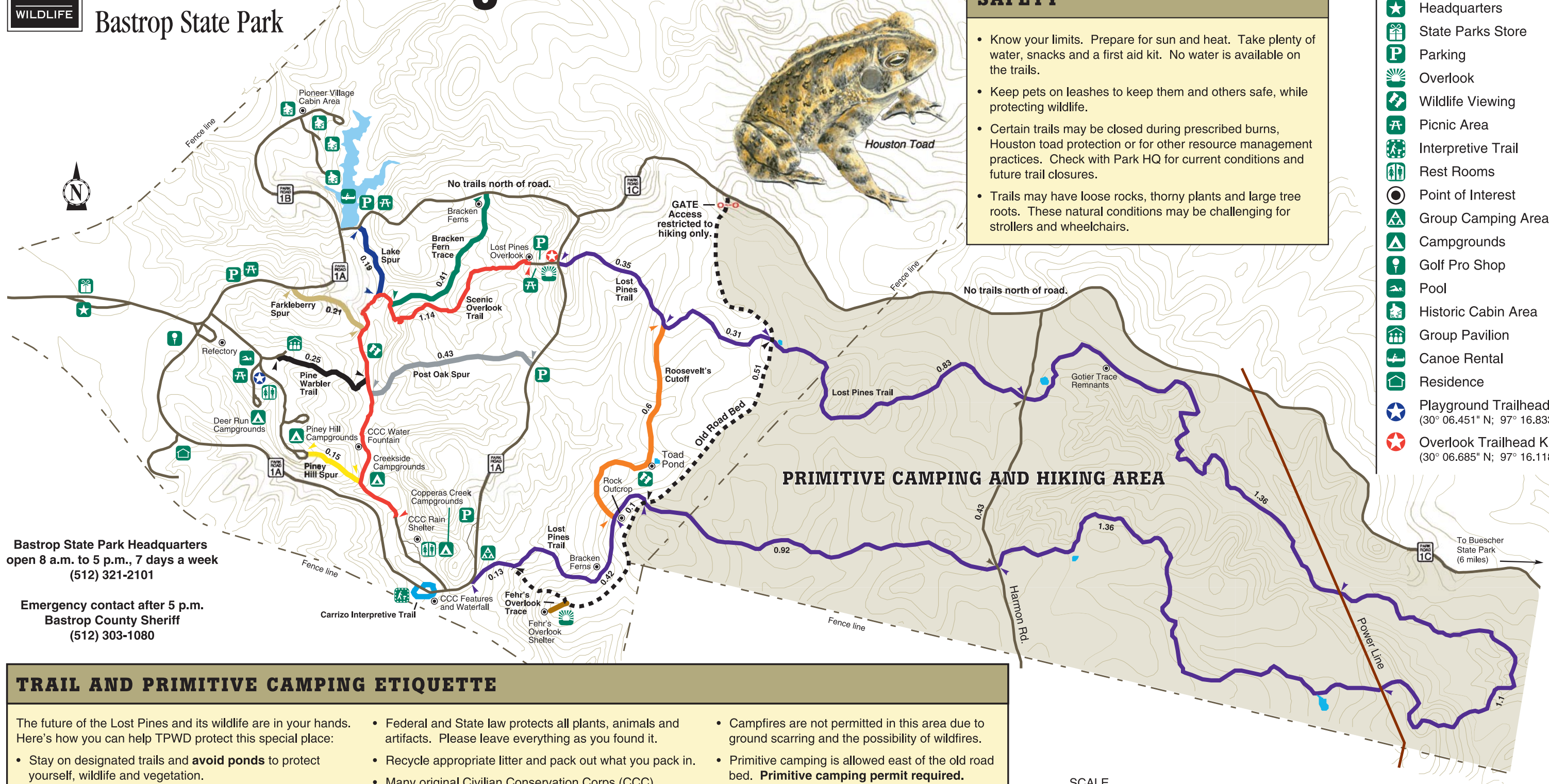


# Lost Pines Hiking Trail

## Bastrop State Park



### SAFETY

- Know your limits. Prepare for sun and heat. Take plenty of water, snacks and a first aid kit. No water is available on the trails.
- Keep pets on leashes to keep them and others safe, while protecting wildlife.
- Certain trails may be closed during prescribed burns, Houston toad protection or for other resource management practices. Check with Park HQ for current conditions and future trail closures.
- Trails may have loose rocks, thorny plants and large tree roots. These natural conditions may be challenging for strollers and wheelchairs.

