklahoma state quarter.
- The state animal is the buffalo, otherwise known as the bison!
- The National Cowboy Hall of Fame is located in Oklahoma City.
- Tahlequah is the tribal capital of the Cherokee Nation.



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