

# state forests



Deep Creek State Park

## Garrett State Forest

301-334-2038

Mountains of forests, streams and valleys make up the 8,000 acres in Garrett State Forest.

### Historic Interest

In 1906 this forest was given to the state of Maryland and was the beginning of our present public lands system.

### Activities

Hiking, hunting, birdwatching, fishing, mountain biking, cross country skiing and snowmobiling.

### Pets

Pets are allowed in all areas of the forest. No Leash is required as long as pets are under control except in Swallow Falls and Herrington Manor State Parks.

## Potomac State Forest

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This forest contains 12,400 acres of trees, streams and wildlife. Located near the headwaters of the historic Potomac River. The terrain is rugged with elevations ranging from 1,800 feet along the Potomac to 2,960 feet on Backbone Mountain (MD's highest point). This steep gradient has numerous fast falling brooks and streams which feed the river. Several larger streams are Schell, Laurel, Lostland Run and Crabtree Creek.

### Activities

*Activities are of a more primitive nature.* Scenic vistas, hunting, fishing, biking and nature appreciation.

### Pets

Pets are allowed in all areas of the forest. No Leash is required as long as pets are under control.

Offers handicapped accessible hunting areas, park office and 1 pavilion.

## Savage River State Forest

301-895-5759

This is the largest of Maryland's State Forests with over 53,000 acres of forestland, streams and wildlife habitat for your enjoyment. Contains New Germany and Big Run State Parks. Also, within the forest is the 360 acre Savage River Reservoir.

### Activities

Hiking, sightseeing, fishing, hunting, mountain biking, canoeing, cross country skiing and snowmobiling.

### Pets

Pets are allowed in all areas of the forest with a leash.

**Big Run State Park**

301-895-5453

With 300 acres in Garrett County, Big Run State Park is situated at the mouth of the Savage River Reservoir. With boat launches nearby, Big Run is a popular base camp for outdoor lovers intent on fishing, hiking or hunting. Big Run is the trailhead for a six-mile hiking trail, known as Monroe Run.

**Activities**

Fishing, flatwater canoeing or kayaking, picnicking and hunting.

**Pets**

Pets are allowed in all areas with a leash.

There is a rental picnic pavilion which can accommodate 100 people available by reservation.

**Casselman River Bridge State Park**

301-895-5453

Spanning 4 acres, Casselman River Bridge State Park is east of Grantsville on U.S. Route 40. The beautiful, 80-foot stone arch bridge was part of the old National Road. When constructed in 1813, it was the largest of its kind in the world.

**Activities**

Picnicking, fishing and sight seeing

Not handicapped accessible.

**Deep Creek Lake State Park**

301-387-5563

Encompassing over 1,818 acres, Deep Creek Lake State Park is three miles southeast of McHenry, on the east side of Deep Creek Lake.

**Activities**

Swimming, picnicking, boat launching, interpretive programs, hiking, mountain biking, hunting and cross country skiing.

**Deep Creek Lake Discovery Center**

Interpretive environmental center offering guided hikes, hands on educational exhibits and on-site naturalists. The Discovery Center has summer hours of operation daily 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Weekday hours are limited between Labor Day and Memorial Day, for more information call 301-387-7067.

**Pets**

Pets are NOT permitted at the waterfront area of the park. Pets ARE permitted on hiking trails with a leash.

Lifeguard on Duty SUMMER ONLY- 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Pets are NOT permitted in the day use area of the park.

**Day use Service Charges**

Memorial Day - Labor Day \$3/person

Labor Day - Memorial Day \$3/vehicle

*Out of state residents add \$1 to all service charges.*



## Herrington Manor State Park

301-334-9180

Covering 365 acres, Herrington Manor State Park is located four miles northwest of Oakland.

<b>Activities</b>	Features a 53-acre lake for swimming and non motorized boating, hiking, interpretive programs and groomed cross-country ski trails along with ski & snowshoe rentals.
<b>Pets</b>	Pets are permitted on hiking trails with a leash, except between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

Lifeguard on Duty - Friday - Tuesday 10a.m. - 6p.m. (SUMMER ONLY)

**Offers a handicapped accessible visitor's center, concession stand, picnic sites, path to the swimming beach and a fishing pier.**

### Day use Service Charges

Weekends & Holidays: Memorial Day - Labor Day \$2/person  
 Weekdays: Memorial Day - Labor Day \$2/vehicle  
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 Ski Season Weekends & Holidays: \$3/person  
*Out of state residents add \$1 to all service charges.*

## Mt. Nebo Wildlife Management Area

301-334-4255

Nestled in the mountains of Garrett County, Mt. Nebo Wildlife Management Area, a 2,000-acre tract of land, protects one of the most unique wetlands in Maryland - a red spruce bog. Bogs are more typically found in northern states and Canada, but Mt. Nebo's elevation has ideal conditions for this special wetland. Beaver ponds, alder thickets and sedge meadows along with 1,500 acres of forest and 40 acres of fields make a prime destination for outdoor sportsmen and nature lovers.

## New Germany State Park

301-895-5453

New Germany State Park's 455 acres are located about four miles south of Grantsville on New Germany Road. The park is built on the site of a once-prosperous milling center in Savage River State Forest.

### Activities

13 acre lake offering boat launch, non-motorized boat rentals, swimming, fishing, flatwater canoeing, hiking, picnicking, shelters, nature center, and cross country skiing (rentals available).

### Pets

Pets are NOT permitted.

Lifeguard on Duty - SUMMER ONLY - 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

### Day use Service Charges

Weekends & Holidays: Memorial Day - Labor Day \$2/person

Ski Season Weekends & Holidays: \$3/person

*Out of state residents add \$1 to all service charges.*

## Swallow Falls State Park

301-334-9180

Swallow Falls State Park stretches 257 acres and is located about six miles north of Oakland on Swallow Falls Road. This mountainous park contains some of Maryland's most breathtaking scenery. Home to Maryland's tallest waterfall, Muddy Creek Falls.

### Activities

Hiking, fishing, picnic area, playground and nature programs (summer).

### Pets

Pets are permitted on hiking trails with a leash, except between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

### Day use Service Charges

## Youghiogheny Wild and Scenic River

301-387-5563

The section of the Youghiogheny River between Miller's Run and Friendsville was designated as Maryland's first wild river. The goal of the state of Maryland is to provide for the cooperative management, preservation and protection of the Youghiogheny River and its outstanding scenic, geologic, historic, ecological, recreational, agricultural, fish, wildlife, and cultural values. Approximately 2,500 acres of public lands are managed. Whitewater boating, trout fishing, hunting and hiking are predominant uses of the park. **Visitors must take precautions to avoid trespass and should only use designated public access points.**