### Legend:

- Headquarters
- State Parks Store
- Parking
- Overlook
- Wildlife Viewing
- Picnic Area
- Interpretive Trail
- Rest Rooms
- Point of Interest
- Group Camping Area
- Campgrounds
- Golf Pro Shop
- Pool
- Historic Cabin Area
- Group Pavilion
- Canoe Rental
- Residence
- Playground Trailhead Kiosk (30° 06.451" N; 97° 16.833" W)
- Overlook Trailhead Kiosk (30° 06.685" N; 97° 16.118" W)

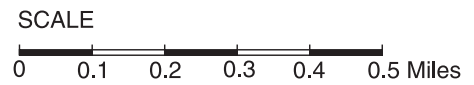
**Bastrop State Park Headquarters**  
open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., 7 days a week  
(512) 321-2101

**Emergency contact after 5 p.m.**  
Bastrop County Sheriff  
(512) 303-1080

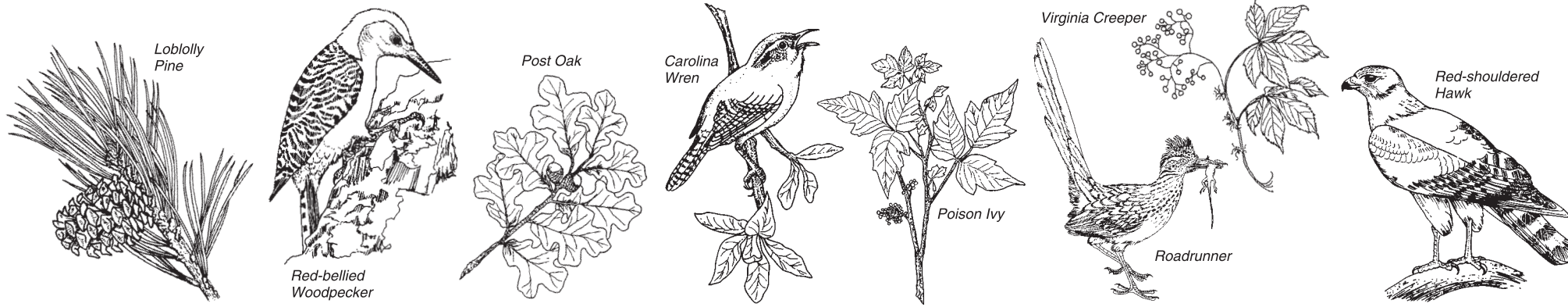
### TRAIL AND PRIMITIVE CAMPING ETIQUETTE

The future of the Lost Pines and its wildlife are in your hands. Here's how you can help TPWD protect this special place:

- Stay on designated trails and **avoid ponds** to protect yourself, wildlife and vegetation.
- Trails for hiking only. Bicycles and horses can damage the sandy soils, a critical habitat for the endangered Houston toad.
- Federal and State law protects all plants, animals and artifacts. Please leave everything as you found it.
- Recycle appropriate litter and pack out what you pack in.
- Many original Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) structures still exist at Bastrop State Park. Please observe these protected structures with admiration and respect.
- Campfires are not permitted in this area due to ground scarring and the possibility of wildfires.
- Primitive camping is allowed east of the old road bed. **Primitive camping permit required.**
- Camp at least 50 feet from the trail and 100 feet from open water.



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# Explore the mysteries of the Lost Pines

We invite you to enjoy, appreciate and learn from the trail system at Bastrop State Park. Smell the loblolly pines which tower above a mosaic of oaks, shrubs, grasslands and flowering plants. Observe the interrelations of nature and listen to sounds of the forest reveal its many species of wildlife.

TRAIL INFORMATION				
Name	Length (Miles)	Walking Time	Max. Grade	
Fehr's Overlook Trace	0.04	5 min.	0.0%	no change
Carrizo Interpretive Trail	0.11	5 min.	0.5%	5 ft. change
Piney Hill Spur	0.15	5 min.	8.1%	60 ft. change
Lake Spur	0.19	10 min.	1.6%	15 ft. change
Farkleberry Spur	0.21	10 min.	8.0%	95 ft. change
Pine Warbler Trail	0.25	10 min.	7.5%	85 ft. change
Bracken Fern Trace	0.41	15 min.	5.2%	80 ft. change
Post Oak Spur	0.43	15 min.	5.7%	70 ft. change
Roosevelt's Cutoff	0.60	25 min.	3.2%	15 ft. change
Scenic Overlook Trail	1.14	40 min.	6.1%	140 ft. change
Lost Pines Trail	6.88	5 hrs.	8.0%	165 ft. change

**Meanings behind trail names**

Arthur **FEHR** was the CCC architect of Bastrop State Park.

**CARRIZO** is the predominant underlying geology of the park. This red sandstone creates the sandy soils of the park.

**FARKLEBERRY** is a widespread native woody shrub found on the trail. Its blue berries provide food for many species, including squirrels, rabbits and birds.

