

DALLAS/FORT WORTH AREA STATE PARKS



Welcome to the Texas State Parks Geocache Challenge!

Adventure and discovery await you as you find specially placed hidden items that reveal exciting facts and stories about Texas State Parks.

- We have hidden a special geocache in each of 13 state parks for you to find. This passport page is your proof you found each cache, so keep it dry and clean. Write down each coordinate (waypoint) on this sheet before leaving for the state park. Waypoints can be found at www.tpwd.state.tx.us/geocaching
- Inside each cache, you will find a logbook. Sign your name, date and message for others to read. The front of the logbook will contain a story describing a special feature of the park. Use this to answer the question listed on this passport. There will also be a special orienteering punch, which you should use to punch the black circle next to the park name. These two elements are your proof of finding the cache.
- There will also be small prizes and trinkets for trade. Be sure to bring something with you and trade for something of equal or lesser value. Also, in each cache there will be different collectible trading cards for the kids. Collect all 13!

That's it! Continue searching for the rest of the caches in the Texas State Parks Geocache Challenge and other caches hidden in your state parks. Go to www.geocaching.com to log your cache.

Once you have found all 13 caches, send your completed passport to:

**Texas State Parks Geocache Challenge - TPWD
100 PW 4137
Pilot Point, TX 76258**

The first 25 returned passports receive a commemorative Texas State Parks Geocache Challenge coin. Other gifts will include large stickers and certificates of completion. Passports must be legible to claim prizes.

Last Step!

In order to claim your prize, please complete this Texas State Parks Geocache Challenge survey.

- How long have you been geocaching?
 New cacher Less than 1 year 1-5 years 5+ years
- Would you be interested in attending a clinic to learn more about geocaching?
 Yes No
- Would you like to see the event go statewide?
 Yes No
- Did you learn something new about Texas State Parks from the caches?
 Yes No
- Where did you learn about the Texas SP Geocache Challenge?
 www.geocaching.com
 TPWD Web site
 Texas State Park
 Other (specify) _____
- Have you been to a Texas State Park in the last two years?
 Yes No
 If yes, how many times? _____
- Do you own a Texas State Park Pass?
 Yes No
 If yes, was the Texas SP Geocache Challenge program a reason for your purchase?
 Yes No
- Would you be interested in volunteering for the Texas SP Geocache Challenge program?
 Yes No

Demographics (optional)

- How many people are in your group?
 1-2 3-4 5 or more
- What are the ages in your group?

- What zip code do you live in? _____
- Ethnicity:
 Caucasian (non-Hispanic) African-American
 Hispanic Asian
 Native American/Pacific Islander
 Other _____

Name _____

Mailing address _____

City/State/Zip _____

E-mail address _____



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Practice "Cache in and Trash out." Help us take care of our real treasures, Texas State Parks.

(PUNCH)



Ray Roberts Lake State Park – Isle Du Bois Unit

? What is the English translation of "Isle du Bois"?

Coordinates:
N
W

(PUNCH)



Lake Mineral Wells State Park

? What are the two trees that indicate you are in the Texas Cross Timbers?

Coordinates:
N
W

(PUNCH)



Eisenhower State Park

? What is the name of the fossilized sea creature with the spiral-shaped shell found in this area?

Coordinates:
N
W

(PUNCH)



Lake Tawakoni State Park

? What Indian tribe once resided in this area?

Coordinates:
N
W

(PUNCH)



Cooper Lake State Park – Doctors Creek Unit

? During what seasons of the year might you find an abundance of color at this park?

Coordinates:
N
W

(PUNCH)



Cooper Lake State Park – South Sulphur Unit

? What two groups of people inhabited this area before the Anglo settlers arrived?

Coordinates:
N
W

(PUNCH)



Daingerfield State Park

? Who built the major park facilities, including the lake?

Coordinates:
N
W

Ray Roberts Lake State Park – Johnson Branch Unit

? James Johnson built a cabin and homesteaded in what Texas ecoregion?

Coordinates:
N
W

(PUNCH)



Cedar Hill State Park

? The Penn Prairie and other tallgrass prairie remnants preserved at Cedar Hill State Park belong to what Texas ecoregion?

Coordinates:
N
W

(PUNCH)



Dinosaur Valley State Park

? What is the name of the sauropod dinosaur that left the tracks you see in the bed of the Paluxy River?

Coordinates:
N
W

(PUNCH)



Bonham State Park

? What was the original name of the town of Bonham? (Hint – it is also the common name of a plant found in the park.)

Coordinates:
N
W

(PUNCH)



Purtis Creek State Park

? What type of transportation once came through this area?

Coordinates:
N
W

(PUNCH)



Tyler State Park

? What management practices are used today in an attempt to increase plant diversity?

Coordinates:
N
W

(PUNCH)

