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Lake Taghkanic State Park
General Park Guide
Ancram, New York

The Natural Environment
Lake Taghkanic State Park encompasses 1,568 acres of pristine wilderness in New York State’s Hudson Valley. Elevations within the park range from 500 feet to 930 feet. Appalachian oak, hickory, maple, cedar, spruce, white birch and hemlock trees all grace our park. Mammals found in the park include deer, coyotes, beaver, rabbits, squirrels and raccoons.

The lake is 156 acres, with a maximum depth of 42 feet. Fish in the lake include large and small mouth bass, pickerel, brown bullhead, blue gill and rock bass.
Camping Information

Lake Taghkanic State Park offers a beautiful backdrop for tent camping. There are over 60 ground, platform, and trailer sites available for rent. Each site can accommodate up to 6 people. Shower facilities and comfort stations are centrally located, as well as water fountains. Camping season extends from mid-May through late October.

Reservations: While reservations aren’t required, they are highly recommended, especially on weekends and holidays. Reservation can be made up to 9 months in advance by calling the NYS Camping Reservation Service at 1-800-456-CAMP (2267) or by visiting reserveamerica.com

If a reservation is not made in advance, you take the chance of there not being a campsite and/or cabin available. One night cabin/cottage rentals are not allowed.

Registration: All campers must register upon arrival at the West Beach Office. Please know your reservation details, vehicle information and the names of all occupants staying at the site/unit. Campers must check in by 9:00 p.m.

Good Camping Manners

Campers are expected to conduct themselves in a decent and responsible manner; to respect the rights and comfort of others; to obey the regulations, including speed limits and park signs; and to heed the instructions of park staff. All camping permits are issued with the understanding that the Park Manager or their representatives may cancel the permit without refund and require the camper to leave the park because of improper behavior.

Please note the following park policies:

- Quiet hours are observed between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. Radios, TV’s and other such equipment should be turned down or off.
- PETs ARE PROHIBITED in cabins, cottages, swimming and picnic areas.
- Possession and use of firearms, air rifles, bow and arrow or any other weapons are prohibited, except by permit in designated areas during hunting season.
- All areas must be kept sanitary and clean at all times.
- Firewood may be cut from trees that are down and dead; fires must be built in designated areas; no chain saws may be used to cut wood.
- Nails, spikes, rods or other similar devices are not to be driven into trees, platforms or buildings.
- Clotheslines, hammocks or swings may be used only when properly padded to avoid damage to trees and property.
- Except under direct supervision by an adult, no person under 16 years of age may carry hunting knives (sheath), hatchets, axes, or saws in the park.
- Small/quiet generators are permitted in the Campground from 9 am to 11 am and 5 pm to 9 pm.

Cabin & Cottage Information

Each cabin & cottage has the following amenities: an electric stove, microwave, refrigerator (at least 10 cubic ft.), screened-in porch, picnic table as well as a fire-ring. Units range from 1 to 4 bedrooms. Patrons must provide all utensils, cookware, linens & pillows in standard cabins/cottages.

Pets are not permitted in our Cabins or Cottages

Cabin: Our rustic cabins are located in woods at the east end of the park, beyond the camping area. Each unit has a small kitchen, running water (most only have cold water), a fireplace, and an indoor toilet. There is a centrally located shower house.

Cottages: Are located at the west end of the park along the lake shore. Each unit has a kitchen, hot & cold water, and a bathroom with shower. These units have a drywall interior and some have electric heat or a fireplace.

Full-Service Vacation Cottages: Four of our cottages (C-157, 158, 167 & 171) have the luxuries of home. Additional amenities include: Eating/ cooking utensils, pots & pans, glassware, deluxe furniture, electric heat, coffee maker, toaster, clock/ radio, carpeted or hardwood floors, sofa, and bed linens. Access Passes are not valid for renting these units. A $100 condition deposit is due upon check-in.

Cabin & Cottage Capacity:

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Cabin & Cottage Occupancy: Officially begins at 3:00 p.m. on the day of arrival and ends at 11:00 a.m. on the date of departure. Permits are limited to a max of two weeks, permits may be extended on a day by day basis (subject to availability).

Laundry: The park has a coin operated laundry available for our camping, cabin and cottage guests. Quarters can be obtained at the Park Office. The laundry is located near the west end cottages. Small packets of laundry detergent and dryer sheets can be purchased in the laundry building.

Camp Store: The Camp Store is located just off Parking Lot 1 (Campground Parking Lot) and is open seasonally. The store sells items such as firewood, ice, worms for fishing, charcoal and lighter fluid, candy, snacks, drinks, ice cream, toiletries, clothing, misc. camping supplies and more!

CASH AND CREDIT CARDS ARE ACCEPTED

The Camp Store is open during camping season only and is open to all guests of Lake Taghkanic. See the Park Office for operating hours/dates.

Campground Map

Key:

A-F Picnic Area Parking Lots
1-2 East Area Parking Lots
Comfort Stations
Bath House is located at the West Beach.
It has showers, restrooms, changing areas and first aid room. It houses the Park Office & Concession.

BL Boat Launch
BS Boat Storage / East Boat Launch
CS Camp Store (Open Seasonally)
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“E” Lot Picnic Pavilion

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Campground Parking Lot

Parking Lot 1

Bath House

West Beach Office

Laundry Area

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