Nearby Parks

If you're having a great time here, don't forget to visit one of the three nearby state parks!

River Island State Park (1.4 miles) This park is ideal for tent campers and provides a scenic respite, a desert escape, or a fun-filled water adventure. It offers campsites, ramadas, a sandy beach, cove, and boat launch area. The park has a trail for hiking and access to off-highway vehicle back-country roads. (928) 667-3386

Cattail Cove State Park (14 miles) A quiet spot for river campers, this park offers a white sand beach, 32 primitive boat-in campsites, a boat launch area, and more park development on the horizon! The park has a trail for hiking and access to off-highway vehicle back-country roads. (928) 855-1223

Lake Havasu State Park (29 miles) The scenic shoreline is an ideal place to enjoy beautiful beaches, nature trails, boat ramps, cabins, and convenient campsites. This spot is truly a watersport haven located near the famous London Bridge of Lake Havasu City. (928) 855-2784

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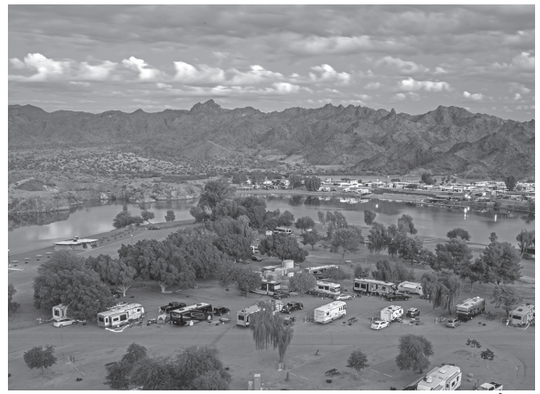

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Buckskin Mountain State Park commands one of the finest views along the Parker strip, an 18-mile stretch between Parker Dam and Headgate Dam. Mountains line the river on both the Arizona and California sides, and the wildlife is as varied as the recreational opportunities along the river.

The park has a campground, a beach, hiking trails, restrooms, showers, a boat ramp, and a picnic area.

In the summer, the park is a popular location for camping, boating, jet skiing, and swimming. In the winter, visitors appreciate the mild climate and enjoy camping, canoeing, fishing, and hiking. Buckskin Mountain State Park is a year-round destination.

Thank you for visiting!

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Ranger Station/Park Store

The ranger station/park store carries fishing and camping items like boating supplies (life jackets, boat cushions, ropes, and anchors), and firewood. There are also great park-specific items like shirts, hats, patches, walking sticks, pins, books, and more.

Hiking Trails

Many visitors take advantage of the park's terrific network of hiking trails.

Lightning Bolt Trail (Red Trail): 0.4-mile round-trip that offers a wonderful view of the campground and the Colorado River.

Market Trail (Violet Trail): 2.3-mile round-trip that is abundant with desert wildflowers in the springtime.

Buckskin Loop (Orange Trail): 1.3-mile round-trip with several scenic lookouts of the Buckskin Mountains and Colorado River. A great introduction to the fauna and flora of the area.

Buckskin Trail (Yellow Trail): 6.8-mile round-trip that includes three abandoned mine shafts. Two of the abandoned mine shafts are found approximately 1 mile from the trailhead.

PLEASE NOTE: Mountain bikes are permitted on the Buckskin Trail east of the Desert Bar 4x4 road.

River View Trail (Blue Trail): 2.7-mile round-trip that leads to a scenic lookout of the Colorado River high above the highway.

Fishing

Sport fish for large and smallmouth bass or bottomfish for catfish and carp. Kids enjoy fishing for bluegill, sunfish, and crappie. A valid Arizona fishing license is required for anglers 10 and older.

Park Rules

General Rules

- Do not litter! "recreate responsibly" and pack out what you bring in, or use the trash receptacles provided in the park.
- Drive your vehicle only on designated paved surfaces. Park only in designated parking areas. Do not park on the side of the road.
- Stay on designated trails. Cutting trails degrades habitat and harms the landscape.
- Do not use glass containers in the park.
- All of our parks adhere to firearm and hunting regulations. Please familiarize yourself with this information.

Fires

- Keep fires in grills or designated state parks fire rings. Never leave fires unattended!
- **Do not gather firewood in the parks.** Firewood is for sale in most park stores.
- Fireworks are not permitted in state parks.
- Be "fire smart" and check fire restrictions at **azstateparks.com/fire-safety.**

Camping

- Campsites are limited to up to six adults and up to 10 people total.
- There are designated dump facilities at the park for your convenience.

