

RV Camping in State Parks

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Introduction

About this Book

Millions of Americans enjoy camping in state parks every year. *RV Camping in State Parks* is designed to make finding RV-friendly state parks easier. In it, you'll find information on more than 1,700 state parks, forests, and recreation areas in 49 states (Hawaii is not included) that offer accommodations for RVers. We prepared this book with two assumptions: You are traveling with a state map or atlas and have access to a telephone.

A summary for each state tells you how many state parks have RV campgrounds and the amenities generally available. You'll also find contact information including phone number and web site for each state so you can make reservations, obtain state park brochures and request more information.

Following the summary is a **Park Locator Chart**, which lists all the state parks alphabetically. The number that follows each park corresponds to the map coordinate. This chart is helpful if you already know the name of a state park you'd like to visit.

State maps are provided to aid you in finding state parks with RV facilities. Locations on the map are approximate and are intended to give you the general idea of where parks are located. If you need specific information or directions, it is best to call the state park you plan to visit. GPS coordinates are listed for each park.

Details for each state park include location, general directions, each park's phone number (or a park or office answering for that park) and amenities, such as swimming, fishing, boat ramps, marinas, golf courses, etc. Parks with fishing facilities require a valid state fishing license. You'll also learn how many RV sites are available, the number of sites that have water and electric hookups, and sites with full hookups. Also provided is each park's season of operation and availability of showers and dump stations. (*Note that the addresses for the parks are mailing addresses, which sometimes are not the physical address of that park.*) Parks with equestrian facilities or areas also are identified, as well as parks offering Wireless Internet service.

Camping Fees

We have included a Rate Group guide for each state, which indicates general camping fees charged throughout the state. These rates do not include any entrance fees, if they are charged by a park. Rates were accurate at press time but are subject to change. We advise you call the park you plan to visit to confirm campsite availability and camping fees. Rates are categorized as follows:

Category Fee Range

A	\$12 to \$19 per night
B	\$20 to \$26 per night
C	\$27 and up per night

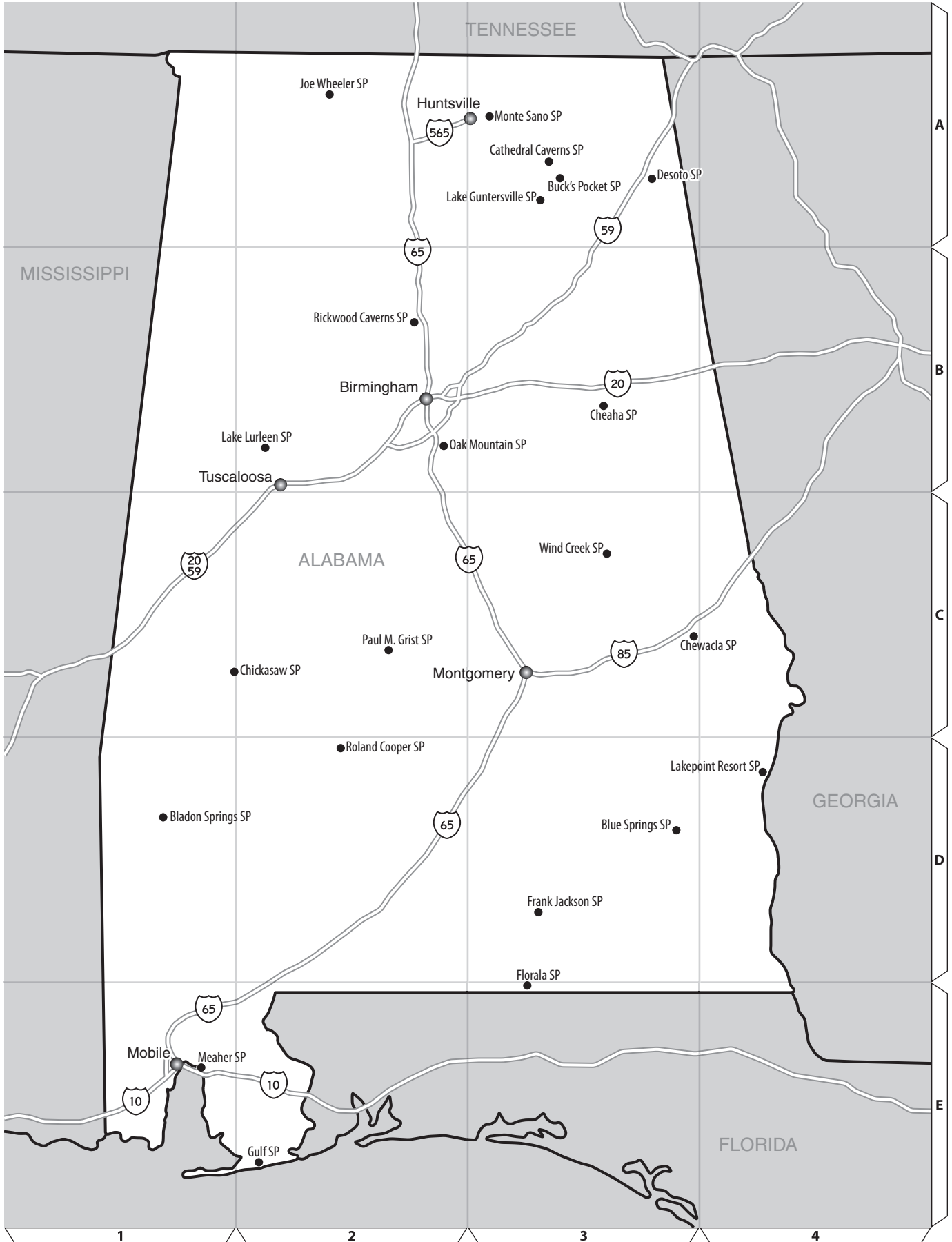
Park Name Abbreviations

F&WA	Fish & Wildlife Area
MSP	Memorial State Park
RA	Recreation Area
SB	State Beach
SF	State Forest
SHP	State Historic Park
SP	State Park
SR	State Reservation
SRA	State Recreation Area
SRP	State Resort Park
SRS	State Recreation Site

About the Author

D.J. Davin is a retired sales and marketing executive. He and his wife, Kay, of 53 years have been enjoying the RV lifestyle since 2000. They have made several cross-country junkets and travelled extensively in the West. They have stayed in many of the parks listed in this book. They also have been volunteer campground hosts with Oregon State Parks. The Davins are the parents of four adult children, have ten grandchildren and three cats, which are RV veterans. When not in their RV, D.J. and his wife reside outside Tucson, Arizona where he attempts to play golf and Kay does pastel portraits of children and pets.

Alabama



ALABAMA

Alabama offers 22 state parks for RVers. Most parks have sites with electric and water hookups and all have showers. Alabama parks accept MasterCard, Visa and AMEX credit cards. Seniors, 62 years and older, or disabled persons are eligible for a 15% discount, with proof of age or disability (holidays excluded). All parks are open year-round, weather permitting. If in doubt, call the particular park. Unless noted otherwise, all parks have a sanitary dump station. Rate groups: A, B and C.

