Red Rock State Park is a 286-acre nature preserve and environmental education center with stunning scenery. Hiking trails wind through the park from the banks of Oak Creek to hills of red rock. The creek supports a diverse riparian habitat that flourishes with native plants and wildlife.

The park offers a variety of special programs for school groups and private groups. Check with the Visitor Center for daily and weekly park events, including hikes and nature programs.

Thank you for visiting!

Hiking Trails

The family-oriented trail system is well-marked for the safety of our visitors. The 5-mile network consists of interconnecting loops leading to vistas of red rock or the lush greenery of Oak Creek.

The Eagle’s Nest Loop and the Apache Fire Loop are joined together by the Coyote Ridge Trail. Eagle’s Nest is the highest point in the park, with an elevation gain of 300 ft. These three major loops are connected by the Kisva Trail along the riparian corridor, which also leads up to the short loop of the Yavapai Ridge Trail. The Javelina Trail takes you into the pinyon/juniper woodlands and back to the other loops.

Bikes and horses are allowed only on the East Gate Trail.

Picnic Area/Shelter

Group day use areas are available for reservation, but may be used on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations may be made up to six months in advance, except for wedding reservations, which can be made up to 12 months in advance.

Twin Cypress Ramada: Large covered ramada, which holds 13 picnic tables. Electrical outlets, water, and barbecue grills (charcoal only) are available for use. Maximum group size: 75

Habicamp Ramadas: Two ramadas hold seven picnic tables. Maximum group size: 50

Visitor Center Ramadas (not reservable): Two ramadas hold six picnic tables. Electrical outlets are available for use. Maximum group size: 50

Wildlife Viewing

There is abundant wildlife in the park with regular sightings of mule deer, javelina, coyotes, and bobcats, as well as a wide variety of birds. The park is part of the Lower Oak Creek Important Birding Area (IBA) and hosts diverse bird species every season.

Blacktail rattlesnakes are seen on occasion during the warmer months as well as tarantulas, lizards, and several species of non-venomous snakes.

Nearby Parks

If you’re having a great time here, don’t forget to visit one of the four nearby state parks!

Slide Rock State Park (16 miles) Named after the 80-ft sandstone chute, this stretch of Oak Creek is very popular with visitors looking to beat the heat. Hike the scenic Clifftop Nature Trail or tour the Pendley Homestead, and enjoy the beauty of Oak Creek Canyon. (928) 282-3034

Dead Horse Ranch State Park (19 miles) Nestled in the cool climate of Cottonwood, this park offers numerous recreational opportunities such as camping, hiking, mountain biking, canoeing, fishing, horseback riding, and more. Cabins and access to the Verde River are also available. (928) 634-5283

Jerome State Historic Park (27 miles) This park reveals the story of the city of Jerome inside the historic Douglas Mansion. The museum features photographs, artifacts, and minerals in addition to a video presentation and a 3-D features photographs, artifacts, and minerals in addition to a video presentation and a 3-D experience in our parks! All guidelines for park rules and additional information are available. You can find up-to-date fire restrictions at azstateparks.com/red-rock.

Dead Horse Ranch State Park (32 miles) Experience living history and life through the eyes of a frontier soldier. The fort was a base for General Crook’s U.S. Army scouts and soldiers in the 1870s and 1880s. From 1865 – 1891, Camp Lincoln, Camp Verde, and Fort Verde were home to officers, doctors, families, enlisted men, and scouts. (928) 567-3275

Welcome!

Thank you for visiting! We hope you have an enjoyable and safe experience in our parks! All guidelines for this park can be viewed on our website at azstateparks.com.