Coralville Lake - Lake Macbride

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Johnson County Sheriff
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Area	
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Coralville Lake

2021 Recreation Seasons at Coralville Lake

Campgrounds	Number of Sites / # Reservable*	Dates Available	Site Fee With Electric	Site Fee Non-Electric	Fee Booth Telephone #'s
West Overlook	89 / 89*	May 1 - Oct. 17	\$20	N/A	319-338-3685
Cottonwood	15 / 15*	May 28 - Sept. 6	N/A	\$14 (Tent Only Sites)	319-338-3685
Linder Point	18 / 18*	May 1 - Oct. 17	\$20, \$26	N/A	319-338-3685
Tailwater East	28 / 28*	May 1 - Oct. 17	\$20, \$22	\$14 (Tent Only Sites)	319-338-3685
Tailwater West	22 / 22*	May 1 - Oct. 17	\$24, \$26	\$14 (Tent Only Sites)	319-338-3685
Sugar Bottom	250/ 225**	May 1 - Sept. 30	\$20, \$22, \$26	\$14 (Tent Only Sites)	319-624-2102
Sandy Beach	58 / 58*	May 1 - Sept. 30	\$20, \$24	\$14 (Tent Only Sites)	319-848-4400

RESERVABLE GROUP CAMPING

Campground	Number of Sites	Cost/Night	Dates Available
Sugar Bottom	10 (Loop A)	\$200	May 1 - Sept. 30
	4 (Loop B1)	\$80	May 1 - Sept. 30
-	5 (Loop B2)	\$100	May 1 - Sept. 30
	10 (Loop C)	\$200	May 1 - Sept. 30

*The National Recreation Reservation Service (NRRS) will allow you to make individual campsite reservations up to 6 months in advance and group campsite reservations up to one year in advance by calling 877-444-6777 or by going online to www.recreation.gov. **Reservations can be made on the same day as arrival.

PICNIC SHELTERS

Day Use Area	# of Shelters / # Reservable*	Dates of Availability	Reservation Fee
East Overlook	2 / 2*	May 1 - Sept. 30	\$50
Tailwater West	1 / 1*	May 1 - Sept. 30	\$50
Turkey Creek	1 / 1*	May 1 - Sept. 30	\$50
Sandy Beach	1 / 0*	May 1 - Sept. 30	N/A
Sugar Bottom	1 / 1*	May 1 - Sept. 30	\$50
West Overlook	4 / 0*	May 1 - Sept. 30	N/A

*Shelters can be reserved by calling 877-444-6777 or by going online to recreation.gov All shelters are available on a first-come basis for free when not reserved.

BOAT RAMPS

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Day Use Area	Dates Open
Mehaffey	Year Round
Sugar Bottom Campground	May 1 - Sept. 30
Sandy Beach	Year Round
West Overlook Campground	May 1 - Oct. 18
West Overlook Day Use	April 1 - Nov. 30

Day Use Fees are charged April 1 - Sept. 30 at Mehaffey and West Overlook Day Use; \$5/day or purchase a \$40 Annual Pass for unlimited nationwide use. America The Beautiful Senior, Access, and Military Passes allow pass holders to utilize Day Use Areas free of charge. Registered campers with valid hangtag are allowed to utilize Day Use Areas free of charge. Only registered campers can utilize the Sugar Bottom Campground and West Overlook Campground Boat Ramps.

CAMPING FEES

Non-electric tent site	\$14/night
30 Amp electric	\$20/night
50 Amp electric	\$22/night
30 Amp / water/ sewer	\$24/night
50 Amp / water	\$24/night
50 Amp / water/ sewer	\$26/night

Persons with Golden Age or Access Passes or America the Beautiful Interagency Senior or Access Passes are entitled to 50% discount on camping. Discount is NOT valid for group campsites.

PHONE #'s			
Administration Office	319-338-3543 Opt 2		
Lake Level Information	319-338-3543 Opt 1		
District Office, Rock Island 309-794-4200			
NRRS Camping & Shelter			
Reservations 877-444-6777			
EMERGENCIES 911			
Johnson County Sheriff			
(non-emergencies)	319-356-6800		
	877-444-6777		

BEACHES Day Use Area	Dates Open
Sugar Bottom Campground	May 28 - Sept. 6
Sugar Bottom Day Use	May 28 - Sept. 6
West Overlook Day Use	May 28 - Sept. 6

Open 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Beach fee is \$5 per private vehicle, \$2 per person for walk-in or bike-in, \$20 per bus or commercial vehicle. Children under 16 are free. Purchase a \$40 Annual Pass for unlimited nationwide use. America The Beautiful Senior, Access, and Military Passes allow pass holders to utilize Day Use Areas free of charge. Registered campers with valid hangtag are allowed to utilize Day Use Areas free of charge. Only registered campers can utilize the Sugar Bottom Campground beach.





