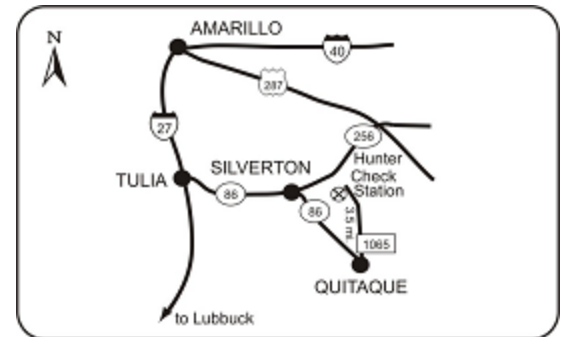




Caprock Canyons State Park Multi-Species Falconry Hunt

Background

Caprock Canyons State Park (SP) is named for the scenic and rugged escarpment that separates the tablelands of the Southern High Plains from the Rolling Plains to the east. The 13,960-acre park is located in southeastern Briscoe, County near the community of Quitaque, Texas. Although the park is bordered on the north by State Highway 256, the entrance is on the south and accessible to Quitaque on Farm-to-Market Road 1065. For more information call (806) 455-1492.



Objectives

The department desires to restore and maintain healthy populations of native fauna and flora in natural habitats and to provide for compatible public use. Where populations exceed carrying capacities of the habitats, the preferred method of reduction is public hunting. The hunts are designed to implement a biologically sound management practice by reducing the small mammals within the park.

General Information

Permitted hunters should report to the Park headquarters by 9:00 a.m. on the first day of their assigned hunting 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 hunt applicants should report at 8:00 a.m. to complete the application process prior to the drawing any available Standby hunt positions. Hunters will report to the park headquarters no later than noon on the seventh day of the hunt period to check out and vacate the area.

- All park rules and regulations must be adhered to unless superseded by hunting regulations.
- The Parks and Wildlife Department retains the right to cancel permits, alter bag limits or stopping the hunt at any time.
- Falconers will have access to approximately 3,300 acres of the park.
- The only means of harvest will be by falconry.
- The bag and possession limits for the hunt be as printed on your Special Access permits.

- Falconers 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.
- Falconers will be responsible for the reasonable care of their game after harvest. No facilities for game storage will be available on the park.
- Use of dogs, horses, and ATV/UTVs is prohibited.
- Falconers are reminded that they must have a valid Texas Hunting License, any required stamp and appropriate tags as required by statute.
- Falconers born on or after September 2, 1971 are required to have completed the Hunter Education Certification. See the Texas Parks & Wildlife Outdoor Annual for more information.
- Disturbance or removal of plants, rocks, artifacts or other objects is prohibited.
- The display or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
- Camping will be available on the park. Multi-use campsites will be available for use. Hunters are responsible for making reservations for these campsites. No sites will be held by the Park for hunters. Normal park use fees will be charged to those falconers using the Park's facilities.
- Park facilities will remain open to the public during the hunt period.
- Vehicular access is restricted to established roadways. Falconers are required to park in designated parking areas throughout the Park.
- Because of the extremely rugged terrain of the park, falconers should be prepared for a very strenuous hunt that may occur during severe winter conditions such as freezing rain or snow.

Call (806) 455-1492 for more information about the Park.