



# Meridian State Park Trails Map

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## LEGEND

- Headquarters
- Parking
- Restrooms
- Showers
- Drinkable Water
- Accessible Trail
- Hiking-only Trail
- Scenic Overlook
- Boat Ramp
- Fishing Pier
- Swimming
- Dump Station
- Full Hookup Campsites
- Primitive Campsites
- Campsites with Water
- Campsites with Water & Electric
- Cabins Without Bathrooms
- Screened Shelters
- Picnic Area
- Dining Hall
- Group Camping



Raccoon

All trails are hiking only. Contour intervals are 10 feet.  
Trail lengths are in miles.

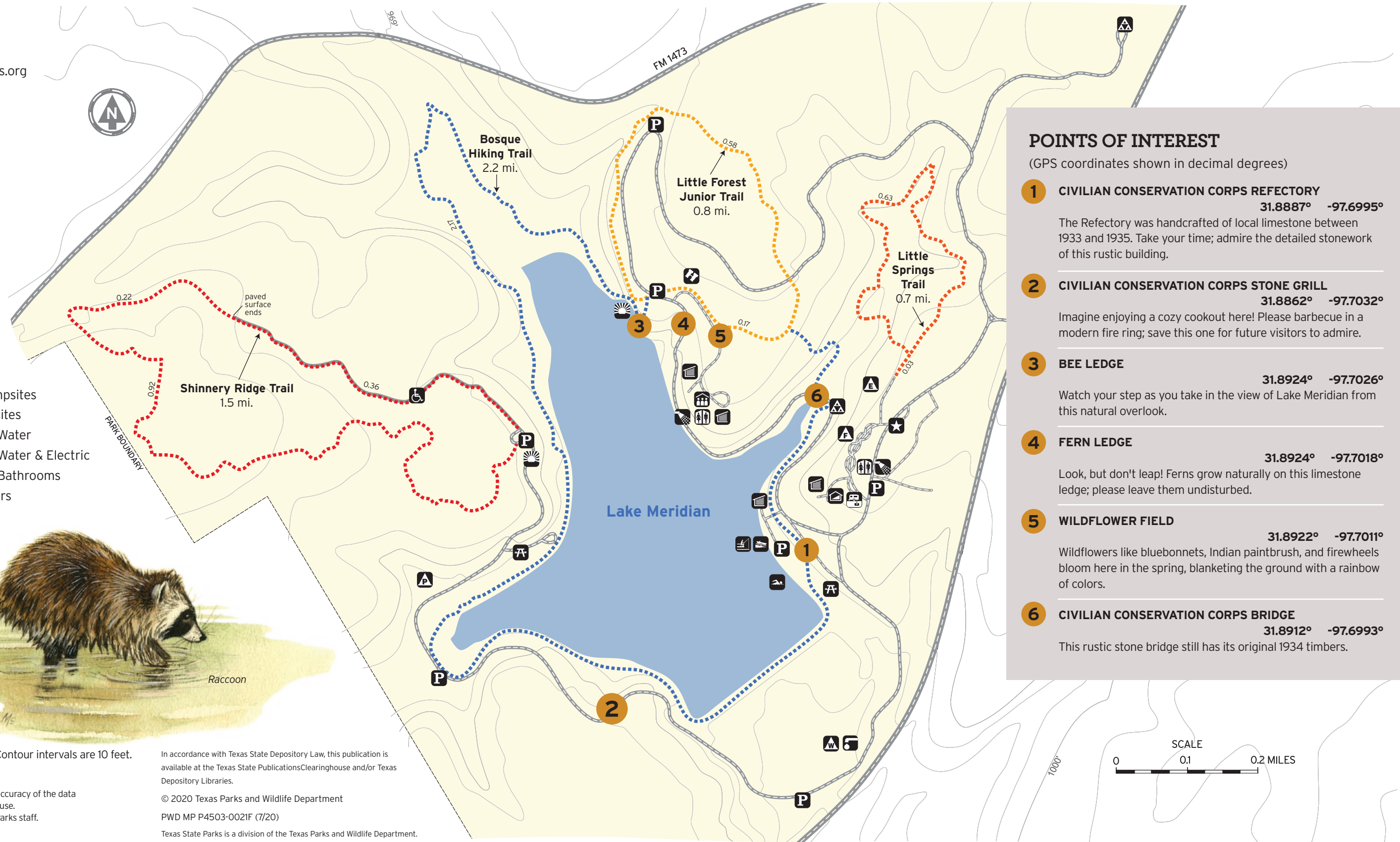
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### POINTS OF INTEREST

(GPS coordinates shown in decimal degrees)

- 1 CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS REFECTORY**  
31.8887° -97.6995°

The Refectory was handcrafted of local limestone between 1933 and 1935. Take your time; admire the detailed stonework of this rustic building.
- 2 CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS STONE GRILL**  
31.8862° -97.7032°

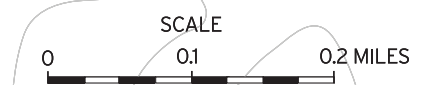
Imagine enjoying a cozy cookout here! Please barbecue in a modern fire ring; save this one for future visitors to admire.
- 3 BEE LEDGE**  
31.8924° -97.7026°

Watch your step as you take in the view of Lake Meridian from this natural overlook.
- 4 FERN LEDGE**  
31.8924° -97.7018°

Look, but don't leap! Ferns grow naturally on this limestone ledge; please leave them undisturbed.
- 5 WILDFLOWER FIELD**  
31.8922° -97.7011°

Wildflowers like bluebonnets, Indian paintbrush, and firewheels bloom here in the spring, blanketing the ground with a rainbow of colors.
- 6 CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS BRIDGE**  
31.8912° -97.6993°

This rustic stone bridge still has its original 1934 timbers.



# Meridian State Park

## Explore a hidden oasis developed by the Civilian Conservation Corps.

Discover the rich history and natural beauty of this quiet oasis, where Prairie and Hill Country meet. Explore the park from over 5 miles of hiking trails. Choose from a scenic loop around the lake, or shorter, rugged trails through wildlife habitat.



Golden-Cheeked Warbler

### 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 quickly loses fluids 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.** When biking, check with park HQ to match the ride to your skill level. Wear a helmet to protect yourself in case of a crash.

**WEAR A LIFE JACKET.** The law requires that all children under age 13 wear one with adult supervision while boating.

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

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

TRAIL	DISTANCE	DIFFICULTY	DESCRIPTION
 <b>BOSQUE HIKING TRAIL</b>	2.2 mi.	Challenging	Hike the perimeter of Lake Meridian on this arduous trail. See the Civilian Conservation Corps dam up close and take a break at scenic Bee Ledge lookout point.
 <b>SHINNERY RIDGE TRAIL</b>	1.5 mi.	Moderate	Enjoy this family-friendly loop trail. In the summer, look for golden-cheeked warblers. Part of the trail is paved and accessible.
 <b>LITTLE FOREST JUNIOR TRAIL</b>	0.8 mi.	Easy	Explore this short, rocky trail at your own pace. In springtime, pause where this trail crosses the park road and enjoy blooming wildflowers like bluebonnets, Indian paintbrush, and firewheels.
 <b>LITTLE SPRINGS TRAIL</b>	0.7 mi.	Moderate	Watch for wildlife as you hike this short but rugged trail.

### TRAIL ETIQUETTE

**Trash your trash.** Keep the park natural. Pack out all of your trash and 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.** Please don't disturb or remove any of the park's plants, animals or artifacts.

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

**Campfires are permitted only in designated rings** and not in the primitive camping area due to potential for ground scarring and wildfires.