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Legend Restroom / Shower

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Coralville Lake

Just north of Iowa City, Coralville Lake and Lake Macbride together offer a dynamic mix of recreational activities. Coralville Lake was formed in the 1950s when the Coralville Dam was built by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to control the flooding of the Iowa River. Today, the 23-mile-long lake offers three main campgrounds and several beaches and boat ramps.

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Go Camping

The Dam Complex is made up of five campgrounds. They include Cottonwood, Linder Point, Tailwater East, Tailwater West and West Overlook. These campgrounds are located just north of Iowa City, near the Coralville Lake Dam. The Dam Complex provides sites ranging from primitive nonelectric tent to full hookup that include water, sewer and electric. The Sandy Beach Campground is located the farthest north from the Coralville Dam and is close to Cedar Rapids, Iowa. This campground offers 58 campsites ranging from primitive tent to electric. The Sugar Bottom Campground is located in the middle of the Coralville Lake area. It is the largest campground with more than 240 campsites. These sites also include primitive tent to full hookup. All campsites include a fire ring and picnic table. All campgrounds include modern restrooms and showers with hot and cold water. either gravel or concrete pad, sanitary dump station with potable water and at least one fish-cleaning station. Some have boat launching and swimming beaches for campers.



28995 Lansing Road, Dyersville, IA 1-888-875-8404



CHECK-IN: 4 p.m. CHECK-OUT: 3 p.m. QUIET HOURS: 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.

All campers must check in at the fee booth before setting up. After hours, campers without reservations must make a reservation by calling (877) 444-6777 or online at recreation.gov. If you have any questions regarding the reservation program, please contact: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at (319) 338-3543 Ext. 6300 or email Coralville.Lake@usace.army.mil



Life Jacket Loaner



Playing in and around the water with your kids or grandkids can be a lot of fun, but you need to keep safety in mind. Drowning is one of the leading causes of accidental death for children. Wearing a life jacket has proved to be one of the best safety measures when on or around water. At Coralville Lake, there is no charge to borrow a youth or adult life jacket. The only requirement is knowing the weight so that you borrow the right size life jacket. When you are finished using the life jacket, simply return it to the life jacket loaner station, to any park ranger, park entrance station or the Visitor Center. You can borrow a life jacket free of charge from any of the life jacket loaner stations at Coralville Lake beaches and boat ramps.

JFE JACKET LOANER STATION

For more safety tips, go online to bobber.info to learn more from Bobber, the Water Safety Dog.



FOCL

Friends of Coralville Lake

Want to support a healthy, vibrant Coralville Lake? Please join Friends of Coralville Lake whose mission is to enhance the lake and the surrounding land by bringing together organizations, businesses, and individuals. The group has been instrumental in

managing prairie burns, planning Halloween events, providing firewood, and improving the Veterans Trail. By joining FoCL, you support an organization dedicated to making sure that visitors will be able to enjoy the Coralville Lake area well into the future. To find out more, go online to friendsofcoralvillelake.org or check us out on Facebook.

Iowa Raptor Project

The University of Iowa's Macbride Nature Recreation Area (2095 Mehaffey Bridge Rd. NE, Solon) is home to the Iowa Raptor Project, where nearly a dozen species of native birds of prey are on display for visitors year-round to enjoy and learn about raptors and raptor conservation. Off-site and on-site educational programming can be arranged by calling (319) 624-7178 or go online at http://recserv. uiowa.edu/iowaraptorproject. Visit the outdoor facility year-round April 1 - Oct. 31: 6 a.m. to 9 p.m., Nov. 1 - March 31: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.





Lake Macbride

Located to the north and east of Coralville Lake, Lake Macbride State Park is Iowa's largest state park. With two campgrounds, seven boat ramps and a public beach, you'll find it easy to enjoy the day or even a whole week at Lake Macbride.

