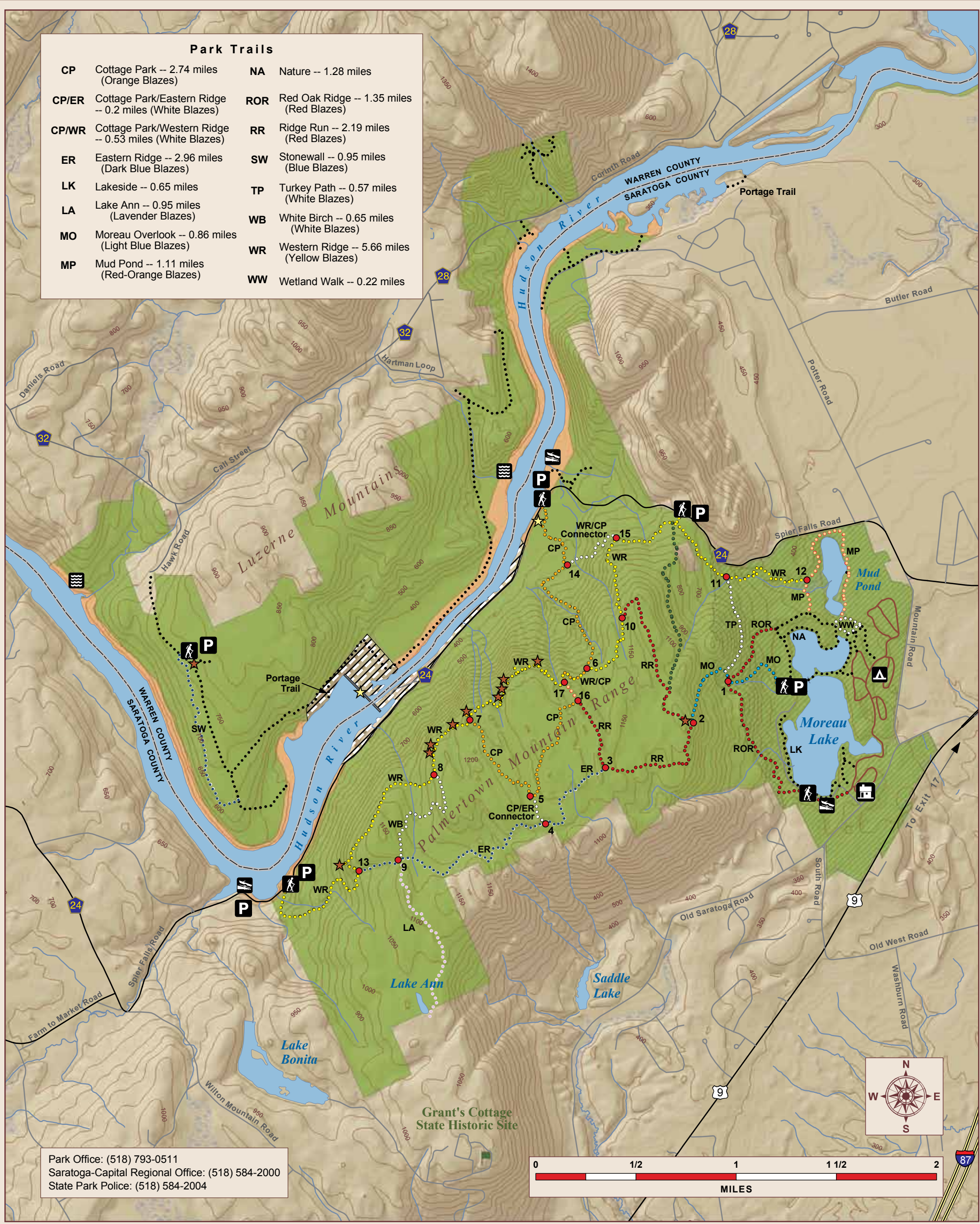


**Park Trails**

<b>CP</b> Cottage Park -- 2.74 miles (Orange Blazes)	<b>NA</b> Nature -- 1.28 miles
<b>CP/ER</b> Cottage Park/Eastern Ridge -- 0.2 miles (White Blazes)	<b>ROR</b> Red Oak Ridge -- 1.35 miles (Red Blazes)
<b>CP/WR</b> Cottage Park/Western Ridge -- 0.53 miles (White Blazes)	<b>RR</b> Ridge Run -- 2.19 miles (Red Blazes)
<b>ER</b> Eastern Ridge -- 2.96 miles (Dark Blue Blazes)	<b>SW</b> Stonewall -- 0.95 miles (Blue Blazes)
<b>LK</b> Lakeside -- 0.65 miles	<b>TP</b> Turkey Path -- 0.57 miles (White Blazes)
<b>LA</b> Lake Ann -- 0.95 miles (Lavender Blazes)	<b>WB</b> White Birch -- 0.65 miles (White Blazes)
<b>MO</b> Moreau Overlook -- 0.86 miles (Light Blue Blazes)	<b>WR</b> Western Ridge -- 5.66 miles (Yellow Blazes)
<b>MP</b> Mud Pond -- 1.11 miles (Red-Orange Blazes)	<b>WW</b> Wetland Walk -- 0.22 miles



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# TRAIL MAP

## Moreau Lake State Park

Map produced by NYSOPRHP GIS Unit, March 31, 2011.

**Legend**

- state park
- state park (no hunting)
- Private Property/Public Use
- Restricted Area
- Dam
- water
- wetlands
- streams
- 50' contour
- roads
- camping loops
- trails (trail color corresponds to trail blaze color)
- park office
- parking
- trailhead
- camping
- water access camping
- boat launch
- historic sites
- scenic overlook
- intersection

Please be considerate of other park users.  
 Please report any accident/incident immediately to park staff.

