

## Unit Highlights

Visitors to this Unit can enjoy the panoramic views from the shores of Kincaid Lake. The Kincaid Lake Recreation Area provides swimming, boating, picnicking, hiking, camping, and biking. Some activities are available year round. In the spring, the dogwoods and wild azaleas are spectacular. In the fall, the mixed hardwood-pine forest provides wonderfully contrasting scenery.

## Surrounding Areas

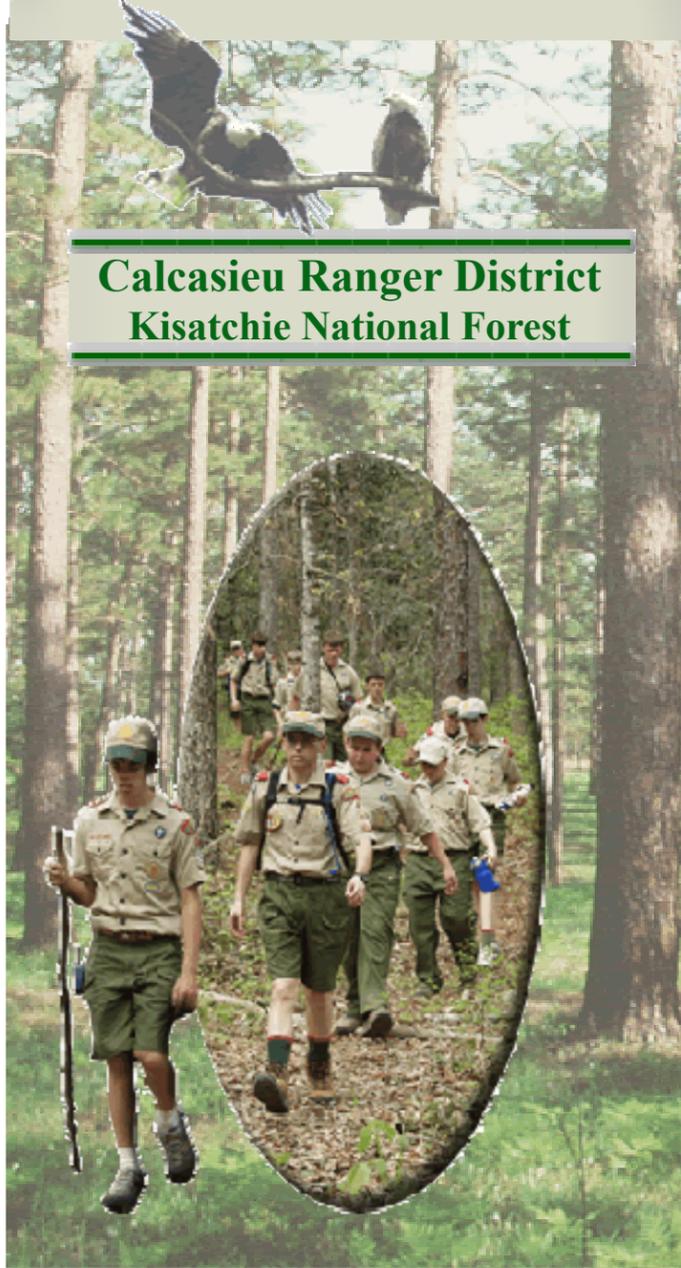
Civilian Conservation Corps-constructed Valentine Lake offers a beautiful setting for picnicking and fishing. Bikers and hikers can enjoy numerous trails around Kincaid Lake. The Wild Azalea National Recreation Trail's 26-mile length offers day hikes along several segments or a two-day hike for those who want to get away for a while. The Claiborne Multiple-Use Trails offer over 88 miles of motorized, horse, hiking, and biking use.

## For More Information

### Calcasieu Ranger District

9912 Highway 28 West  
Boyce, Louisiana 71409  
Phone: (318) 793-9427 or  
1-(800) 225-9733  
www.fs.usda.gov/kisatchie  
OHV Hotline (866) 830-6467

## Evangeline Unit



### Calcasieu Ranger District Kisatchie National Forest

### Recreation Opportunity Guide

## Recreational Information

### General

This Unit encompasses 97,000 acres and is situated near Alexandria, La.

