

Martin Dies, Jr. State Park Trails Map

634 Park Road 48 South,
Jasper, TX 75951
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LEGEND

- Headquarters
- Restrooms
- Parking
- Fishing Pier
- Playground
- Boat Ramp
- Paddling Trail
- Picnic Sites
- Swimming Area
- Tent Camping Area
- Full Hookups

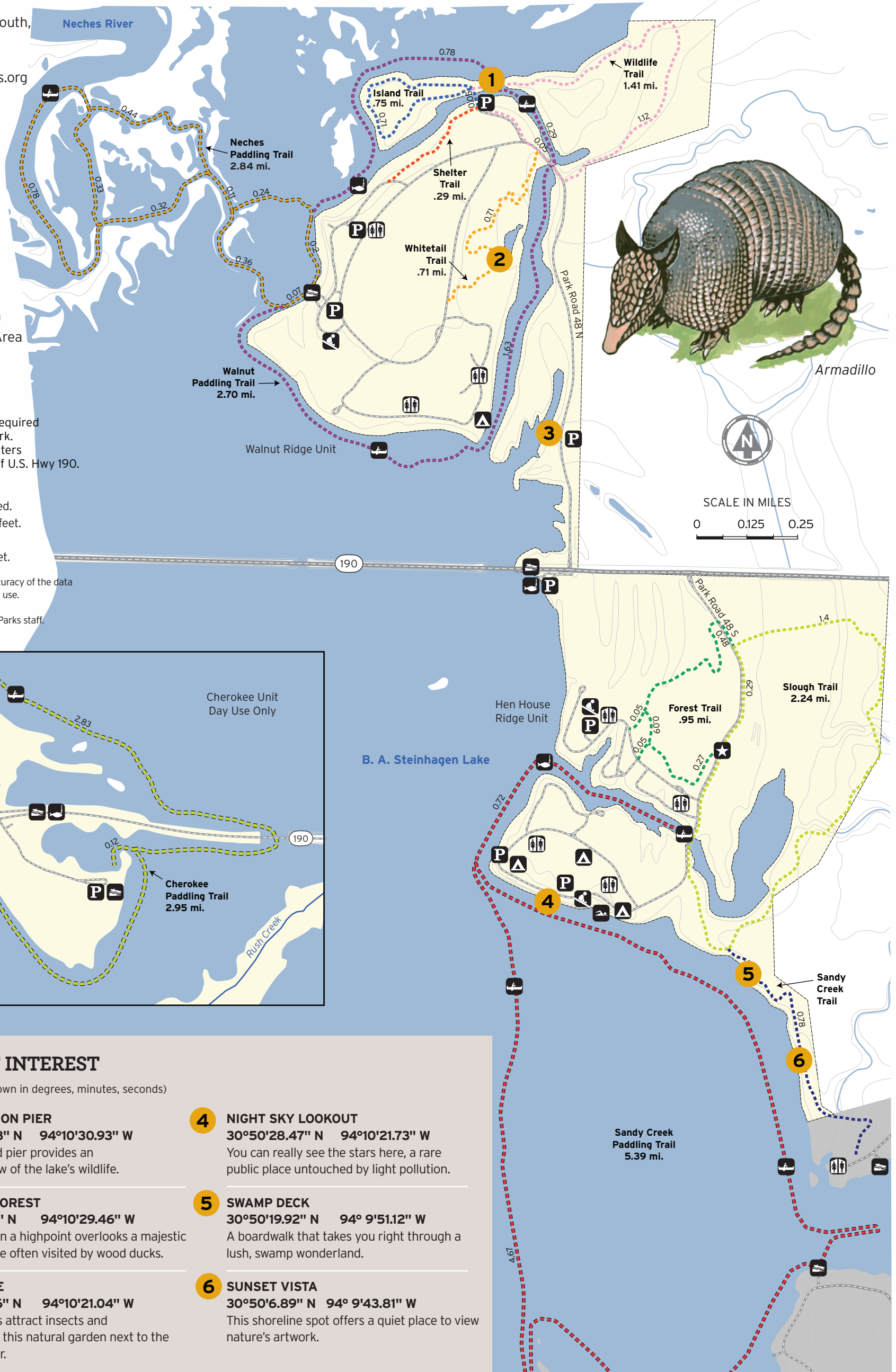
NOTES:

An entrance permit is required for all visitors to the park. Visit the park headquarters at the main entrance off U.S. Hwy 190.

All trails allow multi-use unless otherwise indicated.
Contour intervals are 10 feet.
Trail lengths are in miles.
Elevation levels are in feet.

