

# Wilgus State Park

Weathersfield, Vermont



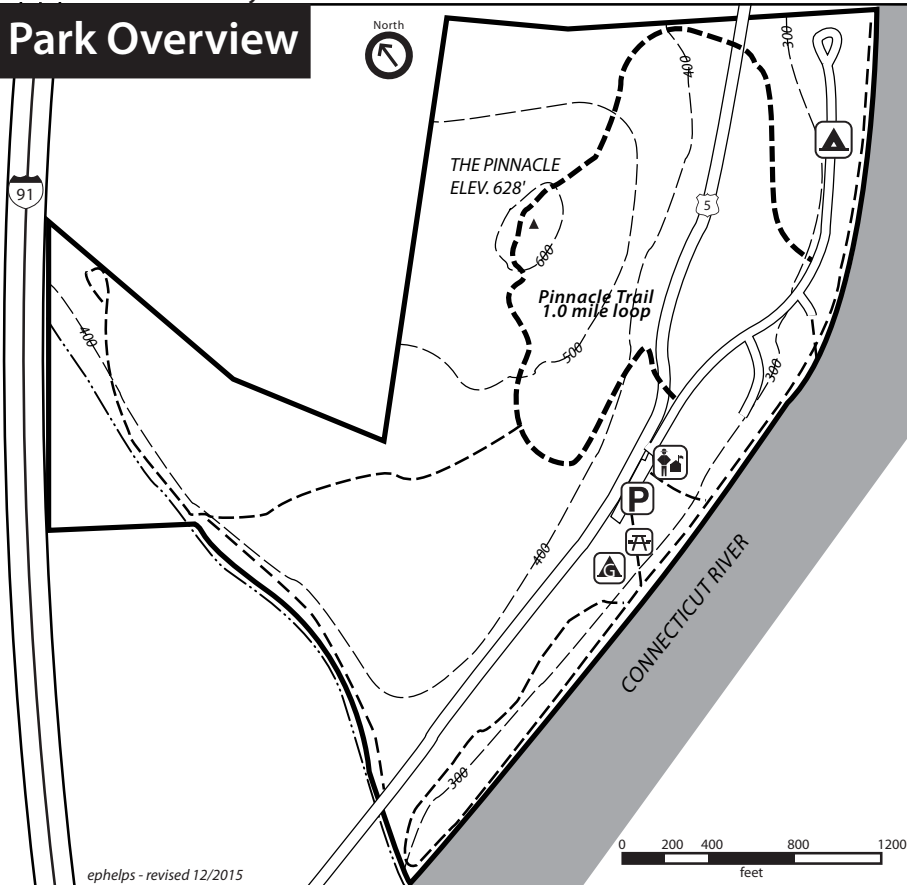
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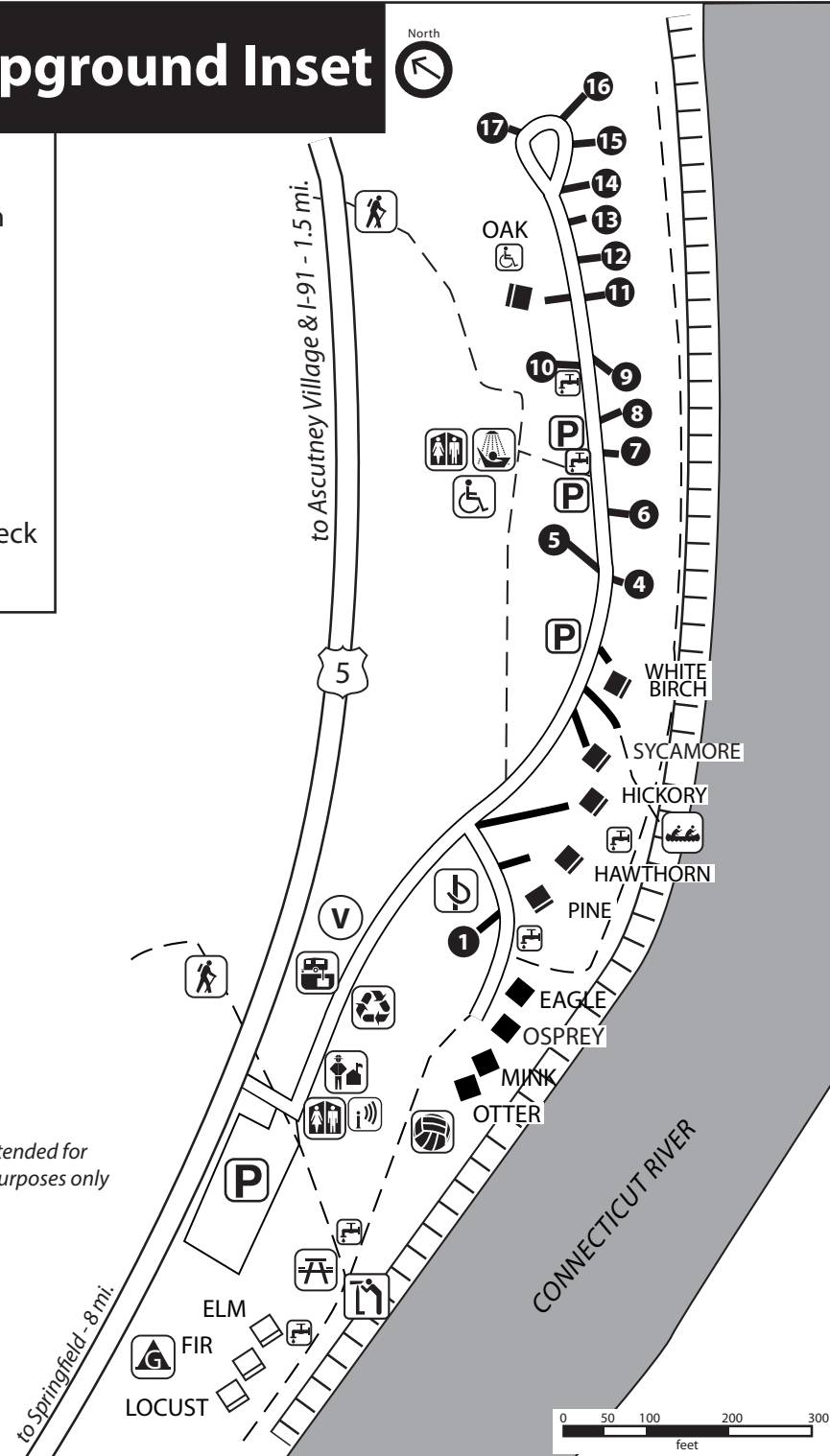
### Legend