The **PINE WARBLER** is one of the most abundant warblers in the forest, able to adapt to different types of food during the year.

The **POST OAK** is a common oak found in the park becoming more dominant as you walk east. Owing its name to its strong, straight wood that is perfect for fence posts.

**PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT** established the CCC in 1933 in an effort to put young men to work, conserve the nation's natural resources and create public recreation areas, resulting in sites such as Bastrop State Park.

SUGGESTED HIKES	
<p><b>30 Minutes:</b> Playground trailhead kiosk – go through Piney Hill Campground; left onto Piney Hill Spur (yellow); left onto Scenic Overlook Trail (red); left onto Pine Warbler Trail (black); return to kiosk</p> <p><b>45 Minutes:</b> Overlook trailhead kiosk – take Scenic Overlook Trail (red); left onto Post Oak Spur (gray); left onto Park Road 1A; return to kiosk</p>	<p><b>1 Hour:</b> Overlook trailhead kiosk – take Scenic Overlook Trail (red) through Creek Side Campground; through Copperas Creek Campground; left onto Park Road 1A; right onto Lost Pines Trail (purple); left onto Roosevelt's Cutoff (orange); left onto Lost Pines Trail (purple); return to kiosk</p> <p><b>2 Hours:</b> Overlook trailhead kiosk – take Lost Pines Trail (purple); right onto Harmon Rd.; right onto Lost Pines Trail (purple); right onto Old Road Bed; left onto Lost Pines Trail (purple); return to kiosk</p> <p><b>All Day Hike (allow 5 hours):</b> Overlook trailhead kiosk – follow entire 6.88 mile Lost Pines Trail (purple); left onto Park Road 1A; right into Copperas Creek Campground and through Creek Side Campground onto Scenic Overlook Trail (red); return to kiosk</p>

POINTS OF INTEREST <small>(GPS coordinates given in Lat/Long Minute Decimal – NAD 83)</small>
<p><b>Bracken Ferns</b> (30° 06.781" N; 97° 16.300" W) and (30° 06.019" N; 97° 16.060" W) A scenic under-story of Bracken fern.</p>
<p><b>CCC Landscape features and waterfall</b> (30° 05.984" N; 97° 16.441" W) The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) constructed bridges, culverts, retaining walls and creek crossing waterfalls may be discovered throughout the park, displaying extensive landscape efforts.</p>
<p><b>CCC Pioneer Village</b> (30° 06.994" N; 97° 16.705" W) A set of 13 cabins and a bathhouse built by the CCC in the "NPS Rustic" style. The cabins were built with locally quarried Carrizo sandstone, pine and cedar so that they appear to grow from the land. The stone cabins, 1-5 and 13, were built in 1934. Cabins 6-11, built in 1935, used wood framing.</p>
<p><b>CCC Water Fountain</b> (Scenic Overlook Trail) (30° 06.317" N; 97° 16.588" W) Historic CCC structure. Many fountains such as this were built throughout the original picnic and day use areas of the park.</p>
<p><b>Gotier Trace Remnants</b> (30° 06.457" N; 97° 14.820" W) Remains of one of Texas' early travel routes between the Colorado River crossing in Bastrop to San Felipe. This 1820s marked route provided access through the Lost Pines area and helped establish the town of Bastrop.</p>
<p><b>Group Picnic Shelter</b> (30° 06.110" N; 97° 16.487" W) Historic CCC structure built with local Carrizo sandstone in the "NPS Rustic" style.</p>
<p><b>Hidden Scenic Overlook</b> (30° 05.955" N; 97° 16.164" W) Historic CCC structure built in the "NPS Rustic" style providing a view to the south.</p>
<p><b>Pond off Roosevelt's Cutoff</b> (30° 06.258" N; 97° 15.910" W) Ponds and wetlands at the park provide important habitat to the endangered Houston toad.</p>
<p><b>Rock Outcrop</b> (Lost Pines Trail) (30° 06.161" N; 97° 15.965" W) Exposed Carrizo sandstone. Outcrops such as this served as inspiration for the cabin designs.</p>
<p><b>Refectory and NHL Designation</b> (30° 06.527" N; 97° 16.935" W) In 1997, Bastrop State Park received designation as a National Historic Landmark because of its fine examples of CCC craftsmanship. Bastrop is one of only five CCC parks in the nation with this recognition.</p>
<p><b>Scenic Overlook of Lost Pines</b> (30° 06.680" N; 97° 16.165" W) A historic CCC structure built in the "NPS Rustic" style providing a view over the forest canopy to the west.</p>

