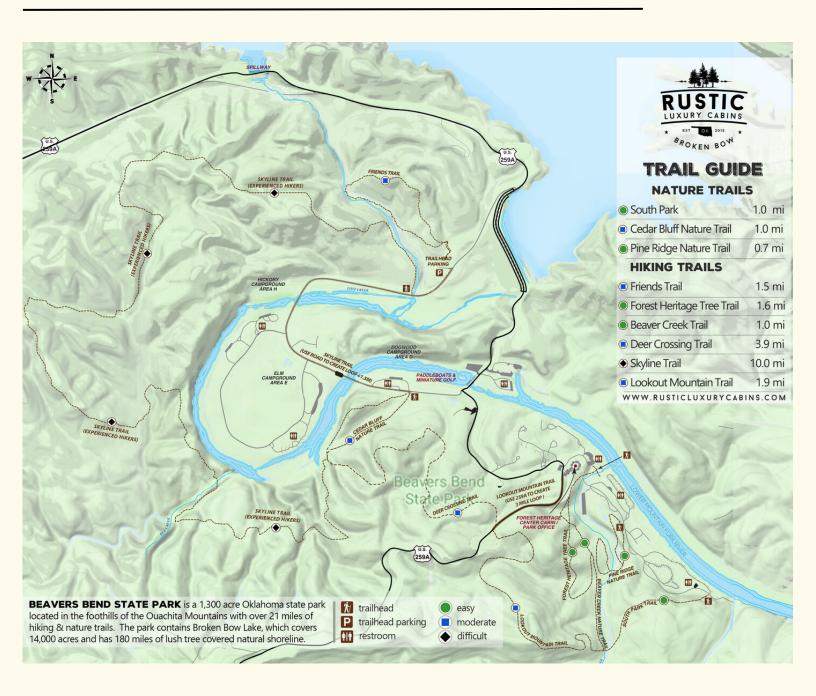




HIKES IN BEAVERS BEND STATE PARK





FRIENDS TRAIL





🔾 🖊 9 1.5 mile loop trail



Difficulty: Moderate



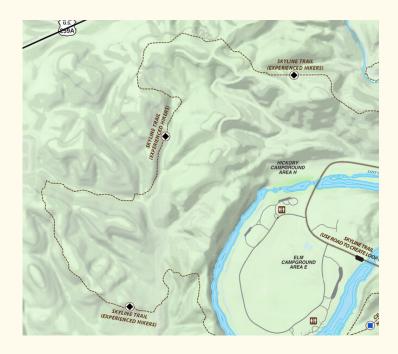
The Beavers Bend Friendship Trail, also referred to as the Friends Trail Loop, is very popular and heavily used. Featuring a river, this hike is of moderate difficulty with 282 feet of elevation gain. The trail is mostly used for nature trips, running, and hiking.

It is a good idea to bring a map with you, as some people find that this trail is not wellmarked. You can either download an offline map or bring a printed-out version. This can help you navigate the large number of diverging trails you'll meet along the way.

On the trail, you will encounter some steep climbs. This is one of the newest trails in Beavers Bend State Park and is well-maintained compared to some of the other trails. Part of the trail runs parallel to the Lower Mountain Fork River and you'll have lovely views of the river and a waterfall along the way.



SKYLINE TRAIL

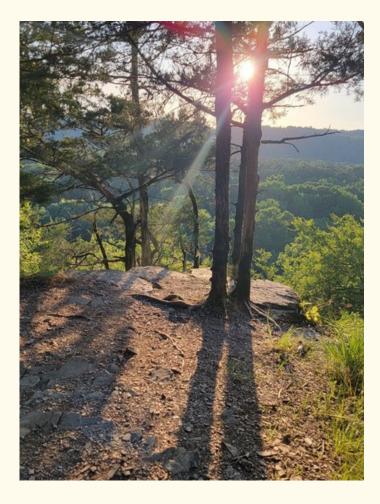




9.5-mile loop trail



Difficulty: Advanced



If you're looking for a more adventurous hike, check out the Broken Bow Skyline Trail in Beavers Bend State Park. A little under 10 miles long, you'll experience over 1660 feet of elevation gain during this hike.

