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RESOURCE GUIDE



Mahoning County offers a wide variety of attractions, outdoor recreation, arts and culture, and special events that draw visitors from across the region. Enclosed you'll find a sampling of outdoor activities and venues to help you plan your next adventure in Youngstown. Before heading out, be sure to check venue hours and availability as some change seasonally. Contact us for additional information, we'd love to help you plan your visit.

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BOARDMAN

VICKERS NATURE PRESERVE
RT. 224, CANFIELD

MCGUFFEY WILDLIFE PRESERVE
MCGUFFEY RD., COITSVILLE

NEWPORT WETLANDS
W. NEWPORT DR., BOARDMAN

WICK RECREATION AREA
MCCOLLUM RD., YOUNGSTOWN

METROPARKS FARM
7574 COLUMBIANA-CANFIELD RD.,
CANFIELD

LAKE MILTON STATE PARK

parks.ohiodnr.gov/lakemilton
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MILTON

BERLIN LAKE

wildlife.ohiodnr.gov/berlinlake
7400 BEDELL RD., BERLIN CENTER

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austintowntwp.com
6000 KIRK RD., CANFIELD

BOARDMAN PARK

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375 BOARDMAN-POLAND RD.,
BOARDMAN

POLAND MUNICIPAL FOREST

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COLLEGE LN., POLAND

WICK PARK

FIFTH AVE., YOUNGSTOWN

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trailink.com/trail/stavich-bicycle-trail
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KYLE WOODS

TIPPECANOE RD., CANFIELD

ON TARGET OUTFITTERS

ontargetoutfitters.org
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LAKE PARK WILDLIFE AREA

wildlife.ohiodnr.gov/lakepark
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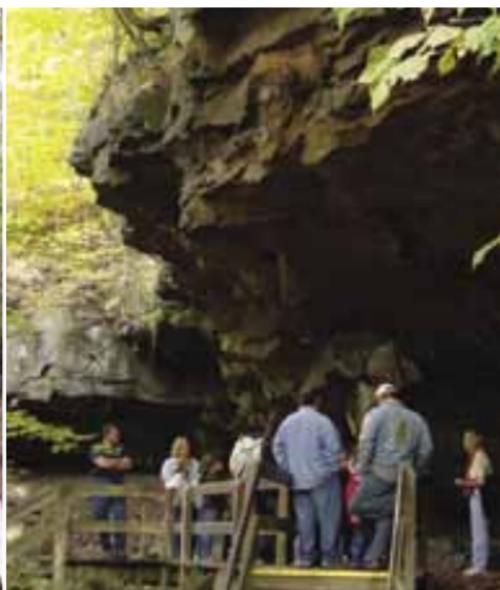
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JOGGING & HIKING TRAILS



MILL CREEK METROPARKS

Encompassing more than 2,800 natural acres, Mill Creek MetroParks offers 45 miles of trails to explore. Boardwalks, paved walkways and unpaved trails take visitors through the diverse lands and scenery of this breathtaking park. A complete map is available at millcreekmetroparks.org/visit/hiking.

A few popular trails are listed below.

- Lily Pond Circle Trail - 0.25mi loop, easy, flat terrain, scenic
- Nature Trail For All People - 0.1mi, easy, paved trail, ADA accessible
- East Cohasset Hike & Bike Trail - 2mi, moderate to difficult
- West Cohasset Trail - 1mi, moderately difficult, some steps
- East Cohasset Trail - 1.5mi, moderately difficult, slight grades
- West Gorge Trail - 1mi, moderately difficult with some hills
- East Gorge Trail - 0.5mi, moderately difficult, steps, boardwalk
- East Newport Hike & Bike Trail - 1.75mi, easy, slight hills
- Davies Wetland Trail - 0.25mi, easy asphalt trail to boardwalk through wetland habitat, interpretive signage of ecosystem
- East Golf Hike & Bike Trail - 1.5mi, easy, flat surface, heavily used by cyclists, joggers and walkers, ADA accessible

LAKE MILTON STATE PARK

Find the easy 1.25-mile, paved nature trail near the dam in the northwest corner of the park, accessible off Grandview Road near the beach. There is also a paved trail near the Meshel Park area off Mahoning Avenue.

BOARDMAN PARK

Constructed of asphalt pavement, the ADA-accessible 4-mile North Trail offers a smooth, peaceful experience.

POLAND MUNICIPAL FOREST

Several trails and benches are found throughout the 264 acres of natural beauty in Poland Municipal Forest.



BIKE TRAILS



MILL CREEK METROPARKS BIKEWAY

The MetroParks Bikeway is part of the 100-mile (when completed) Great Ohio Lake to River Greenway. A 10.6-mile paved trail stretches from the Mahoning/Trumbull County line south to Western Reserve Road. Expansion of 6.5 miles south to the Columbiana County line at Route 14 will begin in 2019.

