Mark Twain National Forest
Missouri
Bar-K Wrangler Camp

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**Highlights**
Bar-K Wrangler Camp is a primitive horse camp, with hitching racks, limited picnic tables and fire rings and one vault toilet. Low development, full length, pull-through parking spurs accommodate stock trailers and towing vehicles. Bar-K is located on the west bank of Swan Creek, serves as a trailhead for the Swan Creek Trail and is open year round. Pack in/Pack out garbage.

**Camping**
Minimal facilities include some tables and fire rings, spurs for towing vehicles and stock trailers, hitching posts and a vault toilet. Campers should scatter manure piles outside the mowed area to aid decomposition, discourage flies, and as a courtesy to others. Use hitching posts whenever provided. Hitching stock to trees causes long-term damage. A hitch line between trees using wide nylon “tree saver” straps with rope run between the straps is always a good idea.

**Picnicking**
Picnicking is allowed in the campground.

**Trail**
The 20-mile Swan Creek Trail leaves from the campground and is managed for equestrian, mountain bike and hiking use. The trail system is made up of several loop trails, so rides of different lengths can be chosen.

**Area attractions**
Chadwick ATV Area,
Swan Creek Non Motorized Area

**For More Information**
Ava/Cassville/Willow Springs Ranger District
1103 S. Jefferson
Ava, MO  65608
Telephone: (417) 683-4428  Fax: (417) 683-5722
Monday-Friday 8:00AM-4: 30PM

**Directions:** From Garrison MO, take Hwy 125 north 2 miles to Forest Road 533. Turn right continue to the bottom of the hill.
From Chadwick MO, take Hwy 125 south to Forest Road 533 where you will find the entrance sign to Bar-K Wrangler Camp on the left.

**Fees:** There are no camping or day use fees but donations are welcome.

**Best Seasons:** Fall, Winter and Spring.

**Safety:** During temperate months, be prepared for biting insects, poison ivy and high temperatures. Be advised of hunting seasons. Avoid using the trail during excessively wet periods.

**Emergency Contacts:**
Christian County Sheriff (417) 485-3536
St. John’s Medical Center (417) 885-2000

**Vicinity Map**

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