# Pilot Mountain State Park

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## Activities

**Education and Events**: Park rangers offer regularly scheduled educational and interpretive programs at the park. Contact the park office to arrange a special exploration of Pilot Mountain State Park for your group.

Educational materials about Pilot Mountain State Park have been developed for grades 9-12 and are correlated to North Carolina's curriculum. The Pilot Mountain program introduces students to the "mountains away from the mountains" and the geologic processes that formed them.

**Camping**: Each tent and trailer campsite has a tent pad, table and grill. Drinking water and washhouses with showers are nearby. Hookups are not provided. Gathering wood in the park is prohibited. Sites are open March 15 through November 30 and are available by reservation. Two **primitive canoe-in** sites are available downstream of the Shoals Road Canoe Access. A pit toilet is available but you must bring your own water and pack out your refuse. Advance reservations are required for these sites. No camping is allowed anywhere on the Yadkin River Islands. **Youth group tent camping**: The camping area includes tables, a fire circle, drinking water and pit toilets. Reservations are required. Campers should be alert to high water conditions which may cause flooding in the area.

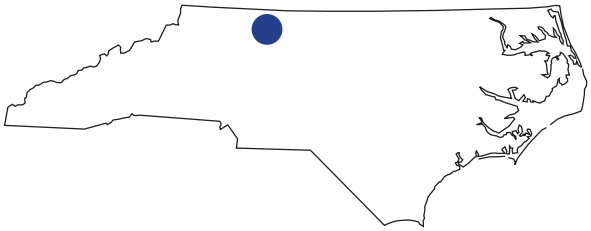
**Trails**: Journey on foot, on horseback or in a canoe. Little Pinnacle Overlook offers hikers a close-up view of Big Pinnacle and distant views of the valley below. Equestrians and hikers alike will relish the trails through the five-mile woodland corridor that connects the two sections of the park.

**Picnicking**: Three picnic areas at Pilot Mountain offer a choice of shady dining spots. Tables and grills are provided, and drinking water and restrooms or pit toilets are located nearby. The covered picnic shelter in the Pilot Mountain section will accommodate up to 35 people. Reservations are suggested. Use of the picnic shelter is free of charge unless reservations are requested.

**Rock climbing** and rappelling are favorite activities at Pilot Mountain. Climbing is permitted only in designated areas. Climbing and rappelling are not permitted on the Big Pinnacle. All climbers must register before beginning a climb. Contact the park office for further information.

**Paddling**: Enjoy the Yadkin River by canoeing through the park on a segment of the Yadkin River Canoe Trail. The 165-mile trail follows the course of the river passing through five reservoirs to the confluence of the Yadkin and Uwharrie rivers. There are 38 canoe access sites along the trail. Parts of the river are also suitable for rafting at times.

## Location



Pilot Mountain State Park is located in Surry and Yadkin counties, 16 miles north of Winston-Salem and 14 miles south of Mount Airy.

## Park Hours

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| November - February | 8 a.m.–6 p.m. |
| March, April, September & October | 8 a.m.–8 p.m. |
| May- August | 8 a.m.–9 p.m. |

Closed Christmas Day

**River Section: Contact park office for seasonal hours.**

Please visit the North Carolina State Parks website or contact the park for **the most current information** about activities, alerts, camping, fees, hours, programs, reservations, rules, and weather.

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