- restrooms and parking are available at Kirk Road Trailhead, Mahoning Avenue Overpass and MetroParks Farm
- trail has an elevation difference of 180 feet
- bike by scenic Brocker Preserve and MetroParks Farm

There are other paved biking trails throughout Mill Creek Park. Details are available at millcreekmetroparks.org/visit/biking.

Trailside Bicycle Company (330-503-4690, trailsidebicyclecompany.com) offers seasonal bike rental, equipment and safety gear rental. Snacks and beverages are available at the Kirk Road Trail Head. Limited seasonal hours.



STAVICH BIKE TRAIL

The only bicycle trail in the U.S. that takes cyclists through two states and three different townships. Trail endpoint is at Broad Street and Coit Road in Struthers.

- class A3 10-mile asphalt, topography is level to 130 ft/mile
- views of Lowellville and the Mahoning River
- features a large beaver pond with good bird watching

LAKE MILTON MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL

For those who prefer to take the less traveled path, the Lake Milton Mountain Bike Trail is a developing, obstacle-free trail. Currently at approximately 4 miles, the trail has tight turns, short, punchy climbs and descents. It is ridden as an out-and-back and rides great in both directions. Trailhead can be found off Ellsworth Road near the southeast corner of the lake.



BIRD WATCHING



MILL CREEK WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

More than 225 species of birds have been documented at Youngstown's Wildlife Sanctuary, the perfect stop for bird watching along the Mill Creek corridor in Beaver Township. Guided tours take visitors off the platform and into the preserve. To reserve an experience off the platform, call Ford Nature Center at 330-740-7107.

- observation platform for the perfect vantage point
- binoculars or spotting scopes are recommended

LAKE MILTON STATE PARK

The scenic shoreline provides a habitat for waterfowl and shorebirds for visitors to enjoy. Robins, warblers, pine siskins, hawks and owls are commonly seen.

BERLIN LAKE

During migration, bald eagles may be seen on Berlin Lake along with a great variety of songbirds.

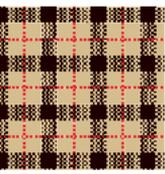
KYLE WOODS

Kyle Woods is a state nature preserve with an 80-acre beech-sugar maple woodlot where you'll find unique woody species and excellent birding.

- tree species: cucumber magnolia, wild black cherry, black gum and several species of oaks and ashes
- several white oaks more than 300 years old
- visitation available during daylight hours only

Mahoning County is 150 miles from the Magee Marsh Wildlife Area. Extend your bird watching stay in Mahoning County on the way to/from the Warbler Capital of the World. You'll be glad you did! Multiple birding locations offer the chance to spot hundreds of species of birds. Visit youngstownlive.com to plan your visit.





NATURE PRESERVES: MILL CREEK METROPARKS



MILL CREEK PRESERVE

The Mill Creek Preserve consists of over 300 acres of upland and wetland habitats. Expansive acreage and diverse, high-quality habitats create many opportunities for bird watching, hiking and other passive recreation activities. Parking is available off Western Reserve Road in Boardman.

- 2 miles of trails through wetland and upland habitats
- white-tailed deer, eastern cottontail rabbits, red-tailed hawks and a wide variety of songbirds have been observed

VICKERS NATURE PRESERVE

Vickers Nature Preserve in Canfield consists of diverse habitats, including meadows, woodlands, wetlands and ponds. There are several small streams flowing through the Preserve that flow directly into Meander Creek just upstream of the Meander Reservoir. Hiking is permitted throughout the site. Programs such as naturalist-guided nature hikes and educational programs are frequently held at this facility.

MCGUFFEY WILDLIFE PRESERVE

The McGuffey Wildlife Preserve, a 78-acre retreat in Coitsville, is a National Historic Landmark. Hike to explore the serene setting. Parking is available.

NEWPORT WETLANDS

The Newport Wetlands, located at the southern end of Lake Newport in Youngstown, provide habitat for a variety of plants and animals. Visitors can experience this complex web of flora and fauna by walking the Albert E. Davies Wetland Trail, a boardwalk through the wetlands with interpretive signs along the way. Kayakers can explore the wetland habitat through water trails inaccessible from land. Hikers can access West and East Channel and Islands Trails and West Newport Trail.



WINTER FUN



SLED RIDING

Youngstown's favorite spot for sled riding is the sled hill at James L. Wick, Jr. Recreation Area in Mill Creek Park.

- lighted sledding area
- Hobbit Hill (for children 48" and under)
- outdoor warming fire with seating and wind shield
- snow-making machine
- warming house with indoor seating, fireplace, snack bar and vending machines

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING

Mahoning County locals stay fit throughout the winter on various cross-country ski areas located within Mill Creek MetroParks.

- Mill Creek Golf Course
- Park 3 Golf Course
- East Golf Hike & Bike Trail
- East Cohasset Hike & Bike Trail
- Chestnut Hill Drive
- Calvary Run Drive
- MetroParks Bikeway

ICE FISHING

Under the proper conditions, Lake Milton State Park visitors can enjoy ice fishing. Check feasibility with the park office by calling 330-654-4989.

