

1. **Blakeley Cemetery**- Where many of the earliest settlers of Blakeley are buried. Contains a memorial to those who fell in the Battle of Fort Blakeley.
2. **Redoubt 6**- One of 9 earthen fortifications along the Confederate line during the Civil War and a key location for interpretation of the battle.
3. **Harper and Delta Tent Campgrounds**- Our primary primitive tent campground and adjacent camping area equipped with power and water.
4. **“Old House Site”**- Day use rental area featuring a beautiful ancient Live Oak tree that is a park landmark.
5. **Seay Pavilion** – Rentable pavilion named after Alabama governor and Battle of Fort Blakeley veteran Thomas Seay.
6. **Wehle Center**- The park’s primary event center, utilized in special educational programming. Available for rent for weddings and other events.
7. **Battlefield**- This cleared area represents about 1/10 of the length of the original battlefield at Blakeley; site of some of the most bitter fighting in the battle. *A self-guided Battlefield Tour is available as a separate handout.*
8. **Tensaw Campground**- Designed especially for youth groups, this private campground can accommodate two large groups at once.
9. **“Squirrels’ Nests”**- These two camping shelters and the surrounding campground are available for family and small group rental.
10. **Chastang Field**- The largest group rental area in the park, named in honor of colonial-era settler Joseph Chastang,
11. **Jury Oak Pavilion** – Preserves the remains tree which, according to legend, was the meeting place of courts prior to construction of courthouse.
12. **Old Courthouse Site**- The foundation of Baldwin County’s first courthouse and jail, ca. 1820; preserved by a wooden shelter.
13. **Washington Square**- Once the heart of the original town of Blakeley, today it features two “ghost structures” representing a typical home and business establishments ca. 1820 along with a pavilion topped by the steeple from Evangelical Covenant Church, built ca. 1900 in nearby Silverhill.
14. **E.O. Wilson Boardwalk**- 1/4 mile long waterfront boardwalk along the Tensaw River with observation and fishing decks and interpretive panels.
15. **Delta Explorer**- The park’s 50-passenger pontoon boat takes regular excursions through the scenic Mobile-Tensaw Delta, the Port of Mobile, and other special trips. Available for charter.
16. **Hiding Tree**- According to legend this large oak with a hollowed base served a hiding place for Confederates after the fall of Fort Blakeley.
17. **Apalachee RV Campground** - modern campground featuring secluded sites with underground utilities and pull-through access.
18. **Cabins** - Four rustic cabins featuring a cozy bedroom and bath, living room, and full kitchen.
19. **Carson Horse Trailer Campground** - features pull-through sites for horse trailer camping and stables.

WELCOME TO HISTORIC BLAKELEY STATE PARK!



Thank you for visiting Historic Blakeley State Park, home to some of the richest history and greatest natural diversity in the state of Alabama. This guide is designed to assist you in exploring some of the park’s most prominent



