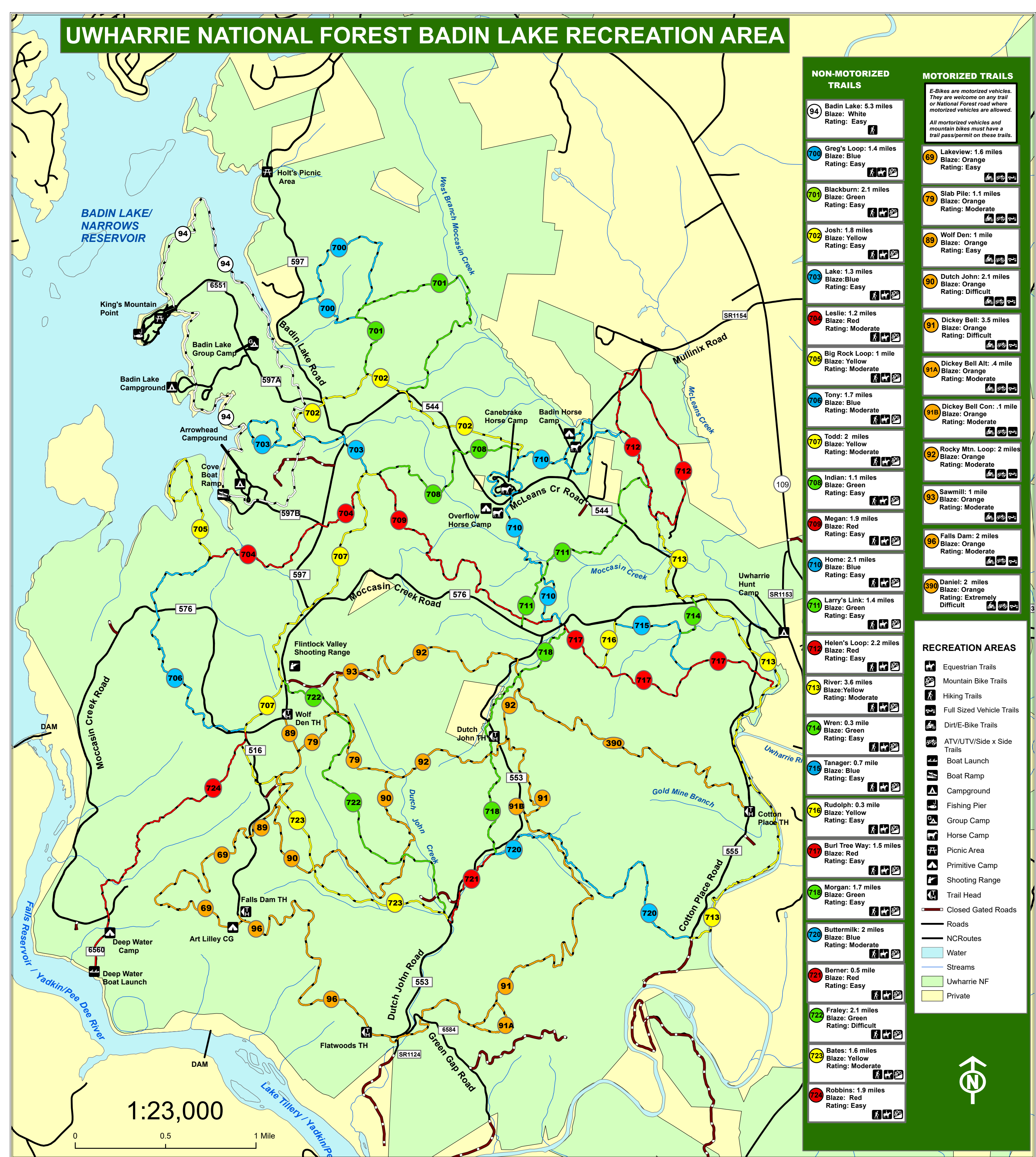


UWHARRIE NATIONAL FOREST BADIN LAKE RECREATION AREA



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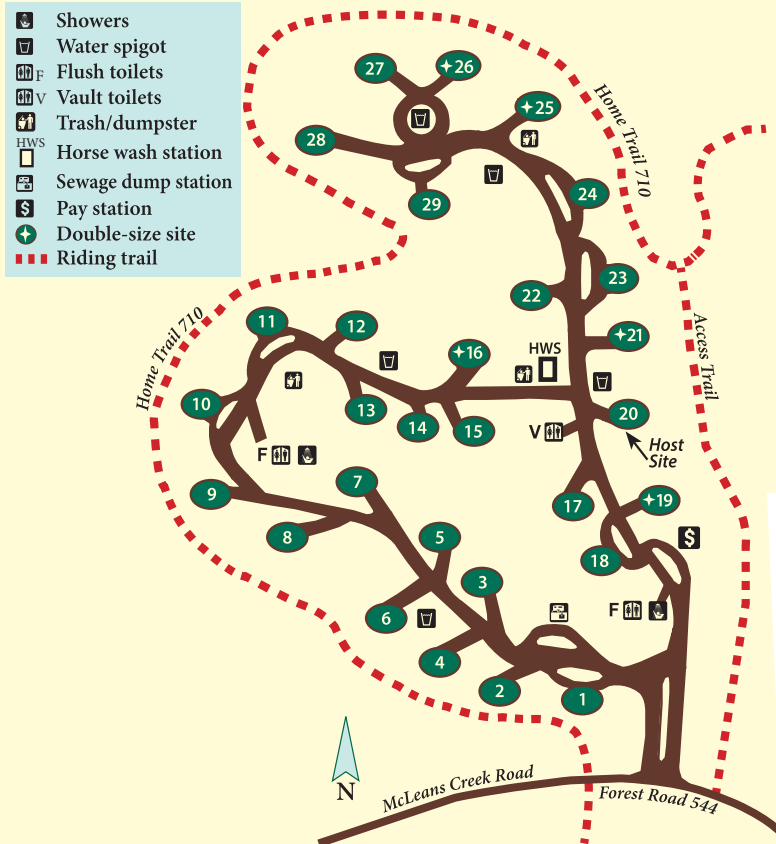
The Uwharrie National Forest is in the Piedmont of North Carolina and includes portions of the Uwharrie Mountains. The forest provides an abundance of recreation opportunities and natural resources, including clean water, diverse scenery, wildlife habitat and wood products. The forest is also rich in cultural resources, with prehistoric quarry sites and historic mines and settlements on rolling topography that range in

elevation from 400 to 1,000 feet above sea level. Nestled along Badin Lake's eastern shore, the Badin Lake Recreation Area is one of the most popular places on the Uwharrie National Forest. Every year, thousands of visitors enjoy swimming, boating, fishing, hunting, hiking trails, equestrian trails, four-wheel-drive trails, mountain biking trails and camping.

Rules for OHV Trails

- Children under 8 may not operate ATV, UTV or motorcycles. Children under 15 may not operate any ATV, UTV 70cc or larger. Children under 16 may not operate any ATV or UTV 90cc or larger. Children under 16 must be under the continuous visual supervision of an adult over 18 when operating any ATV, UTV, motorcycle or Off Highway Vehicle.
- Unlicensed vehicles may not operate on Forest Service roads or in developed campgrounds.
- No passengers are allowed on all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), unless vehicles are designed to carry passengers.
- Trail permits/passess are required to use the OHV trails.
- Securely attach daily trail permits/passess to ATV or dirt-bike handle-bars or on the front of UTVs and full-size vehicles.
- Securely attach season permit/pass so it is visible from the front of all vehicles.
- Permits are valid until midnight of the date written on permit.
- Motorized/OHV trail use must stay on designated trails marked with orange diamonds and are orange and black lines on the Badin Lake Recreation Area Trail Map.
- Alcoholic beverages are prohibited on all trail systems and in recreation areas.
- ATVs and motorcycle operators and passengers must wear Department of Transportation approved helmets and eye protection.
- Working spark arresters, mufflers and brakes are required at all times. Working headlights and taillights are required for night-riding.
