

LAKE ANITA STATE PARK

Lake Anita State Park, dedicated in 1961, is one of the most popular outdoor recreation facilities in southwest Iowa. The 942-acre park features a beautiful 171-acre artificial lake. Lake Anita State Park truly has something for everyone; from just hiking on a quiet trail to splashing on the beach, Lake Anita is a great place to enjoy yourself in the great outdoors.

PICNICKING

Lake Anita State Park has a large number of picnic areas, many of which overlook the lake. The park is a wonderful place for a family get-together or just a quick outdoor meal. The 7 open picnic shelters are available for use and may be reserved for \$15.00 through the park ranger.

CAMPING

The campground at Lake Anita is one of the most popular in southwest Iowa. The 144 camping sites are all within easy access of the lake. Electric hookups are available at 69 campsites. Modern shower and rest room facilities are provided. Camping permits are obtained through self-registration at the campground.

FISHING AND BOATING

Lake Anita offers excellent fishing for largemouth bass, crappies, and bluegills. Two boat ramps are available for easy lake access. Any size boat motors may be operated at "no wake" speeds. Dock space for pontoon boats may be reserved on a seasonal basis through the park ranger.

SWIMMING

The beach at Lake Anita offers young and old the opportunity for a refreshing dip on a hot summer day. Lifeguards are available and a modern bathhouse provides the opportunity for the purchase of refreshments.

TRAILS

A self-guided nature trail is available for a pleasant walk. On the trail, park visitors can learn about a number of the shrubs and trees which abound in southwest Iowa.

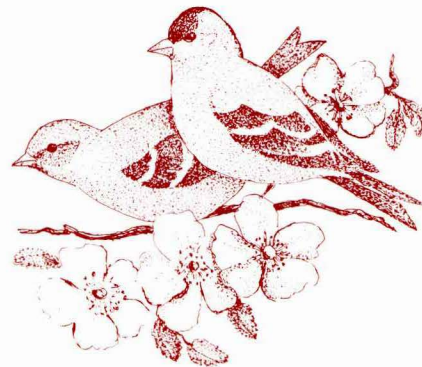
LOCATION

Lake Anita is located 3 miles south of Interstate 80 at the Anita interchange. The park lies just south of the city of Anita and approximately 12 miles east of Atlantic.

EQUAL RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

All persons are entitled to full and equal enjoyment of the recreational opportunities, privileges and advantages available in Iowa's great outdoors.

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A Park User Permit is required. Annual permits are available at the park office. Daily permits are available at posted locations in the park.

