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ADMISSION

Adults \$8
SC Seniors \$5
Ages 6 - 15 \$4
Ages 5 and younger FREE
Lighthouse Admission \$5

PARK HOURS

6 a.m. - 6 p.m. daily
(extended to 9 p.m. during DST)

OFFICE HOURS

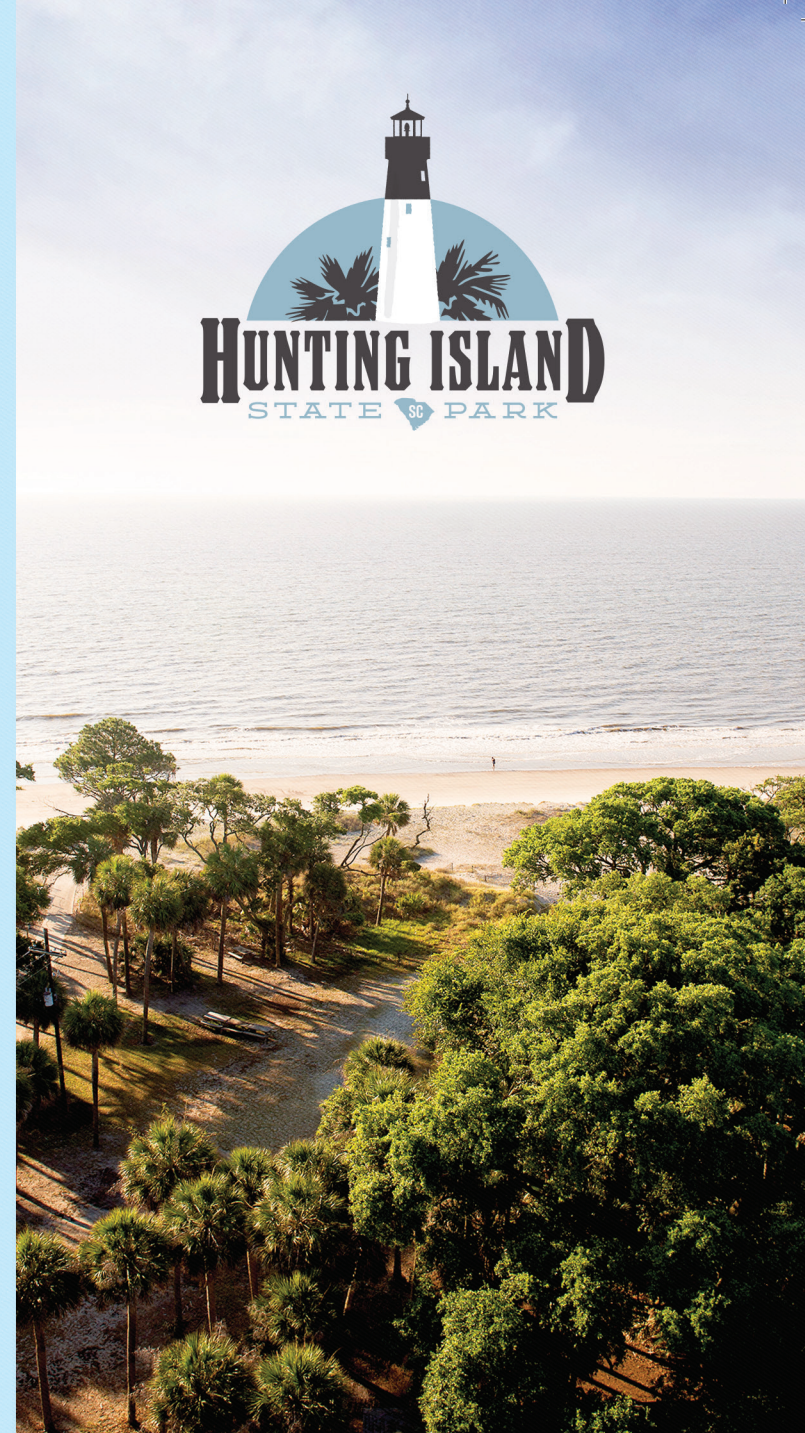
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Monday - Friday
11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday

CONTACT INFORMATION

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SOUTH CAROLINA
STATE PARKS
COME OUT & PLAY

WELCOME TO HUNTING ISLAND STATE PARK

A natural wonderland just off the coast of Beaufort, South Carolina. Occupying an entire barrier island with 4 miles of pristine oceanfront beaches. Whether you're spending the week in our campground or visiting for the day, you'll find that there's fun around every corner at South Carolina's most visited state park!