This trail is recommended for more experienced hikers, as there are a number of water crossings that can be quite difficult, particularly after heavy rains. It can also be easy to lose the trail along the way, so you'll want to stay very attentive to trail markers.



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN LOOP





🔾 🔎 2.9 mile loop trail



Difficulty: Moderate



Looking Mountain Loop is another popular Broken Bow hiking trail. Best used between the months of April and October, you can find people walking, hiking, bird watching, and taking nature trips on this trail.

You'll get to enjoy scenic views along the way and get your heart-pumping with 574 feet of elevation gain. It's very steep at points, so consider this trail to be of moderate-to-hard difficulty!



TREE TRAIL

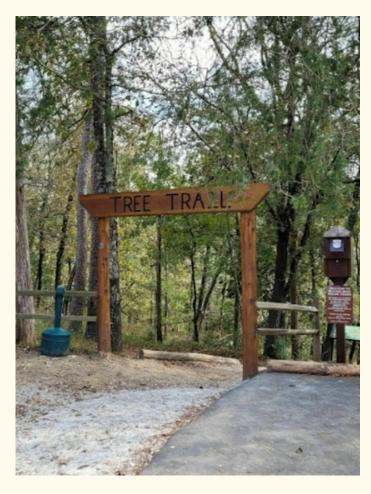




🔾 🔎 1.2 mile loop trail



Difficulty: Easy



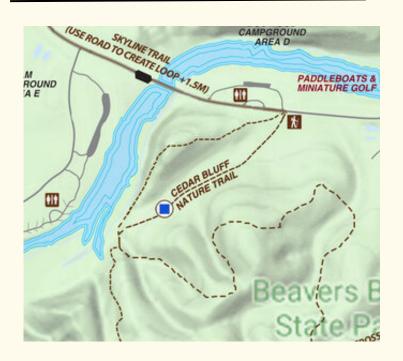
This is another nice, easy trail for hikers of all skill levels. You can start this trail at the Forest Heritage Center Museum and be lead past a large Native American sculture.

On this trail, you'll be taken along the Beaver Creek floodplain, across a bridge, and loop back around to the Heritage Center. Along the way, you can find informational signs that relay the history of the region.

While on the path, keep an eye out for trees marked in white. These are the markers that tell you that you're still on the path. You will encounter a few moments where you will need to do a bit of climbing, but otherwise, you'll find this to be an easy trail.



CEDAR BLUFF NATURE TRAIL

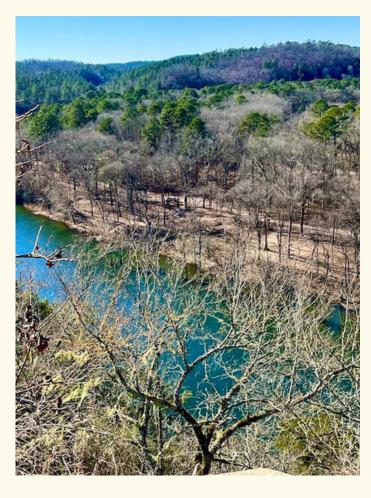




🔾 🔎 0.9 mile loop trail



Difficulty: Moderate



The Cedar Bluff Nature Trail is best used between the months of March and October. Starting across from Dogwood Campground and near the kayak rentals and miniature golf on the Lower Mountain Fork River, this is an easy-to-moderate hike.

To stay on the trail, you'll want to follow the blue trail blazes. This trail intersects with the Skyline Trail and Deer Crossing Trail, which are marked off with red trail blazes on the trees.



DEER CROSSING TRAIL

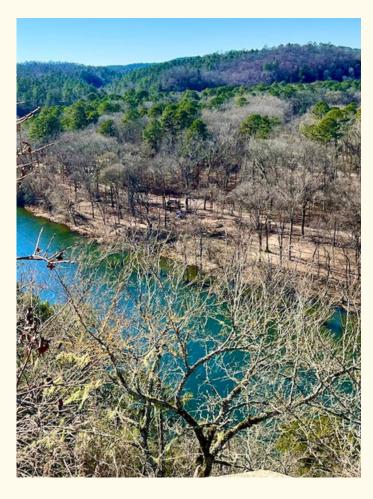




🔾 📿 🤉 3.9 mile loop trail



Difficulty: Moderate



If you head down Deer Crossing Trail at the right time of year, you'll be able to witness an incredible wildflower display. This moderate out and back hike will give you a good workout with 767 feet of elevation gain along the way.