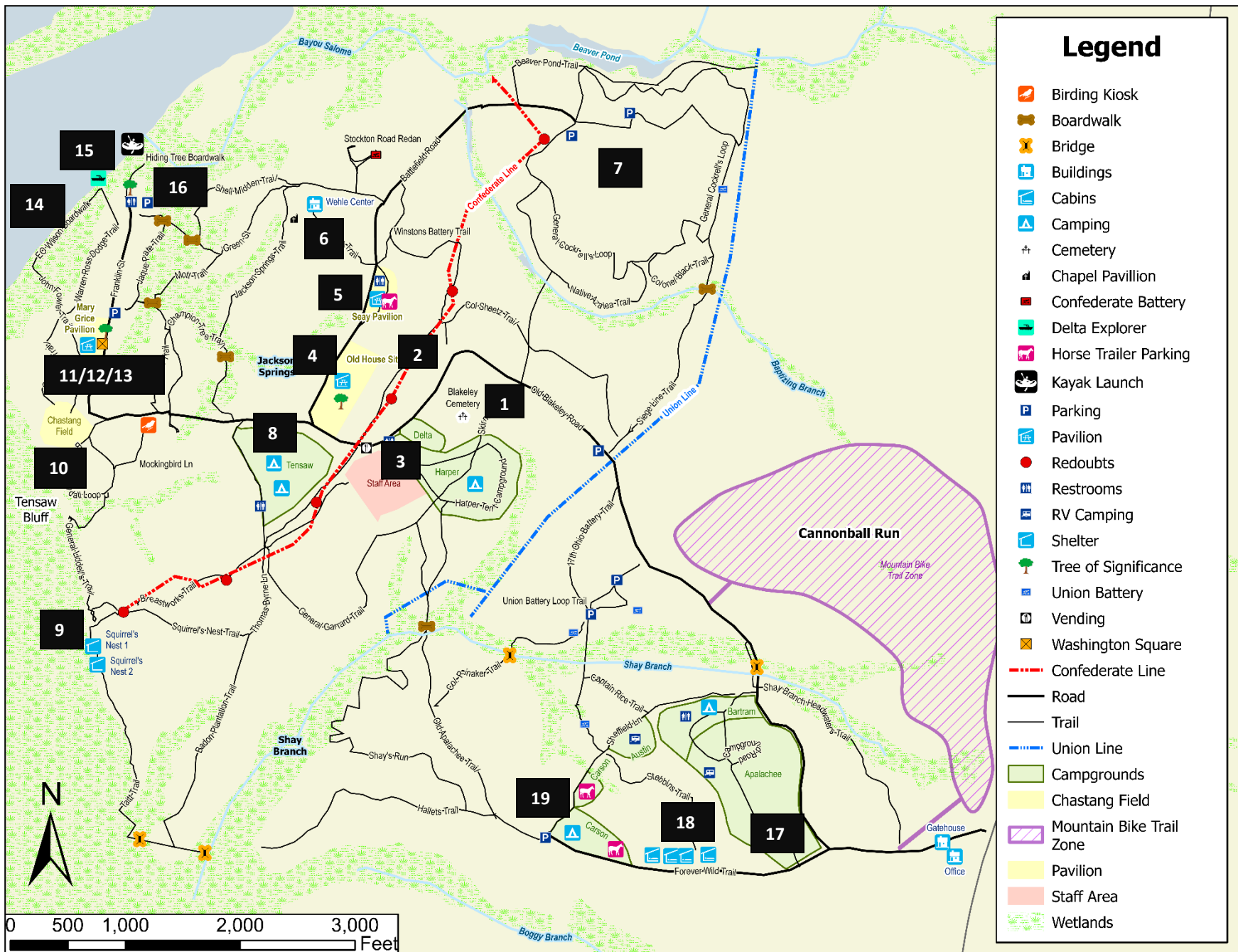
cultural and natural heritage features and acquaint you with our amenities. Please be aware that our park encompasses over 2,000 acres of land and well over twenty miles of trails, so we encourage you to keep this map and guide handy during your visit.

About the Park: The park takes its name from the historic town of Blakeley, a riverside trading center founded in 1814. Blakeley was briefly a boom-town and one of Alabama’s largest cities before experiencing decline. Only traces of the city remain today. Human inhabitation of the park grounds predates the town by several centuries, though. As far back as 2,500 years ago, Woodland Indians hunted and fished on Blakeley’s property. Archaeologists have found traces of their settlements in several areas of the park. In the early 1700s while the Mobile Bay region was claimed by the French, an allied native group from Florida called the Apalachees established a village here. Later, British and Spanish colonial era settlers farmed the property before the area came under American control in 1813. The park is most well known nationally as the site of the Civil War Battle of Fort Blakeley, fought on April 9, 1865. The last major battle of the war, it culminated in a dramatic charge all along the three-mile long series of earthworks that comprised Fort Blakeley. Its fall led directly to the capture of Mobile by Union forces. Today Blakeley offers visitors a chance to explore layers of history within a beautiful natural setting. Please help us preserve Blakeley’s storied history for future generations by observing all park rules and leaving only footprints as you enjoy this cultural and natural treasure.



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*Please help us ensure the safety of all park guests by observing the posted speed limit.
Be aware that you may encounter hikers, bikers, and horseback riders on park roads.*