- OHV trails allow dirt bikes, ATVs, UTVs/side-by-sides, full-size vehicles, e-bikes and mountain bikes with a valid trail permit/pass.

Canebrake Horse Camp



Offering 40 miles of nearby horse trails, Canebrake Horse Camp is a great getaway for equestrians who like to ride and camp. The camp has 29 sites with parking spurs for trailers. There are single and double sites available for a fee. Each site has a picnic table, grill, fire ring, tack table, lantern and highline posts. All sites have electric hookups. Up to two vehicles are allowed at each campsite. Open all year, Canebrake Horse Camp offers spigots for drinking water, showers, flush toilets and a horse wash station. A dump station is available for sewer and drinking water for RVs. Riders can choose from 24 trails. Trail names, mileages and ratings are listed on the trail map on the back.

Note: Alcohol is prohibited. Keep pets leashed and controlled at all times. Horse owners must provide a negative Coggins Test if asked by Forest Service employees or host.



Location

From Asheboro: Take NC 49S to NC 109S. Badin Lake Recreation Area is about 2 miles west of Eldorado.

From Troy: Take NC 109N about 12 miles north of Troy and just north of the Uwharrie River. Follow signs for Badin Lake Recreation Area.

Where to Ride E-bikes



E-bikes are motorized vehicles. They are welcome on any trail or national forest road where motorized vehicles are allowed, no matter if pedaling or riding in pedal-assist mode.

Primitive Camping Rules

- Primitive camping is allowed, except in developed sites, designated wildlife fields, trailhead parking lots or where signs specifically state "No Camping." Vehicles must be parked adjacent to roads or trails and visitor must walk to primitive site.
- Do not drive vehicles behind barricades.
- Stay no more than 14 consecutive days within a 30-day period on forest.
- Camp at least 200 feet from streams and trails.
- Camping is not permitted at day-use areas.
- Keep pets on a leash and under control at all times.
- Alcohol is allowed at primitive campsites.
- Pack out all trash and dispose of it properly. Learn to use Leave No Trace camping techniques.
- Make sure campfires are dead out and drowned.
- Open carry and concealed carry with permit are allowed.

