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Badin Lake Recreation Area



The Uwharrie National Forest is in the Piedmont of North Carolina and includes portions of the Uwharrie Mountains. The forest provides an abundance of recreation opportunities and natural resources, including clean water, diverse scenery, wildlife habitat and wood products. The forest is also rich in cultural resources, with prehistoric quarry sites and historic mines and

settlements on rolling topography that ranges in elevation from 400 to 1000 feet above sea level

Nestled along Badin Lake's eastern shore, the Badin Lake Recreation Area is one of the most popular places on the Uwharrie National Forest. Every year, thousands of visitors enjoy swimming, boating, fishing, hunting, hiking trails, equestrian trails, fourwheel-drive trails, mountain biking trails and camping.

Rules for OHV Trails

- Children under 8 may not operate ATV, UTV or motorcycles. Children under 12 may not operate any ATV, UTV 70cc or larger. Children under 15 may not operate any Off Highway Vehicle. Children under 16 may not operate any ATV or UTV 90cc or larger. Children under 16 must be under the continuous visual supervision of an adult over 18 when operating any ATV, UTV, motorcycle or Off Highway Vehicle.
- Unlicensed vehicles may not operate on Forest Service roads or in developed campgrounds.
- No passengers are allowed on all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), unless vehicles are designed to carry passengers.
- Trail permits are required to use OHV trails.
- Attach permit to four-wheel-drive where visible from front. • Permits are valid until midnight of the date written on permit.
- Securely attach daily permits to ATV or dirt-bike handlebars.
- Display season permits on right rear fenders for ATVs and rear fenders for dirt bikes. Prominently display season permits on front of four-wheel-drive vehicles.
- Off-highway vehicles (OHVs) must stay on designated trails marked with **orange diamonds**.
- Alcoholic beverages are prohibited on all trail systems and in recreation areas.
- ATVs and motorcycle operators and passengers must wear Department of Transportation approved helmets and eye
- Spark arresters, mufflers and brakes are required, and working headlights and taillights for night-riding.
- OHV trails allow dirt bikes, ATVs, side-by-sides, full-size vehicles and mountain bikes with permits.

Winston-Salem Greensboro Raleigh **Uwharrie National** Charlotte roy Forest **Badin Lake** Recreation Area From Asheboro: Take NC 49S to NC 109S. Badin Lake Recreation

Area is about two miles west of Eldorado

From Troy: Take NC 109N about 12 miles north of Troy and just north of the Uwharrie River. Follow signs for Badin Lake Recreation Area.

Primitive Camping Rules

- Primitive camping is allowed, except in developed sites, designated wildlife fields, trailhead parking lots or where signs specifically state "No Camping."
- Vehicles must be parked adjacent to roads or trails and visitor must walk to primitive site.
- Do not drive vehicles behind barricades.
- Stay no more than 14 consecutive days within a 30-day period on forest.
- Camp at least 200 feet from streams and trails.
- Camping is not permitted at day-use areas. • Keep pets on a leash and under control at all times.
- Alcohol is allowed at primitive campsites.
- Pack out all trash. Learn to use *Leave No Trace* camping
- Make sure campfires are dead out.
- Open carry and concealed carry with permit are allowed.

Reservations

To make reservations at Arrowhead, Badin Lake and Badin

Lake group campgrounds and Canebrake Horse Camp; and

King's Mountain Point pavilion, call 877-444-6777 or TDD:

Be sure to make reservations up to 240 days in advance or as

Other Places to Visit

For launching trailered motorized boats, a ramp on Badin Lake

is near Arrowhead Campground. Access Badin Lake Hiking

Offering tent and RV camping, this camp has three sites with

fire rings, tables, tent pads, showers and toilets. A nightly fee is

charged. Each site accomodates 50 people. Available through

The King's Mountain Point Day-Use Area offers four accessible

Maps and Information

Uwharrie National Forest

789 Biscoe Road Troy, NC 27371

techniques.

Phone: 910-576-6391 E-mail: uwharrie@usda.gov

Website: www.fs.usda.gov/nfsnc USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

877-833-6777 or visit www.recreation.gov.

late as three days before arrival.

Badin Lake Group Camp

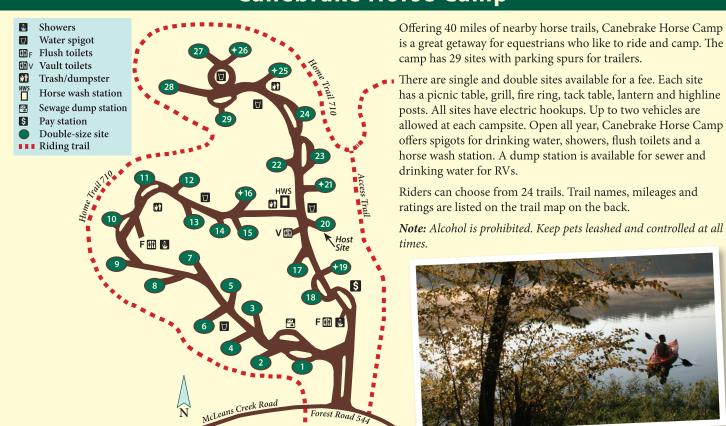
King's Mountain Point

Cove Boat Ramp

Trail from this area.

reservation only.

