

INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ

National Parks of the East

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Stručný obsah	Přehledné seznámení s národními parky ve východní části USA + zajímavosti a praktické tipy.
Způsob využití	Jednotlivé stránky přinášejí informace o některých národních parcích v USA spolu s obrazovými stimuly. V závěru kontrolní úkol a odpověď.
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Do you know any parks in the USA?

There are almost 400 parks in the US but most famous are

- Yellowstone, Wyoming, est. 1872
- Niagara Falls, New York, est. 1885
- Yosemite, California, est. 1890
- Mesa Verde, Colorado, est. 1906
- Denali, Alaska, est. 1917
- Grand Canyon, Arizona, est. 1919
- Great Smoky Mountains, Tennessee, est. 1926
- Everglades, Florida, est. 1934
- Mammoth Cave, Kentucky, est. 1941



Where are they mostly located?

West!



Luckily you can find several beautiful parks in the eastern part as well (in case you don't want to travel far to the west)

Everglades National Park

Where?

- Florida, fly to Miami, then you can go to one of five main entrances
- choose the entrance according to activity in the park.

Activity?

- boat tours, biking, hiking, canoeing
- explore curious flora and fauna in subtropical climate



Great Smoky Mountains N.P.

Where?

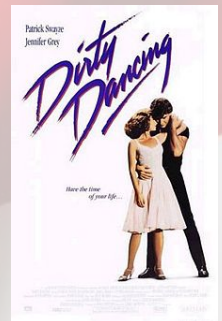
- creates the border between North Carolina and Tennessee
- go by car as auto touring offers a variety of experiences



What to do there?

- camping
 - backcountry – hike miles to get to a campsite
 - frontcountry – camp near your car in a developed campground with cold running water and restrooms
- hiking, fishing, horse riding, wildlife viewing

You can visit Lake Lure NC, “Dirty Dancing” location, less than 2 hours drive east of the park



Mammoth Cave National Park

Where?

- Kentucky
- tours have been offered since 1816
- the world's longest known cave system
- more than 390 miles (624 km) have been explored



Can we do something except visiting the caves?

- fishing, canoeing and kayaking, Green River and Nolin River offer more than 30 miles of stunning wildlife
- horseback riding, about 60 miles of trails

Niagara Falls State Park

Where?

- creates international border between the USA and Canada
- about 20 miles from Buffalo, New York
- Niagara River connects Lake Erie and Lake Ontario



What is the best view?

- walk across the Rainbow Bridge to Canada (don't forget your passport) and go to see Horseshoe falls
- take a boat tour, waterproof clothing is provided

Does it snow in all parks in winter?

No, Everglades are mild and pleasant through the winter due to its subtropical climate!



Note: In some cases American English is used to preserve terminology and some other aspects

- Links

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