Along the way, you'll be able to enjoy a lovely lookout point to gaze at the river. On top of that, it's called "deer crossing" trail for a reason! Prepare yourself for the potential of seeing some of these adorable undulates along the way.



PINE RIDGE TRAIL





🔾 🔎 0.7 mile loop trail



Difficulty: Easy



This is a lovely short loop trail that features beautiful wildflowers. Good for hikers of all skill levels, there is an elevation gain of only 65 feet. You can take your thoughts on this child but they must be kept on their leash.

Here you can find an abundance of wildlife, including lots of birds, rabbits, deer, and squirrels. This is a nice, fast hike that follows close to the river. You can also use this trail to access the creek for fishing.

You might encounter a number of large logs along the way that you'll need to climb over. Otherwise, this is a simple walk through the woods where you can get away from it all.



SOUTH PARK TRAIL

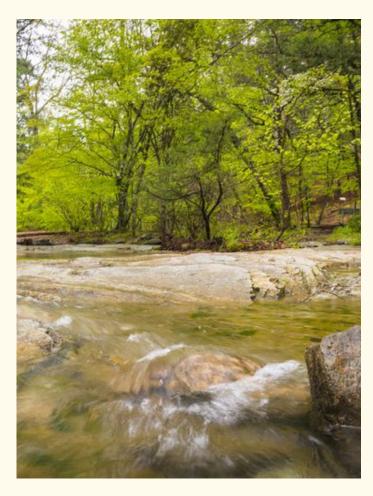




🔾 🔎 1 mile trail



Difficulty: Easy

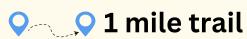


The South Park Trail starts at the southern end of the Beavers Bend Park, just below the old low-water dam. The trail is approximately 1 mile long and is a fairly easy walk to the creek with some hills.

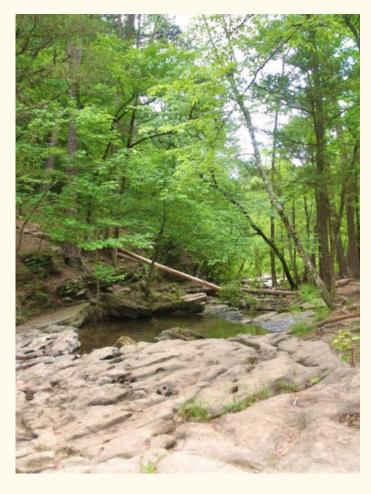


BEAVER CREEK TRAIL









The Beaver Creek Trail can be entered just up from the Nature Center in Beavers Bend State Park. You will enter near the Civilian Conservation Corps monument; the trail will cross the creek further upstream.

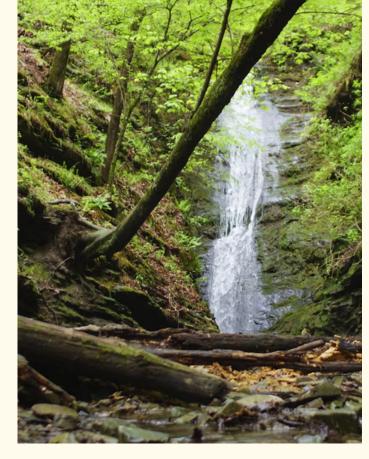
An additional entrance is located off the Forest Heritage Tree Trail, which parallels a portion of the Beaver Creek Trail. The Beaver Creek Trail follows the creek until it intersects the South Park Trail. Beaver Creek Trail is approximately 1 mile long and because it travels primarily along the floodplain, it is mostly flat, with the exception for the creek crossing near the Nature Center entrance.

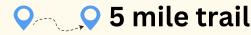
Note: The hiking trail is marked with red on white tree blazes.