Maps and Information

Uwharrie National Forest
789 Biscoe Road
Troy, NC 27371
Email: uwharrie@usda.gov
Website: www.fs.usda.gov/nfnc
Use QR code to learn about tread lightly principles.



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Arrowhead Campground

Shaded by loblolly pines and oaks, Arrowhead Campground's 50 campsites sit a quarter mile from Badin Lake—a hot spot for water sports. Open all year, the campground is suited for tent or RV camping. There are single and double sites available for a fee. Each site has a picnic table, grill, lantern post and fire ring. Thirty-four sites have electrical hookups.

For drinking water, six water spigots are available. A bathhouse with flush toilets and showers is in the campground. A dump station is available for sewer and drinking water for RVs.

For recreation, visitors can walk the 0.75-mile paved trail that loops around the campground. In addition, paved connectors from the campground lead to the 5.3-mile Badin Lake Trail for hiking. The trail follows Badin Lake's Shoreline and loops back.

Off-highway-vehicle trails are 2.5 miles from Arrowhead, and Cove Boat Ramp is just a half mile away. Badin Lake offers a boater's paradise, from waterskiing to cruising to sailing.

The lake offers a wealth of water recreation and fishing opportunities.

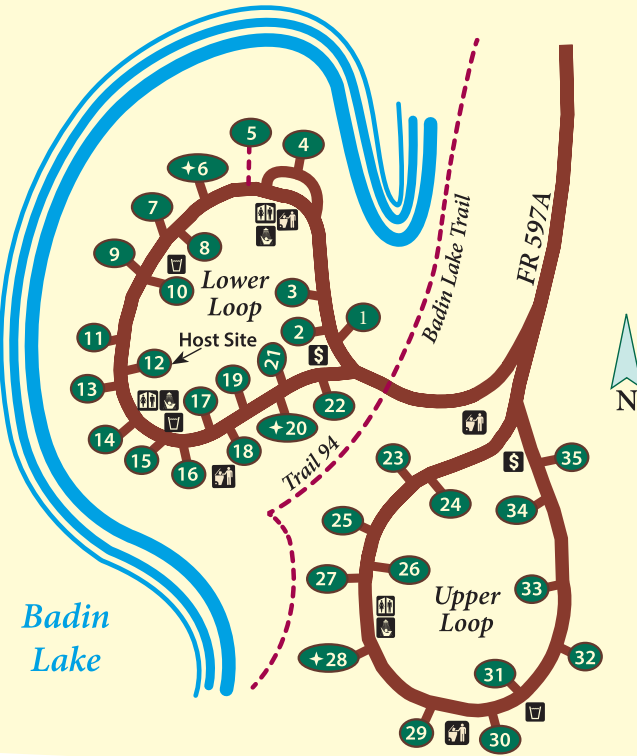
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Badin Lake Campground

Open all year, Badin Lake Campground offers 35 sites for camping. Each site has a picnic table, grill, fire ring and lantern posts. Drinking water spigots, flush toilets and showers are available. The campground is suited for tent or RV camping, but no electric hook-ups are available. There are single and double sites available for a fee. Launch a canoe from the lakeshore or drive 2 miles to Cove Boat Ramp to launch a motorized boat from a trailer. The 5.3-mile Badin Lake Trail is easy to access.

Note: Alcohol is prohibited. Keep pets leashed and controlled at all times.



- Pay station
- Restrooms
- Showers
- Water spigot
- Trash/dumpster
- Hiking trail
- Double-size sites

Outdoor Ethics and Safety

- Your safety is your responsibility. Many places in the forest do not have cell phone service. Plan and prepare accordingly. Check with the National Weather Service before your trip.
- Stay on designated trails. E-bikes and mountain bikes can go on motorized/OHV trails but are required to have a valid permit/pass. Mountain bikes are allowed on forest roads.
- Resist the urge to create new routes and short cuts. Shortcutting switchbacks is prohibited.
- Some trails are very eroded and are closed. Help restore these trails by not riding on them. Avoid wet trails and wheel spins.
- Help stop the spread of invasive insects. Use only local firewood instead of bringing it from home or other locations. Use dead and downed wood from the forest. Do not cut live trees.
- Make sure all campfires are dead out and drowned. Remember, you are responsible for any fire you start.
- Keep noise levels down. Please respect others who visit the forest to get away from noise.
- Keep pets leashed and under control at all times and dispose of pet waste in trash receptacles.
- Carry a litter bag and pack out all trash and dispose of in trash receptacles. Learn and use *Leave No Trace* recreation techniques.
- Avoid temporarily tying stock to trees. Use a high line with tree-saver straps to tether animals.
- Don't feed or harass wildlife. If you see a snake, leave it alone. If you are bitten, stay calm and seek medical attention immediately.
- Please enjoy the Uwharrie National Forest responsibly.

Sharing the Trail

OHVs yield to Mountain Bikers
yield to Hikers and Runners
yield to Horses

