Eldon Hazlet State Park

Eldon Hazlet State Park is located on beautiful Carlyle Lake, the largest man-made lake in Illinois. The park offers recreational opportunities for every family member–from various sporting activities, to hiking, to bird watching.

Come visit and enjoy your stay!

ELDON HAZLET STATE PARK

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http://dnr.state.il.us/lands/landmgt/PARKS/R4/ELDON.htm

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Campground Hosts

Campground Hosts are available to collect your campground fees. Please check in upon arrival at one of the Campground host sites to obtain your camping permit. Hosts are located on sites 66, 119, 120, 136, 233 and 308.

Handicap Accessible Campground Features

The following features in the Illini Campground are handicap accessible: All three shower buildings; campsites 93, 94, 96, 158, 159, 265 and 267; campground store; rent-a-cabins; playground and shelter at north end; Illini Amphitheater; campground bulletin boards; basketball court; and the public pool.

Illini Campground Store & Public Swimming Pool

The store is open to meet all of your camping needs. The store also offers laundry facilities. A large outdoor pool, located behind the store, is open from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Admission fee per person. For store and pool hours, please call 618-594-8701.

Illini Fishing Pond

The Illini trail, located across from the store, leads to the Illini fishing pond, which is a great location to take young children fishing. The fishing pond is open to bank fishing.

Rent-a-Cabins

Two rustic cabins are available for rent in the Illini Campground. The cabins can accommodate up to six people. They are equipped with a table, chairs, ceiling fans, baseboard heat and electrical outlets. No linens are provided. **No pets please!**

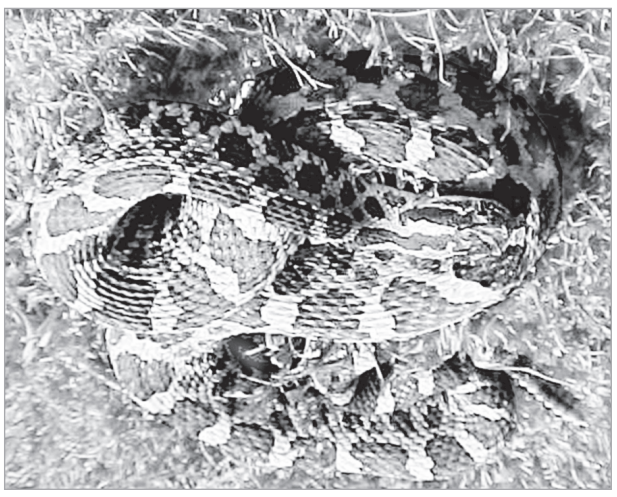
Reservations

Reservations for campsites, rent-a-cabins, and picnic shelters can be made through **www.reserveamerica.com**. To check availability or to make a reservation, please visit the website. Please call the park office for additional information.

Wildlife

The areas on and around Carlyle Lake are home to an abundance of wildlife, including the Eastern Massasauga rattlesnake, an Illinois endangered species. The Illinois Department of Natural Resources, in conjunction with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service initiated a study to learn more fully the habits, range and habitat necessary to sustain this protected species.

The shy, retreating nature of this snake makes it hard to find. Should you come upon a snake, please do not kill or disturb it, but report it to the park staff, a campground host or call (618) 594-3015. Your cooperation is vital if we are to learn about this state endangered species.



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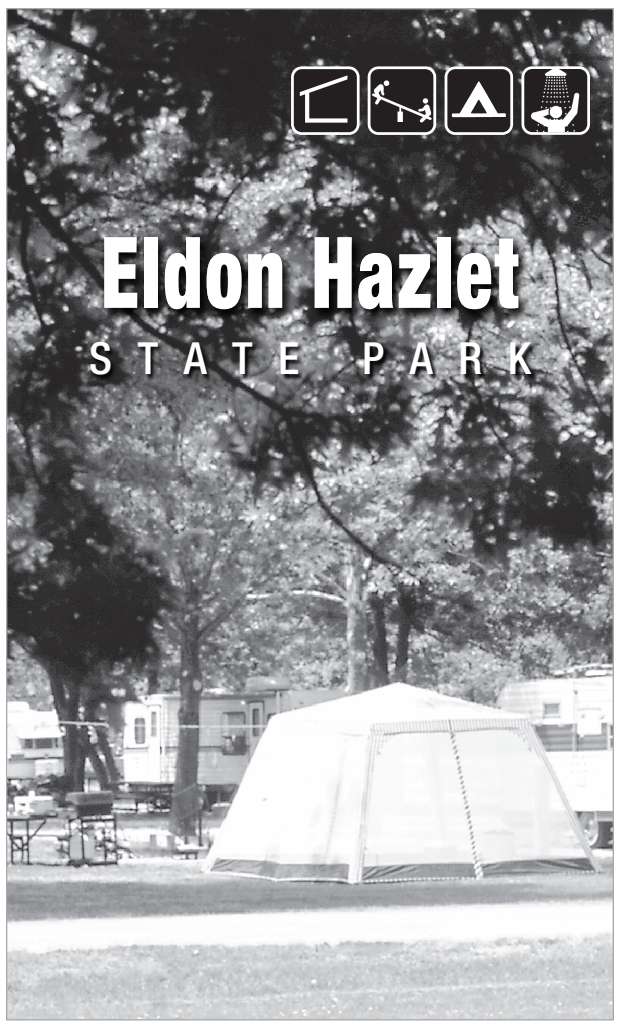