Division of State Parks

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64 N Union St, Ste 538
Montgomery, AL 36130

Information & Reservations: (800) 252-7275

Internet: www.alapark.com

Alabama Park Locator

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Blue Springs State Park.....	D3
Buck's Pocket State Park.....	A3
Cathedral Caverns State Park.....	A3
Cheaha State Park (Resort).....	B3
Chewacla State Park.....	C3
Chickasaw State Park.....	C1
DeSoto State Park (Resort).....	A3
Floral State Park.....	E3
Frank Jackson State Park.....	D3
Gulf State Park (Resort).....	E2
Joe Wheeler State Park (Resort).....	A2
Lake Guntersville State Park (Resort).....	A3
Lake Lurleen State Park.....	B2
Lakepoint Resort State Park.....	D4
Meaher State Park.....	E1
Monte Sano State Park.....	A3
Oak Mountain State Park.....	B2
Paul M. Grist State Park.....	C2
Rickwood Caverns State Park.....	B2
Roland Cooper State Park.....	D2
Wind Creek State Park.....	C3

Alabama Parks

Bladon Springs State Park

3921 Bladon Rd, Bladon Springs, AL 36919. Phone: (251) 754-9207. Located 12 miles W of Coffeetown via US 84 and CR 31. Centered on four mineral springs. 10 full hook-up sites. Lake in park. GPS: N 31-43.9 W 88-11.8

Blue Springs State Park

2595 State Hwy 10, Clio, AL 36017. Phone: (334) 397-4875. Located 6 miles E of Clio on AL 10 about 15 miles W of US 431. 50 sites with water, electric; 7 w/sewer; showers. Lake in park. Pedal boat rentals. Wi-Fi. GPS: N 31-39.9 W 85-30.6

Buck's Pocket State Park

393 County Rd 174, Grove Oak, AL 35975. Phone: (256) 659-2000. Located on Lake Guntersville, 2 miles N of Grove Oak. Northbound travelers use exit 205 off I-59 to CR 20 to AL 227. Southbound travelers use exit 218 off I-59 to AL 35 to Rainsville, south on AL 75 to AL 227, follow signs to park. 36 sites with water and electric; laundry; showers. Wi-Fi. GPS: N 34-28.0 W 86-02.9

Cathedral Caverns State Park

837 Cave Rd, Woodville, AL 35776 Phone: (256)728-8193. Primitive sites only. Cave tours. GPS: N 34-34.4; W 86-13.2

Cheaha State Park (Resort)

19644 Hwy 281, Delta, AL 36258. Office: (256) 488-5111. Resort: (800) 610-5801. Located in Talladega National Forest, 12 miles S of I-20 off AL 281 near Anniston. 73 sites with water and electric, (50-amp) sewers; showers. Lake Cheaha in park. Pedal boat rentals. GPS: N 33-28.5 W 85-48.4

Chewacla State Park

124 Shell Toomer Pkwy, Auburn, AL 36830. Phone: (334) 887-5621. Located on Chewacla Lake, 4 miles S of Auburn off I-85 at exit 51. 36 sites with water, electric, sewer; showers. Swimming, fishing; boat rentals. GPS: N 32-33.3 W 85-28.9

Chickasaw State Park

26955 US Hwy 43, Gallion, AL 36742. Phone: (334) 295-8230. Located on US 43 about 4 miles N of Linden. 3 sites with water and electric. GPS: N 32-21.7 W 87-46.8

DeSoto State Park (Resort)

7104 DeSoto Pkwy NE, Fort Payne, AL 35967. Office: (256) 845-5075. Resort: (800) 568-8840. Located 8 miles NE of Fort Payne near I-59 & US 11. 94 full hook-up sites; back-ins; 20 with water, electric, sewer (10 pull-thrus). Swimming pool, tennis courts. GPS: N 34-29.7 W 85-37.1

Floral State Park

439 Victoria Ln, Floral, AL 36442. Phone: (334) 858-6425. Located in the city of Floral on US 331 north of AL/FL state line on Lake Jackson. 28 sites with water, electric, sewer; showers. Boat ramp, rentals. GPS: N 30-59.9 W 86-19.8

Frank Jackson State Park

100 Jerry Adams Dr, Opp, AL 36467. Phone: (334) 493-6988. Located on Lake Jackson, in the town of Opp on US 331. 32 sites with water, electric, sewer; showers. Fishing, swimming. GPS: N 31-19.5 W 86-15.8