

Bluestone State Park



ENCOMPASSING MORE THAN 2,100 ACRES OF rugged, heavily forested, mountainous terrain, **Bluestone State Park** provides a wide variety of water-oriented activities for guests and residents of southern West Virginia. In the midst of this wilderness park, just five miles south of Hinton, are nestled modern cabins, campgrounds and fine recreational facilities. The extra plus is that Bluestone is adjacent to Bluestone Lake, the state's third largest body of water.

Due to this sizeable lake, boating and fishing are naturally an important part of the recreational opportunities at the park. The addition of hiking trails, a swimming pool, game courts, and a seasonal nature/recreation program creates a well-rounded array of activities. The proximity of Bluestone to Winter Place ski area makes the park's rental cabins affordable accommodations for ski groups and winter vacations.

Historical and recreational interest located in the Bluestone area includes the outdoor musical dramas "Hatfields and McCoys" and others shows performed at Grandview Park, near Beckley. Pipestem Resort with its myriad recreational facilities is only nine miles to the south. Just north of the park are Bluestone Dam, Historic Hinton, and the New River Gorge National River, center of some of the state's best whitewater rafting and canoeing. Of special note are Sandstone Falls and the Visitor Center, just north of Hinton; and Bluestone National Wild and Scenic River, which flows into Bluestone Lake within the park boundaries. Hunting and fishing opportunities abound at 17,632-acre Bluestone Wildlife Management Area adjacent to the park and nearby Camp Creek State Forest.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Hiking

- More than eight miles of hiking trails
- Map and trail guides available

Swimming

- Pool swimming
- Open Memorial Day through Labor Day

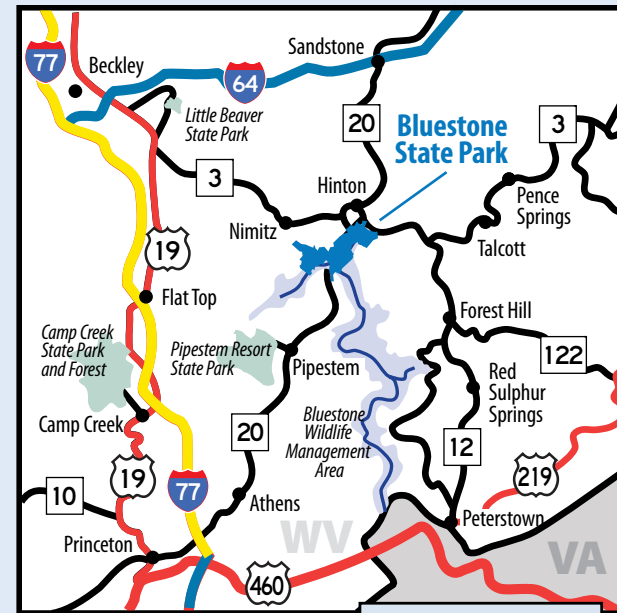
Other Recreational Opportunities

- Boat rentals at the marina
- Fishing for bass, catfish, crappie and bluegill
- Seasonal nature/recreation program
- Hunting at nearby Bluestone Wildlife Management Area
- Picnic shelter rentals
- Meeting room with kitchen available for rental
- Eagle watching on Bluestone Lake



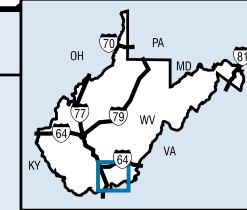
NEARBY ATTRACTIONS

- Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine
- Bluestone Wildlife Management Area
- Historic Hinton
- New River Gorge National River
- Pipestem Resort State Park
- Sandstone Falls and Sandstone Falls Visitor Center
- Tamarack Arts and Crafts Center
- Winterplace Ski Resort



LOCATION

Located in the southeastern section of the state, Bluestone State Park is accessible by several major highways. Take Exit 139 (Sandstone/Hinton) off Interstate 64 to state Route 20, south, and drive 15 miles to the park. From the south on Interstate 77, take Exit 14 (Athens Road Exit) to state Route 20, north, and travel 22 miles to the park.



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STATEMENT OF POLICY REGARDING THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY
TO USE FACILITIES AND PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAMS

Visitors are responsible for observing park rules and regulations.

"It is the policy of the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources to provide its facilities, accommodations, services and programs to all persons without regard to gender, race, color, age, religion, national origin or disability. Proper licenses, registration and compliance with official rules and regulations are the only sources of restrictions for facility use or program participation."

