

Hiking Trails (mileage)

- Bald Rock Trail (0.5)
- Bald Rock Boardwalk (0.3)

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🚻 Cheaha

Trailhead

- Bigfoot Trail (0.5)
- Fisherman's Trail (0.6)
- Lake Trail (1.0)
- Mountain Laurel Trail (1.4)
- -Pulpit Rock Trail (0.3)
 - USFS Trail Connections (mileage)
 - Pinhoti (338.5)*

Hiking & Biking Trails (mileage)

0.25

Miles

Cheaha Express (2.4)

0.125

- --- Cheaha Run (0.4)
- Deer Run (1.2)
- -Lower Spring Loop (0.7)
- -Upper Spring Loop (1.2)

Information presented on this map is for reference, and subject to change without notice. Be alert to park signage and other markers. In case of emergency, dial 911.

*The Pinhoti national Recreation Trail is more than 335 miles and extends beyond Cheaha State Park and USFS boundaries.

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Bathhouse Ρ Parking

- æ Scenic Overlook
- ŔŔ Trailhead
- **A**. Swimming
- **.**\$ **RV** Camping
- Δ Tent Camping
- Œ Pavilion
- ₽ Picnic Area
- 47⁴ Playground
- ₽ Museum

Ā Tower Cave Creek (4.0)

Welcome to Cheaha State Park

Located in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains, Cheaha is the perfect gateway to the largest network of public lands in the state of Alabama, including the Talladega National Forest. Within the 2,799 acres of Cheaha State Park, visitors can hike, bike, watch wildlife, camp, fish, swim, geocache, rock climb, rappel, or just enjoy the view from the highest point in Alabama. Serving as the oldest continuously operated State Park, Cheaha immerses its visitors in a rich cultural and natural history featuring unique natural areas with a wide array of wildlife species, archaeological evidence of Native American life, and the later work of the Civilian Conservation Corps.

Country Store and Registration

Select from a wide variety of souvenirs like t-shirts, toys, jewelry, and more. The Cheaha Country Store also carries grocery items along with firewood, ice, and gasoline. All overnight guests check-in at the Country Store.

In the case you need additional shopping or dining options, the city of Oxford is approximately 15 miles away. Directions to the Oxford Exchange retail center with nearby dining: After leaving the Cheaha Country Store, turn left on Hwy 281 N and travel 9.7 miles. Turn left toward Co Rd 24, then turn right at the "T" onto Co Rd 24. Travel 3.6 miles and turn left onto Friendship Rd. Travel 1.7 miles and turn right at the traffic light onto Leon Smith Parkway. Travel 1.5 miles and the Oxford Exchange will be on your right.

Indoor Overnight Accommodations

Enjoy the scenic beauty of Cheaha with the modern comforts of home in one of 11 cabins, 5 chalets, or 30 hotel rooms.

Bluff Side Cabins (1-4), located on the Mt. Cheaha's western bluff, feature a wood burning fireplace, kitchenette, combined living room and sleeping area with gueen bed, full bathroom, outside grill and fire pit, and stunning sunset views. These cabins sleep two.

Pet Friendly Cabin (16) features one bedroom with gueen bed, dining and sitting area with wood burning fireplace, and a small kitchenette. This cabin sleeps two.

4-Capacity Cabins (7-10) feature a semi-open floor plan with two queen beds, a full kitchen, full bathroom, dining nook, and beautiful open ceilings. They also include a wood burning fireplace, and outdoor grill and fire pit. These cabins sleep four.

Deluxe Cabins (5-6), also known as the honeymoon cabins, are located in a wooded setting secluded from the main loop. They feature a screened porch with swing, queen size bed, sitting area, and kitchen. They also include a full-size bathroom with a large whirlpool tub, wood-burning fireplace, grill and fire pit. These cabins sleep two.

Chalets (11-15) feature two bedrooms with a gueen size bed in each room, one full bathroom, kitchen, and fireplace. Each chalet has vaulted ceilings and panoramic views from large windows. Chalet 11 is ADA accessible, and chalets 12-14 are pet friendly. Each chalet sleeps four.

