



Bird watching

Bird watching is an activity available at all parks, nature preserves, and wildlife sanctuaries. Chippewa Inlet Trail North, Chippewa Lake, Hidden Hollow Camp, Lake Medina, and River Styx Park are among the most popular parks for bird watching.

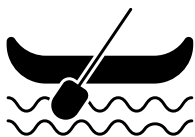


Biking

Chippewa Inlet Trail - 2.8 miles (asphalt and crushed limestone trail)
Chippewa Rail Trail - 2.75 miles (asphalt)
Lake Medina - 1.63 miles (asphalt)
Lester Rail Trail - 3.5 miles (crushed limestone)
Plum Creek Greenway - 1.0 mile (paved)

Biking is permitted on paved, gravel, and crushed limestone/aggregate trails; however, biking is not permitted at nature preserves and wildlife sanctuaries.

ELECTRIC BIKES, ATVS, GO CARTS, MINI BIKES - Only Class 1 and Class 2 electric bikes (e-bikes) as defined by the Ohio Revised Code are permitted on multipurpose trails with crushed limestone or asphalt surfaces. E-bikes are not permitted on natural surface, equestrian, or mountain bike trails, or in other areas managed by the park district. Internal combustion engine-powered/motorized trail bikes, all-terrain and all-purpose vehicles, go carts, and/or mini bike-type vehicles are prohibited on park property. This rule does not include any motorized wheelchair, any electric personal assistive mobility device, or other power-driven mobility devices required for individual handicapped utilization.



Canoeing

Kayaking

Motor Boating

MCPD allows canoes, kayaks, and small rowboats on all waters of the district. They must be registered by the State of Ohio and have safety equipment on board. Motor boats may only be used on Chippewa Lake. The launch ramp for Chippewa Lake is located at 7830 Westfield Landing Road in Westfield Township and is available 24 hours per day. There is a 399 horsepower limit on Chippewa Lake. There is a paddlecraft launch located at 8108 Lake Road in Westfield Township that is open May to October each year.

Stand-up paddle boards may also be used, however, they do not need to be registered. MCPD requires individuals using a paddle board to bring a personal flotation device (such as a life vest) with him/or while on the water.



Cross-Country Skiing

Enjoy cross-country skiing at all parks, nature preserves, and wildlife sanctuaries.



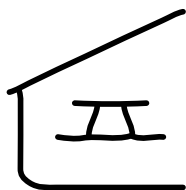
Fishing (SEE PAGE 3)

There are plenty of locations to fish in Medina County parks. See page 3 for more information. Fishing licenses are ONLY required for those 16 and up at Chippewa Inlet and Chippewa Lake. Fishing is not permitted at wildlife sanctuaries.



Horseback Riding

Allardale East - 1.8 miles
Chippewa Lake Park Birding & Bridle Trail - 2.3 miles (May to October)
Letha House Park West - 1.4 miles
Letha House Park East - 1.6 miles



Picnic Shelters (open air) subject to availability

Allardale West
Buckeye Woods Park
Carolyn Ludwig Mugarage Park (not reservable)
Green Leaf Park
Hubbard Valley Park
Letha House Park East (not reservable)
Plum Creek Park North and South
River Styx Park



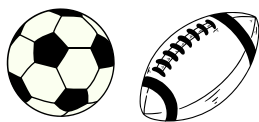
Playgrounds

Allardale Park
Buckeye Woods Park
Carolyn Ludwig Mugarage Park (not reservable)
Green Leaf Park
Hubbard Valley Park
Letha House Park West
Plum Creek Park South
River Styx Park



Sledding

Allardale
Carolyn Ludwig Mugarage Park
Green Leaf Park
Hubbard Valley Park



Sports Fields subject to availability

Buckeye Woods Park (baseball and soccer)
Green Leaf Park (football)



Trails (SEE PAGE 4)

Medina County Park District has over 50 miles of trails. Trail surfaces include gravel, paved, and natural. There is a trail for every level of hiking.

Fishing Opportunities

Why do some bodies of water require a fishing license?

An Ohio fishing license is required for individuals 16 or older to fish in park district lakes and ponds designated as “public waters” by the State of Ohio.

Where do I need a fishing license in Medina County parks?

