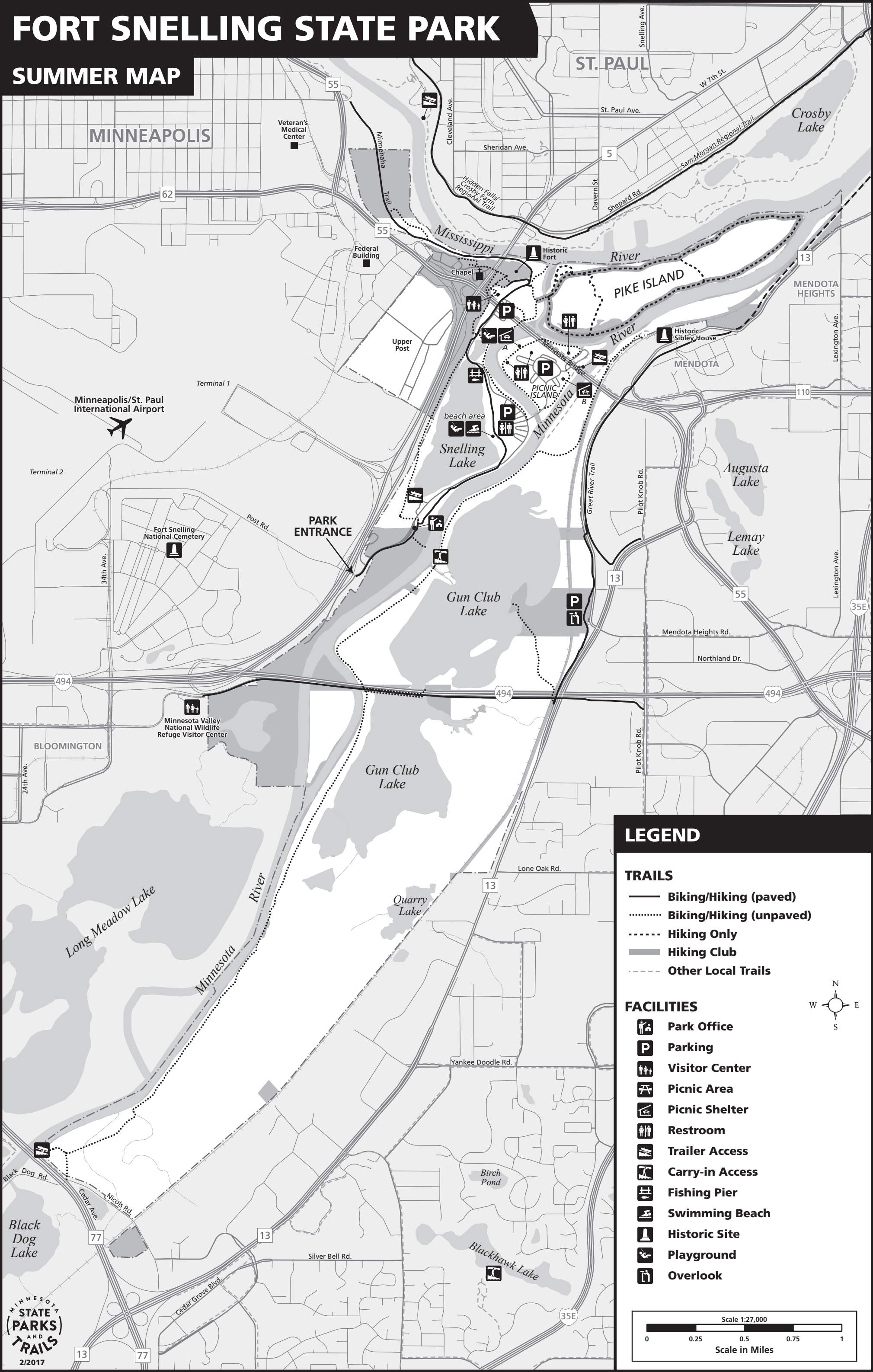


FORT SNELLING STATE PARK

SUMMER MAP



MAP AND GUIDE: FORT SNELLING STATE PARK

101 SNELLING LAKE ROAD
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DAKOTA, HENNEPIN AND RAMSEY COUNTIES
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VISITOR TIPS

- Stay on the trail.
- Do not leave valuables in your car.
- “You are Here” maps are located at all major trailheads in the park.
- Bicycles are not allowed on Pike Island.
- Help keep our rivers and lakes clean. Check your watercraft for aquatic invasives *before* and *after* launching.
- Call 911 in an emergency.