Cheaha State Park Hotel offers 30 double, king, and king deluxe rooms. All rooms include 32 inch flat screen television, coffee maker, hair dryer, iron and ironing board. King deluxe rooms also include a microwave, refrigerator, and whirlpool tub. A limited number of pet friendly rooms are available upon request. Pet charges will apply.

Check-in time is 4:00pm and check-out time is 11:00am.

For reservations, call 256-488-5111 or book online at www.alapark.com.

Group and Banquet Facilities

Al Alexander Activities Building

This space is arranged Chapel-style with pews, and is well suited for educational and other programs. Speakers, piano and organ are also available for use.



Cheaha Lake & Picnic Area

Located across the street from the lower campground, visitors can enjoy this spacious, lakeside shady area with tables, grills, and playground. The six-acre Cheaha Lake was built by the Civilian Conservation Corps, and makes for a great place to enjoy the beach, swim, rent a paddle boat or kayak, or fish. A day-use admission fee is charged to enter the park. (Overnight guests may fish and access all of the lake's amenities at no charge.) All eligible anglers 16 years of age and older must have a valid State of Alabama Fishing License in order to fish. No gasoline motors allowed in the lake.

Hiking Tips

Wear appropriate clothes and footwear for the season. Tennis shoes and hiking boots are recommended no matter what terrain. Pack plenty of water and snacks in your day pack. Take a trail map or ask for directions before you go. Stay on the trail. Consider the physical requirements of the trails and recognize your limits. Trails close at sundown, so allow time to finish your hike. Watch your step; be aware of rocks, roots and stumps that line the mountainous terrain. Additional maps from the USFS are available upon request which highlight favorite hiking destinations in the Talladega National Forest.



Do you want to support the trail system at Cheaha State Park? Join the Dirt Pass Trail Crew program at the Cheaha Country Store, and your donation will go directly for use towards the trail resources.

Camping

Cheaha offers four campgrounds to meet your camping needs:

RV Camping:	
Lower Campground	
Upper Campground	

Tent Camping: Semi-Primitive **CCC** Primitive

Upper and Lower Campgrounds feature 72 improved campsites with 20, 30, or 50 amp electrical, water and sewer hook-ups. All sites have

Bald Rock Group Lodge

Built by the Civilian Conservation Corps as the original park hotel and restaurant, this facility is perfect for banquets, corporate retreats, weddings, and meetings. The lodge Bald Rock Group Lodge houses 12 private rooms for sleeping up to 32 overnight guests, a full-service catering kitchen, a small conference room with seating for 12 and a large conference/banquet hall with seating for over 100 people. There is also a rock patio and a small pavilion-type cooking area for BBQ's just behind the lodge.

Cleburne Room

Meeting room adjacent to the park's restaurant with a stunning view of the Talladega National Forest. Catering is available, and the room capacity is 50 people.

Picnic Pavilions

Located both on the mountain's top and at Cheaha Lake, the open-air pavilions are popular for family reunions, birthday parties, informal business retreats and casual weddings or receptions. The two stone pavilions are complimented by working fireplaces.



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picnic table and grill or fire ring.

Semi-primitive sites are located near Alabama's highest point. Each site includes a picnic table, fire ring, and use of a shared water spigot. Campers may also access the bathhouses in the Upper Campground.

CCC Primitive Campground is located near Cheaha Lake and sites include a fire ring, and use of a shared water spigot. Campground vault toilet available.

Check-in time is 4:00pm and check-out time is 11:00am. Firewood is available for purchase at the Country Store. Pets are welcomed, but must be kept on a leash (6' or less) at all times. Quiet hours are from 10:00pm to 6:00am

For reservations in any of the campgrounds, call 256-488-5111 or book reservations for Upper and Lower campgrounds online at www.alapark.com.

Museums

Learn more about the park, the natives who first called it home, and the young men who built it. The CCC Museum is located in the Observation Tower and the Walt Farr Indian Relic Museum is located at the entrance of the park, near the Country Store.