ICE SKATING

An outdoor ice skating rink at Wick Recreation Area is free and open to the public, weather permitting (rink is not supported by a refrigeration system).

Bring your own skates.





HUNTING & ARCHERY RANGES



ON TARGET OUTFITTERS

On Target Outfitters in Canfield is a family-friendly, indoor/outdoor 21-acre recreation center. They offer educational classes that teach children how to safely participate in outdoor sports like archery, riflery, fishing, hunting and camping. Check ontargetoutfitters.org for upcoming events or to see public indoor archery range open dates.



MILL CREEK METROPARKS FARM ARCHERY RANGE

Open from dawn to dusk, bring your own bow and arrows to the picturesque range in Canfield to shoot targets set at 10, 20 and 30 yards.

LAKE MILTON STATE PARK

A standard public archery range is located on the east side of the dam. Hunting is permitted in designated areas. A valid Ohio hunting license is required.



BERLIN LAKE WILDLIFE AREA

Upland game species are well distributed throughout the 7,991-acre Wildlife Area. After upland game season opens, hunting dogs are recommended. The area offers great rabbit hunting in the brushy uplands along edges or borders, several good squirrel woods and brushy areas with open wet meadows for woodcock hunting. An archery range is open sunrise to sunset and free-of-charge.

LAKE PARK WILDLIFE AREA

Alliance's 75 acres of woodlands in the Lake Park Wildlife Area provide opportunity for hunting, especially for squirrel, rabbit and white-tailed deer.



FISHING & BOATING



LAKE MILTON STATE PARK

Lake Milton offers the best in water recreation. Boating, swimming and fishing are popular. Designed for unlimited horsepower, boaters have access to three launch ramps (seasonal dock rentals available and courtesy docks are provided near the causeway on the west side of the lake).



- diverse fish community that includes largemouth and smallmouth bass, bluegill, crappie and channel catfish, as well as walleye and muskellunge (both of which are stocked by the Division of Wildlife)
- trophy muskellunge caught occasionally
- host to 2015 Major League Fishing Show

BERLIN LAKE

Several boat launching sites and commercial boat liveries provide fishing access to Berlin Lake. Spring is the best time to fish the lake; live bait and spinning lures are most effective.

- diverse sport fish populations which include largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, white bass, walleye, white crappie, black crappie, bluegill, channel catfish, brown bullhead and muskellunge
- walleye, bass and crappies are predominant

Fishing in April, May and June produces good to excellent catches of largemouth bass, walleye and crappies. Good catches of channel catfish are made throughout the fishing season, but July and August are the best months. Bluegill are caught throughout the season.





SPLASH OR PADDLE



SPLASH PADS

The Juliana Kurinka Children's Play Area at Mill Creek's James L. Wick, Jr. Recreation Area offers four play areas for children of all ages. The area includes wet, adventure, sand and tot playgrounds with equipment and features designed for interactive, physical and social play.

A community splash pad is also available at Austintown Township Park.



KAYAK/CANOE

Lake Milton State Park offers stand-up paddle boards, kayaks, canoes and pontoon boats for rent in season. Rental office is located at the Marina in the Meshel Park area on the east side of the lake. Turn north on NE River Rd., then left on Milton Ave. to the marina area. Call 330-654-4991 for info.

Mill Creek MetroParks:

Rentals are available at Lake Glacier and Lake Newport boathouses Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day. Privately owned canoes, kayaks and boats which comply with MetroParks regulations may be used, March 1 – November 30.



BERLIN WATER ADVENTURES AND JET SKI RENTALS

Berlin Water Adventures and Jet Ski Rentals offers pontoon, jet ski, kayak, paddle boards, paddle boat and canoe rentals with advance reservations.



SOCIAL SPORTS



DISC GOLF

Trade your golf clubs for some discs and visit one of the area's free, 9 or 18-hole public disc golf courses at Austintown Township Park, Boardman Park and Wick Park in Youngstown.

PICKLEBALL

Combining elements of badminton, tennis and table tennis, pickleball games can be played on the community courts at Austintown Township Park, Boardman Park, Volney Rogers Field in Mill Creek Park and Yellow Creek Park in Struthers.

BOCCE

Bocce is a Youngstown favorite. Reserve a court in the covered Lariccia Family Bocce Court pavilion at Boardman Park (equipment provided) or visit Cassese's MVR downtown and play on outdoor, covered courts. Check youngstownmvr.com to ensure availability.

TENNIS/SQUASH

Public indoor and outdoor courts are available throughout the Valley. A few local favorites include Austintown Township Park, Boardman Park, James L. Wick, Jr. Recreation Area at Mill Creek MetroParks and Wick Park in Youngstown.

DEK HOCKEY

Dek Hockey is played on foot or with inline skates, using a ball instead of a puck. Mill Creek MetroParks, the Youngstown Phantoms Hockey Team and the Pittsburgh Penguins Foundation have installed a street hockey rink at the Wick Recreation Area.

SPORTS WORLD

Go-karts, Adventure Golf, batting cages and an arcade can be found at Sports World in Boardman.



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