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**STAYING SAFE**

**KNOW YOUR LIMITS.** Prepare for sun and heat. Wear sunscreen, insect repellent and appropriate clothing/hiking shoes.

**DRINK PLENTY OF WATER.** Your body loses fluid quickly when you’re on the trail. Bring a quart of water per hour of activity.

**TELL OTHERS WHERE YOU’LL BE.** If possible, avoid exploring alone. Tell someone where you are going and when you plan to return.

**WEAR A HELMET.** Biking is only permitted on park roads. Always wear a helmet and watch for traffic.

**HAZARDS EXIST ALONG THE TRAILS.** Many trails are rugged. Watch out for uneven trail surfaces, loose gravel, and muddy or slippery trails.

**YOU MAY NOT BE ABLE TO CONNECT.** It's a good idea to take along a cell phone and GPS unit, but don't count on them.

**POTENTIALLY HARMFUL PLANTS AND ANIMALS LIVE HERE.** You'll see them more easily if you stay on trails.

**TRAIL ETIQUETTE**

**Trash your trash.** Keep the park natural. Pack out all of your trash, including dog poo bags. Leave No Trace.

**Leave feeding to nature.** Feeding wild animals will make them sick and more likely to harm people.

**Take only memories and pictures.** Help preserve nature. Leave all plants and animals in the park.

**Keep pets on leashes** for their safety, and to protect wildlife.

**Don’t pocket the past.** Help preserve Texas heritage. Leave artifacts where you find them and report their location to a ranger.

**Campfires are permitted only in designated rings.** To protect park resources, no motor vehicles are allowed on the trails or tram loop.

**FOR EMERGENCIES, PLEASE CALL 9-1-1.**

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<td><strong>Alligator Lake Trail</strong></td>
<td>0.1 mi.</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>Easy</td>
<td>Visit Alligator Lake to search for our resident American alligators or resident herons and egrets, like the Yellow-crowned Night-heron. The trail starts along the south fork of the Camino de Aves.</td>
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<td><strong>Llano Grande Hiking Trail</strong></td>
<td>1.46 mi.</td>
<td>1 hr.</td>
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<td>Walk atop a levee that is part of the Rio Grande floodway and overlooks Llano Grande Lake, a naturally occurring lake that is part of the Arroyo Colorado watershed. Look for Roseate Spoonbills and White-tailed Kites here. Hop on this trail from Wader’s Trail, Camino de Aves, or Orchard Trail.</td>
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<td><strong>Tropical Area Trails</strong></td>
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<td>Previously Lakeview RV Park, here you’ll travel a network of paved trails, surrounded by a mix of native brush and non-native trees that create a lush canopy for resident and migratory birds. Get off the pavement and onto Green Jay Trail for a walk through some special, old-growth habitat.</td>
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<td><strong>Wader’s Trail</strong></td>
<td>1.16 mi.</td>
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<td>Take these trails for great looks at the park’s main wetland areas. Birds and animals of all kinds come from far and wide to these sources of water and food. The wetlands and surrounding brush and grasslands were once agricultural fields.</td>
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<td><strong>Camino de Aves</strong></td>
<td>0.94 mi.</td>
<td>1 hr.</td>
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<td>Take time to explore this dryer area of the park. Honey mesquite, prickly pear cactus, and amargosa bushes thrive in this area. Get started at northeastern side of Wader’s Trail.</td>
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<td><strong>Orchard Trail</strong></td>
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<td>Accessible from the Camino de Aves or the Llano Grande Hiking Trail, Orchard Trail goes under several large honey mesquite trees that attract a variety of migratory birds.</td>
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