

**WELCOME TO SWEET RUN STATE PARK.**  
To make your visit safe and more pleasant, we ask that you observe the following:

Take only pictures, leave only footprints. Park in designated areas only. Please note there is a parking fee charged year-round at all Virginia State Parks. Self-pay parking information is available at the entrance kiosk.

**PRESERVE** - Help preserve your park. Please don't cut or mar any plants or trees. Collecting animal or plant life is allowed only for scientific purposes by permit from the Richmond headquarters. Don't feed any wild animals.

**ALCOHOL** - State law permits alcohol use only in private areas (inside your cabin or camping unit) or in areas designated on permits issued by the Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

**PETS** - Pets are permitted in enclosed areas or on a leash no longer than 6 feet. Please clean up after your pet. Pets must be attended at all times.

**DRONES AND OTHER AIRCRAFT** - Drones, other unmanned aerial vehicles, including remote control aircraft, and aircraft in general may not be flown in state parks pursuant to 4VAC5-30-400.

**LITTER** - Please help us keep the park clean by placing litter and recyclables in the proper receptacles and recycle centers or carrying out your trash. The releasing of balloons is not allowed. Decorative balloons must be deflated and disposed of as trash.

**FIRE** - Help prevent wildfires. Fires must be confined to grills, camp stoves or designated fire rings. Fires must be attended at all times and extinguished when left. We enforce all seasonal and emergency bans on open fires.

**POLLUTION** - Help reduce pollution. Dump stations, laundry sinks and slop sinks, where available, are for the proper disposal of wastewater. Please, no boat, RV or car washing. Portable showers that do not drain to wastewater storage tanks are prohibited by state law. Collected wastewater must be disposed of properly.

**SWIMMING** - Not available.

**FISHING** - The park offers hike-in fishing at Gordon Pond. Fishing requires an approximate 1-mile hike from the nearest parking area at the end of Arnold Lane. Parking is limited. All Virginia freshwater fishing regulations apply.

**CAMPING** - The park plans to develop primitive hike-in camping. For the latest information, please visit [www.virginiastateparks.gov](http://www.virginiastateparks.gov).

**PARKING** - Limited parking is available at the main entrance, as well as at the end of Arnold Lane and Sawmill Lane. Equestrian parking is available at the Sawmill access parking area only.

**PARK ACCESSIBILITY** - We strive to make each park as barrier-free as possible. Universally accessible facilities are available throughout Virginia State Parks.

**EMERGENCY** - For fire or medical emergencies, dial 911. For a law enforcement or critical maintenance issue, call 800-933-7275 and select the appropriate option.

**INFORMATION** - For more information on Virginia State Parks or to make a cabin or campsite reservation, call 800-933-PARK or visit [www.virginiastateparks.gov](http://www.virginiastateparks.gov).

**TRAIL INFORMATION**  
**DIFFICULTY SCALE**

- EASY** ● - From .5 to 1 mile; grades are short, typically fewer than 100 feet and less than 10 percent of the trail length; easily accomplished by all users, including the elderly and those with physical or mental disabilities, with little risk of injury or fatigue.
- MODERATE** ■ - From 1 to 5 miles; steepness and grade lengths vary; at least 60 percent of the length is fairly flat; healthy people can accomplish the trail with little risk of injury or fatigue.
- DIFFICULT** ◆ - Trail length is greater than 5 miles; more than 70 percent of the trail is on a grade; experienced hikers only or groups of three to five people recommended; there is a risk of overexertion or injury to those not conditioned.

This trail guide is designed to provide an overview of the park and not meant for detailed wayfinding. We encourage you to download the free Avenza map for greater detail. Download while you have internet access and the map can be accessed offline.



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<https://vasp.fun/survey>



**VIRGINIA STATE PARKS**

# Sweet Run State Park

**TRAIL GUIDE**

**VIRGINIA STATE PARKS ARE A TONIC FOR THE MIND, BODY AND SPIRIT.**

Museums, visitor centers and nearby historic sites make state parks cultural treasures.

The recreational opportunities in state parks are endless and easy to see – from swimming and boating to horseshoes and hiking, there’s always something to do in a Virginia State Park.

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- Fishing
- Interpretive Center
- Park Office
- Parking
- Picnic Shelter
- Play Area
- Restrooms
- Wet Crossing

Trails	Blaze	Mileage	Usage	Difficulty
Arnold Trail	Pink	0.6	H,E	■
Butterfly Alley Trail	Yellow	0.8	H,E	■
Bypass Trail	Burgundy	0.2	H,E	●
Derry Loop Trail	Olympic Blue	0.6	H,E	■
East Meadow Trail	Teal	0.4	H,E	●
Farmstead Loop Trail	Intense Red	1.4	H,E	■
Gorden Pond Spur Trail	Silver	0.2	H,E	●
Jonathon's Trail	Lavender	0.1	H	●
Legacy Loop Trail	Dark Green	1.8	H,E	■
Legacy Loop Spur Trail	White	0.1	H,E	●
Lower Sweet Run Trail	Green	1.2	H,E	■
Mountain View Trail	Silver	0.5	H,E	●
Old Bridge Trail	White	0.2	H,E	●
Piney Run Trail	Cobalt Blue	0.8	H,E	■
Upper Sweet Run Trail	Purple	0.9	H,E	■
Woodthrush Trail	Orange	0.5	H,E	■

H = Hiking

B = Biking

E = Equestrian

A = Accessible

● = Easy

■ = Moderate

◆ = Difficult