## Moreau Lake State Park

Thank you very much for choosing to visit Moreau Lake State Park. In order to make everyone's visit to the park the most enjoyable, we ask that you abide by a few simple rules, as follows:

- 1) Our trails are designed to be used by many different types of outdoors enthusiasts, with the exception of motorized vehicles. **For the safety of all users, please exercise safety and caution when approaching other users.** For instance, mountain bikers should sound a warning when approaching hikers.
- 2) This is a **Carry-In/Carry-Out Park**, which means that each visitor is responsible to remove from the park all trash that they generate.
- 3) **Pets** are permitted as long as they are on a **leash that is not to exceed six feet**. Pets must not be left unattended at any time. Also, pet owners must **clean up** and remove from the trail **all droppings** left by pets.
- 4) Please exercise caution when using our trail system; some trails are steep and rocky. Sign in at the trailheads, where registration is provided, and, **please make sure to consult a trail map**. Always be adequately prepared for your outing by carrying adequate food, water and appropriate clothing and footwear.
- 5) **Hunting is permitted in most of the park during season** and trail users as well as hunters are strongly urged to use caution. While in these areas, please wear brightly colored outerwear.
- 6) **Numbered Trail Markers:** To assist hikers in navigating our extensive trail system, the Park has erected numbered trail markers at trail intersections that correspond to the numbers on this map.

### Moreau Lake State Park Trail Distances

<b>Lakeside Trail</b>	<b>0.65 mi.</b>		
<b>Nature Trail</b>		<b>Western Ridge Trail –Yellow Trail Markers</b>	
to exit of interpretive spur	0.23	to Turkey Path	0.51
to Red Oak Ridge	0.28	to height of Spier Falls Rd. access	0.93
to interpretive loop spur*	0.40	to Ridge Run (end)	1.78
to Mud Pond Trail	0.47	to Ridge Run (beginning)	2.29
to Wetland Walk	0.69	to Cottage Park Trail near	
to camping loops	0.83	Spier Falls overlook	3.48
total back to parking lot	<b>1.28 mi.</b>	to Spring overlook	4.82
		total to Spier Falls Road	<b>5.66 mi.</b>
		<b>Cottage Park Trail – Orange Trail Markers</b>	
		to cross Western Ridge Trail	1.32
		to Eastern Ridge/ Cottage Park connector	2.11
		total to Spier Falls overlook	<b>2.74 mi.</b>
		<b>Ridge Run Trail – Red Trail Markers</b>	
		to Eastern Ridge Trail	0.45
		to Moreau Overlook Trail	1.18
		total back to Western Ridge Trail	<b>2.19 mi.</b>
		<b>Eastern Ridge Trail – Dark Blue Trail Markers</b>	<b>2.96 mi.</b>
		<b>White Birch Trail – White Trail Markers</b>	<b>0.65 mi.</b>
		<b>Cottage Park/Eastern Ridge Connector – White Trail Markers (0.2 mi.)</b>	
		<b>Cottage Park/ Western Ridge Connector – White Trail Markers (0.53 mi.)</b>	
		<b>Stonewall Trail – Blue Trail Markers</b>	<b>0.95 mi.</b>
<b>Wetland Walk</b>			
to Mud Pond Trail	0.22		
total back to Nature Trail	<b>0.27 mi.</b>		
<b>Moreau Overlook Trail – Light Blue Trail Markers</b>			
to Red Oak Ridge/ Turkey Path junction	0.41		
total to overlook	<b>0.86 mi.</b>		
<b>Red Oak Ridge Trail – Red Trail Markers</b>			
to Moreau Overlook/Turkey junction	0.93		
total to Nature Trail	<b>1.35 mi.</b>		
<b>Turkey Path –White Trail Markers</b>	<b>0.57 mi.</b>		
<b>Mud Pond Trail – Red Orange Trail Markers</b>			
to Western Ridge Trail	0.19		
total to Wetland Walk	<b>1.11 mi.</b>		
<b>Lake Ann Trail – Lavender Trail Markers</b>	<b>0.95 mi.</b>		

\*interpretive loop spur total is 0.19 mi.  
(whole interpretive loop, from trailhead and back is 0.82 mi.)

### Historic Resources

#### Cottage Park

About a mile below the dam, a little community of four cottages and a hotel were built to accommodate the employees and visitors who came to witness the building of the "great enterprise". This community came to be known as Cottage Park. The hotel (named The Imperial) burned to the ground in 1930. The stone wall that surrounded this settlement can still be seen today across from this boat launch on Spier Falls Road. Many of the workers also built homes for themselves in a communal fashion with family or other workers. Their village of small huts and gardens were located slightly below the dam on the Warren County side of the river.

#### Spier Falls Dam

At over 1,500 feet long, 90 feet high, and retaining an 80-foot head of water, the Spier Falls Dam is the largest dam ever constructed with private capital. The Hudson River Water Power Company, incorporated by Eugene Ashley of Glens Falls in 1899, began construction work in 1900. The first electric power was produced in September 1903. The 30,000-volt alternating current transmission lines –then the highest voltage east of the Rockies–supplied electric power for lighting, street-cars, and industry in Glens Falls, Fort Edward, Saratoga, Albany, Troy as well as for the General Electric Company works at Schenectady. The Facility was named for William E. Spier, a Glens Falls resident who provided major financial backing for the project. Today, Spier Falls with its original 40-cycle generators replaced, continues to supply electricity at a rated capacity of 48,000 Kilowatts.



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