Purtis Creek State Park

More than just great bass!

An hour southeast of Dallas, Purtis Creek State Park is known for its bass fishing, but there’s so much more to do! Come for the fish, and stay to swim, hike or bike the trails, or just relax by the lake.

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.

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 MAY LIVE HERE. You’ll see them more easily if you stay on trails.

TRAIL ETIQUETTE

Trash your trash. Pack out all of your trash and Leave No Trace.

Leave feeding to nature. Feeding wild animals will make them sick. Please do not feed them.

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

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.

FOR EMERGENCIES, PLEASE CALL 9-1-1.