Chippewa Inlet
Chippewa Lake



Brunswick Lake - 13.2-acre lake

Susan Hambley Nature Center
1473 Parschen Blvd., Brunswick
There is an accessible fishing platform available.
Bluegill, sunfish, common carp (non-native), catfish, smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, rainbow trout, and turtles

Buckeye Woods Park - 3-acre pond

6335 Wedgewood Road, Medina
Rainbow trout, bluegill, channel catfish, and largemouth bass

Carolyn Ludwig Mugrage Park - 3-acre pond

4985 Windfall Road, Medina
Rainbow trout, bluegill, channel catfish, and largemouth bass

Chippewa Lake - 330-acre lake and inlet

Fishing license required for ages 16+ 

Bluegill sunfish, pumpkinseed sunfish, green sunfish, black crappie, white crappie, largemouth bass, brown bullhead, channel catfish, white perch (non-native), common carp (non-native), white sucker, bowfin, gizzard shad, northern pike, yellow perch, and saugeye (saugeye are stocked by ODNR)

Green Leaf Park - .85-acre pond

1674 S. Medina Line Road, Sharon Center
Bluegill, channel catfish, and largemouth bass

Hubbard Valley Park - 21-acre lake

8600 Hubbard Valley Road, Seville
Stocked with largemouth bass, channel catfish, and black crappie

Holmesbrook Park - .5-acre pond

660 College Street, Wadsworth
There is an accessible fishing platform available.
Catch and release only
Large-mouth bass and bluegill

Killbuck Lakes West - 47-acre lake

7996 White Road, Burbank/Westfield Twp.
Rainbow trout, channel catfish, and walleye

Krabill Shelter - 1-acre pond

7597 Ballash Road, Medina
Bluegill, channel catfish, and largemouth bass

Lake Medina - 103-acre lake

State Route 18 or 3733 Granger Road, Medina Twp.
Channel catfish, black crappie, and walleye

Letha House Park West - 7-acre lake

5800 Richman Road, Spencer
Catch and release only
Bluegill, channel catfish, and largemouth bass

Medina Marsh - .85-acre pond

4622 Fenn Road, Medina
Bluegill and largemouth bass (not actively stocked)

Plum Creek Park North - .75-acre pond

2390 Plum Creek Parkway, Brunswick Hills
Bluegill, channel catfish, and largemouth bass

Plum Creek Park South - .35-acre pond

2500 Plum Creek Parkway, Brunswick Hills
Bluegill, channel catfish, and largemouth bass

River Styx Park - 3.7-acre pond

8200 River Styx Road, Wadsworth/Guildford Twp.
There is an accessible fishing platform available.
Rainbow trout, bluegill, channel catfish, and largemouth bass

The Lodge at Allardale - .7-acre pond

141 Remsen Road, Medina (Granger Twp.)
Catch and release only
Bluegill, channel catfish, and largemouth bass

Fishing Regulations

Park waters open to fishing are subject to posted restrictions deemed necessary by the park district to ensure and maintain safe, quality fishing areas. All white amurs are protected and, if caught, shall be released immediately.

In areas deemed “public waters” by the State of Ohio, fishing is permitted and subject to state fishing statutes. A fishing license shall be required by anyone 16 years or older while fishing in areas deemed “public waters” by the State of Ohio.

All fishing lines shall be attended at all times. Unattended lines are subject to confiscation. Frog gigging, trotlines, archery fishing, turtling, and feeding of wildlife are strictly prohibited. The introduction of aquatic animals is also prohibited.

Medina County parks are open daily from 6 a.m. to one hour past sunset. The public boat launch ramp at Chippewa Lake is open 24 hours per day.

Ice fishing is permitted at all open parks. The park district does NOT monitor the ice thickness but recommends that ice be a minimum four inches thick before going on it. State regulations apply to type and quantity of equipment, including the amount of poles and/or tip-up rigs, etc. Individuals may use portable ice shanties. For additional regulations, including those governing watercraft, please visit www.MedinaCountyParks.com.

Over 50 Trails to Explore

Please note: MCPD is transitioning to a new set of trail standards. There are inconsistencies among locations until all sites are updated with new names, colors, and symbols. Thank you for your patience.

