

# Facilities

## Linn County Conservation

**Camping** opportunities include both family and group campgrounds. Family campgrounds have sites for five or fewer people and are restricted to one camping unit per campsite. Family campgrounds are operated on a first-come-first-served basis and sites may not be reserved in advance, except Squaw Creek A Loop. Group campgrounds are for six or more people and must have a minimum of three camping units. Advance reservations are required for group camps. Campground amenities vary from primitive to 50 amp electrical service.

**Lodges** are enclosed buildings with outdoor patios and grills. They are usually equipped with: kitchen area with stove, refrigerator, sink and counters, indoor rest rooms, a fireplace with some wood provided, and folding tables and chairs. Lodges are heated, but are not air conditioned. Brooms, mops, sponges and garbage bags are available for cleanup.

**Shelters** are open-air facilities which have picnic tables on a concrete floor. Each shelter has the following: electrical outlets, pressurized drinking water, pedestal stoves for grilling, and a nearby pit-vault rest room. Some shelters have serving counters, nearby horseshoe courts, and playgrounds.

**Watercraft** rentals and canoe trips are available at Pinicon Ridge Park. In-park rentals include canoes, kayaks and paddleboats for use on the backwaters and river in the park. Canoe trips require advance reservations and are trips on the Wapsipinicon River. Canoe trip participants meet at the concession site in Pinicon Ridge Park for a brief orientation session. Participants are then shuttled to one of three locations, dropped off with canoes and supplies and then float down river at their leisure.

## Activities in Linn County

*Camping & Camping Cabins*

*Hiking & Biking Trails*

*Picnicking*

*Hunting & Fishing Opportunities*

*Boating/Canoeing*

*Environmental Educational Programming*

*Stargazing at the Eastern Iowa Observatory*

*Wickiup Hill Learning Area*

*Abbe Creek Historic Schoolhouse*

*Equestrian Trails & Camping*

## Facilities in Linn County

*320 campsites in 14 campgrounds*

*4 lodges*

*5 camping cabins*

*7 open shelters*

*Over 100 miles of trail*

*Shooting ranges*

*7 Boat Ramps for river accesses*

*72' Observation Tower*

*Watercraft Concession Operation*

*Morgan Creek Arboretum*

*Wildlife Exhibit*



Learn more and make reservations online. Online reservations supercede all other reservations. Once a reservation is finalized, refunds **will not** be given.

If anyone believes he or she has been subject to discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age or handicap, he or she may file a complaint alleging discrimination with either the Linn County Conservation Board or the Office for Equal Opportunity, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240

# Fees & Charges 2016



**Lodges & Shelters  
Camping & Cabins  
Youth Groups  
Watercraft  
Matsell Shooting Range**

[LinnCountyParks.com](http://LinnCountyParks.com)

Questions, Comments or More Information  
(319) 892-6450 [conservation@LinnCounty.org](mailto:conservation@LinnCounty.org)

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<b>Lodges &amp; Shelter Fees</b>	Week-day	Week-end
Buffalo Creek - Hickory Hill	\$20	\$30
Morgan Creek Shelter	\$35	\$50
Pinicon Ridge - Horseshoe Falls Lodge	\$110	\$225
Pinicon Ridge - Woodpecker Lodge	\$70	\$150
Pinicon Ridge - Riverside Shelter	\$35	\$50
Pinicon Ridge - Eagle View Shelter	\$35	\$50
Squaw Creek - Red Cedar Lodge	\$250	\$450
Squaw Creek - Meadowlark Shelter	\$35	\$50
Squaw Creek - Prairie Oak Lodge	\$205	\$400

Special \$50 rate available for Sunday cleanup. Call the Conservation Office at 319-892-6450 or [www.LinnCountyParks.com](http://www.LinnCountyParks.com) for details.

\$100 cleanup/damage deposit is required for each reservation in addition to the reservation charge.