Camping AT LAKE MACBRIDE

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Macbride Nature Recreation Area	319-335-9847
Macbride Raptor Project	319-624-7178

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Lake Macbride's modern campground features a shower/restroom facility, back-in site pads complete with 20-50 amp electrical service, picnic tables and fire rings. Eleven sites have full hook-ups, and an additional 17 sites have hydrants for potable water. From May 1 to Oct. 15, full hook-up sites are \$26 and all other sites are \$20. After this time, prices are reduced to \$18 and \$12 respectively. 75 percent of these sites are reservable. The primitive campground in the southern portion of the park has 57 campsites and both flush and non-flush restrooms. This campground is situated in a shaded/semi-timbered area near the lake. During the recreational season, all sites are \$12. After this time, all sites are \$6. Interested campers may reserve a site in this campground by calling toll free **1-877-427-2757** or going online at **www.iowadnr.gov.** Walk-in camping is also available, and permits can be obtained by self-registering for a non-reservable site at the entrance of the campground.

CHECK-IN TIME: 4 p.m. | CHECK-OUT TIME: 3 p.m. | QUIET HOURS: 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.



Lake Macbride State Park Modern Campground, North Reservable 50-amp Full hook-up Non-Reservable 50-amp Full hook-up (W) Water Hydrant Lake Macbride

LOCAL EVENTS/ ATTRACTIONS

Lake Macbride is nestled immediately adjacent to Coralville Lake, where power boats and jet skis are allowed to operate. The US Army Corps of Engineers operates numerous campgrounds, beaches and boat ramps along Coralville Lake. While there, explore the Devonian Fossil Gorge exposed by the floods of 1993. The Herbert Hoover Presidential Museum is located in nearby West Branch. Iowa Children's Museum, Amana Colonies and University of Iowa's Museum of Natural History are just a few of many local attractions in the surrounding Cedar Rapids/Iowa City area.

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Fishing at lake macbride

In both Lake Macbride and Coralville Lake, you can expect to find largemouth bass, walleye, bluegill, crappie and channel catfish. In order to fish, you need to purchase an annual fishing license for \$22. (One-week or one-day licenses also are available. Fees are higher for out-of-state residents.) Purchase your license at various stores in the area, including Casey's, BP and Sam's Main Street Market in Solon, L.D. Express in North Liberty, Fin and Feather in Iowa City, or Scheels or Walmart in Coralville. Or purchase and print a fishing license from the DNR website, iowadnr.gov. Or you can call (800) 367-1188. Anglers are sure to appreciate the fish grinder at the fishcleaning station in Tailwater West. You do not need to be camping at Tailwater West to use the grinder, and it can handle up to a 10-pound fish. Check out takemefishing org for tons of info about what's biting and how to get your family hooked on fishing.



FISHING FAQs

How old do I need to be to buy a license?

• 16 years of age. Kids under 16 don't need a license to fish but may need to purchase a trout fee.

How much does a fishing license cost?

• \$22 for an annual fishing license; 7-day \$15.50; 1-day \$10.50.

• Non-Iowa residents pay \$12 for 1-day; \$20.50 for 3-day; \$37.50 for 7-day; and \$48 for an annual license.

How many fish can I catch?

• Daily bag limits: Panfish-25; Largemouth Bass-3; Walleye-5; Catfish-8; Muskellunge-1; White bass/Wipers-none

• Length limits: Panfish-none; Largemouth Bass-15" minimum on Lake Macbride and 12" on Coralville Lake; Walleye-none; Catfish-none; Muskellunge-40"; White bass/Wipers-none

• Two lines maximum, unless you pay \$14 for an annual thirdline privilege.

BE SAFE ON YOUR BOAT

- Take a safe boating course.
- Put on your life jacket and leave your alcohol behind.
- Check the weather forecast.
- File a float plan with a friend.
- Check your boat for all required safety equipment.
- Check your electrical system and fuel system for gas fumes.
- Follow manufacturer-suggested procedures before starting up.
- Carry a navigational chart and know your waterway.
- Follow the navigation rules of the road, buoys and other aids to navigation.
- Be a safe boater, always post a sharp lookout.

IOWA'S BOATING SPEED AND DISTANCE REGULATIONS:

- Don't exceed 5 mph within 100 feet of craft going 5 mph or less.
- Keep a distance of 50 feet when both are going over 5 mph.
- Don't exceed 10 mph when vision is not clear 200 feet ahead.