No claims are made to the accuracy of the data or its suitability to a particular use.

Map compiled by Texas State Parks staff.



POINTS OF INTEREST

(GPS coordinates shown in degrees, minutes, seconds)

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| <p>1 OBSERVATION PIER 30°52'13.78" N 94°10'30.93" W This elevated pier provides an excellent view of the lake's wildlife.</p> | <p>4 NIGHT SKY LOOKOUT 30°50'28.47" N 94°10'21.73" W You can really see the stars here, a rare public place untouched by light pollution.</p> |
| <p>2 CYPRESS FOREST 30°51'51.18" N 94°10'29.46" W This bench on a highpoint overlooks a majestic cypress grove often visited by wood ducks.</p> | <p>5 SWAMP DECK 30°50'19.92" N 94° 9'51.12" W A boardwalk that takes you right through a lush, swamp wonderland.</p> |
| <p>3 WILDSCAPE 30°51'27.66" N 94°10'21.04" W Native plants attract insects and butterflies in this natural garden next to the nature center.</p> | <p>6 SUNSET VISTA 30°50'6.89" N 94° 9'43.81" W This shoreline spot offers a quiet place to view nature's artwork.</p> |



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Journey through quiet woods and waters...

As you travel the trails, alligators glide through dark water, citrus-scented white blossoms hang from magnolia trees, and woodpeckers tap in majestic pines. Elsewhere, sandy-bottomed Lake Steinhagen offers paddling destinations through waters swollen with life.

Create lasting memories of journeys through Martin Dies, Jr. State Park.



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 trail to your skill level. Wear a helmet to protect yourself in case of a crash.

ALLIGATORS LIVE IN THIS PARK. Stay at least 30 feet away. Stay out of the water! Never annoy or attempt to feed!

BE CAREFUL IN THE BOAT. Upon entering or exiting a canoe or kayak, stay low, move slowly and hold onto both sides of the boat.

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 cause harm to 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 to keep them safe while protecting wildlife.

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

Use only your muscles. To protect park resources, no motor vehicles are allowed on the trails.

FOR EMERGENCIES, PLEASE CALL 9-1-1.

| TRAIL | DISTANCE | TIME | DIFFICULTY | DESCRIPTION |
|----------------------------|----------|---------|-------------|---|
| WILDLIFE TRAIL | 1.41 mi. | 1 hour | Moderate | Encounter a landscape of variety, both clearings and dense woods, on the Wildlife Trail. The trail travels both the park and the adjoining wildlife management area. |
| WHITETAIL TRAIL | .71 mi. | 30 min. | Easy | Hike along a cypress slough and hardwood forest for a variety of ecological experiences and natural beauty. |
| FOREST TRAIL | .95 mi. | 45 min. | Easy | Many different kinds of trees, shrubs and woody vines attract hikers to this trail. The park headquarters provides a booklet to help you identify the most common ones. |
| ISLAND TRAIL | .75 mi. | 30 min. | Moderate | Giant beech and pine trees catch your eye on this trail. Its curves and hills will also challenge even the most avid biker. |
| SHELTER TRAIL | .29 mi. | 10 min. | Easy | This short corridor connects the shelter loop to the day use area on the Walnut Ridge unit. |
| SLOUGH TRAIL | 2.24 mi. | 90 min. | Challenging | Sixteen bridges over wetlands make up the Slough Trail, providing an excellent view of many marsh plant species. Each bridge crossing also enhances the beauty of this trail. |
| SANDY CREEK PADDLING TRAIL | 5.39 mi. | 2.5 hr. | Challenging | The longest of the park's three paddling trails, this route hugs the shoreline and then crosses open water. Two boat ramps along the way allow you to get out and stretch your legs. |
| NECHES PADDLING TRAIL | 2.84 mi. | 90 min. | Moderate | Follow the buoys on a twisting trail toward the Neches River. You can ride the southern current of the river or take a shortcut to calmer waters. |
| WALNUT PADDLING TRAIL | 2.70 mi. | 90 min. | Moderate | Travel all the way round the park's Walnut Ridge Camping Unit on the Walnut Paddling Trail. Your trip doesn't end until you've also crossed under both the park's observation bridge and road bridge. |
| CHEROKEE PADDLING TRAIL | 2.95 mi. | 90 min. | Moderate | Paddle around the Cherokee unit and watch ducks gather amid cypress groves. Land your boat and cast your fishing line from the shore for a promising fishing opportunity. |