

Audubon State Park Year-Round Event

John J Audubon State Park Museum
23100 US HWY 41 North
Henderson, KY 42420.

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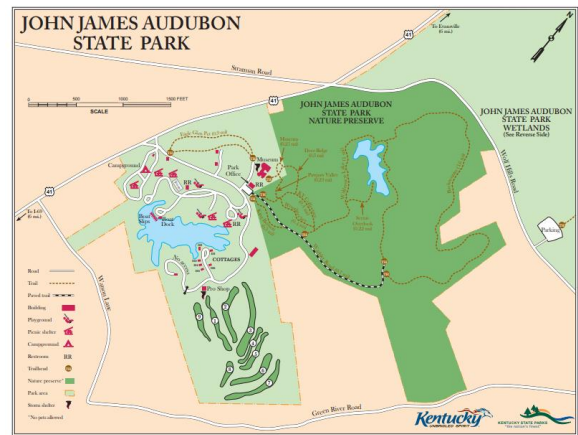
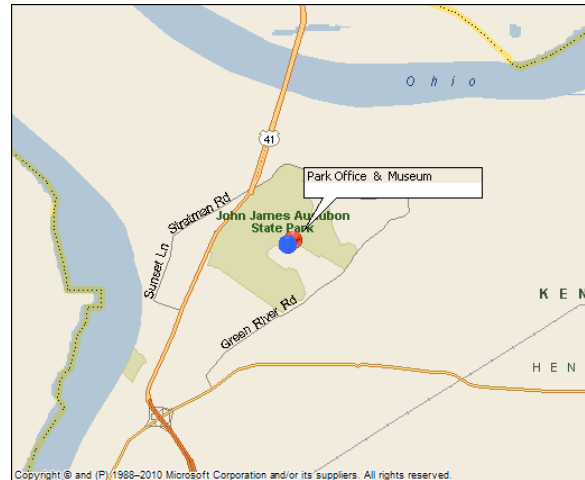


Enjoy the peaceful hardwood forest is where the famed naturalist John James Audubon observed the subjects of his paintings. You may see belted kingfisher, heron, woodpecker, warbler and other waterfowl.

If you are lucky, you may get a glimpse of a deer. When you have finished the walk, you may wish to visit the John James Audubon Museum and Nature Center (fee charged). The museum houses a unique collection of Audubon's watercolors, oils, engravings, and personal memorabilia. The Park has camping, rental cabins, fishing, golf, and tennis.

Driving directions

John James Audubon State Park is located on the northern outskirts of Henderson, KY. Coming from the north or south take US 41 to 1/2 mile south of the Ohio River Bridges. The entrance is on the east side of Hwy 41.



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Note: There is a traditional start box inside the Museum. If you have initiated registration in OSB for this event, please stay with the OSB process. No need to double register at the start box.

Rest rooms are available at the start /finish point and along the trail as depicted on the maps

Audubon State Park Walk Instructions –10 K Trail

NOTE This trail is mostly on the park's natural paths and greenways. Please use the map in concert with the written directions

1. Leave the Museum parking lot and take the Museum Loop Trail behind the building. To walk this trail, follow the service road to the right of the Museum and then turn left to go behind the Museum. You will see the trail head sign. Most of this trail is paved. 0 .5 K

2.. Follow the Museum Trail to the Deer Ridge Trail entrance. As you hike, you will find this trail is aptly named, for you are traversing high atop a ridge which follows the edge of the Audubon property. The path takes a right turn and steeply descends through a tunnel of Pawpaw trees to twist around a corner and emerge upon the fern-filled forest floor. While descending the ridge, hikers should be aware of potentially exposed tree roots and uneven terrain. After crossing Sammy's Bridge, Deer Ridge Trail ends and connects with Kentucky Coffeetree Trail. 1.0K

3. Turn left onto the Kentucky Coffeetree Trail. The Trail then leads you steadily downward toward a lush valley following along the streambed. You will walk to an intersection of three trails just before the trailhead on Warbler Road. 1.6 K

4. Take the left branch which begins Wilderness Lake Trail. After a short downward traverse, the trail will turn left at a stone shelter that was originally built by the Civilian Conservation Corps and recently restored through an Eagle Scout Project. You will follow a ridge, eventually descending toward the lake using a steep staircase, and will emerge upon a grassy levee. The trail continues across several bridges as it follows the lake perimeter. Near the end of this trail, there will be a steady incline leading back to Warbler Road. Follow the road back to the parking area. 4.8 K

5. Continue a short distance on Warbler Road to the trailhead for the Backcountry Trail. Turn left onto the trail. This trail twists and turns as it travels over hilly terrain in the rich northeastern part of the Nature Preserve. Narrow pathways, exposed tree roots, and steady inclines and descents may challenge hiking skills. The trail

ends at Wilderness Lake Trail at the east end of the lake. 7.3 K

6. Stay to the right at the Wilderness Lake Trail and continue around the lake going back to the intersection of three trails just before the trailhead on Warbler Road. 9 K

7. Turn right then left on to the Woodpecker Trail. The Park is home to seven species of woodpeckers. Follow the long steady climb to the top of the hill to the end of the trail where it connects to the Pawpaw Valley Trail. 9.5 K

8. Continue straight ahead and follow the Pawpaw Valley Trail. Proceed toward a steady incline to the trailhead. Make sure to stop for a close-up view of the magnificent Tulip Tree at the top of the trail! From here you can follow the gravel service road Turn right to arrive in the corner of the Museum employee parking lot. We hope you enjoyed our walk in Audubon State Park. We also have year-round walks nearby in downtown Henderson, as well as across the Ohio River in downtown Evansville, Indiana.

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WALK COMPLETION AND CREDIT

Be sure to log back into the OSB system to "finish/complete" your online registration after doing the event. The OSB system does not deduct any event fee from a participant's Event Bank until they have submitted event completion info including the date of the event, the distance, and the selection of applicable special programs that person is participating in. (Nevertheless, a fee of \$2 for a downloaded PDF is deducted from the user's Event Bank when the PDF is downloaded. Later, any PDF fees are credited back to a user's Event Bank when he/she submits the event completion info as a paying for credit participant. Note, however, the \$2 coupon for the downloaded PDF will expire in 60 days.).

Audubon State Park - 10 K Trail

(Yellow 1-5 K Red 5-10K)



Audubon State Park Walk Instructions –5 K Trail

NOTE This trail is completely on paved surfaces Please use the map in concert with the written directions

1. Leave the Museum parking lot and take the park road up the hill.
2. Walk through the parking lot up the hill past the shelter. At the end of the road loop back around returning to the parking lot. Stay on the right side of the lot and take the first right down to the beach house.
3. Loop around and return to the parking lot, turn right and walk out of the parking lot. Follow the road to the cabins and golf course sign. Turn left and follow the road toward the cabins.
4. Turn right and follow the road down to the cabins enjoying a good view of the lake. Loop around the cabin road going back to the main park road.
5. Turn left and take the main park road back to the park office. Facing the park office take the road on the left up the hill to the Museum parking lot. Turn right onto the Museum sidewalk. Just before the Museum entrance, take the sidewalk to the right around to the back of the museum where you will find the Museum Loop Trail.
6. Take the Loop Trail and return to the museum's back side. Return to the parking lot to end your walk.

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