Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park Frequently Asked Questions



Where is Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park located?

Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park is located north of the intersection of County Road 400 and Gold Road in southern Logan County, Kansas. It is best accessed by turning on Gold Road from US Highway 83.

| Lat/Long | 38.80280561 | -100.9282032 |
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| UTM | 332574.728 | 4296632.357 |

How are the roads to Little Jerusalem?

Access roads to Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park are public gravel roadways maintained by the county. There may be times when the roads are not accessible.

The parking lot is natural surface and may also get muddy or difficult to access. There are two designated, paved handicapped parking spaces.

When can I visit?

For the grand opening on Saturday, October 12, 2019, gates open at 9am, trails will open approximately 11:00am.

Following the grand opening, Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park will be open to visitors sunup to sundown daily, all year round.

How do I register for a guided tour?

For the grand opening on Saturday, October 12, 2019, you can register for a guided tour <u>here</u>.

Following the grand opening, guided tours must be scheduled with the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks & Tourism by calling the office at Historic Lake Scott State Park, 620-872-2061.

What is the cost of admission?

Visitors are required to purchase a daily vehicle permit, currently \$5, at the park or have an <u>annual Kansas</u> <u>state parks vehicle pass</u>. Regularly scheduled guided tours will be free of charge.

Can I go off the trails without a guide?

No.

Can I keep this fossil/rock/sharks tooth/flower I found?

Take nothing but pictures. Collecting of anything from the park is not allowed.

Where can I stay/eat/shop in the area?

There are lots of lodging options and places to eat and shop in the surrounding communities of Logan, Scott and Wallace counties. Check out <u>this guide</u> on the WesternVistasHistoricByway.com.

What else is there to do in the area?

Western Kansas is full of culturally and visually fascinating things to see and do. We suggest you start with the <u>Western Vistas Historic Byway</u> route.

And no trip to Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park is complete without a visit to The Nature Conservancy's nearby <u>Smoky Valley Ranch</u>. Hiking and horesback trails on the western edge of Smoky Valley Ranch are open year round. Download the trail map <u>here</u>.

Do you allow camping?

No. Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park is day use. <u>Historic Lake Scott State Park</u> just 7 miles south offers multiple camping amenities.

Do you allow dogs?

Yes. Dogs must be leashed.

Do you allow bicycles/UTVs/horses?

No. Access to Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park is limited to pedestrian traffic on the designated trails.

How accessible are the trails?

The **Overlook Trail** extends one-quarter mile along a crushed rock surface to scenic viewpoint.

Terrain: crushed rock surface and gentle gradients for all abilities.

The Life on the Rocks Trail winds 1.5 miles along the rim of the rocks with multiple bends to provide a variety of views and two scenic overlooks.

Terrain: crushed rock surface and gentle gradients for all abilities for the first 2/3 mile (3,500 feet) to the first overlook; natural surface trail with moderate slopes for the next 1/2 mile (2,766 feet) to the second overlook.

There are two designated, paved handicapped parking spaces.

Who owns Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park?

Little Jerusalem is owned by <u>The Nature Conservancy</u>, a global nonprofit conservation organization. The Nature Conservancy has partnered with the <u>Kansas Department of Wildlife</u>, <u>Parks & Tourism</u> to make portions of the area open to the public.



Crushed rock trail surface