## WITHROW SPRINGS STATE PARK

Surrounded by the mountains of northwest Arkansas, this 786-acre park of unspoiled Ozark beauty is accented by the setting of scenic mountains and valleys spread along the bluffs of the meandering War Eagle River. Withrow Spring, namesake of the park, was named for Richard Withrow, a settler who came west in 1832 from Tennessee and established the first grist mill in the area. The spring's clear, cold waters gush from a small cave at the foot of a bluff across from the park swimming pool complex.

For lovers of the great outdoors, Withrow Springs State Park and the surrounding countryside offer an abundance of nature at its best. A leisurely drive along State Highway 23 to Huntsville and east on Highway 412 provides miles of unsurpassed Ozark scenery. Highway 62 at Alpena will lead you over hills and valleys just 48 miles north of Harrison. Another breathtaking drive leads from Huntsville on Highway 23S over the Boston Mountains of the Ozarks to Interstate 40 at the town of Ozark. Some of the most striking mountain scenery in the state can be seen along this 48-mile drive. Historic Eureka Springs, just 20 miles north on Highway 23, offers a unique look into the late Victorian era. Narrow, winding streets, quaint shops and excellent restaurants provide a full day of sightseeing.

War Eagle Creek and Kings River, flowing north from their headwaters in the Boston Mountains, are unexcelled in nature's handiwork. During spring a canoe trip down either river angling for fighting smallmouth bass and goggle-eye offer relaxation at its finest. A put-in point on the scenic War Eagle is located at Withrow Springs. A put-in point for floating the famed Buffalo National River is only 38 miles southeast of the park.

Whether you prefer to hike along the park's dogwood-studded trails, enjoy a refreshing splash in the swimming pool, or take a short drive in the countryside exploring this magnificent section of the Ozarks, Withrow Springs State Park provides something for everyone to enjoy.

#### **FACILITIES**

**Camping** ◆ The park's 47 campsites have water and electrical hookups and 30 campsites have sewer. Modern bathhouses are near campground areas. A

reservable group area is available for tent camping only. A dump station is located nearby.

**Picnicking** ◆ Located alongside the rippling waters of a rock-strewn creek, the park's tree-shaded picnic areas has tables, grills, water and rest rooms. Two group pavilions are available at a modest fee for group outings or family get-togethers.

**NOTE:** Campers **must** register at the Visitor Center **before** occupying a campsite. All sites are reservable and may be reserved up to one year in advance. Please call to check availability. Pavilions can be reserved by contacting the visitor center and must be reserved **before** being used (deposit required).



### RECREATION

**Swimming** ◆ A large pool with a modern bathhouse (no cutoffs please) offers enjoyment for the entire family. Open: Memorial Day to mid-August; Labor Day Weekend.

**Canoe Rental Service** ◆ Canoes with life jackets and paddles may be rented at the visitor center for floating on War Eagle Creek. (Canoe rental fees include put-in and haul-back service). Please call before coming to check on river conditions.

**Other Facilities** ◆ A variety of activities are available at Withrow Springs State Park. Visitors may spend a pleasant day hiking one of three trails which wander through park natural areas (trail brochure available at the visitor center). Sporting enthusiasts may fish the War Eagle, play a set of tennis on one of four hard-surfaced courts. Three baseball fields, near the tennis courts, are ready for impromptu games of softball or for organized group games. Visitors must check in at the visitor center to use the crossbow range.

#### LOCATION

From Huntsville, travel north 5 miles on Hwy. 23 to the park; OR, take Hwy. 23 south from Eureka Springs (20 miles); OR, from Springdale, take Hwy. 412, go 25 miles east, then north 3 miles on Hwy. 23.

For further information on park hours, fees or reservations, contact:

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