

DNR-managed state parks

SNo	Park name	County or counties	Nearby city	Area in acres (ha)	Date established	Body of water	Remarks
1	Ambrose A. Call State Park	Kossuth County	Algona	130 acres (53 ha)	1925	Des Moines River	Features heavily wooded hills and a reconstructed log cabin on the site of the first cabin in Kossuth County, built in 1854 by settler Ambrose A. Call.
2	Backbone State Park	Delaware County	Strawberry Point	2,000 acres (810 ha)	1919	Maquoketa River, Backbone Lake	Features a rock ridge up to 80 feet (24 m) high, a recreational reservoir, and a museum on the Civilian Conservation Corps in Iowa.
3	Badger Creek State Recreation Area	Madison County	Van Meter	1,162 acres (470 ha)		Badger Creek Lake	Features a 276-acre (112 ha) fishing lake outside Des Moines.
4	Banner Lakes at Summerset State Park	Warren County	Indianola	222 acres (90 ha)	2002	Banner Lakes	Provides fishing and mountain biking opportunities on the site of a rehabilitated open-pit coal mine.
5	Beed's Lake State Park	Franklin County	Hampton	319 acres (129 ha)	1934	Beed's Lake	Surrounds a 99-acre (40 ha) reservoir crossed by a 170-foot (52 m) causeway built by the Civilian Conservation Corps.
6	Bellevue State Park	Jackson County	Bellevue	770 acres (310 ha)		Mississippi River	Comprises two units on high river bluffs, with a nature center and butterfly garden.
7	Big Creek State Park	Polk County	Polk City	3,550 acres (1,440 ha)		Big Creek Lake	Surrounds an 866-acre (350 ha) recreational reservoir originally created as a flood control project.
8	Black Hawk State Park	Sac County	Lake View	86 acres (35 ha)	1935	Black Hawk Lake	Comprises shoreline on the southernmost glacial lake in Iowa.
9	Brushy Creek State Recreation Area	Webster County	Lehigh	6,500 acres (2,600 ha)		Des Moines River, Brushy Creek Reservoir	Forms one of the state's largest public outdoor recreation properties, with a 690-acre (280 ha) reservoir.
10	Cedar Rock State Park	Buchanan County	Quasqueton	423 acres (171 ha)	1981	Wapsipinicon River	Offers tours of a Frank Lloyd Wright house built in 1950 in his Usonian style.
11	Clear Lake State Park	Cerro Gordo County	Clear Lake	55 acres (22 ha)	1924	Clear Lake	Abuts the south shore of 3,643-acre (1,474 ha) Clear

							Lake.
12	Dolliver Memorial State Park	Webster County	Lehigh	600 acres (240 ha)	1925	Des Moines River	Showcases tall river bluffs and narrow ravines.
13	Elinor Bedell State Park	Dickinson County	Spirit Lake	80 acres (32 ha)	1998	East Okoboji Lake	Provides public access to one of the Iowa Great Lakes.
14	Elk Rock State Park	Marion County	Knoxville	850 acres (340 ha)	1978	Lake Red Rock	Comprises two parcels on Iowa's largest body of water.
15	Emerson Bay State Recreation Area	Dickinson County	Milford	12 acres (4.9 ha)		West Okoboji Lake	Provides public access to one of the Iowa Great Lakes.
16	Fairport State Recreation Area	Muscatine County	Muscatine	17 acres (6.9 ha)		Mississippi River	Provides water recreation opportunities 6 miles (9.7 km) from Wildcat Den State Park.
17	Fort Atkinson State Preserve	Winneshiek County	Fort Atkinson	5 acres (2.0 ha)	1968	None	Interprets the remains of a U.S. Army frontier fort manned from 1840-1849 to monitor the resettled Ho-Chunk tribe.
18	Fort Defiance State Park	Emmet County	Estherville	221 acres (89 ha)	1930	None	Commemorates the site of a fort built to protect the Iowa border during the Dakota War of 1862.
19	Geode State Park	Henry County	Danville	1,641 acres (664 ha)		Skunk River, Lake Geode	Features a 187-acre (76 ha) recreational reservoir and a display of geodes, the Iowa state rock.
20	George Wyth Memorial State Park	Black Hawk County	Waterloo	1,200 acres (490 ha)	1940	Cedar River and several lakes	Protects a natural area within the Waterloo – Cedar Falls metropolitan area.
21	Green Valley State Park	Union County	Creston	990 acres (400 ha)		Green Valley Lake	Surrounds a 390-acre (160 ha) recreational reservoir.
22	Gull Point State Park	Dickinson County	Milford	195 acres (79 ha)	1933	West Okoboji Lake	Protects a natural area on one of the Iowa Great Lakes.
23	Honey Creek State Park	Appanoose County	Moravia	828 acres (335 ha)		Rathbun Lake	Provides outdoor recreation opportunities on the north shore of 11,000-acre (4,500 ha) Rathbun Lake.
24	Honey Creek Resort State Park	Appanoose County	Moravia	828 acres (335 ha)	2008	Rathbun Lake	Mixes outdoor recreation with higher-end amenities such as a lodge, luxury cabins, golf course, and indoor water park.
25	Lacey-Keosauqua State Park	Van Buren County	Keosauqua	1,653 acres	1921	Des Moines River	Protects Indian mounds and a 30-acre (12 ha) lake on a bend of the Des Moines