"The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources is an equal opportunity employer."
Information provided in this brochure is current as of design date, but subject to change thereafter.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Cabins

- 26 modern cabins/one accessible cabin
- Open year-round
- Kitchens with modern appliances
- Stone fireplaces and forced air furnaces
- Bathrooms with showers
- Check-in 4 p.m.; check-out 10 a.m.
- Designated pet-friendly cabins available

Campgrounds

- Open April through October
- One tent or trailer per site
- Check-out noon
- Firewood available for a nominal fee
- 123 sites available in four campgrounds

Meador Campground

- 32-site facility
- 22 sites with electricity
- Tent and RV camping
- Central bathhouse with hot showers
- Sewage disposal station

Tent Area Campground

- 8 rustic sites
- Designed for group camping

Old Mill Campground

- 44 rustic sites
- Central bathhouse with cold showers

East Shore Campground

- 39 primitive sites
- Accessible by boat only

RESERVATIONS

Cabin Reservations

Cabins at Bluestone are open year-round. During summer months cabins are reserved for a minimum of one week from the second Monday in June through mid-August. Weekly rentals run from Monday, check-in through the following Monday, check-out. Bluestone also offers rental options of less than seven nights during this time period, which includes three and four night stays.

Fall, winter and spring offers seasonal interest for getaways and vacations. During these times cabins may be rented by the day, two-day weekend or longer. Reservations may be made up to one year in advance from the first day in the month and are recommended at all times.

Cabin reservations for four nights or more require a deposit of one-half the rental fee with the balance due upon arrival; rentals of three nights or less, the full rental fee is required.

Reservations may be made by calling Bluestone State Park directly or by dialing **1-800-CALL WVA** and asking for Bluestone State Park. This toll-free line may be used anywhere in the continental United States or any Canadian province in the Eastern time zone.

Payment Methods — Cabins

Personal checks, money orders, and major credit cards (VISA, MasterCard, American Express, Discover and Diners Club) are accepted for payments. Reservations made by phone and using personal checks for payment will be held for 10 days to allow time to remit the required deposit. Reservations made less than 10 days prior to the arrival date, as available, are accommodated and a method of guarantee provided at the time the reservation is made. Identification and proof of age may be requested.

Cancellations

In case of cancellations, deposits will be returned (except for a \$20 handling fee), if notice is given at least 30 days in advance.

Campsite Reservations

Bluestone has 18 sites designated for reservations, while the remaining sites are rented on a first-come, first-served basis.



Campsite reservations are taken in advance for designated sites from the Friday before Memorial Day through Labor Day. Outside the reservable dates, all sites become first-come, first-served basis.

Only mail-in reservations will be accepted from February 15 through March 14. Site reservation application forms for the current year are available online to download. Mail-in reservations must be postmarked on or after February 15, or they will be returned. A maximum of three reservation forms per envelope will be accepted. Envelopes received with more than three reservation forms will be returned. Call-in requests during the period of February 15 – March 15 will be sent blank reservations forms and instructions regarding return of completed forms and payments. Beginning March 15, phone reservations will be accepted during office hours. Mail-in, call-in and walk-in reservations will be accepted from April 1 through Labor Day Weekend.

Reserved campsites that are accessible to persons with disabilities will be held for such individuals to reserve from February 15 through March 14. Proof of disability must accompany the deposit, and the site must be occupied during the reservation period by the disabled individual for the reservation to be honored. Beginning March 15, the sites will become available for all rentals. All other current

reservation procedures besides those described above will remain the same.

A minimum of 2 nights, up to a maximum of 14 nights, is required when making a reservation. If a reservation is canceled more than 7 days in advance, the deposit will be refunded with the exception of the handling fee plus the first night's rental. If canceled 7 days or less in advance, no refund will be given.

Campsite reservations must be made at least two (2) days in advance, as available, and must be secured by payment of a deposit of the entire rental fee, plus a \$5 handling charge.

Payment Methods — Campsites

Payments may be made by personal check, money order or accepted credit cards (VISA, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover and Diners Club). All campsite reservations require payment in full.

Campsite numbers will not be guaranteed; however, every effort will be made to assign the campsite requested. Only one camping unit per site is permitted.

Reservations and further information may be obtained by writing or calling the park directly.