### Developed Recreation

The Unit administers three developed recreation areas that are designated fee areas; Kincaid Lake, Valentine Lake and Loran Camp/Claiborne Trailhead

#### Day-Use Fees:

Kincaid Beach/Picnic Area \$3.00/vehicle  
Claiborne Trails \$5.00/per operator (OHV, horse, mountain bike)  
Kincaid Boat Ramps \$3.00 boat ramps  
Kincaid Group Shelter \$35-75.00, call for reservations (open/close 8 a.m.-8 p.m.)

#### Camping Fees:

Valentine Single \$10.00/night  
Kincaid Single \$15.00/night (includes \$4 utility fee)  
Kincaid Double \$20.00/night (includes \$4 utility fee)  
Kincaid Primitive \$10/night (No electric or water)  
Loran Camp \$7.00/night

### Dispersed Recreation

The Unit offers over 140 miles of dispersed trails throughout upland pine, mixed hardwood / pine, and bottomland hardwood ecosystems.

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## Other Essentials

The Evangeline Unit has become a very popular area for various hunting and fishing opportunities. Contact the Calcasieu District office for dates and regulations.

Boating opportunities are accessible from two separate developed boat launches located on Kincaid Lake, the East Boat Launch located off Messina Road and the West Boat Launch located inside the Kincaid Lake Recreation Area.

Non-motorized boating is also available on Valentine Lake.

There are individual recreation brochures for the following areas on the Evangeline Unit of the Calcasieu Ranger District:

- Kincaid Recreation Area
- Wild Azalea National Recreation Trail
- Claiborne Multiple-Use Trail

The above guides can be found at the Calcasieu Ranger District Office located on Highway 28 West or at the Kisatchie National Forest Supervisor's Office located at 2500 Shreveport Highway in Pineville, Louisiana.

For more information concerning the above pamphlets or any other questions you might have, please feel free to contact the Calcasieu Ranger District Office during business hours of 7:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday at (318) 793-9427.

**REPORT WOODS ARSON:**  
**(855) 452 5323**  
**24 HOURS**

Recreational Opportunities and Facilities on the Calcasieu Ranger District's Evangeline Unit																					
Fees	Picnic	Camping				Water Sports				Trails			Facilities								
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	Day-Use Picnic Area	Recreational Vehicles	Trailers and Campers	Group Camping	Sanitary Dump Station	Fire Rings/Grills	Swimming	Bank Fishing	Pier Fishing	Water Skiing	Non-Motorized Boat Launch	Motorized Boat Launch	Non-Motorized Boat Ramp	Hiking	Off Road Biking	Interpretive Horse	Flush Toilets	Vault Toilets	Drinking Water	Trash Disposal	
<b>Kincaid Lake Recreation Complex</b>																					
Kincaid Lake Day-Use Area	\$3	☑								☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			☑	☑	☑
Kincaid Lake Group-Use Area (1)	Call	☑			☑	☑				☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			☑	☑	☑
Kincaid Lake Campground - A (2)	\$15		☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			☑	☑	☑
Kincaid Lake Campground - B (2)	\$15		☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			☑	☑	☑
West Kincaid Lake Boat Launch	\$3										☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			☑	☑	☑
East Kincaid Lake Boat Launch	\$3										☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			☑	☑	☑
Kincaid Lake Primitive Camp	\$10				☑											☑			☑	☑	☑
Kincaid Lake Recreation Trails (3)	free														☑	☑					☑
<b>Valentine Lake Recreation Complex</b>																					
Valentine Lake Day-Use Area	free	☑								☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			☑	☑	☑
Valentine Lake Group-Use Area																					
Valentine Northshore Campground	\$10		☑	☑	☑					☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			☑	☑	☑
Valentine Southshore Campground																					
Valentine Trail	free														☑	☑					
<b>Other Recreation Areas</b>																					
Wild Azalea National Recreation Trail	free														☑	☑					
Camp Claiborne Multi-Use Trails (4)	\$5														☑	☑			☑	☑	☑
Loran/Claiborne Trailhead Camp	\$7	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑			☑										☑	☑	☑
Evangeline Camp	free					☑	☑							☑	☑						☑
Boy Scout Camp	free		☑	☑	☑	☑													☑		
Ahtus Melder Hunter Camp	free		☑	☑	☑	☑													☑		

(1) = \$35 - \$75 for Group Shelter, call for reservations. (2) Double Units = \$20 Daily Fee  
(3) = Kincaid Lake Recreation Trails have no fees unless parking in a fee required area (4) No trail-use fees for hikers