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|----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Park office    | Restrooms                      | Cartop boat launch    |
| Prime Campsite | Showers (\$)                   | Horseshoe pit         |
| Prime Lean-to  | Wheelchair accessible facility | Volleyball            |
| Cabin          | Drinking water                 | Trailhead             |
| Campsite       | RV Sanitary Station            | Group camping         |
| Lean-to        | Trash/Recycling center         | Picnic area           |
| Volunteer Site | Wi-Fi                          | Wildlife viewing deck |
| Boundary       | Foot trail                     | Steep Bank            |

### Park Overview



this map is intended for informational purposes only



## Wilgus State Park

Welcome to Wilgus State Park. Colonel and Mrs. William Wilgus gave this property to the State of Vermont in 1933 for the creation of Wilgus State Park. Colonel Wilgus, born in 1865, was an internationally famous civil engineer whose brilliant career paralleled the development of modern transportation. Colonel Wilgus' achievements include appointment as Director of Military Railways and Deputy Director of General Transportation in the American Expeditionary Force, resulting in a commendation from General Pershing and receipt of the Distinguished Service Medal; he conceived prefabricated sections of double-track tunnel which created the Detroit River Tunnel; he was the author of many technical papers and volumes and received many awards during his 46 years of active public life.

The original park was constructed in the early 1930s by the Civilian Conservation Corps, a federal public works program created during the Great Depression to provide jobs and training for thousands of unemployed Americans. At that time the park consisted of a picnic area with large flue-type stone fireplaces, picnic tables and the ranger's quarters. The campground was developed and expanded between 1960 and the present time.

Wilgus State Park is a very popular park for paddlers, being the only developed state park on the Vermont shores of the Connecticut River. The park offers an excellent chance to stop over on a river trip, or the opportunity to stay and explore the river and nearby Mt. Ascutney on day trips.

### Wilgus State Park Amenities

- 15 Campsites
- 6 Lean-to Shelters
- 4 Cabins
- Group Camping area with 3 lean-to shelters
- Car-top boat launch
- Small picnic pavilion
- Firewood & Ice Available

### Recreating and Sightseeing in the Area

- Boating and fishing on the Connecticut River
- Hiking at Mt. Ascutney State Park
- Mt. Ascutney Parkway and summit observation tower
- Constitution House State Historic Site, Windsor
- American Precision Museum, Windsor
- Historic downtowns of Windsor, Vermont and Claremont, New Hampshire
- St. Gaudens National Historic Site, Cornish, NH

### Wilgus State Park

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*early May - mid October*

Camping  
River Paddling  
Fishing  
Group Camping  
Hiking