THUNDERBIRD WATERFALL









If you're up for a five-mile hike, go for Skyline Trail. Start at the trailhead labeled Cedar Bluff, across from Dogwood Campground. Hike the trail for about two miles until you reach a dirt road with power lines crossing overhead.

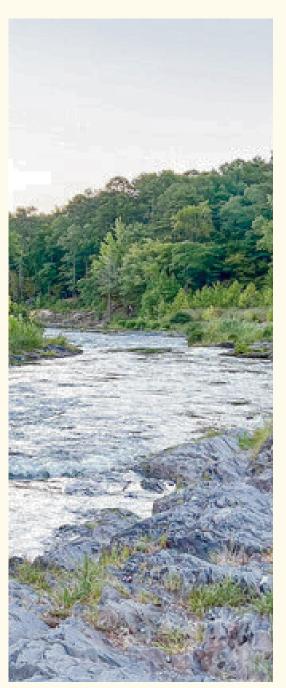
Cross the road and you'll find yourself at the top of the rushing waterfall in about 900 feet.



HIKES NEAR HOCHATOWN

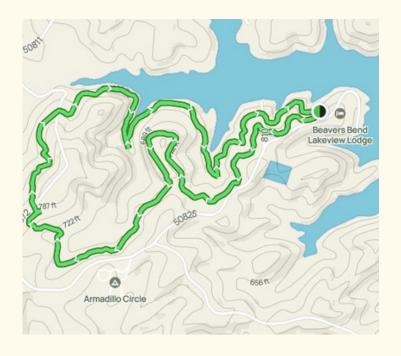








LAKEVIEW LODGE TRAIL









Hwy 259 N, Steven's Gap Rd, Broken Bow, OK 74728

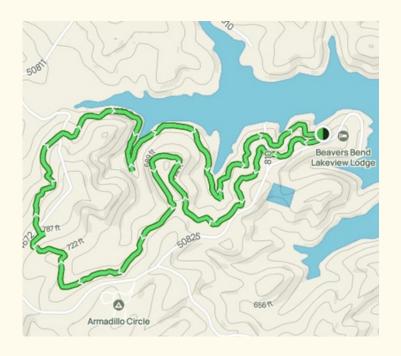


This is a beautiful loop trail that features wildflowers at the right time of year. You can access the trail at year-round, and you can bring your dogs with you so long as you keep them on leash. On this trail, you will experience a very moderate elevation gain of 249 feet.

This is a nice peaceful trail with rolling hills and lake views from several different angles. This is a lovely way to get out of town for a little while and got some fresh air as well as some peace and quiet.



LAKEVIEW LODGE TRAIL (SHORT)





🔾 🔎 1.4 mile loop trail



Difficulty: Moderate

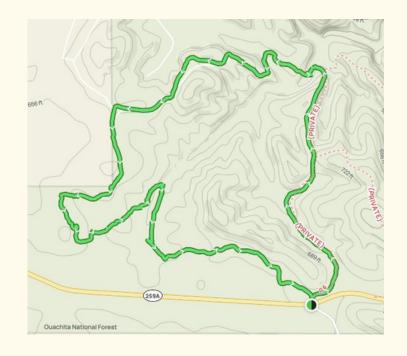


This short loop trail is a truncated version of the Lake View Lodge Trail. This is a great trail for active families, as there are some rolling hills that keep it interesting but it isn't full of steep drop-offs or uneven ground.

At times you will get to see nice views of the lakes. Some visitors do mention that there are often a number of trees down across the path, so you will have to be prepared to navigate around them. This is one of the more popular trails in Beavers Bend State Park, so you can expect to see some other hikers along the way on a nice, sunny day.



BEE BRANCH TRAIL





🔾 🔎 4.2 mile loop trail



Difficulty: Easy

Address:

Bearly Behav-Inn, 1073 Southern Hills Cir, Broken Bow, OK 74728

Bee Branch Trail Loop is a lightly trafficked trail where people of all skill levels can see wildlife and enjoy nature. This trail is mostly used for nature trips, running, hiking, and walking. While dogs are allowed to join you on your hike, they must be kept on leash.