



Dinosaur Valley State Park

Background

Dinosaur Valley is located four miles Northwest of Glen Rose in Somervell County. Most of the 1,750 acres was acquired from private owners under the State Parks Bond Program during 1969. The Paluxy River that runs through the park is one of the more scenic tributaries of the Brazos River and is widely known for the three different kinds of 113 million-year-old dinosaur tracks exposed at various places in its streambed. In recognition of the uniqueness of these natural features, the National Park Service designated the park as a National Natural Landmark.

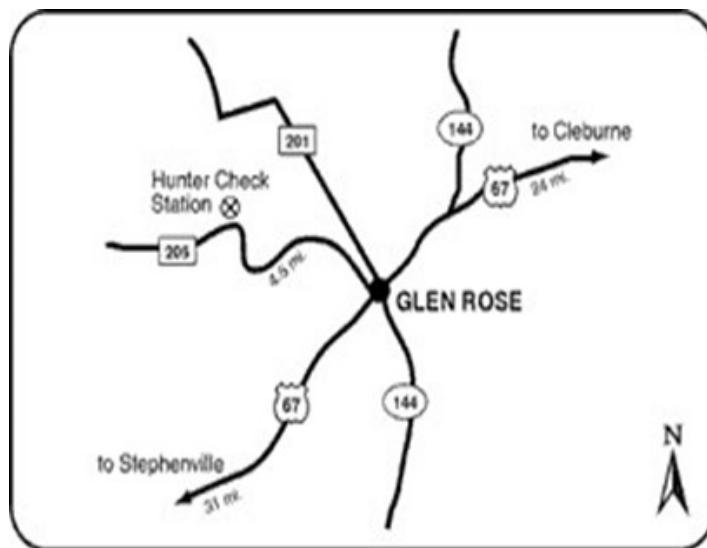
Plants in the Paluxy River drainage are characteristic of the Cross-Timbers and Blackland Prairie vegetation areas. The uplands show similarities with the plants of the Edwards Plateau to the south and west, supporting numerous species of trees, plants and shrubs, white-tailed deer, coyote, bobcat, raccoon, beaver, skunk and fox squirrel are a few of the mammals found in the park.

The park is reached by taking Park Road 59 (FM 205) off U.S. 67 west of Glen Rose for 4.5 miles to the park entrance.

Hunting Information

Permitted hunters should report to the park maintenance office by noon on the first day of their assigned hunt period. Hunters must contact the area as soon as possible if they are unable to attend their accepted hunt or not able to arrive on the first day for orientation. Standby hunters will not be drawn for these hunts. Following a brief orientation, Texas Parks and Wildlife personnel will take hunters to a pre-selected blind. Hunters are to remain in the blind until hunt personnel pick them up. Hunting will end at 11:00 A.M. on the final day of the assigned hunt. The area is closed to park visitors during the public hunts, and the entrance fee is waived for permitted hunters.

All park rules and regulations must be adhered to unless superseded by hunting regulations.



- Hunters must visibly wear a minimum of 400 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange material, with at least 144 square inches appearing on both chest and back and orange headwear.
- Only one legally permissible means per hunter will be allowed into the hunt area. The legal means for each hunt can be found online in the Drawn Hunt Catalog. Use of dogs is prohibited. Non-permitted visitors and family members will not be allowed on the park during hunts. However, a non-hunting adult may be allowed to assist a permitted hunter with mobility disabilities.
- Hunters will be responsible for the reasonable care of their game after harvest. No facilities for deer storage will be available in the park, but commercial facilities are available in Granbury or Stephenville.
- Hunters are reminded that they must have a valid Texas Hunting License with appropriate tags, as required by statute. Hunters 17 years of age and older must have in their possession a driver's license or personal identification certificate. Hunter Education is required of hunters that are 17 years of age or older, and born on or after September 2, 1971. See the Texas Parks and Wildlife Outdoor Annual for more information.
- Each hunter should bring a flashlight, food, drinking water, and foul weather gear.
- Disturbance or removal of plants, rocks, artifacts, or other objects is prohibited.
- The display or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
- Off road vehicle use and hunting from a vehicle is prohibited, except as allowed by special provisions for hunters with mobility disabilities.

Camping will be available in the park for permitted hunters. The normal overnight camping fee will be charged to hunters using the Park's facilities. Multi-purpose campsites with electricity, water and tent pads will be available for use. Reservations are not required but will be accepted in advance. Call (512) 389-8900 for campsite reservations. Lodging is also available in Glen Rose and Granbury.

Accommodations for hunters with disabilities on public hunt sites vary between areas. If you would like to request accommodation, please contact each area directly at least 2 weeks in advance of your hunt to discuss the options that may be available.

If you have further questions, please call the Dinosaur Valley State Park at: (254) 897-4588