

Park Guidelines

Please observe the following park regulations to ensure everyone’s visit is pleasant.

Camping – Camp only in designated areas. Each permit covers one vehicle and any attached recreational equipment. There is an extra fee for additional vehicles or camping equipment. Up to eight people are allowed in a campsite. Boat ramp and picnic areas are for day-use only.

Fires – Campfires may be built in specified areas only and gathering firewood is prohibited.

Fireworks – Fireworks or firecrackers are prohibited in state parks.

Pets – Pets are allowed in state parks, but must be on a maximum six-foot leash. Service animals are the only animals admitted in park buildings. Pets are not permitted on developed beaches. For safety and courtesy, please keep pets under control and clean up after them.

Off-highway vehicles – Contact park personnel for nearby riding opportunities.



Parking – Park only in designated parking areas.

Plants and animals – All plants, animals, minerals and other natural features in state parks are protected. It is unlawful to remove, alter or destroy them.

Speed limit – The speed limit within all park areas is 15 m.p.h.

Wastewater – It is unlawful to dump or drain water from campers or trailers onto the ground or into lakes and streams. A sanitary disposal station is provided for registered campers.

Quiet hours – 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Vandalism - It is unlawful to mutilate or deface any natural or constructed feature or structure. Please help keep our parks beautiful.

Accidents – Please report accidents or suspicious activities to a ranger.

Permits – A Special Use Permit is required for all special events and commercial or professional filming and photography.

Your park fees provide for the care, protection and enhancement of this park.

Operating Hours:
Summer: 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Winter: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Open year-round with no holiday closures.

Driving Directions:
Located 12 miles north of Vernal on Highway 191.

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For Reservations Call:
801-322-3770 or toll-free 800-322-3770

Utah State Parks Mission:
To enhance the quality of life by preserving and providing natural, cultural and recreational resources for the enjoyment, education and inspiration of this and future generations.

Scan the QR code below with your mobile device to visit the park website.



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Red Fleet State Park



STATE PARK

RED FLEET

Hike to 200-million-year-old dinosaur tracks, boat and fish on Red Fleet Reservoir, and camp or picnic in a campground overlooking a sandstone and desert landscape. Fish for large-mouth bass, bluegill, rainbow and brown trout. Red Fleet is a destination in itself and a great location for discovery of Dinosaurland.

The park name was inspired by three large sandstone outcrops jutting up from the water as if a fleet of ships. Comprised of two formations, the bow and deck of the “ships” are formed by the Chinle Formation, with the upper turrets composed of Nugget Sandstone.

Red Fleet Dinosaur Tracks

Two hundred million years ago, this area looked like the Sahara Desert. Like the Sahara, the area had oases of shallow desert lakes called playas. Dinosaurs journeyed to the small playas among the dunes. We know this from the tracks they left behind in the wet sand. Hundreds of dinosaur tracks now lay exposed in the Nuggett Sandstone.



A three-mile, round-trip trail leads to the dinosaur track site. The hike covers varied terrain and is strenuous with a lot of uphill and downhill segments. Best viewing of tracks is early morning or late afternoon. Tracks are difficult to see when the sun is directly overhead.

Disturbing or removing rock from this area is prohibited. Please leave the dinosaur footprints for other visitors to enjoy. Report any vandalism to a park ranger.

To reach the tracks, travel north one mile on Highway 191. Turn right at the sign and drive 2.3 miles to the trailhead. Take drinking water.

Plants and Animals

Juniper, sagebrush, native grasses, and cactus dominate the area. Red Fleet is also home to mammals such as rabbits, ground squirrels, bobcats, badgers, coyotes, and mule deer. Golden eagles can be seen sunning themselves on sandstone cliffs. Other birds include magpies, mountain bluebirds, pinion jays, hawks, vultures, owls, and an occasional osprey. Bald eagles visit the area during winter months.

Things to Do

Local boaters refer to the 750-acre Red Fleet Reservoir as Little Lake Powell. Spectacular sandstone cliffs and secluded sandy beaches await. Boating, waterskiing, and swimming are popular activities during summer months. Swimmers should use caution, as water may be extremely deep just off shore. Jumping or diving from rocks or cliffs is allowed from heights of 15 feet or less from the surface of the water. Paddle craft rentals are available at the park.

Red Fleet Reservoir is one of Utah’s prime fisheries. Fish species found in the reservoir include; rainbow, tiger and brown trout, wiper, yellow perch, crappie, bluegill, largemouth bass and walleye (sterile)..



Reservations

Reservations are available for individual campsites. Reservations may be made a minimum of two days in advance of arrival date and up to 16 weeks in advance from park check-out date.

To make a reservation, call (801) 322-3770 within Salt Lake City or toll-free 1 (800) 322-3770. Reservations are always recommended. Unreserved sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

User Fees

Day-use and camping fees are charged. An additional fee is charged for reservations.



Campground Map

