



WELCOME TO DESOTO STATE PARK NOW THAT YOU'RE HERE...

SEE AND ENJOY THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF DESOTO STATE PARK ATOP LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN

PICNIC & PLAYGROUND

Located east of the Country Store is the picnic area with a rustic CCC-constructed stone shelter, picnic tables, grills, and restrooms. This area also has a playground, volleyball court, and ball field. Two smaller picnic pavilions are also available for rental.

SWIMMING POOL

An Olympic-size pool with changing area and restrooms. A daily fee for swimmers. Can be reserved for pool parties.
(Seasonal: Memorial Day to Labor Day)

RUSTIC CABINS

Our rustic CCC-built cabins are constructed of native logs and stone and are furnished for light housekeeping. They are air conditioned, electrically heated, have cable TV, and feature screened porches and fireplaces.

LOG CABINS

Featuring hardwood floors, 2 bedrooms, large living area, and full kitchen. Log Cabins are air- conditioned, electrically heated, have cable TV, with large porch and a fireplace.

CHALETS

These Modified "A" frame type chalets are furnished for light housekeeping and have central air & heat. Chalets are complete with one bedroom, a sleeping loft with 2 twin beds, cable TV, screened porch, and sun deck.

CAMPING

An excellent camping facility is located near the Country Store in the mountain forest away from the main road. The campground has two comfort stations and Campfire Ring for interpretive programs. There are well spaced and shaded pull-through and back-in sites, suited for large camping units, smaller campers, & tents. A dump station, campground pavilion and hiking trails are also available in the area. DeSoto's Primitive Camping area is located about a mile away from the Improved Campground and features well-spaced campsites, 1 vault-toilet and communal water pump. Access to showers is available. 2 hike-in backpacking campsites & a Primitive camping cabin is also available by reservation.

COUNTRY STORE & NATURE CENTER

The country store/information center is centrally located within the park and contains a information area, coin-operated laundry, restrooms, country store, nature center, and gift shop. The store is stocked with limited food and supply items necessary for camping and picnicking.

CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS MUSEUM

The Civilian Conservation Corps Museum is located 1.8 miles from the Country Store up the campground road. The museum is dedicated to the men of the Civilian Conservation Corps that built and developed DeSoto State Park from 1933-1942. Open Saturdays, April-Nov.

HIKING & MOUNTAIN BIKING TRAILS

There are over 30 miles of hiking & mountain biking trails in the park area with footbridges spanning rushing mountain streams. Many unusual rock formations and rare and endangered forms of plant life can be found along these trails. An ADA accessible Boardwalk Trail highlights DeSoto's trail system. Along these trails are found many of the park's smaller waterfalls and streams. Wildflower season is from late March thru October.

DESOTO FALLS

DeSoto Falls is located seven miles north of the Country Store/Lodge just off DeKalb County Road 89. In addition to a beautiful 92 foot waterfall plunging into a canyon, the historic A. A. Miller Dam above the falls creates a mountain lake, which provides swimming, fishing and boating.

LITTLE RIVER CANYON NATIONAL PRESERVE

The Little River Canyon is located ten miles south of the Country Store/Lodge. Little River flows into the canyon, which is one of the deepest canyons east of the Mississippi. Little River Canyon is approximately 17 miles long and has an average depth of 400 feet, being 700 feet at its deepest point. Little River Canyon Rim Parkway, a 22 mile scenic drive, follows the west rim of the canyon, with picnic tables available at the scenic overlooks. Call the National Park office at 256.845.9605 or see www.nps.gov/liri for more info.

MENTONE, ALABAMA

Nestled in the woodlands atop the western brow of Lookout Mountain, the historic and scenic village of Mentone hosts antique stores, arts and crafts shops, galleries and restaurants. Located 15 minutes away from DeSoto State Park on Lookout Mountain.