Reserve a shelter AT LAKE MACBRIDE

The Civilian Conservation Corps constructed a number of facilities at Lake Macbride in the 1930s including a beautiful enclosed stone shelter. The enclosed lodge shelter (day use only) is available for rent for \$200 per holiday or weekend day plus tax (\$100 for weekdays), which includes electricity, water, modern restrooms, kitchen facilities and oak tables and benches. The main lodge may be reserved online at www.iowastateparks. reserveamerica.com. Four open picnic shelters are also available for rent. For locations, please see the map in this guide or view the online map at www.iowastateparks.reserveamerica.com. Open shelters may be reserved online at **www.iowastateparks. reserveamerica.com** for a \$25 fee plus tax.

Special park rules

All boats must operate at no-wake speed. From the Thursday before Memorial Day through Labor Day each year, there is a 10-horsepower limit on the lake. Please note: alcohol, smoking, glass and pets are prohibited inside the beach fence. Please pick up the rules/regulations booklet for more information on general park rules.



The stone day-use lodge, shower building or any vault latrines can be used for emergency shelters. The nearest sirens sound at the park and in Solon in the event of a tornado warning. It is to your benefit to carry a weather radio and carefully monitor local radio channels.



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Trails At Lake Macbride

A 17-mile trail system provides spectacular view of shorebirds, waterfowl and osprey. During winter months, snow shoeing, cross-country skiing and snowmobiling are popular. Lake Macbride also features a 5-mile rock surface trail along the lake



from Solon to the park entrance. In 2019, the Hoover Nature Trail (paved) extension from Ely to Solon was completed, and the easternmost one mile runs adjacent to our North Shore Trail as you end in Solon.

Points of interest

Lake Macbride offers 900 acres of artificial lake prime for catching bluegill, crappie, largemouth bass, channel catfish, walleye, hybrid striped bass, muskie and the elusive Kentucky spotted bass. Fishing amenities include seven boat ramps, one universally accessible fishing pier, a dozen fishing jetties, great shoreline access throughout and a fish-cleaning station. A section of the lake shoreline is designated as 24-hour fishing access and is described in the Iowa Fishing Regulations book. A state-maintained boat ramp and dock on the adjacent Coralville Lake provides access to the Iowa River at no cost to park visitors. Ramp users must follow park hours, however, and vacate by 10:30 p.m. On a hot day, Lake Macbride's beach, located in the northern unit of the park, is the perfect place to cool off or simply relax and enjoy the view. Alcohol of any kind is prohibited inside the fence at the beach area. Located nearby is a boat rental and concession operation. Here, visitors can rent a pontoon, motorboat, paddleboat, canoe or kayak to enjoy a little time on the lake. For overnight accommodations, Lake Macbride offers one modern campground with restroom and shower facilities, electricity and water, as well as one primitive campground with several campsites and running water. The park offers a day-use lodge and four open shelters to rent for your family or company function. A 5-mile crushed limestone multi-use trail is located on the north side of the lake and connects the park to the community of Solon. While a majority of this trail runs along the shoreline of Lake Macbride, several portions pass through oak/hickory forest or alongside restored Iowa prairie. More than seven miles of additional hiking trails await your visit, including one especially scenic crushed limestone trail that extends 1.25 miles between the beach and Lake Macbride's dam.



Swimming and boating AT LAKE MACBRIDE

No lifeguards are provided, so park visitors may swim at their own risk. Swimming is restricted to the designated beach area only, and alcohol is prohibited.

A variety of boats are available for rent. The boat rental office is open daily from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. between Memorial Day and Labor Day. **Reservations can be made at (319) 624-2315.** Pontoon boats seat up to 11 passengers and rent for \$50-\$55 an hour. Paddleboats, canoes, kayaks and paddleboards rent for \$10-\$15 an hour. There are seven boat ramps on Lake Macbride. Please see the area map for ramp locations. A 10-horsepower motor limit is in effect from the Friday before Memorial Day through Labor Day. At other times, there is an unrestricted horsepower motor limit operated at no-wake speed (5 mph maximum speed). Beach closures of up to two hours are possible on weekends and holidays at Lake Macbride State Park due to high visitation and limited parking at the beach area. During these times, vehicles will be stopped at the park entrance and asked to return to the beach at a later time or asked to visit one of the other beaches in Johnson County such as Sandy Beach, Sugar Bottom, West Overlook or Kent Park. Beach hours are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. Make weekend and holiday plans accordingly.



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