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*Explore*  
**OHIO'S FIRST PARK DISTRICT**  
*and share*  
**AN ADVENTURE**

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### **MILL CREEK PARK**

Mill Creek Park encompasses approximately 2600 acres, 20 miles of drives, and 15 miles of trails. The source of Mill Creek, the creek which runs through the Park in a northerly direction supplying water to three manmade lakes, is about 20 miles south of Youngstown in Columbiana County. The Park extends along the Mill Creek Valley from north of Western Reserve Road to



the confluence of Mill Creek and the Mahoning River.

Geologically, the northern section of the Park includes Lanterman's Falls, the Mill Creek Gorge, and parts of the lateral ravines which enter the gorge. This area offers breathtaking views with its cascading waters; steep hillsides, beautifully covered with deciduous and

evergreen trees; bold sandstone outcroppings; and numerous grass-covered meadows. A variety of shrubs, vines, ferns, and wildflowers are native to the gorge region. South of the gorge the land is rolling and partly wooded. The extreme southern area of the Park, Hitchcock Woods, is quite flat and includes dense woods and extensive wetlands.

Besides the creek, three pleasure lakes and several ponds offer visitors countless water vistas.

Wildlife is abundant throughout the Park. Visitors can enjoy glimpses of a variety of birds and waterfowl including owls, hawks, ducks, and great blue herons, as well as a myriad of other creatures such as turtles, squirrels, raccoons, beaver, and deer.



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*Visit*  
**OUR FACILITIES**  
*and create*  
**A MEMORY**

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### **DRIVES AND FOOT TRAILS EAST GOLF HIKE/BIKE TRAIL**

The Park offers 20 miles of drives and 15 miles of foot trails. The 1.5-mile *East Golf Hike/Bike Trail* runs from Route 224 to Shields Road and provides a rubberized asphalt surface for joggers, walkers, bikers, skaters, and in the snowy season cross country skiers. Parking lots are located at each end of the trail and a pedestrian bridge across Mill Creek connects the trail with the Golf Course amenities and additional parking. Restrooms, a drinking fountain, and an information kiosk are located on the trail. *East Cohasset Trail* is also paved. Trail guides are available.



### **PICNIC FACILITIES**

Picnic tables and grills are scattered throughout the Park. No reservations are required and there is no charge for their use. The Lower Bears Den Picnic Area provides barrier-free restrooms, picnic tables and grills, asphalt trails, and a playground.

### **VOLNEY ROGERS MONUMENT**

Dedicated in 1920 to the memory of Park founder Volney Rogers, this bronze statue was sculpted by Frederick Hibbard. Construction of the monument was funded by contributions from the school children of Youngstown.

**LILY POND** This four-acre pond was built in 1896. Migrating waterfowl and resident goldfish make this a popular site. The *Lily Pond Circle Trail* loops around the pond.

**LAKE COHASSET** This 28-acre lake was built in 1896-97 and continues to offer visitors a secluded area to view wildlife. Access to *West and East Cohasset Trails*.