

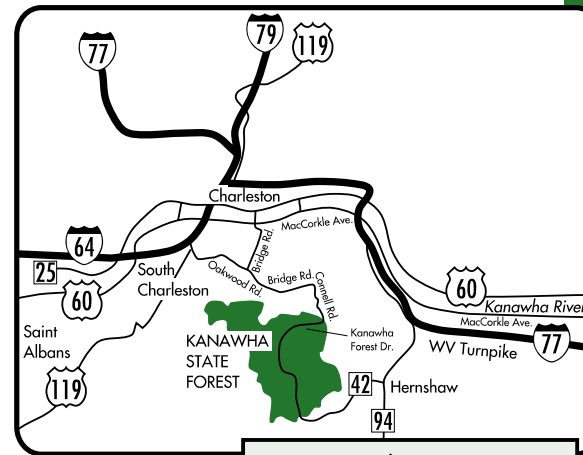


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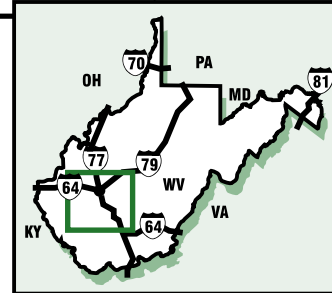
**L**OCATED JUST SEVEN MILES south of Charleston, this forest's close proximity to the heavily populated Kanawha Valley has made it a recreational haven. Some of the state's most popular picnic areas are here, along with significant hiking and mountain biking opportunities. Kanawha's swimming pool and playground attract families during the summer season, and the fully equipped campground is one of the few in the Charleston area.

The 9,300-acre forest is noted among naturalists for its diverse wildflower and bird populations. Rich cove forest sites provide nesting habitat for 19 species of wood warblers, a feature that draws birders from as far away as Canada.



### How To Get There

From I-64 in Charleston, take Exit 58A, drive south on US 119. Turn left onto Oakwood Rd. at the second stop light, [following the brown and white routing signs] turn right onto Bridge Rd., and right onto Connell Rd. At the bottom of Connell, make a sharp left onto Kanawha Forest Drive, follow to the forest entrance.



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Visitors are responsible for observing park rules and regulations.

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### Accommodations

#### Camping

- 46 sites
- Fully equipped
- Central bathhouse
- Coin-operated laundry
- Fireplaces and picnic tables
- 25 sites with electricity and water hookups
- We do not recommend any RVs or trailer/truck units longer than 26 feet
- Firewood and ice available

### Recreational Facilities

#### Swimming Pool

- Open Memorial Day to Labor Day

#### Hiking

- 25 miles of trails
- Mountain bikes allowed on certain trails

#### Picnicking

- Nine reservable shelters
- Sites include tables and grills
- Restroom facilities

#### Horseback Riding

- Equestrians permitted on 30+ miles of service roads

#### Playgrounds

- Located in picnic areas

#### Hunting/Fishing

- State license required
- No hunting zones around all recreational facilities
- Special regulation fishing
- March 1 to May 31—Pond open to children and disabled

#### Shooting Range

- Open daily
- Free to public



### Nearby Attractions

State Capitol, Governor's Mansion, Cultural Center with State Museum "Mountain Stage" live radio show Charleston Town Center Mall Clay Center & Avampato Discovery Museum P.A. Denny Sternwheeler Tri-State Greyhound Park



### Reservations

**CAMPING:** Up to 50% of the campsites at Kanawha are available for reservations, while the remainder are rented on a first come, first served basis. Reservations can be made by mail, phone or in person at least 2 days in advance for a minimum of 2 nights, up to a maximum of 14, is required. The reservation is held by paying a deposit of the entire camping fee plus a \$5 handling charge. Campsite numbers will not be guaranteed; however, every effort will be made to assign the campsite requested. Payment may be made by check or money order.

Reservations are available Memorial Day Weekend, Labor Day Weekend and July 4th Holiday only. Reservation requests are accepted from February 15th preceding. If a reservation is canceled more than 7 days in advance, the deposit will be refunded (except the first night's rental and \$5 handling charge).