

DANVILLE
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Parks & Recreation





*"In every walk with
nature, one receives more
than he seeks."*

– John Muir

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For the moments you can't put into words – over 15,000 acres of parklands await you in Danville and Vermilion County.

From the excitement of canoeing down the Nationally designated Middlefork Scenic River, to riding a challenging 15 mile mountain bike trail, to enjoying 35 miles of equestrian, cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling trails, the adventure begins here.

Walking over 100 miles of trails, fishing in one of our many ponds and lakes, discovering nature's world of wildlife, we invite you to make memories that are just yours.

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800-383-4386



*"The best view comes after
the hardest climb."*

– Anonymous

Kickapoo State Park

10906 Kickapoo Park Road
Oakwood, Illinois 61858
217-442-4915



Middle Fork State Fish and Wildlife Area


Access through
Kickapoo State Park
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Kickapoo State Park and Recreation Area provides an outdoor playground that offers something appealing to each member of the family.

- 2,850 acre park built on former strip-mined land
- Over 16 miles of hiking and 14 miles of biking trails (*Trail Guide available on visitdanvillearea.com or by mail*)
- 22 deep-water ponds for fishing and boating
- Access to the Middle Fork National Scenic River
- Campground and shelter rentals available
- Hunting, mountain biking, scuba diving, and ice skating permitted
- Canoe, kayak, tube, and paddleboat rentals available.
- Dine indoors or by the lake! Park Bistro is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner during season

The Middle Fork State Fish and Wildlife Area borders Illinois's only Nationally designated Wild and Scenic River, the Middle Fork of the Vermilion River System. Designed as the state's first Scenic River in 1986, and named a National Wild and Scenic River in 1990, the Middle Fork branch of the Vermilion River flows through Vermilion County on the state's eastern border.

- 2,700 acre area
- 3.5 miles of marked scenic trails for equestrian, cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling (*Trail Guide available on visitdanvillearea.com or by mail*)
- Campground and equestrian campground rentals available
- Hunting, canoeing, and picnicking permitted

A lush forest scene with tall, thin trees and a dense canopy of green leaves. In the foreground, a tree with vibrant purple blossoms stands out against the green. The ground is covered in green grass and small yellow flowers.

*"I took a walk in the
woods and came out
taller than the trees."*

– Anonymous

Forest Glen County Preserve

20301 E. 900 North Road
Westville, Illinois 61883
217-662-2142



Kennekuk County Park

22296-A Henning Road
Danville, Illinois 61834
217-442-1691

Forest Glen County Preserve is located seven miles east of Westville on County Highway 5. It is rated number three botanically in Illinois and consists of beech-maple and oak-hickory forest types. There are four registered Illinois Nature Preserves within the park (Duffin Woods, 200 acres; Forest Glen Seep, 11 acres; Howard's Hollow Seep, 30 acres), and Doris L. Westfall Prairie (40 acres). There is also a twenty-two acre savanna restoration area.

- 1900 acre park for all seasons
- 25 miles of walking trails
(Trail Guide available on visitdanvillearea.com or by mail)
- 72 foot observation tower
- Campground and shelter rentals available
- Features the 40 acre Michael G. Reddy Arboretum

Kennekuk County Park, located five miles west of Danville, is an oak-hickory forest type with native tall grass prairie areas. It contains two Illinois Nature Preserves within its boundaries (Windfall Prairie and Horseshoe Bottoms). Visit the new Environmental Education Center at Kennekuk County Park to learn about Illinois wildlife. View rotational exhibits, art and photography showcases and special events at the Center throughout the year.

- 3,000 acre park featuring forested and prairie habitat
- Over 15 miles of walking trails *(Trail Guide available on visitdanvillearea.com or by mail)*
- 170 acre Lake Mingo
- Access to the Middle Fork National Scenic River
- Historic area including buildings from the 1800s
- Shelter rentals available
- Visitors center including natural history exhibits



*"Leave the road –
take the trails."*

– Pythagore

Harry "Babe" Woodyard State Natural Area

19284 E. 670 North Road
Georgetown, IL
217-442-4915

Heron County Park Wetlands Boardwalk

W. Newell Road
Danville, IL
217-442-1691

Lake Vermilion County Park

2607 Denmark Road
Danville, IL
217-442-1691

- 1,104 acre area
- Supports 12 state endangered or threatened species
- Hiking, fishing, and hunting permitted

- 950 foot floating boardwalk
- Observation tower
- Excellent wildlife viewing and fishing

- 1,000 acre lake open year round
- Boat ramp, dock complex, concession stand, maintenance building, playground, and open shelter
- Open to power boating (unlimited HP), jet skiing, and water skiing
- Excellent wildlife viewing and fishing



City Parks

“There is nothing wrong with having a tree as a friend.”

– Bob Ross

Cannon Park

1701 N. Jackson Street • Danville

- 5 acre park
- Picnic area
- Playground equipment
- Tennis court

Carver Park

420 E. Williams Street • Danville

- 10 acre park
- Picnic area
- Playground equipment
- Softball Field
- 2 basketball courts
- Tennis court
- Shelter

Douglas Park

520 S. Bowman Avenue • Danville

- 16 acre park
- Picnic area
- Playground equipment
- Softball field
- Basketball court
- Two shelters
- Stage
- Skateboard park
- 20 horseshoe pits

Ellsworth Park

100 Oakwood Avenue • Danville

- 60 acre park
- Lighted softball diamond
- Playground
- Soccer field
- Football field
- Fishing
- Lighted basketball courts
- Concession stand
- Picnic area

Fetch Dog Park - Espenscheid Park

Kimball north of Voorhees • Danville

- Fully fenced, off-leash dog park
- ¾ mile fitness trail
- Over 1 mile of trails in the park



Garfield Park

Danville Municipal Swimming Pool
820 N. Griffin Street • Danville

- AMBUCS "Sprayground for Everyone"
 - Zero-depth water-play area
 - Fully accessible to children of all abilities
- 12 acre park
- Picnic areas
- Danville Municipal Pool
- Playground equipment
- Two Basketball courts

Liberty Park

200 E. Liberty Lane • Danville

- 7 acre park
- Picnic area
- Playground equipment Lighted tennis courts
- Soccer field
- Walking trail
- Basketball court

Lincoln Park

1000 Logan Avenue • Danville

- AMBUCS Independence Playground
- Lighted basketball courts
- Tennis courts
- Picnic area
- Playground
- Sandlot
- Baseball/ softball field
- Football field
- Concession stand
- Modern bandshell
- Site of the Lamon House, Danville Tennis Center and annual Arts in the Park.

Meade Park

20 S. Oregon Street • Danville

- 10 acre park
- Picnic area
- Playground equipment
- Softball field
- Basketball court

Southgate Habitat Area Trail

3630 Southgate Drive • Danville
(corner of Southgate Drive & Borgen Drive)

- ¾ mile long trail
- Paved
- Relatively flat
- ADA compliant
- Small picnic shelter near parking lot
- No restrooms

Winter Park

900 East Winter Avenue • Danville

- AMBUCS "Playground for Everyone"
 - Fully accessible to children of all abilities
- 26 acre park
- Multiple softball diamonds
- Sand volleyball
- Concession stand
- Multiple Soccer fields
- Shelter
- Walking trail



The logo for the Danville Area Convention and Visitors' Bureau. It features the word "Danville" in a large, green, serif font. The letter "D" is stylized with a blue and green landscape scene inside it. To the right of "Danville" is the word "Area" in a smaller, green, sans-serif font. Below "Danville" is a horizontal line, and below that is the text "Convention and Visitors' Bureau" in a green, sans-serif font.

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