







METRO PARKS OPTIONS



OVERVIEW AND HOURS OF OPERATION

Park	Location	Features	Hours of Operation	Phone
Battelle Darby	Southwest	Bison have been reintroduced to the park and roam	April to Sept. 6:30AM-10PM	614-370-6254
•		freely within two enclosed pastures.	Oct. to March 6:30AM-8PM	
Blacklick Woods	Southeast	Two golf courses; rated one of the top 10 most difficult	April to Sept. 6:30AM-10PM	614-208-4247
		public golf courses in Greater Columbus.	Oct. to March 6:30AM-8PM	
Blendon Woods	Northeast	Two elevated observation shelters with	April to Sept. 6:30AM-10PM	614-620-1861
		spotting scopes for viewing waterfowl	Oct. to March 6:30AM-8PM	
Chestnut Ridge	Southeast	The first ridge in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains	6:30AM-Dark	614-208-4298
Clear Creek	Southeast	Home to Ohio's largest state nature preserve	6:30AM-Dark	740-438-3007
Glacier Ridge	Northwest	A boardwalk takes visitors through a wetlands area. Or, climb a 25-foot	6:30AM-Dark	614-216-8859
_		observation tower to see waterfowl and other animals.		
Heritage Trail Park	West	Adjacent to the Heritage Rail Trail, a 6.1-mile multi-purpose trail	6:30AM-Dark	N/A
Highbanks	North	Named for its massive 100-foot-high shale bluff	April to Sept. 6:30AM-10PM	614-906-3149
_		towering over the Olentangy State Scenic River	Oct. to March 6:30AM-8PM	
Homestead	West	Features a covered bridge, replica train station	6:30AM-Dark	614-508-8111
		as well as basketball and sand volleyball courts		
Inniswood Metro Gardens	Northeast	Boasts more than 2,000 species of plants, specialty	7:00AM-Dark	614-208-4301
		collections and several theme gardens		
Pickerington Ponds	Southeast	A premier spot for birdwatching, with more than 260 species spotted	6:30AM-Dark	614-208-4329
Prairie Oaks	West	Nearly 500 acres of lush flowering prairies and grasslands that	6:30AM-Dark	614-208-4321
		were restored using seeds native to the Darby Plains		
Rocky Fork	Northeast	Over 2 miles of walking trails that wind through woods and fields	6:30AM-Dark	614-595-9979
Scioto Audubon	Central	Largest man made rock climbing wall and an obstacle course	April to Sept. 6:30AM-10PM	614-202-5197
			Oct. to March 6:30AM-8PM	

Sharon Woods	North	Many seasonal pools provide a spring breeding habitat for amphibians and	April to Sept. 6:30AM-10PM	614-620-1865
		other wildlife	Oct. to March 6:30AM-8PM	
Slate Run	Southeast	A variety of habitats ranging from the open areas of grasslands, wetlands and	6:30AM-Dark	614-329-1392
		meadows to the forested areas of beech, oak, hickory and sugar maple		
Three Creeks	South	Owls, great blue herons and more than 100 species of birds have been sighted	April to Sept. 6:30AM-10PM	614-208-2874
		at this park.	Oct. to March 6:30AM-8PM	
Walnut Woods	Southeast	Restored wetlands and vernal pools	6:30AM-Dark	614-357-9375

SHELTERS

Park Name	Location	Number of Reservable Shelters	Number of Non Reservable Shelters	Number of Reservable Lodges
Battelle Darby	Southwest	2	12	1
Blacklick Woods	Southeast	4	11	1
Blendon Woods	Northeast	4	7	0
Chestnut Ridge	Southeast	0	2	0
Clear Creek	Southeast	0	4	0
Glacier Ridge	Northwest	0	1	0
Heritage Trail Park	West	0	0	0
Highbanks	North	2	11	1
Homestead	West	5	0	0
Inniswood Metro Gardens	Northeast	0	0	0
Pickerington Ponds	Southeast	0	2	0
Prairie Oaks	West	0	2	0
Rocky Fork	Northeast	0	3	0
Scioto Audubon	Central	0	3	0
Sharon Woods	North	0	6	1
Slate Run	Southeast	0	2	0
Three Creeks	South	0	1	0
Walnut Woods	Southeast	0	1	0

Reservation Information

Lodges are reservable in all day increments only, 7:30 AM-1 hour before the park closes at a rate of \$250.

Most shelters are reservable all day only, 7:30 AM-1 hour before the park closes at a rate of \$175. Some shelters are reservable for half of a day, 7:30 AM-3:30 PM or 4 PM-1 hour before park closes at a rate of \$100.

Reserve early! Reservations are accepted up to one year in advance. Call (614) 508-8111 8AM-4PM, Mon. through Fri.

The Metro Parks system has hundreds of picnic tables and more than 70 picnic areas and shelters to enjoy. Most picnic areas are available on a firstcome, first-served basis.

ACTIVITIES

Park Name	Location	Acres	Play Areas	Biking	Boating	Horseback Riding	Canoeing/ Kayaking	Fishing	Golf	Disc Golf	Nature Centers	Picnicking
Battelle Darby	Southwest	7,103	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Blacklick Woods	Southeast	643	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Blendon Woods	Northeast	653	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Chestnut Ridge	Southeast	486	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Clear Creek	Southeast	5,390	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Glacier Ridge	Northwest	1,037	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Heritage Trail Park	West	87	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Highbanks	North	1,200	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Homestead	West	44	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Inniswood Metro Gardens	Northeast	123	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Pickerington Ponds	Southeast	1,608	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Prairie Oaks	West	2,143	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Rocky Fork	Northeast	1,003	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Scioto Audubon	Central	120	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Sharon Woods	North	761	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Slate Run	Southeast	1,705	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Three Creeks	South	1,100	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Walnut Woods	Southeast	1,093	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes