

Ozarks

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Ozark Highlands; Ozark Mountains; Ozark Plateaus

View of the Ozarks from the [Buffalo National River, Newton County, Arkansas](#)

Highest point

Peak	Buffalo Lookout
Elevation	2,561 ft (781 m)
Coordinates	37°10′N 92°30′W

Geography

Country	<div>United States</div> <div>Arkansas</div>
Region	<div>Kansas</div> <div>Missouri</div> <div>Oklahoma</div>

Geology

[Age of rock](#) [Paleozoic](#) to [Proterozoic](#)

Elevation map of the Ozarks

The **Ozarks**, also called the **Ozark Mountains** and **Ozark Plateau**, are a [physiographic](#), [geologic](#), and [cultural](#) highland region of the central [United States](#). It covers much of the [south](#) half of [Missouri](#) and a large portion of [northwest](#) and North central [Arkansas](#). The region also goes westward into [northeast Oklahoma](#) and extreme [southeast Kansas](#). The name Ozarks comes from the [French](#) *Aux Arcs*. The name means "with bows" and was given by an early [French](#) explorer to the Bow Indians ([Quapaw](#)).^[1] They were native to the area that later became Arkansas.^[1]

References

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Regions of North America		
<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• v• t• e</div> <div><div><div>Northern America (i.e. Canada and Alaska (US))</div></div></div>		
	Eastern	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Atlantic Canada◦ The Maritimes• Great Lakes
	Northern (Canada and Alaska)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arctic Circle◦ Canadian Arctic Archipelago• Alaska■ Aleutian Islands■ Alaska Peninsula◦ Bering Strait◦ Gulf of Alaska• Greenland
	Western	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pacific Northwest
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Acadia• Avalon Peninsula• Bruce Peninsula• Canadian Prairies• Canadian Shield• French Canada• Georgian Bay• Hudson Bay• Labrador Peninsula• Newfoundland Island• The Maritimes• Vancouver Island
Lower Northern (i.e. United States)		

	Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midwest ◦ Upper Midwest
	Eastern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appalachia • East Coast • Northeast ◦ Mid-Atlantic ◦ New England • Southeast • Thirteen Colonies
	Northern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great Lakes
	Southern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deep South ◦ Gulf Coast
	Southwestern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four Corners • Great Basin • Santa Fe de Nuevo México
	Western	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basin and Range Province • Pacific Northwest • West Coast
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pacific Coast Ranges • Oregon Trail • Great Plains • Interior Plains • Great Basin • Acadia • Ozarks • Ark-La-Tex • Siouxland • Palouse • Piedmont • Atlantic coastal plain • Rocky Mountains • Mojave Desert • Carolinas • San Fernando Valley

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tornado Alley• San Francisco Bay Area<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ San Francisco Bay◦ East Bay◦ Silicon Valley• Gulf of Mexico• Mississippi Delta• Great Basin• Upper Peninsula of Michigan• Lower Peninsula of Michigan• Virginia Peninsula• Delmarva Peninsula• Alaska Peninsula• Kenai Peninsula◦ Bible Belt◦ Corn Belt◦ Rust Belt◦ Sun Belt	
Mexico	Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Huasteca• Trans-Mexican Volcanic Belt
	Northern	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Baja California peninsula• Basin and Range Province• Comarca Lagunera• Gulf of California
	Southern	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Isthmus of Tehuantepec• Sierra Madre del Sur• Soconusco• Yucatán Peninsula
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gulf of Mexico• Sierra Madre Occidental• Sierra Madre Oriental
Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Isthmus of Panama• Lake Nicaragua• Panama Canal	
West Indies		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caribbean ■ Greater Antilles ■ Hispaniola ■ Lesser Antilles ■ Leeward Islands ■ Saint Martin Island ■ Virgin Islands ■ ABC islands ■ Windward Islands ◦ San Andrés and Providencia ◦ Serranilla Bank
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • • ◦ • • • 	American Cordillera Aridoamerica Latin America Hispanic Mesoamerica Oasisamerica Ring of Fire
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • v • t • e 	State of Arkansas
	Little Rock (capital)
Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arkansans • Colleges and universities • Congressional delegations • Geography • Governors • High schools • History • Rivers • Sports and recreation • Territory • Townships
Regions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ark-La-Tex • Boston Mountains • Four State Area • Northwest Arkansas

[Seal of Arkansas](#)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ouachita Mountains • Ozarks
<u>Metros</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northwest Arkansas • Fort Smith • Hot Springs • Tri-State
<u>Largest cities</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little Rock • Fort Smith • Fayetteville • Springdale • Jonesboro • North Little Rock • Conway • Rogers • Pine Bluff • Bentonville • Hot Springs • Benton • Texarkana • Sherwood • Jacksonville • Russellville • Bella Vista • West Memphis • Paragould • Cabot
<u>Counties</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arkansas • Ashley • Baxter • Benton • Boone • Bradley • Calhoun • Carroll • Chicot • Clark • Clay • Cleburne • Cleveland • Columbia

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- [Crawford](#)
- [Crittenden](#)
- [Cross](#)
- [Dallas](#)
- [Desha](#)
- [Drew](#)
- [Faulkner](#)
- [Franklin](#)
- [Fulton](#)
- [Garland](#)
- [Grant](#)
- [Greene](#)
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- [Hot Spring](#)
- [Howard](#)
- [Independence](#)
- [Izard](#)
- [Jackson](#)
- [Jefferson](#)
- [Johnson](#)
- [Lafayette](#)
- [Lawrence](#)
- [Lee](#)
- [Lincoln](#)
- [Little River](#)
- [Logan](#)
- [Lonoke](#)
- [Madison](#)
- [Marion](#)
- [Miller](#)
- [Mississippi](#)
- [Monroe](#)
- [Montgomery](#)
- [Nevada](#)
- [Newton](#)
- [Ouachita](#)
- [Perry](#)
- [Phillips](#)
- [Pike](#)
- [Poinsett](#)
- [Polk](#)
- [Pope](#)
- [Prairie](#)
- [Pulaski](#)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Randolph• Saline• Scott• Searcy• Sebastian• Sevier• Sharp• St. Francis• Stone• Union• Van Buren• Washington• White• Woodruff• Yell
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• v• t• e	State of Kansas
	Topeka (capital)
Topics	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• Index• History<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Timeline• Governors• Delegations• Landmarks• People• Places• Geography</div> <div>Seal of Kansas</div>
Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Crime• Demographics• Economy• Education• Politics
Regions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cherokee Strip• Cross Timbers• Dissected Till Plains• East Central• Four State Area

- [Flint Hills](#)
- [High Plains](#)
- [North Central](#)
- [Osage Plains](#)
- Ozarks
- [Red Hills](#)
- [Santa Fe Trail Region](#)
- [Smoky Hills](#)
- [Southeast](#)

Largest cities

- (1) [Wichita](#)
- (2) [Overland Park](#)
- (3) [Kansas City](#)
- (4) [Olathe](#)
- (5) [Topeka](#)
- (6) [Lawrence](#)
- (7) [Shawnee](#)
- (8) [Lenexa](#)
- (9) [Manhattan](#)
- (10) [Salina](#)
- (11) [Hutchinson](#)
- (12) [Leavenworth](#)
- (13) [Leawood](#)
- (14) [Garden City](#)
- (15) [Dodge City](#)
- (16) [Derby](#)
- (17) [Emporia](#)
- (18) [Gardner](#)
- (19) [Prairie Village](#)
- (20) [Junction City](#)
- (21) [Hays](#)
- (22) [Pittsburg](#)
- (23) [Liberal](#)
- (24) [Newton](#)
- (25) [Andover](#)
- (26) [Great Bend](#)
- (27) [McPherson](#)
- (28) [El Dorado](#)
- (29) [Ottawa](#)
- (30) [Arkansas City](#)
- (31) [Winfield](#)
- (32) [Haysville](#)
- (32) [Lansing](#)
- (34) [Merriam](#)
- (35) [Atchison](#)

- (36) [Mission](#)
- (37) [Parsons](#)
- (38) [Augusta](#)
- (39) [Coffeyville](#)
- (40) [Chanute](#)
- (41) [Independence](#)
- (42) [Park City](#)
- (43) [Bel Aire](#)
- (44) [Spring Hill](#)
- (45) [Bonner Springs](#)
- (46) [Wellington](#)
- (47) [Fort Scott](#)
- (48) [Valley Center](#)
- (49) [Basehor](#)
- (50) [Roeland Park](#)

Counties

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- [Bourbon](#)
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- [Chase](#)
- [Chautauqua](#)
- [Cherokee](#)
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Lists	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• List of counties in Kansas• List of cities in Kansas• List of unincorporated communities in Kansas• List of ghost towns in Kansas• List of people from Kansas
<div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• v• t• e</div><div>State of Missouri</div></div>	
Jefferson City (capital)	
Topics	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government • Delegations • Geography • Transportation • History • People • Battles • Tourist attractions 	Seal of Missouri
Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Culture • Crime • Demographics • Economy • Education • Politics 	
Regions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boonslick • Bootheel • Crowley's Ridge • Dissected Till Plains • Four State Area • Henry Shaw Ozark Corridor • Honey Lands • Lead Belt • Lincoln Hills • Little Dixie • Loess Hills • Mid-Missouri • Mississippi Embayment • Missouri Rhineland • Northern Plains • Osage Plains • Ozark Plateau • Platte Purchase • Pony Express • St. Francois Mountains • Westplex 	
Metro areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Columbia • Jefferson City • Joplin • Kansas City • Springfield • St. Joseph 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St. Louis
<p><u>Largest cities</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kansas City • St. Louis • Springfield • Columbia • Independence • Lee's Summit • O'Fallon • St. Joseph • St. Charles • St. Peters • Blue Springs • Joplin • Florissant • Chesterfield • Jefferson City • Wentzville • Cape Girardeau • Wildwood • University City • Liberty • Ballwin • Raytown • Kirkwood • Gladstone • Maryland Heights • Hazelwood • Grandview
<p><u>Counties and independent cities</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adair • Andrew • Atchison • Audrain • Barry • Barton • Bates • Benton • Bollinger • Boone • Buchanan • Butler • Caldwell • Callaway

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- [Ralls](#)
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- [Scott](#)
- [Shannon](#)
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	Oklahoma City (capital)	
Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History • Government • Governor (List) • Symbols • People • Geography • Sports 	
Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education • Politics 	
Regions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arklatex • Central • Cherokee Outlet • Cross Timbers • Four State Area • Flint Hills • Green Country • Kiamichi Country • Little Dixie • Northwestern • Oklahoma City Metro • Ouachita Mountains • The Ozarks • Panhandle • South Central • Southwestern 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Texoma • Tulsa Metro • Western
Largest cities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ardmore • Bartlesville • Bixby • Broken Arrow • Duncan • Edmond • Enid • Jenks • Lawton • Midwest City • Muskogee • Moore • Norman • Oklahoma City • Owasso • Ponca City • Shawnee • Stillwater • Tulsa • Yukon
Counties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adair • Alfalfa • Atoka • Beaver • Beckham • Blaine • Bryan • Caddo • Canadian • Carter • Cherokee • Choctaw • Cimarron • Cleveland • Coal • Comanche • Cotton • Craig • Creek

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- [Pontotoc](#)
- [Pottawatomie](#)
- [Pushmataha](#)
- [Roger Mills](#)

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