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Camping Guide

Eldon Hazlet State Park Campground Regulations

1. A responsible adult (18 years of age or older) must obtain a camping permit and have a camp shelter on the campsite at the time of registration. It is the camper's responsibility to obtain a camping permit from a Host Site or Park office.
2. No camping equipment shall be placed on any campsite while that site is occupied by another camping party. No more than one camping unit per campsite.
3. One person may not get multiple campsites in the first-come, first-serve area. If additional sites are needed, an additional responsible adult must register for each site.
4. Two vehicles allowed per campsite. Parking lots are available for extra vehicles. Please keep all vehicles, boat trailers, etc. on gravel pads, in front of your camper. Absolutely no parking on any roadway or off the campground pads.
5. Tents must be placed in the immediate area of your campsite. A maximum of 2 tents per site is allowed if tent camping only.
6. Check-in and check-out time is 3 PM. You must renew your permit or move off the campsite by 3 PM.
7. Please do not leave your pet unattended and clean up after them. Do not bring aggressive pets to the park. All pets must be kept on a leash at all times. Animal control will be called, if necessary.
8. *Quiet time is from 10pm to 7am*. The campground is not a location for large group gatherings or parties which are disruptive to the normal atmosphere of the campground. Picnic Shelters are available for group gatherings from 7am to10pm.
9. The water hydrants are for drinking water only, NOT for the cleaning of fish, dishes or personal hygiene. Connections to water hydrants are for temporary use, permanent connections are not allowed. Fish cleaning stations are located by Allen Branch and Apache Boat Access Areas.
10. Swimming in the lake, within Eldon Hazlet State Park, is not permitted. A public swimming pool is available in the park.
11. PLEASE NO GROUND FIRES!! All fires must be in the grill/fire pit provided.
12. Violations of the campground regulations may be cause for immediate eviction.

15 mph Speed Limit Throughout Park

Osage Youth Group Area

The Osage Youth Group Area is a primitive camping area for Youth Groups. It will accommodate approximately 200 people. The area consists of a picnic shelter, barbeque grill, outdoor privy toilets, water hydrant and a large open area for tent camping. With easy access to hiking trails and the lake, this area is a favorite of Scout and Church groups.

Hiking Trails

Eldon Hazlet State Park has more than nine miles of hiking trails throughout the park. Many trails are wheelchair accessible. All hiking trails are closed Wednesday through Sunday from early November to early January due to a controlled pheasant hunting program in the park during these dates. A hiking trail brochure is available for detailed information.

Boat Ramps

For your convenience, three boat ramps are located throughout the park. Allen Branch, one of the most popular on the lake, offers a four-lane ramp with a handicap accessible courtesy dock. Apache ramp, which is located near the Hazlet Cottages, has a two-lane ramp and a separate high water access ramp. Peppenhorst Branch has a graveled small boat ramp. Open seasonally, fish cleaning stations are located near the Allen Branch and Apache ramps.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