Allardale Park

Paved Trail (.5 mile – easy – teal rectangle)
Nature Trail (1 mile – moderate – blue hexagon)
Nature Trail (.5 mile – moderate – yellow square)
Nature Trail (.5 mile – difficult) – magenta oval
Bridle Trail (1.8 miles – easy – black horseshoe)

Black River Nature Preserve/Bluebell Valley

Gravel Trail (.5 mile – easy – orange diamond)
Nature Trail (.65 mile – moderate – blue hexagon)

Black River Nature Preserve/Hidden Hollow Camp

Nature Trail (1 mile – moderate – blue hexagon)
Nature Trail (.5 mile – moderate – magenta oval)

Buckeye Woods Park

Paved Trail (.5 mile – easy – teal rectangle)
Paved Trail (1 mile – easy – teal rectangle)
Gravel Trail (1.4 miles – easy – orange diamond)

Carolyn Ludwig Mugrage Park

Paved Trail (1 mile – easy – yellow)
Nature Trail (1 mile – moderate – green)

Chippewa Inlet Trail

Greenway (2.8 miles – easy – teal triangle)
Chippewa Road north to Buckeye Woods Park is paved, the rest is aggregate.

Chippewa Lake Park Birding & Bridle Trail

(2.3 miles – easy – black horseshoe)
Open May through October
7782 Ballash Road, Medina, OH (Westfield Township)

Chippewa Rail Trail

(2.75 miles – easy – paved)

Granger Wetlands Wildlife Sanctuary

Nature Trail (1.31 miles – moderate – blue hexagon)

Green Leaf Park

Nature Trail (.85 mile – moderate – red)

Holmesbrook Park

Paved trail (.41 mile)
Nature trail (.8 mile)

Hubbard Valley Park

Paved All Persons Trail (.6 mile – easy – white)
Trillium Trail (1.25 miles – natural – moderate – blue)
Sugar Woods Loop (.5 mile – natural – moderate – yellow)

Killbuck Lakes

Nature Trail (1.25 miles – easy – yellow square)
Primitive Trail (.7 mile – natural – moderate – red pentagon)
Nature Trail (.7 mile – moderate – magenta oval)

Lake Medina

Gravel Trail (1.08 miles – easy – orange diamond)
Paved Greenway Trail (1.4 miles – easy – teal triangle)
Connector Trail (.28 mile – easy – teal rectangle)

Lester Rail Trail

(3.5 miles – easy – aggregate)

Letha House Park

Nature Trail (.85 mile – moderate – yellow square)
Paved Trail (.5 mile – easy – teal rectangle)
Nature Trail (.5 mile – moderate – blue hexagon)
Bridle Trail (3 miles – moderate – black horseshoe)

Litchfield Wetlands Nature Preserve

Gravel Trail (1.7 miles – easy – orange diamond)

Medina Marsh Nature Preserve

Nature Trail (.5 mile – easy)

Montville Trail

Paved Trail (.5 mile – easy)

Oenslager Nature Center/Alderfer-Chatfield Wildlife Sanctuary

Pine Forest Loop (.83 mile – natural – moderate – magenta oval)
Hardwood Forest Loop (.55 mile – natural – moderate – yellow square)
Wetland Loop (.46 mile – natural – moderate – red pentagon)
Paved Trail (.38 mile – easy – teal rectangle)
Inner Field Loop (1 mile – natural – moderate – orange diamond)
Outer Field Loop Trail (1.5 miles – natural – moderate – blue hexagon)

Plum Creek Park

Nature Trail (1.5 miles – moderate – yellow square)
Nature Trail (.5 miles – moderate – magenta oval)
Nature Trail (.5 miles – moderate – blue hexagon)
Primitive Trail (2 miles – difficult – red pentagon)
Paved Greenway (2.46 miles – easy – teal triangle)

Princess Ledges Nature Preserve

Nature Trail (1 mile – moderate – blue hexagon)
Nature Trail (.54 mile – moderate – yellow square)

River Styx Park

Nature Trail (.375 mile – moderate – blue hexagon)
Nature Trail (.75 mile – moderate – magenta oval)
Paved Trail (.375 mile – easy – teal rectangle)

Schleman Nature Preserve

Primitive Trail (1.2 miles – moderate – red pentagon)
Nature Trail (.75 mile – moderate – blue hexagon)

Sharon Nature Preserve

Gravel Trail (.6 mile – easy – orange diamond)
Nature Trail (.4 mile – easy – blue hexagon)

Susan Hambley Nature Center/Brunswick Lake

Paved All Purpose Trail (1 mile – easy – red)
Nature Trail (.65 mile – easy – yellow)



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No pets allowed at wildlife sanctuaries.