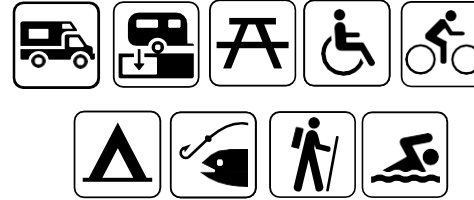


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48 individual camping units, 2 double sites and 2 group camping sites:

- Loop C: 9 individual units with electricity, water and sewer
1 double site
10 individual units with no utilities
1 group site with no utilities
- Loop B: 10 individual site with water/electricity
- Loop A: 18 individual units with no utilities
1 group site with no utilities
(Loop A is currently used for overflow camping.)
*A double site consists of 2 adjacent individual units.

- Picnic pavilion
- Bathhouse
- Swimming and wading area
- 0.8 mile Prayer in the Woods Trail
- Access to the Charlton Trail and the nearby Lake Ouachita Vista Trail
- Drinking water
- Flush toilets
- Sanitary dump station
- Amphitheater
- All facilities including group camping, picnic pavilion and amphitheater are first-come, first-served.

The native stone dam forms a small lake with a grassy beach providing a variety of water depths for swimmers. A diving platform is located near the dam.

There are three camping loops, with group sites available in Loop C. Camp sites with electricity, water and sewer are available in loop C. Sites with electricity and water are available in loop B.

Each camping unit includes a table, tent/trailer pad, cooking grill, lantern post and parking spur. A water hydrant, garbage can, and restrooms with cold showers (warm showers in loop B and C) are

within reasonable walking distance. Some travel trailers up to 35 feet in length can be accommodated at camping units and a dump station is available at the entrance to the campground.

Picnic, swim, hike, fish and camp along picturesque Walnut Creek, a cold, spring-fed mountain stream in the heart of the Ouachita National Forest. This historic recreation area features a captivating native stone dam that forms the swimming area and rustic bathhouse built by the Civilian Conservation Corps federal work program in 1935.

Directions

From Hot Springs, AR, drive west on Highway 270 for 18 miles.

Area Latitude: 34.5168167

Area Longitude: -93.3818111

For a Pleasant Trip

- Hunting is not allowed in recreational areas.
- Please read and follow the posted regulations.
- You are responsible for your fires. Build them in stoves, grills and fire rings only.
- Be a good neighbor.
- No fishing in the swimming area.
- All pets must remain on a leash while in the campground.
- No dogs allowed in the day use or swimming areas
- There is a fee to use this facility. Please pay at the self-service fee station

For More Information

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1523 Hwy. 270 E.
Mount Ida, AR 71957
Phone: (870) 867-2101

Ouachita National Forest
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Hot Springs AR 71902
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These facilities are closed during the winter season. Fees and schedule are available on-line at:

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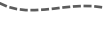



Use the Recreation and Fee Schedule link. You can also call the Womble Ranger District.

