Osage Hills State Park Cowboys on the Prairie



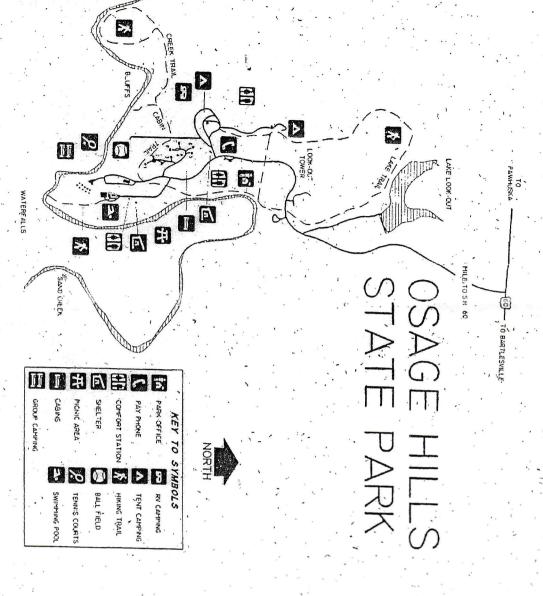


Tallgrass Prairie Preserve • You can start in Pawhuska and return approximately 35 miles later on this scenic loop drive through the prairie grasslands. Also a self-guided walking tour allows exploration of the area's ecological diversity. Call 918/287-4803.

Barnsdall • Known earlier as Bigheart, was once an Indian trading center named for an Osage Chief, James Bigheart. Bigheart

Museum: carries Cherokee and Osage Nation artifacts and oil refinery items. Call 918/847-2023.

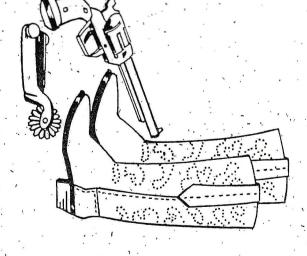
Hominy • 20 miles south of Osage Hills State Park, Hominy is quickly becoming Americals biggest art gallery. Local jeweler and Blackfoot Indian Artist Chal Tullis has decorated the city with his beautiful murals. Enjoy the art and the hospitality of one of Oklahomais unique communities.



Cation

Eleven miles west of Bartlesville on US 60.
For general information and park reservations, call: 918/336-4141 or write:
Osage Hills State Park
HC73 Box 84

Pawhuska, OK 74056



Discoveries

Osage Hills, rich in the past and the present; offers the visitor opportunities to discover a multitude of treasures.

Come to Osage Hills and create memories and discover adventure.

Osage Hills-State Park

Cowboys on the Prairie

Imagine yourself in your own vacation hideaway nestled in the midst of lush rolling hills—away from the hustle and bustle of day-to-day life. Osage Hills is the respite you've been searching for!

First settled by the Osage Indians in 1796, the area is densely wooded with a deep forested canyon and an 18-acre lake. In territorial days, and for some years after statehood, this area was a favorite resort for outlaws. Among the last to seek these hills as a hideout was Al Spencer who was killed in 1923. One of his gang was Frank Nash, chief figure in the "Kansas City Massacre" some ten years later.

Foday, Osage Hills offers a multitude of recreational opportunities for the traveler. From camping to cabins, from families to groups—whatever your pleasure, you car eave the city behind and relax in scenic Osage Hills State Park.

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Camping •
Osage Hills
offers 55 great

ampsites on a first-come, first-served vasis in two areas. All areas have comfort tations with showers; and for RVers, here's a dump station.

or the RVer: 20 semi-modern sites with vater and electric (two are pull-thrus) on oncrete pads in RV Area. There are also 0 unimproved (no hookups) in RV Area oop.

or the Tenter: 25 unimproved sites are

located in Look-out Tower Area, Tenters using a RV site will be charged at the RV rate.

Some discount camping packages are available for RV organizations. Please check with the park for particulars.

Group Camp • Open April 1 through October 30, the group camp features a community building with a dining area and large kitchen complete with cooking/eating utensils and refrigeration equipment and modern comfort station facilities. The group camp has bunkhouse-style sleeping accommodations for 120. Reservations are accepted up to one year in advance of arrival. Your group can enjoy a tennis court with lights, basketball goal and volleyball net. And on those hot summer days, take a refreshing dip in the swimming pool.

beautiful native stone rental beautiful native stone rental cabins. The one-bedroom cabins will accommodate up to four, while the two-bedroom cabins will accommodate up to six. All cabins are equipped with fireplaces, living areas, heating/cooling units and kitchens complete with cooking utensils, silverware, refrigerator, stove and oven. Not that you'd need one with all the recreational opportunities available, but there's no phone or TV in the cabins; we are pets allowed.

Group Picnic Shelters • Osage Hills has two rentable group picnic shelters available. Shelter #1 will accommodate up to 40 and is furnished with electricity and water, and Shelter #2 accommodates up to 20 with no utilities.

For the <u>Individual or Family Picnicker</u>: The park offers a large picnic area with tables, grills and a modern comfort station with showers.

Recreational Opportunities







Trails • Falls Area Trail on Sand Creek Nature Trail which offers 1/4 of a mile of scenic grandeur to the waterfalls on Sand Creek. The Bugle Multi-use Trail is 4 miles traversing a wide diversity of Park lands.

Fishing/Boating • The Park's Lookout Lake or Sand Creek offer excellent fishing waters for bass, crappie, catfish and perch. Twelve foot V-bottom row boats are available for rent on Lookout Lake with oars, floatation devices and life jackets for small children provided.

Swimming • The Osage Hills swimming pool is located in the picnic area and is open from Memorial Day to Labor Day, seven days a week. Lifeguards are on duty for your safety.



Sites and Sounds of the Past and Present

Pawhuska • Is the seat of Osage County, largest county in Oklahoma, and tribal capital for the Osage. Named for a famous Osage chief, Pahu-cka/or White Hair, who received his name from an incident in the battle known as St. Clair's Defeat. The chief, then a youth, wounded an officer wearing a powdered wig. As he started to scalp his quarry, the whole