Swimming

- There is a designated area for swimming.
- Please obey all posted signs.

Boating

- Review boating regulations before heading out on the water.

Pets

- Keep your pets on a maximum six-foot leash at all times. Pets must be attended at all times.
- **Pick up after your pet.**
- For additional information related to pets, visit our website or ask park staff.

Additional Rules

- Do not use glass containers on the beach.

The rules of this park are not limited to the rules listed above. Additional park rules may be found at **azstateparks.com.**

BUCKSKIN MOUNTAIN
STATE PARK

Trail Name	Route Color	Length Round Trip mi	Uses*
Buckskin	Yellow	6.8	DH
Buckskin Loop	Orange	1.3	^BDEH
Desert Bar Road	Black	5.2	BDEHO
Lightning Bolt	Red	0.4	DH
Market	Violet	2.3	DH
River View	Blue	2.7	DH
Wedge Hill	Brown	1.0	DH

* B=Mountain Bike D=Dog E=Equestrian H=Hike O=OHV
^Bikes and equestrians only permitted east of the Desert Bar Road.

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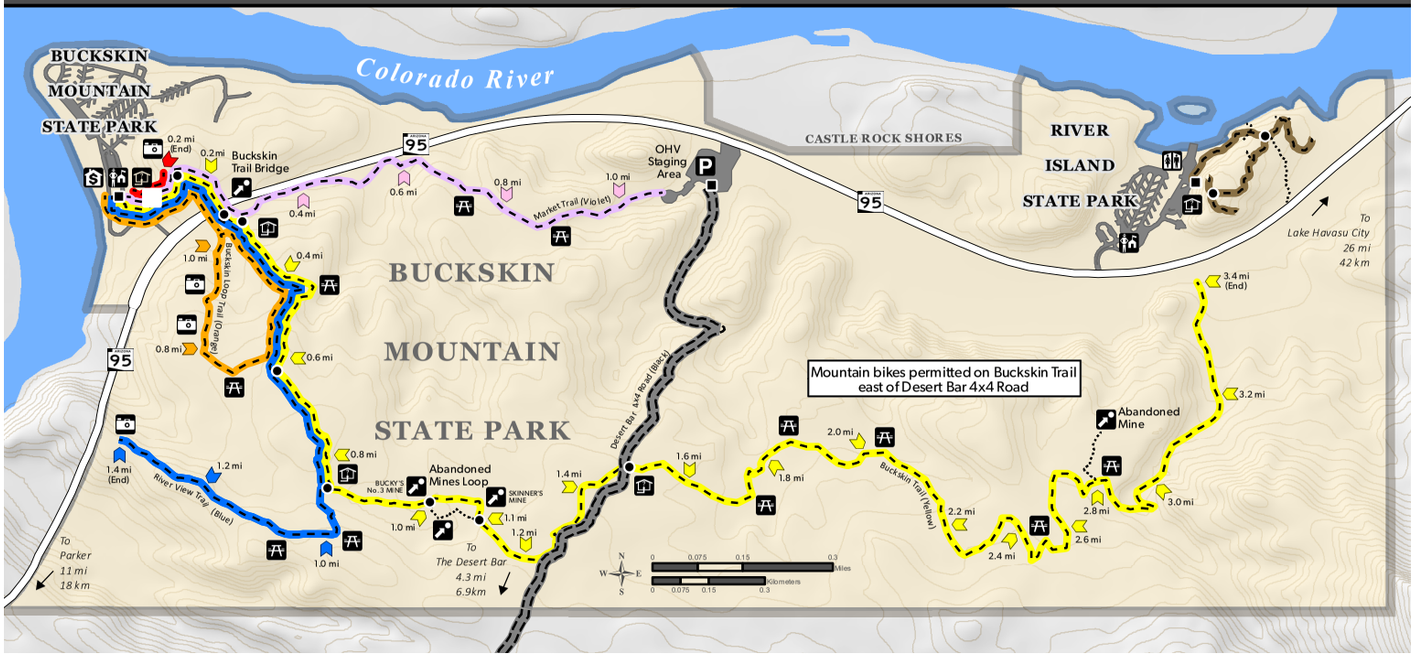
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