Ozark-St. Francis National Forests
Pleasant Hill Ranger District
Horsehead Lake Recreation Area

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Attractions:
Located 12 miles north of Clarksville, 98-acre Horsehead Lake is situated in the heart of the Ozarks. Visitors to this area will enjoy rolling green hills lining the Arkansas River, which separates the Ozark and Ouachita mountain ranges.

Home to several species of sportfish, the lake offers anglers opportunities for bass, bluegill, catfish and crappie fishing.

Horsehead Lake is cooperatively managed by the USDA Forest Service and the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission and provides both primitive and developed camping areas, restroom facilities, a swim beach, playground and picnic area, most of which are fully accessible.

Campgrounds accommodate trailers up to 30 feet in length. No extra amenities are available such as water, electric, cable, or trailer dump station.

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission primitive camping and boat launch are across the lake from the developed campground and day use area with signs directing visitors to the area. There is a ‘no wake’ limitation on the lake. Visitors are encouraged to operate smaller motors or trolling motors.

Surrounding Areas:
The cities of Fort Smith and Russellville (home to Arkansas Tech University) are nearby. The campground is nestled between the Ozark Highlands Scenic Byway (Hwy 21) and the Pig Trail Scenic Byway (Hwy 23) offering breathtaking vistas and unique photographic opportunities.

Facilities:
• 10 family unit campsites.
• Camping trailers allowed; no special facilities available.
• Vault toilets in campground.
• 12 family unit picnic areas.
• Swim beach.
• Bathhouse with hot showers and flush toilets.
• Playground.
• Accessible campsites, vault toilets, restrooms, picnic areas, bathhouse.

Fees:
User fees and regulations are posted at the self-service pay station.

Location:
From Clarksville take Arkansas 103 northwest for 8 miles, turn left (west) on Arkansas 164 and go 4 miles, turn right (north) on FS 1408 for 3 miles.

For more information, contact:
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