

TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS

WILLOW POND TRAIL (1/4 MILE)



This concrete, accessible trail is located directly East of the Carlyle Lake Visitor Center and winds around an old farm pond. The trail has several interpretive signs which provide educational information about wildlife found in the area.

CHIPMUNK TRAIL (1/2 MILE)

Located just East of the Carlyle Lake Main Dam, this trail takes visitors through a beautiful oak-hickory forest along the shoreline of Carlyle Lake and includes one of the best views of the lake. This 1/2 mile loop has entrances at McNair Campground and Lakeview Access..

LITTLE PRAIRIE NATURE TRAIL (3/4 MILE)

Hikers will enjoy the quiet and ease of this 3/4 of a mile trail. Bottomland hardwoods and prairie dominate the landscape and provide the perfect place to take a break outdoors. The trailhead is located in the Dam West Spillway.



WATCHABLE WILDLIFE

During your hike at Carlyle Lake, watch for animal tracks, scat, burrows and nests, traces of fur or feathers signs that wildlife use this area. Eastern chipmunks, white-tailed deer, black rat snakes, wild turkey, red fox, american toad, great horned owl and downy woodpecker are just a few of the wildlife found in this area.

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HIKING TRAIL GUIDE



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LEGEND

-  Visitor Center
-  Boat Access
-  Designated Swimming Area
-  Ranger Station
-  Resort
-  Hiking Trail
-  Golf Course
-  Campground




WILLOW POND NATURE TRAIL

DISTANCE
1/3 Mile

TERRAIN
Easy

WALKING TIME
10 Minutes

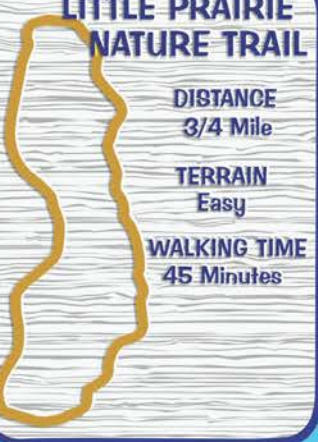


LITTLE PRAIRIE NATURE TRAIL

DISTANCE
3/4 Mile

TERRAIN
Easy

WALKING TIME
45 Minutes




CHIPMUNK NATURE TRAIL

DISTANCE
1/2 Mile

TERRAIN
Moderate

WALKING TIME
30 Minutes



TRAIL REMINDERS

- For your safety stay on the marked trail.
- Dogs must be on a six foot leash.
- Take pictures of plants and wildlife instead of removing them from the trail.

- Avoid poison ivy. Leaves of three-let it be.
- Pack it in, pack it out.



Trails are open from dawn until dusk.