For more info about attractions in Dekalb County, Alabama see visitlookoutmountain.com



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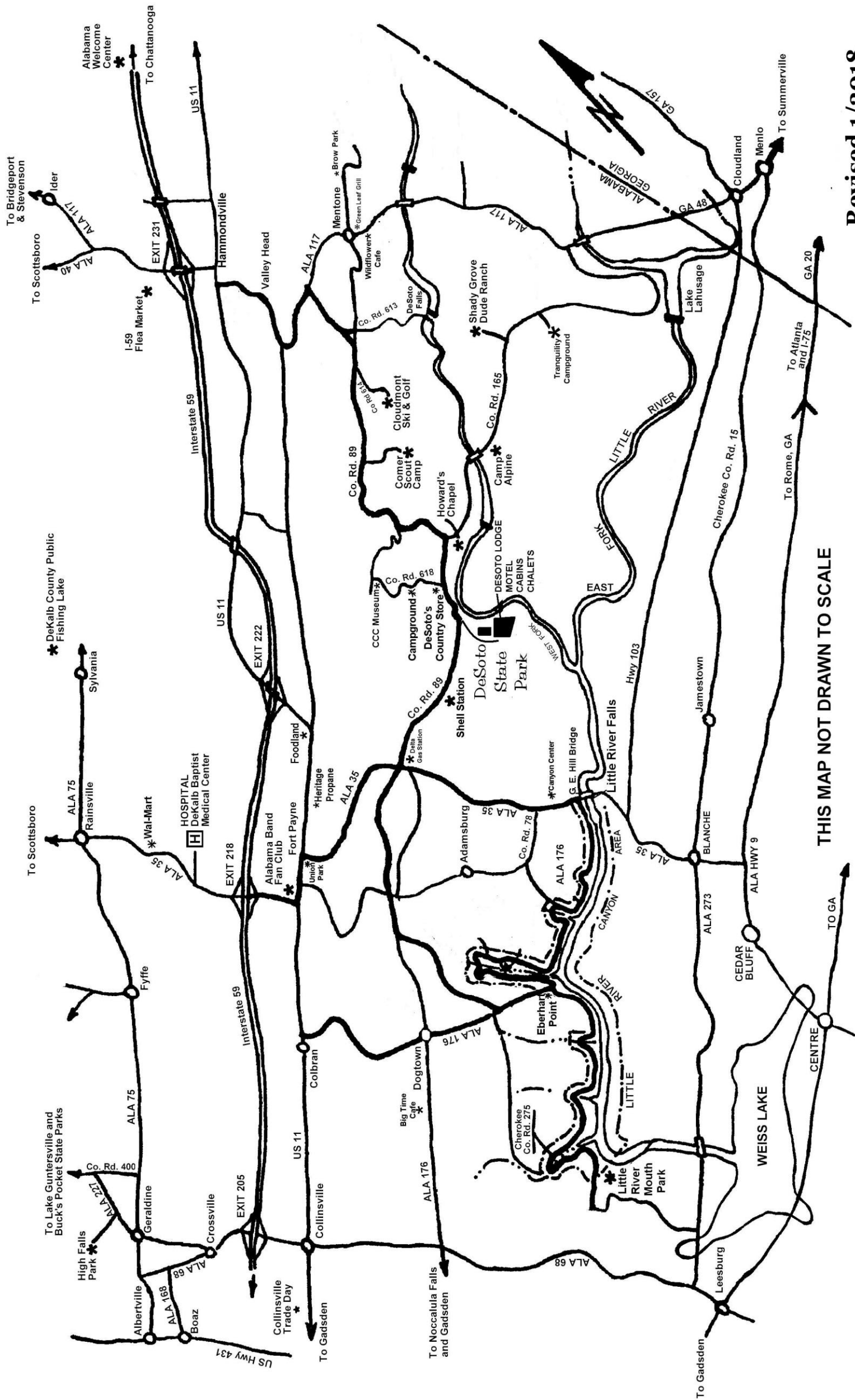
DeSoto State Park and park partners like Little River Canyon National Preserve, Jacksonville State University Field School, One World Adventure Company, Little River Arts Council, Seven Pines Survival and more, team up to bring you many fun events throughout the year.

Campfire Talks, Classes, Demonstrations, Guided Interpretive or Fitness Hikes, Tours, Outdoor Adventures, Workshops.....topics covering art, science, nature, and much more!



DeSoto State Park-Fort Payne, Alabama

To receive emails about events happening in the DeSoto State Park/Little River Canyon National Preserve area, sign up at the Country Store, Nature Center, or Lodge Lobby in DeSoto State Park.



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