Canebrake Horse Camp



drinking water for RVs. Riders can choose from 24 trails. Trail names, mileages and ratings are listed on the trail map on the back.

has a picnic table, grill, fire ring, tack table, lantern and highline

Note: Alcohol is prohibited. Keep pets leashed and controlled at all

Arrowhead Campground

Shaded by loblolly pines and oaks, Arrowhead Campground's 50 campsites sit a quarter mile from Badin Lake—a hot spot for water sports. Open all year, the campground is suited for tent or RV camping. There are single and double sites available for a fee. Each site has a picnic table, grill, lantern post and fire ring. Thirty-four sites have electrical hookups.

For drinking water, six water spigots are available. A bathhouse with flush toilets and showers is in the campground. A dump station is available for sewer and drinking water for RVs.

For recreation, visitors can walk the 0.75-mile paved trail that loops around the campground. In addition, paved connectors from the campground lead to the 5.6-mile Badin Lake Trail for hiking. The trail follows Badin Lake's shoreline and loops back.

Off-highway-vehicle trails are 2.5 miles from Arrowhead, and Cove Boat Ramp is just a half-mile away. Badin Lake offers a boater's paradise, from waterskiing to cruising to sailing.

The lake offers a wealth of water recreation and fishing opportunities.

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Badin Lake Campground Open all year, Badin Lake Campground offers 35 sites for camp-

ing. Each site has a picnic table, grill, fire ring and lantern posts. Drinking water spigots, flush toilets and showers are available. The campground is suited for tent or RV camping, but no electric hook-ups are available. There are single and double sites available

Launch a canoe from the lakeshore or drive two miles to Cove Boat Ramp to launch a motorized boat from a trailer. The 5.6-mile Badin Lake Trail is easy to access.

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Badin Lake

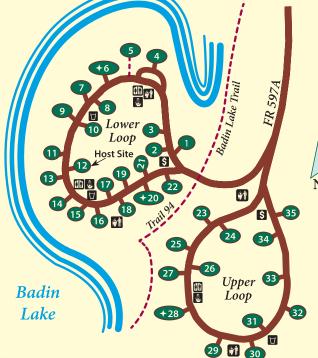
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Restrooms Showers

☑ Water spigot Trash/dumpster

--- Hiking trail

Double-size sites



fishing piers, 34 picnic sites, parking, a paved trail and access to the Badin Lake Trail. The picnic pavilion can be reserved through www.recreation.gov. The area is open daily from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Flintlock Valley Shooting Range

The outdoor range offers seven rifle benches and four pistol benches. Permits are required and are available through the Uwharrie National Forest office and local vendors. Range is open Tuesday through Saturday. Visit www.fs.usda.gov/nfsnc for hours of operation.

Sharing the Trail

OHVs yield to **Mountain Bikers** yield to **Hikers and Runners** yield to Horses



Outdoor Ethics and Safety • Your safety is your responsibility. Many places in the forest

- do not have cell phone service. Plan and prepare accordingly. Check with the National Weather Service before your trip. • Stay on designated trails. Mountain bikers can ride on off-
- Resist the urge to create new routes and short cuts. Shortcutting switchbacks is prohibited.

highway vehicle (OHV) trails, but they must

have an OHV trail permit.

- Some trails are very eroded and are closed. Help restore these trails by not riding on them. Avoid wet trails and wheel
- Be sure spark arresters work and make sure all campfires are dead out. Remember, you are responsible for any fire you
- Keep noise levels down. Please respect others who visit the forest to get away from noise.
- Keep pets leashed and under control at all times.

Water spigot

Trash/dumpste

Showers

Parking

Pay station Sewage dump stati

Paved road

Paved trail Unpaved trail

Double-size sites

- Carry a litter bag and pack out all trash. Learn and use notrace camping techniques.
- Avoid temporarily tying stock to trees. Use a high line with tree-saver straps to tether animals. • Don't feed or harass wildlife. If you see a snake, leave it
- alone. If you are bitten, stay calm and seek medical attention immediately. • Help stop the spread of invasive insects. Use only local
- firewood instead of bringing it from home or other locations. • Please enjoy the Uwharrie National Forest responsibly.