ONLY HAVE AN HOUR?

- Explore exhibits and a gift shop at the visitor center and then hike the Axel Von Bergen Trail.
- Watch for wildlife as you hike around Snelling Lake.
- Pack a picnic. Enjoy a meal overlooking the Minnesota River on Picnic Island or at the beach below planes and viewing the lake.



LOOKING FOR MORE TO EXPLORE DURING YOUR STAY? VISIT [MNDNR.GOV/FORTSNEELLING](https://mndnr.gov/fortsneelling)

ABOUT THE PARK

The Mississippi and Minnesota rivers have been shaping this area for thousands of years. After the last glaciers retreated, Glacial Lake Agassiz drained its massive basin in western Minnesota. Its meltwater carved the expansive Minnesota River Valley on its way to meet the Mississippi River. Fort Snelling State Park, established in 1961, contains the confluence of these two great rivers. Despite the threat of annual floods, the confluence has been, and continues to be, an important meeting point for a variety of communities. Nestled in the shadow of city freeways and airport flyways, the park offers you unique opportunities to explore the outdoors through trails, picnic sites, a beach, fishing opportunities and more.



Experience floodplain forest along two rivers at the park.

TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS

Pike Island Trail Flat • Gravel Trails on Pike Island lead you past views of the Minnesota and Mississippi rivers and their confluence. Look for beavers, herons, egrets and river otters along the shoreline.	1, 2 or 3-mile loop
Snelling Lake Trail Flat • Gravel Year-round this trail offers excellent views of Snelling Lake.	2.5-mile loop
Picnic Island Trail Flat • Gravel Experience river views and watch for wildlife on this short trail that passes two reservable picnic shelters.	1-mile loop
Looking for something more remote? Uneven • Gravel Park near the Historic Sibley House and hike or bicycle along the Minnesota River.	6 miles one-way

MORE TO EXPLORE AT THE PARK

- Look for naturalist programs based out of the visitor center.
- Check out fishing equipment from the park office and cast a line from one of the fishing piers.
- Rent a canoe or kayak from the park office and paddle Snelling Lake.
- Borrow a GPS unit, birding kit or Discovery Pack from the visitor center.
- Rent snowshoes from the park office and step into a winter wonderland.
- Tune up your bicycle or rent a bike at the Nice Ride Station near the visitor center.
- Swim at the beach on Snelling Lake.
- Walk the trail from the visitor center to Historic Fort Snelling, a site managed by the Minnesota Historical Society.

SO EVERYONE CAN ENJOY THE PARK...

A FULL SET OF STATE PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS IS AVAILABLE AT THE PARK OFFICE OR [MNDNR.GOV](https://mndnr.gov).



PARK OPEN
8 a.m.–10 p.m. daily.



VEHICLE PERMITS
Permits required; purchase at park office or entrance station.



PETS WELCOME
Keep on 6-foot or less leash; pick up after; attend at all times; not allowed in buildings or at beaches.



FIREWOOD
Purchase only from park office or approved vendor; no gathering firewood in the park.

KEEP WILDLIFE WILD

Please do not feed wildlife at the park. This will keep you and the animals healthy and safe.



WINTER TRAILS

Keep winter trails in great shape. Hiking and snowshoeing are not allowed on groomed ski trails.

Dogs are not allowed on groomed ski trails.



MORE INFORMATION



WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT FISHING REGULATIONS? VISIT [MNDNR.GOV/FISHMN](https://mndnr.gov/fishmn)

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