<b>Cabin Fees*</b>	
Pintail Cabin, Pinicon Ridge**	\$90
Aspen Cabin, Pinicon Ridge**	\$70
Bobwhite Cabin, Pinicon Ridge**	\$70
River Otter Cabin, Pinicon Ridge**	\$50
Red Oak Cabin, Matsell Bridge	\$50

\*A \$50 damage/cleanup deposit is required in addition to the reservation charge and is required two weeks in advance of the reservation.

\*\*For Pinicon Ridge Cabins: two consecutive nights minimum required for stays that include weekend nights. Three nights minimum for holidays or holiday weekends.

<b>Youth Group Rates</b>	
Lodge Fees	60% of weekday rate
Shelter Fees	\$15
Boat Concession	50% off in-park rentals
Group Camps*	\$8 reservation fee + \$10/night

\*Youth rates apply all week at group campgrounds that do not have electricity. Camping units other than tents will be assessed the regular camping fee.

<b>Watercraft Rental Fees</b>	
In Park Rentals	
Canoes, Kayaks, Paddleboats	\$10/hour
Canoe Daily Rental (weekday only)	\$25/day
Canoe Overnight Rental (registered camper only)	\$35/night
Canoe Trips	
6 hour trip	\$35/canoe
4 hour trip	\$30/canoe
2 hour trip	\$25/canoe
Shuttle reservations: - Require 2 canoe minimum - Require 24 hour advance notice - Reservation fee is 60% of total fee	
Frisbees, horsehoes, volleyballs	\$1/hour
<i>Hours of Operation*</i> (River level & weather conditions permitting)	
<b>May - August</b>	
Sat/Sun/Holidays	10AM-6PM
Weekdays	1PM-5PM
*Call to confirm availability - (319) 438-1961 or (319) 438-6616	

**Discount Camping  
Coupons Available  
Save 18%-25%**

Each discount camping coupon pays for all fees associated with one night of camping. Coupons are valid the year of purchase and the following year. Coupon booklets may be purchased from the park staff or at the Conservation office. Check or cash accepted.

80 night booklet - \$1,200  
40 night booklet - \$640  
14 night booklet - \$230

<b>Camping Fees</b>	
Buffalo Creek - Walnut Grove (electric)	\$18
Morgan Creek - Campground (electric)	\$20
Morgan Creek - Group Pack-in Camp** (per tent)	\$10
Pinicon Ridge - Flying Squirrel, A Loop (electric)	\$20
Pinicon Ridge - Flying Squirrel, B Loop (electric)	\$20
Pinicon Ridge - Flying Squirrel, C Loop	\$15
Pinicon Ridge - Flying Squirrel, C Loop (electric)	\$20
Pinicon Ridge - Plains	\$15
Pinicon Ridge - Plains (electric)	\$20
Pinicon Ridge - Group Camp, 1 & 2** (electric)	\$18
Pinicon Ridge - Group Camp, 3-7**	\$13
Squaw Creek - A Loop* (sewer & electric)	\$25
Squaw Creek - A Loop* (electric, no sewer)	\$20
Squaw Creek - B Loop (electric)	\$20
Matsell Bridge - Equestrian Camping	\$13
Matsell Bridge - Primitive Camping	\$10
Mt. Hope - Primitive Camping	\$10
Wakpicada - Equestrian Camping	\$13
Wakpicada - Primitive Camping	\$10

\*Add \$5/night for advanced reservations on [LinnCountyParks.com](http://LinnCountyParks.com). No discount coupons accepted.

\*\* Add \$8/reservation; reservations required on [LinnCountyParks.com](http://LinnCountyParks.com). Minimum base fee is 3 units per site, plus \$8 reservation fee. Day-use reservations are charged a \$10 fee.

<b>Miscellaneous Fees</b>	
Dump station charge for use if the camping party did not camp in a Linn County park	\$5
Firewood/12x15 bundle	\$5
Extra picnic tables	\$10
Returned check charge	\$40

<b>Matsell Bridge Shooting Range</b>	
Daily Permit - Available Onsite	\$10
Annual Permit - Available Online Only visit <a href="http://www.LinnCountyParks.com">www.LinnCountyParks.com</a>	\$40