911
Ambulance or Fires

(618) 594-4555
Clinton County Sheriff

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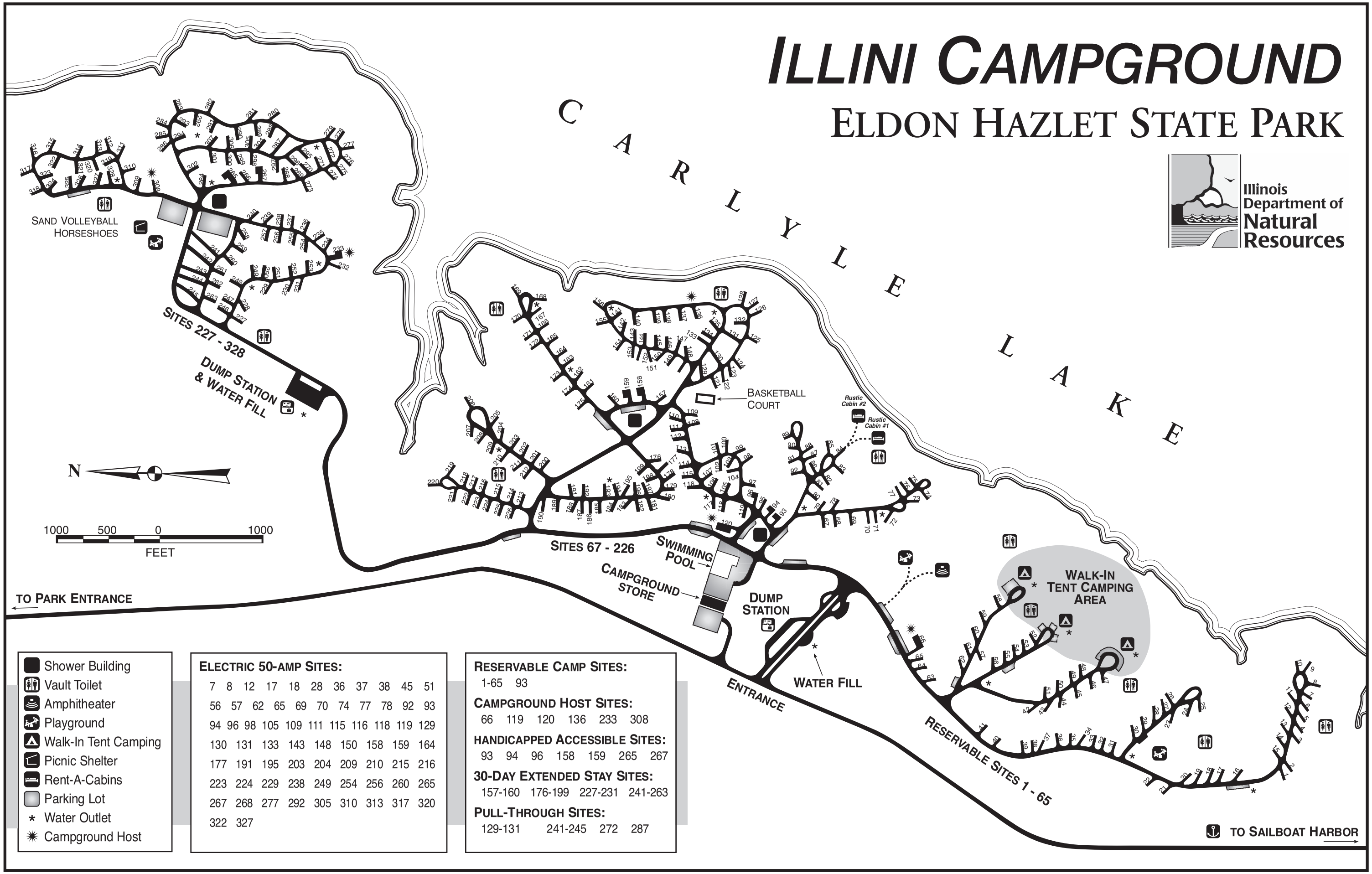

- Shower Building
- Vault Toilet
- Amphitheater
- Playground
- Walk-In Tent Camping
- Picnic Shelter
- Rent-A-Cabins
- Parking Lot
- * Water Outlet
- Campground Host

ELECTRIC 50-AMP SITES:

7 8 12 17 18 28 36 37 38 45 51
56 57 62 65 69 70 74 77 78 92 93
94 96 98 105 109 111 115 116 118 119 129
130 131 133 143 148 150 158 159 164
177 191 195 203 204 209 210 215 216
223 224 229 238 249 254 256 260 265
267 268 277 292 305 310 313 317 320
322 327

RESERVABLE CAMP SITES:

1-65 93

CAMPGROUND HOST SITES:

66 119 120 136 233 308

HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE SITES:

93 94 96 158 159 265 267

30-DAY EXTENDED STAY SITES:

157-160 176-199 227-231 241-263

PULL-THROUGH SITES:

129-131 241-245 272 287