

HISTORY

The magnetism of names like “Sundance” and “Devils Tower” draw the traveler to this spacious park. The area was reserved by treaty for the Sioux tribes until the great Black Hills gold rush in 1874. Conflicts with Native Americans grew during this time, and the Sioux lost control of the region.

Keyhole State Park was named for the “Keyhole” livestock brand that was used by two brothers by the name of McKean. They had established a ranch in the area.

Keyhole Dam, an earthfill structure, was completed by the Bureau of Reclamation in 1952.

FACTS & FIGURES

The Keyhole area centers on the reservoir, approximately 14,720 acres of water recreation opportunity.

The elevation at Keyhole is about 4,100 feet. Seasons are comparatively mild, with great weather from spring through fall, and some of the finest ice fishing in the state during the winter months.

ATTRACTIONS

Keyhole State Park is located on the western edge of the famed Black Hills, between Sundance and Moorcroft, and is easily accessed off I-90 at exit 165, or take exit 153 or 154 in Moorcroft, then Hwy 14 north 6 miles, then take Hwy 113. Within sight of Devils Tower, Keyhole State Park is situated along the southeast shore of Keyhole Reservoir and offers excellent fishing for walleye, catfish, small mouth bass and northern pike.

Keyhole is a mecca for both resident and migrating birds of all species. Visitors have the opportunity to view many types of wildlife including white tailed deer and wild turkeys. A marina and motel are located on Headquarters Road, adjacent to the lakeshore.



SPECIAL EVENTS

The town of Pine Haven will put on a *free* fireworks display in July. The fireworks show can be seen from Colter Bay, Mule Creek Bay, Pats Point or Rocky Point. Get in your boat! This spectacular sight can be seen from the water.

PARK FEES

Daily Use Fees must be paid for each day per vehicle. Annual daily use permits may also be purchased.

Overnight Camping Fees must be paid each day, per vehicle. Annual camping permits are also available.

BIRDS, BIRDS, BIRDS

Approximately 225 species of birds can be observed at Keyhole or within a mile of park boundaries. During the summer the most abundant species include the White Pelican, Osprey, Common Yellowthroat and Savannah Sparrow. Birds migrate from the area during the winter.

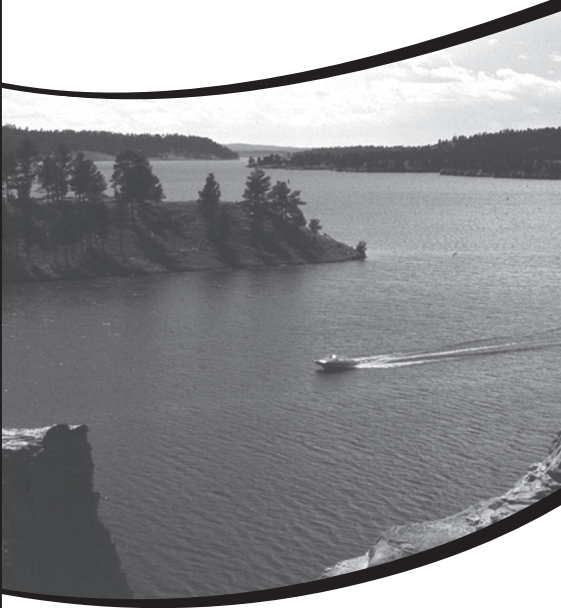
Winter birds that are commonly observed at the park include Bald Eagles, Red- and White-Breasted Nuthatches and Red Crossbills.

PARK RULES

- Obey signs, traffic barriers and speed limits
- Motorized vehicles shall be operated only on roads, trails or areas designated for such use. A valid driver’s license or learner’s permit is required.
- Use of firearms and fireworks is prohibited.
- Camping in designated camping sites is restricted to one camping unit (tent, travel trailer or motor vehicle designed for camping) plus two licensed vehicles (car or boat, RV trailer) plus a maximum of 10 people (immediate family members, kids, grandparents, etc. of permit holder) may exceed this number.
- Camping is permitted for a maximum of 14 consecutive days. Valid camping permits are required.
- Quiet shall be maintained in all camping areas from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.
- All pets must be kept on a leash
- Fires are permitted in provided fireplaces/grills and must be extinguished before leaving.
- Glass containers must be used in vehicles or camping structures.
- Fishing and boating are permitted subject to the regulations of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission
- No fishing within 20 yards of any boat ramp/dock or designated beach area
- Park dumpsters are for park refuse only – litter and trash must be disposed of in provided containers.
- A complete list of rules and regulations is available at the Park office.

WYOMING STATE PARKS, HISTORIC SITES & TRAILS

Keyhole State Park



Keyhole State Park offers swimming, sunbathing, hiking, boating, waterskiing, bird-watching and fishing. Some of the state’s largest fish have been caught at Keyhole!

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Wyoming State Parks & Cultural Resources

Keyhole State Park is administered by the Division of State Parks and Historic Sites, Wyoming Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources. <http://wyoparks.state.wy.us/>

Keyhole State Park

ADA

Boat ramp

Camping

Dam

Drinking Water

Group Picnic Shelter

Park Headquarters

Phone

Picnic Area

Playground

Restrooms

Trailer Sanitary Station

Viewing area

Visitor Information

No-vehicle area

Public access

Railroad

Gravel road

Paved road