HUNTING ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1972, Hunting Island's iconic lighthouse is one of eight existing lighthouses on the South Carolina coast. The lighthouse, grounds and outbuildings are open for self-guided tours, and a virtual lighthouse experience is available in the park visitors center during normal business hours.

NATURE'S BOUNTY

With such a wide variety of plant and animal life on and around the island, you'll get a chance to see a plethora of different animals, including white-tailed deer, alligators and bottlenose dolphins. There's also a variety of different birds, including ospreys, bald eagles and the beautiful painted bunting, and nesting animals like the loggerhead sea turtle!

VISITORS CENTER

Take a moment and stop by the newly renovated visitors center to test your wildlife identification skills. The center boasts floor to ceiling murals, touch-screen videos and lifelike models of some of our favorite park animals. Step outside to a large deck that overlooks a small pond where you may spot an alligator or two. At the Visitors Center, our staff is available to answer any questions you may have.

NATURE CENTER & PROGRAMS

Located at the fishing pier, our nature center features both live and interpretive displays about the diverse natural resources found on the island. A wide variety of programs are held each week, most of which are free of charge. Information on each program can be found at SouthCarolinaParks.com.

PETS

Hunting Island State Park welcomes your pet in most outdoor areas, provided it is kept on a leash or physically restrained at all times. Owners of noisy or dangerous pets may be asked to leave. Pets are not permitted within the historic lighthouse grounds, on the fishing pier or in any indoor facility. Pets and horses are not permitted on the beach within the shorebird nesting area, just north of the beach access from the campground.

RETAIL SHOPS

Within the campground, you will find a well-stocked store where you can buy ice, firewood, refreshments, souvenirs, groceries and camping supplies. Additional souvenirs and themed retail items can be found at the Lighthouse Gift Shop and the Nature Center.

TENT & RV CAMPING

The park has 125 campsites, which can be reserved up to 13 months in advance. Sites vary in size from tent-only to ones that can accommodate a 50-foot RV. More details can be found online at SouthCarolinaParks.com, or you can call the park for information.

PICNICS

Picnic tables are located throughout the park. A picnic shelter is available on a first-come, first-served basis or by calling the park office at **843.838.2011** to reserve. Reservations can be made up to 13 months in advance. Grills are not provided.

HIKING & BIKING TRAILS

With nearly 10 miles of hiking trails, you'll have the opportunity to see some of the island's most beautiful sights. The trails range in difficulty from easy to moderate, and you can travel along a 2-mile lagoon, the maritime forest and the ancient dune lines. Bicycles can also ride the beach from tip to tip, tide permitting. Trail maps are available and posted at each trailhead and intersection along the way.

FISHING

Surf fishing and fishing along the lagoon require a state saltwater fishing license. Seasonal favorites include whiting, red drum, sheepshead, spots and several different kinds of sharks. The fishing pier is open during park hours.

COASTAL EXPEDITIONS

Take the ferry to St. Phillips Island, one of only six National Natural Landmarks in South Carolina, and embark on a naturalist-led ecotour with Coastal Expeditions. Once you reach the island, a tram ride will take you through the old growth maritime island so you can spend the day exploring the beach, nature hiking or viewing wildlife. Coastal Expeditions also offers beach drop excursions, giving you the opportunity to experience Little Hunting Island and the Boneyard Beach area.

GET INVOLVED

Friends of Hunting Island is dedicated to helping the park enhance the unique natural wonders and educational opportunities that exist on the island. As a nonprofit, 501(c)(3), independent volunteer organization, our mission is to preserve, protect and enhance the natural and cultural resources of Hunting Island by educating the public and promoting a variety of programs.

Visit FriendsOfHuntingIsland.org to find out more.

