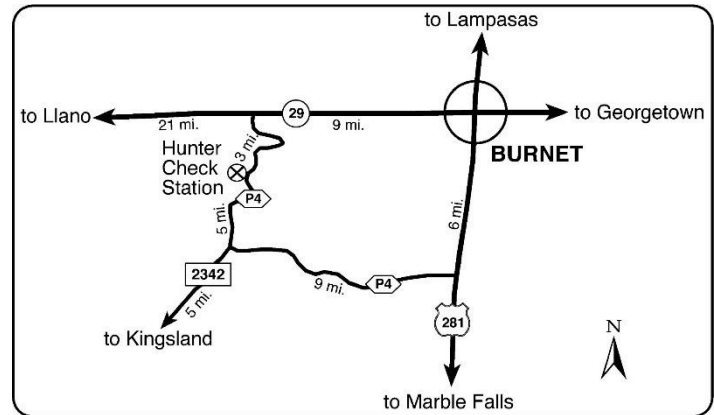




Inks Lake and Longhorn Cavern State Parks

Background

Inks Lake SP contains 1,201 acres located 9 miles west of the town of Burnet and 3 miles south of S Hwy 29 on Park Road 4. Inks Lake State Park contains large outcroppings of pink granite interspersed with stands of live oak and ashe juniper. Longhorn Cavern State Park is located southeast of Inks Lake State Park about a 10-minute drive along Park Road 4. Longhorn Cavern State Park contains 653 acres of hilly limestone terrain with dense woods of ashe juniper and live oak.



Inks Lake State Park and Longhorn Cavern State Park will be hunted as one combined unit with the hunter check station located at Inks Lake State Park. Overnight camping is available for permitted hunters and the standard fee is charged.

Call Inks Lake State Park for further information (512) 793-2223.

Hunting Information

The public hunts at Inks Lake State Park and Longhorn Cavern State Park will be combined as one for management purposes (the parks are located 6 miles apart). The hunter check station will be established at the Inks Lake State Park Maintenance Area for the hunts on both areas. Permitted hunters should report park headquarters by 10:00 A.M. on the first day of their assigned hunt period and park staff will direct you to the hunter check station. **Permitted hunters who are unable to participate in their assigned hunt or are unable to report on time should notify park staff at (512) 793- 2223 as soon as possible.** Following a brief orientation, Parks and Wildlife Department personnel will escort hunters to a pre-selected blind. Hunters must hunt only in the assigned blind. Any hunter caught outside of the area of their blind will lose their hunting privileges. Hunting will end at 11:00 a.m. on the final day of the assigned hunt. All park rules and regulations must be adhered to unless superseded by hunting regulations. Hunting licenses are available at the Inks Lake State Park Headquarters.

Both parks will be open for daily business during the public hunts. The public hunts will take place along the trail systems in both parks, these areas will be the only areas closed to the public during the hunt periods. Hunters will be permitted to camp in the camping areas of Inks Lake State Park during the public hunts. For camping availability and reservations call (512) 389-8900. No camping is permitted at Longhorn Cavern State Park. Hunters will be responsible for the reasonable care of their game after harvest. No game storage facilities are available at the park. Commercial facilities are available nearby. No harvested game will be permitted in the campground areas unless they are quartered and in ice chests. Hunters are reminded that non-hunting campers will be staying in the campground during the public hunts. Use of dogs is prohibited. All hunters in the hunt area must wear, in plain view, a minimum of 400 square inches of fluorescent orange material with no less than 144 square inches plainly visible on both chest and back and orange headwear. Non-permitted visitors will be allowed into the public areas of both parks but will not be allowed into the hunt areas. Definition of legal animals to be taken will be designated at hunter orientation. Hunters are reminded that they must have a valid Texas Hunting License, any required as required by statute. It is no longer necessary to use a hunting license tag or bonus tag for a deer taken during a Special Permit drawn hunt. A TPWD Legal Deer Tag, issued at the area, must be attached to a harvested deer prior to leaving the hunt area. Hunters 17 years and over must have in their possession a driver's license or personal identification certificate. It is an offense for a person to be under the influence of alcohol or consume an alcoholic beverage while engaged in hunting activities or to publicly consume an alcoholic beverage while in the park. Hunter Safety Education is required of Texas hunters born on or after September 2, 1971. See the Texas Parks & Wildlife Outdoor Annual for more information.

Accessibility At Inks Lake State Park

Inks Lake State Park welcomes hunters of all abilities, public hunting is for all Texans. If you require assistance of any kind or the assignment of an ADA accessible blind, please reach out to the hunt coordinator 2 weeks in advance so that we can best serve you.

- ADA accessible restrooms can be found at the visitor center, and accessible bathrooms with roll in showers can be found at the campgrounds.
- Operation of all-terrain vehicles (ATV/UTV) is prohibited, except as allowed by special provisions for hunters with mobility disabilities.
- 8x8 blind with a 36 inch door and ramp. Adjustable bench/rest (31.5"-34.5"), may be removed if needed.
- Parking with applicable space for transferring to and from chair.
- Accessible cabin and campsites available by reservation.
- Special assistance could be provided with advanced notice.