				(669 ha)			River.
26	Lake Ahquabi State Park	Warren County	Indianola	770 acres (310 ha)	1936	Lake Ahquabi	Surrounds a 115-acre (47 ha) recreational reservoir named "resting place" in the Fox language.
27	Lake Anita State Park	Cass County	Anita	1,062 acres (430 ha)	1961	Lake Anita	Surrounds a 171-acre (69 ha) recreational reservoir.
28	Lake Darling State Park	Washington County	Brighton	1,387 acres (561 ha)	1950	Lake Darling	Honors Ding Darling, two-time Pulitzer Prize for Editorial Cartooning winner and early conservationist, with a 171-acre (69 ha) recreational reservoir.
29	Lake Keomah State Park	Mahaska County	Oskaloosa	366 acres (148 ha)	1934	Lake Keomah	Surrounds an 83-acre (34 ha) recreational reservoir.
30	Lake Macbride State Park	Johnson County	Solon	2,810 acres (1,140 ha)	1937	Lake Macbride, Coralville Lake	Borders an 812-acre (329 ha) recreational reservoir.
31	Lake Manawa State Park	Pottawattamie County	Council Bluffs	1,529 acres (619 ha)		Lake Manawa	Provides boating opportunities in the Omaha – Council Bluffs metropolitan area on a 772-acre (312 ha) lake created by the Missouri River changing course after the Great Flood of 1881.
32	Lake of Three Fires State Park	Taylor County	Bedford	1,155 acres (467 ha)	1935	Lake of Three Fires	Surrounds an 85-acre (34 ha) recreational reservoir named for a Council of Three Fires meeting once held there by three Native American tribes.
33	Lake Wapello State Park	Davis County	Drakesville	1,150 acres (470 ha)		Lake Wapello	Surrounds a 289-acre (117 ha) recreational reservoir.
34	Ledges State Park	Boone County	Boone	1,200 acres (490 ha)	1924	Des Moines River, Pea's Creek	Showcases a 100-foot (30 m) deep sandstone gorge with concretions jutting from its side like ledges.
35	Lewis and Clark State Park	Monona County	Onawa	176 acres (71 ha)		Blue Lake	Commemorates the site where the Lewis and Clark Expedition camped on August 10, 1804; with a replica of their keelboat on a 220-acre (89 ha) oxbow lake.
	Lower Gar State	Dickinson	Arnolds	7 acres		Lower Gar	Provides public access to

