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### The Resort

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**Hiking**

Five marked nature trails are available for tranquil and refreshing sojourns in the forest, as well as a 12-mile trail for the more adventurous hiker and a three-mile cross-country ski trail for invigorating wintertime activity.

**Hunting**

Hunting is permitted in designated areas of Eagle Creek. Check with park staff for information regarding species, times, date and required permits.

For more information contact Eagle Creek State Park, Park Office, P.O. Box 16, Findlay, Ill., 62534, (217) 756-6260.