Lake Tawakoni State Park Trails Map TEXAS WILDLIFE



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POINTS OF INTEREST

(GPS coordinates shown in degrees, minutes, seconds)

GOING GREEN!

32° 59' 31.2" N 95° 59' 37" W

Solar panels are located at more than 15 parks across the state, harvesting energy from the sun, providing power for facilities.

RESTORING A PRAIRIE

31° 50' 35.1" N 95° 59' 38.1" W Prairie restoration projects provide important habitat for many rare plants and animals; imagine vast acres of tallgrass prairie

once prominent across the state, now lost to urban development and agriculture.

A VIEW OF THE LAKE 32° 51' 8.9" N 95° 59' 39" W

For thousands of years, the meandering waters of the Sabine River helped sustain early nomadic hunters and gatherers and later, farmers and ranchers of the 20th century. Today, an over 37,000-acre lake conserves water for recreation, industry. and communities.



A TEMPORARY GATHERING 32° 51' 6.7" N 95° 59' 37.9" W

A rare occurance in 2007 - a large communal spiderweb covered the trees like a sheet. The web only lasted a few days, and remains one of the largest spiderwebs ever recorded.



FEATHERED FRIENDS 32° 51' 7.3" N 95° 59' 32.8" W

Stop and take a moment to enjoy the birds in the wetland and upland habitats. Many species spend part of the winter season here.



BUSTLING BOATS

32° 50' 47.6" N 95° 59' 45.4" W View the activities at the boat ramp while you take a break from your hike among the trees.

PAIR O' TREES POND

32° 50' 39.12" N 95° 59' 38.75" W Sit and enjoy the sounds of nature near the pond and view the freshwater plants that make this a good fishing spot.

Trail segment distances are measured between trail intersections. All trails hiking and biking unless otherwise indicated. Contour intervals 10 feet. Check with HQ for trail conditions.

No claims are made as to the accuracy of the data or its suitability to a particular use.

Map compiled by Texas State Parks staff.

EXAS Lake Tawakoni State Park

Enjoy nature's splendor within a hardwood forest.

Far from the city, close to nature, Lake Tawakoni brings life to the forest. Experience nature by bike or foot on the varied trails of the park. Nature is all around us, please respect and enjoy it.

STAYING SAFE

KNOW YOUR LIMITS. Prepare for sun and heat. Wear sunscreen, insect repellent and appropriate clothing/hiking shoes.

DRINK PLENTY OF WATER. Your body guickly loses fluids when you're on the trail. Bring a guart of water per hour of activity.

TELL OTHERS WHERE YOU'LL BE. If possible, avoid exploring alone. Tell someone where you are going and when you plan to return.

WEAR A HELMET. When biking, check with park HQ to match the ride to your skill level. Wear a helmet to protect yourself in case of a crash.

POTENTIALLY HARMFUL PLANTS AND ANIMALS LIVE HERE. Stay on the trail to make them easier to see.

YOU MAY NOT BE ABLE TO CONNECT. It's a good idea to take along a cell phone and GPS unit, but don't count on them.

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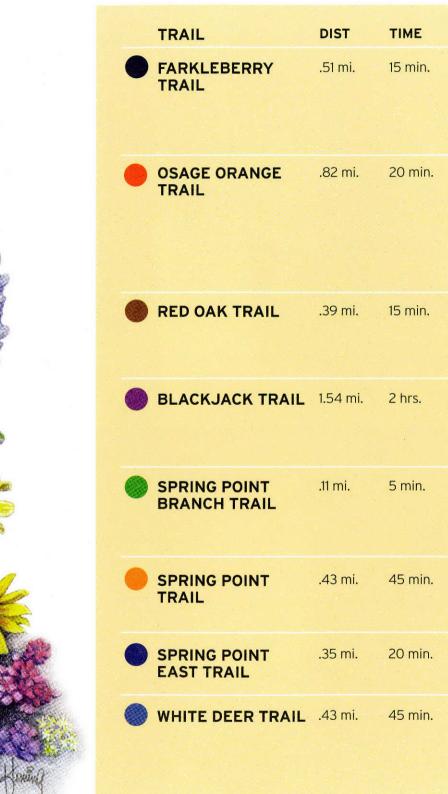
Trash your trash. Keep the park natural. Pack out all of your trash and Leave No Trace.

Leave feeding to nature. Feeding wild animals will make them sick and more likely to cause harm to people.

Take only memories and pictures. Please don't disturb or remove any of the park's plants, animals or artifacts.

Campfires are permitted only in designated rings. Ground fires are not permitted in the primitive camping area or backcountry trail area.

FOR EMERGENCIES, PLEASE CALL 9-1-1.



DIFFICULTY	DESCRIPTION
Easy	This short trail connects three different trails. Turn right at the crossing to join the Osage Orange looped trail, or turn left for a longer hike down the Blackjack looped trail.
Easy	Named for the fruit of the Osage orange or Bois d'Arc tree, this looped trail joins Red Oak Trail and returns to the crossing. As large as a softball, hard and bumpy, the green-yellowish fruit is important food for wildlife during late summer and early fall.
Easy	Following the shoreline of Lake Tawakoni just behind the trees, you may observe wildlife among the changing habitat along this short looped trail.
Moderate	This trail is named for the blackjack oak trees which have grown here for over 50 years. This long, looped trail will bring you back to the crossing.
Easy	Spring Point Branch is a short, pleasant trail through an East Texas hardwood forest. Turn around at the T or continue on to the Spring Point Trail.
Moderate	Discover a birders paradise along this trail – beneath the trees, in a pocket prairie, or out on the beach.
Easy	Take this short looped trail out on the point to enjoy a glimpse of the lake.
Easy	Just out of camper's view, this nature trail may provide some unexpected wildlife viewing opportunities.