48	Pine Lake State Park	Hardin County	Eldora	585 acres (237 ha)		Upper and Lower Pine Lakes	Encompasses two lakes surrounded by 250-year old eastern white pines.
49	Pleasant Creek State Recreation Area	Linn County	Palo	1,927 acres (780 ha)		Pleasant Creek Lake	Surrounds a 410-acre (170 ha) recreational reservoir located between the cities of Cedar Rapids and Waterloo.
50	Prairie Rose State Park	Shelby County	Harlan	661 acres (267 ha)	1962	Prairie Rose Lake	Surrounds a 218-acre (88 ha) recreational reservoir.
51	Preparation Canyon State Park	Monona County	Moorhead	344 acres (139 ha)		None	Preserves a section of the Loess Hills on the site of a town founded in 1853 by a Mormon splinter group led by Charles B. Thompson.
52	Red Haw State Park	Lucas County	Chariton	649 acres (263 ha)		Red Haw Lake	Surrounds a 72-acre (29 ha) recreational reservoir.
53	Rice Lake State Park	Winnebago County	Lake Mills	15 acres (6.1 ha)		Rice Lake	Abuts a 1,200-acre (490 ha) lake.
54	Rock Creek State Park	Jasper County	Kellogg	1,697 acres (687 ha)	1952	Rock Creek Lake	Surrounds a 602-acre (244 ha) recreational reservoir.
55	Springbrook State Park	Guthrie County	Yale	920 acres (370 ha)	1926	Middle Raccoon River	Features a conservation education center, a rental retreat, a 17-acre (6.9 ha) lake, and public hunting areas.
56	Stone State Park	Woodbury and Plymouth Counties	Sioux City	1,069 acres (433 ha)	1935	Big Sioux River	Preserves a natural section of the Loess Hills.
57	Templar State Recreation Area	Dickinson County	Spirit Lake	10 acres (4.0 ha)		Spirit Lake	Provides a sheltered lagoon for launching boats on the Iowa Great Lakes.
58	Trapper's Bay State Park	Dickinson County	Lake Park	57 acres (23 ha)		Silver Lake	Offers additional public recreation space on the periphery of the Iowa Great Lakes region.
59	Twin Lakes State Park	Calhoun County	Rockwell City	15 acres (6.1 ha)		North Twin Lakes	Comprises two day-use areas on a 453-acre (183 ha) natural lake.
60	Union Grove State Park	Tama County	Gladbrook	282 acres (114 ha)	1938	Union Grove Lake	Surrounds a 110-acre (45 ha) recreational reservoir.
61	Viking Lake State Park	Montgomery County	Stanton	1,000 acres (400 ha)		Viking Lake	Preserves natural areas surrounding a 110-acre (45 ha) recreational reservoir.

62	Volga River State Recreation Area	Fayette County	Fayette	5,500 acres (2,200 ha)		Volga River, Frog Hollow Lake	Provides wildlife habitat and extensive recreation options along a waterway featuring limestone bluffs and old steel bridges.
63	Walnut Woods State Park	Polk County	West Des Moines	250 acres (100 ha)		Raccoon River	Preserves a bottomland hardwood forest within the Des Moines metropolitan area featuring the largest stand of black walnut trees in North America.
64	Wapsipinicon State Park	Jones County	Anamosa	390 acres (160 ha)	1923	Wapsipinicon River, Dutch Creek	Features rocky cave- and crevice-ridden bluffs, a nine-hole golf course, and an 1877 steel bridge that is on the National Register of Historic Places.
65	Waubonsie State Park	Fremont County	Sidney	1,247 acres (505 ha)	1926	Lake Virginia	Showcases unique Loess Hills topography, with rental facilities restored from a former Girl Scout camp.
66	Wildcat Den State Park	Muscatine County	Muscatine	423 acres (171 ha)		Pine Creek	Features 75-foot (23 m) cliffs, rock formations, and several historic structures, including an 1848 gristmill that is on the National Register of Historic Places.
67	Wilson Island State Recreation Area	Harrison County	Missouri Valley	547 acres (221 ha)		Missouri River	Showcases a bottomland hardwood forest on a former sandbar island named after former governor George A. Wilson.

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SNo	Park Name	County or Counties	Nearby City
1	Bobwhite State Park	Wayne County	Allerton
2	Cold Springs State Park	Cass County	Lewis
3	Crystal Lake State Park	Hancock County	Crystal Lake
4	Eagle Lake State Park	Hancock County	Britt
5	Echo Valley State Park	Fayette County	West Union
6	Frank A. Gotch State Park	Humboldt County	Dakota City
7	Heery Woods State Park	Butler County	Clarksville
8	Kearny State Park	Palo Alto County	Emmetsburg
9	Lake Cornelia State Park	Wright County	Cornelia
10	Lake Icaria State Park	Adams County	Corning

11	Margo Frankel State Park	Polk County	Saylorville
12	Mill Creek State Park	O'Brien County	Paullina
13	Oak Grove State Park	Sioux County	Hawarden
14	Oakland Mills State Park	Henry County	Oakland Mills
15	Pammel State Park	Madison County	Winterset
16	Sharon Bluffs State Park	Appanoose County	Centerville
17	Spring Lake State Park	Greene County	Grand Junction
18	Swan Lake State Park	Carroll County	Carroll
19	Three Mile Lake State Park	Union County	Creston