

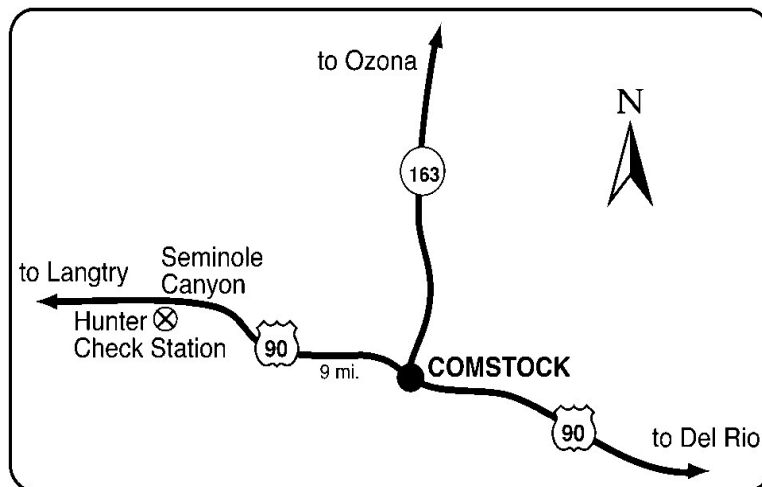


Seminole Canyon State Historical Park

Background

Seminole Canyon State Historical Park consists of 2,172 acres located approximately 45 miles west of Del Rio in Val Verde County on U.S. Hwy. 90. Deer hunts were conducted on the acreage under private ownership through the 1973 hunting season and reinstated by the department as a population control measure during the 1991 season. Objectives of the department are to restore and maintain healthy populations of native

fauna and flora in natural habitats and to provide for compatible public use. Where game populations exceed the carrying capacity of the habitat, the preferred method of reduction is public hunting.



Hunting Information

All park rules and regulations must be adhered to unless superseded by hunting regulations. Permitted hunters should report to the Check Station by 11:00 a.m. 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 should report to the check station by 10:00 a.m. on the first day of the desired hunt period to complete the application process. Standby hunters will be drawn as vacancies permit. Following a brief orientation, Parks and Wildlife Department personnel will direct hunters to a preselected area. Hunters must hunt only in assigned compartments but may come and go from their compartments at their leisure. Hunting will end at 11:00 a.m. on the final day of the assigned hunt.

Hunters must 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.

Use of dogs is prohibited.

Non-permitted visitors and family members will not be allowed on the park during hunts, except that a non-hunting adult directly assisting a permitted hunter with mobility disabilities will be allowed.

Hunters will be responsible for the reasonable care of their game after harvest. No facilities for deer storage will be available on the Park, but commercial facilities are available in Del Rio and Comstock.

Hunters are reminded that they must have a Special Permit, valid Texas Hunting License and any stamp as required by statute. It is no longer necessary to use a hunting license tag or bonus tag for on a deer taken during a Special Permit drawn hunt however 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 of age and older must have in their possession a valid I.D. 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). Each hunter should also bring a flashlight, food, drinking water and foul weather gear.

Disturbance or removal of plants, rocks, artifacts or other objects is prohibited.

The public display or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.

Off-road vehicle use and hunting from a vehicle is prohibited, except that hunters with mobility disabilities may hunt from a stationary motor vehicle. Operation of an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) or off-road vehicle (ORV) is prohibited, except by a hunter with mobility disabilities or an adult directly assisting a permitted hunter with mobility disabilities.

Camping will be available on the Park for permitted hunters. The Park provides campsites with hookups for water and electricity or campsites with water only at the camping area, a trailer dump station is available on the Park. Restroom with showers is available in the camping area. Ground fires or campfires are allowed on the Park only in designated areas and subject to local burn ban notices. The normal overnight camping fee will be charged to those hunters utilizing the Park's facilities. Call (432) 292-4464 for information on local burn bans, hunt and camping information. Private motels and campgrounds are available in the surrounding towns of Comstock and Del Rio.