

Driving Directions to DeSoto State Park & DeSoto Falls

We advise our visitors to be cautious using GPS to navigate to DeSoto State Park or DeSoto Falls, as directions can be VERY unreliable. (especially when pulling a large rig on mountain roads).

Larger vehicles need to avoid Tutwiler Gap (off of Hwy 117), Wades Gap (Co. Rd. 604), Beasons Gap (off of Co. Rd. 89)

From Birmingham, Alabama:

- Take I-59 North to Exit #218 (Fort Payne/AL-Hwy 35 exit)
- At the bottom of the ramp, turn right onto AL. Hwy 35.
- After approximately 1 mile, turn left at the Alabama Band Fan Club onto AL Hwy-35/Hwy 11 North
- After 1 ¹/₂ miles, turn right at the Fort Payne City Park, onto AL Hwy 35 (5th Street NE)
- Follow AL Hwy 35 up Lookout Mountain, at the top of the mountain at the caution light, turn left onto County Road 89(DeSoto Parkway NE)
- You will reach DeSoto State Park after 5 1/2 miles.

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~For information & Lodging (cabins, chalets, and motel rooms) the Lodge is to the right on Blalock Drive. Turn right after the entrance sign and the Lodge is down the road on the left. (Before the s-curve)

From Huntsville, Alabama:

- Take US Hwy 72 East towards Scottsboro for 38 miles
- Take ramp onto Veteran's Drive(AL Hwy 35 South towards Fort Payne) for 27 miles
- Once in Fort Payne, turn left at the Alabama Band Fan Club onto AL Hwy-35/Hwy 11 North
- After 1 ¹/₂ miles, turn right at the Fort Payne City Park, onto AL Hwy 35 (5th Street NE)
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From Chattanooga, Tennessee

- Take I-24 West towards Nashville/Birmingham
- Take exit #167 to I-59 South towards Birmingham.
- After 40 miles, take exit #222(Fort Payne/US Hwy 11)
- At the top of the ramp, turn left onto US Hwy 11 South towards Fort Payne.
- After 3 miles, turn left onto AL Hwy 35 (5th Street NE)
- Follow AL Hwy 35 up Lookout Mountain, at the top of the mountain at the caution light, turn left onto County Road 89(DeSoto Parkway NE)
- You will reach DeSoto State Park after 5 ¹/₂ miles.

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From Atlanta, Georgia

(Option 1)

- Take I-75 N to Exit #290)Rome-Canton exit/GA-20)
- Turn left onto GA-20 West
- Continue on GA-20 West thru for 42 miles
- GA-20 West becomes AL Hwy 9; follow for 5 miles.
- Turn right on AL Hwy 35; follow for approximately 20 miles
- Turn right onto DeSoto Parkway NE (County Road 89)
- You will reach DeSoto State Park after 5 1/2 miles.

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(Option 2)

- Take I-75 North to Exit #306 (Adairsville-Summerville exit/GA 140)
- Turn left onto GA Hwy-140 West, towards Armuche.
- After 18 miles , turn right onto US Hwy-27 towards Summerville
- After 15 miles turn left onto GA-Hwy 48; after 12 miles cross over the AL/GA line. You are now on AL-Hwy 117-Mentone
- Follow AL Hwy 117 from the Alabama line for approximately 7 1/2 miles
- Turn left onto County Road 89 (DeSoto Parkway NE) at the caution light in Mentone
- Follow the signs to DeSoto State Park on Country Road 89

~**For camping & information**, the Country Store is just past the entrance sign to DeSoto State Park on

the right.

~**For information & Lodging** (cabins, chalets, motel rooms) the Lodge is past the Country Store about

a half-mile, turn left at the top of the S-curve onto Blalock Drive. Lodge is on the left.

Directions to DeSoto Falls Picnic Area from DeSoto State Park



From DeSoto State Park's Country Store:

Turn to the left onto County Road 89 heading towards Mentone.

After .4 miles turn left at the T-intersection.

After 0.8 miles, turn right at the T-intersection. Go 3.5 miles until you come to a 4-way stop. At the 4-way, turn right. After this turn go straight ahead 1 mile until the road ends at the DeSoto Falls Picnic Area.

From DeSoto State Park's Lodge: From the lodge, take Blalock Drive to County Road

89(0.2 miles)

Turn right onto County Road 89, drive 0.7 miles and turn left at the Tintersection. After 0.8 miles, turn right at the T-intersection. Go 3.5 miles until you come to a 4-way stop. At the 4-way, turn right. After this turn go straight ahead 1 mile until the road ends at the DeSoto Falls Picnic Area.

Directions from DeSoto Falls Picnic Area to DeSoto State Park



From the parking lot, go back down the entrance road 1 mile to the 4-way stop on County Road 89.

At the 4-way stop, turn left on County Road 89 and travel 3.5 miles until you come to an intersection (there is a sign for DeSoto State Park)

At the intersection, turn left and travel 0.8 miles, and turn right Enter DeSoto State Park on County Road 89.

Once in the park, the Country Store & Information Center is on the right, and the Lodge is $\frac{1}{2}$ miles up country road 89 on the left.

Amenities available: Information-Zipline-Camping-Lodging-Swimming-Hiking-Mountain Biking & more! See DSP's website: <u>www.Alapark.com/desotoresort</u>