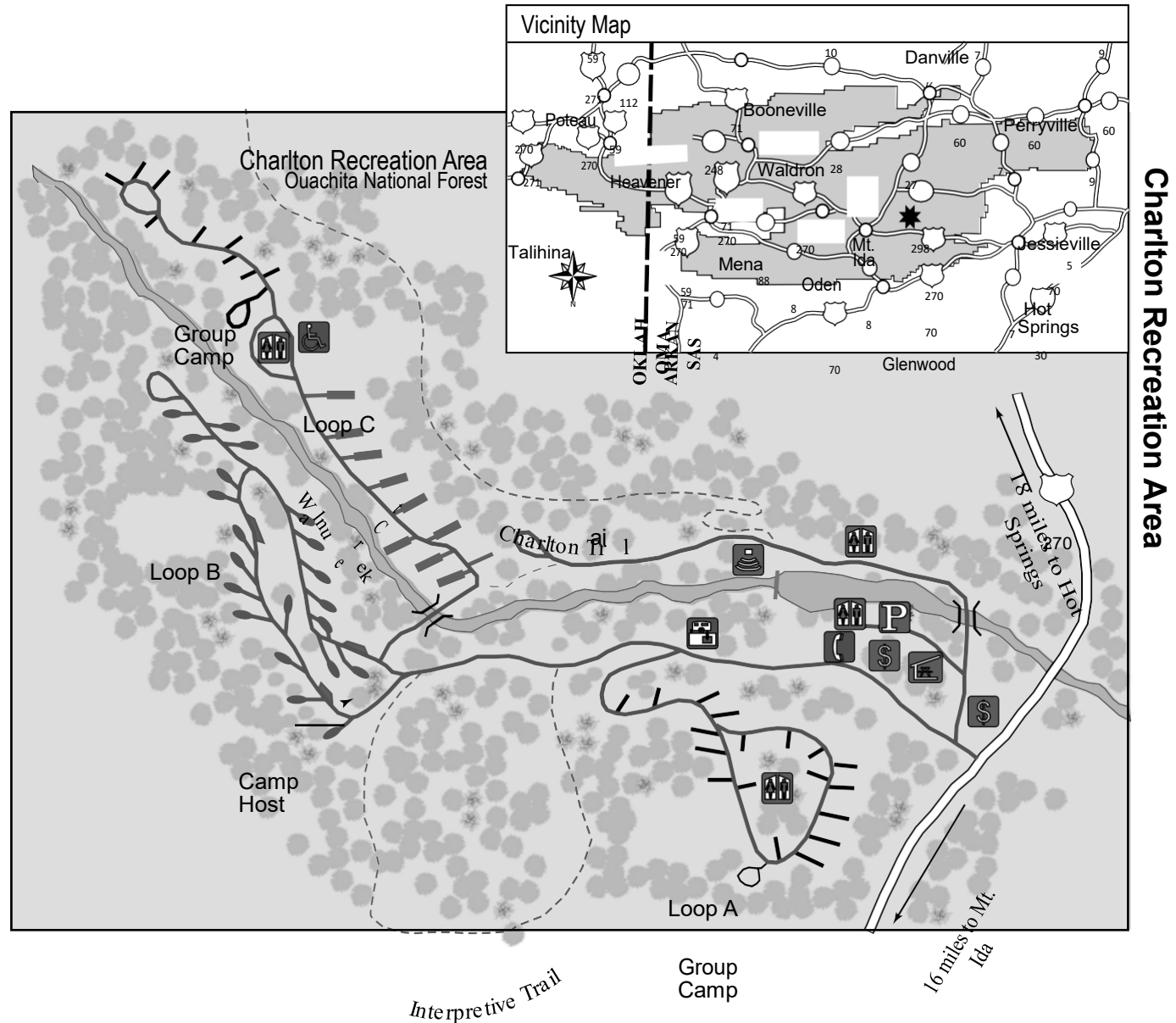
Visitors are welcome to stay in the campground for up to 14 consecutive days.

For more hiking try the nearby Lake Ouachita Vista Trail or the Ouachita National Recreation Trail extending 192 miles east to west across the Ouachita National Forest.

The Womble Trail is also available for hiking and is highly regarded as one of the premier mountain biking trails in Arkansas. Lake Ouachita abounds in water sport opportunities including fishing, boating, water skiing and scuba diving. Hotels, restaurants and camping facilities are available. Collecting quartz crystals is another of the area's popular pastimes.

Contact the Mount Ida Chamber of Commerce or the Womble Ranger Station for information.

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|  | Campsite with electricity and water |  | Picnic shelter |  | Accessible |
|  | Campsite with electricity, sewer and water |  | Day use; parking |  | Dump station |
|  | Campsite with no utilities |  | Pay station |  | Telephone |
|  | Trail |  | Amphitheater | | |
|  | Paved Road |  | Restrooms | | |



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