

## Northern Tier

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Northern Tier offers Scouts and Venturers the world's best wilderness canoeing. There are three different bases of Northern Tier: Sommers Canoe Base, Ely, Minnesota; Northern Expeditions, Bissett, Manitoba; and Don Rodger Canoe Base, Atikokan, Ontario. Beginning in December, you may participate in the challenging cold-weather camping program called Okpik (OOK' pick). The Northern Tier offers many adventures, each geared to the goals and desires of your group. Come to the Northern Tier for an unforgettable journey through the heart and soul of Canoe Country. Learn more at [www.ntier.org](http://www.ntier.org).



## National Parks

The United States Federal Government has afforded Scouting many opportunities for camping and other outdoor activities. National Parks offer historical, biking, camping, hiking, and aquatic activities. A few of these parks are Chickamauga & Chattanooga, Kennesaw Mountain, Chattahoochee River, Martin Luther King, Jr., Ocmulgee, Andersonville, Jimmy Carter, Fort Pulaski, Fort Frederica, and Cumberland Island. For more information on the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, please visit <http://www.nps.gov>.

## State Parks

The state of Georgia currently owns, operates, and protects over 77,500 acres of natural beauty throughout the state. There are more than 63 Georgia State Parks and Historical Sites. These places make great day trips and weekends full of fun, knowledge, and adventure. Many parks offer group campsites ideal for Packs, Troops, and Crews alike. All Georgia state parks and historical sites are open year round. For more information on the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, please visit <http://www.gastateparks.org> or call (770) 389-7275 or 1-800-864-7275.

## Recreation Opportunities on Privately Owned Lands

Many major corporations and individuals have purchased land all over the southeast for open or restricted use. For example, Georgia Power owns the lake, boat dock, and land surrounding Lake Tugaloo in Rabun County, Georgia for open use. Duke Power offers over twenty lakes for swimming, boating, fishing, and recreation. Many city and local municipalities own and operate parks for recreation. Many are free if accompanied by a local resident. These private and local prospects are harder to locate than National or State Parks, but you may find them worth the effort.