

In Celebration



LAKE METROPARKS turns

50

WHAT DO YOU LIKE BEST ABOUT LAKE METROPARKS? Where can you go and what is there to see and do? In celebration of the 50th anniversary of Lake Metroparks, we've compiled this list of favorites. So whether you're an avid birder, someone looking for recreational activities, an amateur naturalist or just someone who wants to get back to nature, there's something here for you!

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BEST FOR BIRDING

- Arcola Creek Park
- Chagrin River Park*
- Girdled Road Reservation*
- Hell Hollow Wilderness Area*
- Lakeshore Reservation
- Penitentiary Glen Reservation
- Veterans Park



**These parks have been designated as Important Bird Areas by Audubon Ohio.*

BEST FOR SCENIC WATERWAYS



- RIVERS**
 - Beaty Landing
 - Chagrin River Park
 - Grand River Landing
 - Hidden Valley Park
 - Mason's Landing Park
- WATERFALLS**
 - Hell Hollow Wilderness Area
 - Hogback Ridge Park
 - Paine Falls Park
 - Penitentiary Glen Reservation

BEST FOR FALL COLOR

- Chapin Forest Reservation
- Farmpark
- Hell Hollow Wilderness Area
- Hidden Valley Park
- Hogback Ridge Park
- Indian Point Park
- Paine Falls Park



BEST FOR GOLFING

- Erie Shores Golf Course
- Pine Ridge Country Club



BEST FOR SPRING WILDFLOWERS

- Hogback Ridge Park*
- Indian Point Park

**This park is the best for seeing Virginia Bluebells – don't forget your camera!*

BEST FOR SUNSETS

- Arcola Creek Park
- Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park
- Lakefront Lodge
- Lakeshore Reservation
- Painesville Township Park



BEST FOR BUTTERFLIES

- Girdled Road Reservation
- Lakeshore Reservation
- Penitentiary Glen Reservation

BEST FOR LOCAL HISTORY

Arcola Creek Park
 Chagrin River Park
 Chapin Forest Reservation
 Children's Schoolhouse Nature Park
 Indian Point Park

Lakefront Lodge
 Paine Falls Park
 Painesville Township Park
 Penitentiary Glen Reservation
 Pine Ridge Country Club



Look for history programs in *Parks Plus!*

BEST FOR WINTER RECREATION



SNOWSHOEING

Chapin Forest Reservation
 Penitentiary Glen Reservation

SKIING (CROSS-COUNTRY)

Chapin Forest Reservation
 Girdled Road Reservation

SLEDDING

Chagrin River Park
 Chapin Forest Reservation
 Hidden Valley Park
 Riverview Park

BEST FOR FISHING

POND

Chapin Forest Reservation
 Concord Woods Nature Park
 Girdled Road Reservation
 Penitentiary Glen Reservation
 Veterans Park*

RIVER/CREEK

Beaty Landing*
 Chagrin River Park*
 Grand River Landing*
 Helen Hazen Wyman Park*
 Hidden Valley Park*
 Hogback Ridge Park*
 Indian Point Park*
 Mason's Landing Park*
 Riverview Park*

LAKE ERIE

Arcola Creek Park*
 Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park*
 Lakeshore Reservation*
 Painesville Township Park*



*A fishing license is required for these parks.

BEST FOR HIKING

Chapin Forest Reservation
 Girdled Road Reservation
 Hell Hollow Wilderness Area
 Penitentiary Glen Reservation



BEST FOR HORSEBACK RIDING

Chapin Forest Reservation
 Girdled Road Reservation
 Penitentiary Glen Reservation

Bridle trails available for horse owners.

BEST FOR CANOEING/KAYAKING

Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park
 Grand River Landing
 Hidden Valley Park
 Mason's Landing Park



BEST FOR BICYCLING

Greenway Corridor
 Chapin Forest Reservation
 Girdled Road Reservation
 Penitentiary Glen Reservation

For a complete list of parks and amenities as well as programs and events offered year-round, visit Lake Metroparks online at lakemetroparks.com or visit one of our many facilities.