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ADMISSION
Adults $8  
SC Seniors $5  
Ages 6-15 $4  
Ages 5 and younger FREE  
Lighthouse Admission $2

PARK HOURS
6 a.m.–6 p.m. daily  
(extended to 9 p.m. during DST)

OFFICE HOURS
9 a.m.–5 p.m.  
Monday–Friday  
11 a.m.–5 p.m.  
Saturday–Sunday

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SouthCarolinaParks.com
WELCOME TO HUNTING ISLAND STATE PARK

A natural wonder just off the coast of Beaufort, South Carolina. Occupying an entire barrier island with 4 miles of pristine oceanfront beaches. Whether you’re spending the week in our campground or visiting for the day, you’ll find that there’s fun around every corner at South Carolina’s most visited state park!

HUNTING ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE

The Hunting Island Lighthouse is a publicly accessible lighthouse open for climbing. From ground level to the observation deck, 167 steps will lead you to an incredible view. Several outbuildings are also located within the compound with historic displays that show the history of the tower since it was built in 1873. There is a $2 admission and 44’ height requirement to climb the lighthouse.

NATURE’S BOUNTY

With such a wide variety of plant and animal life on and around the island, you’ll get a chance to see a plethora of different animals, including white-tailed deer, alligators and bottlenose dolphins. There’s also a variety of different birds, including ospreys, bald eagles and the beautiful painted bunting, and nesting animals like the loggerhead sea turtle.

PARK OFFICE

Take time to stop by the Visitors Center for interpretive displays detailing the history of Hunting Island State Park. Right outside is a large deck overlooking a small pond where you’ll get the chance to see an alligator or two. Our staff can answer any questions you may have.

NATURE CENTER & PROGRAMS

Located at the fishing pier, our nature center features both live and interpretive displays about the diverse natural resources found on the island. A wide variety of programs are held each week, most of which are free of charge. Information on each program can be found at SouthCarolinaParks.com.

PETS

Hunting Island State Park welcomes your pet in most outdoor areas, provided it is kept on a leash or physically restrained at all times. Owners of noisy or dangerous pets may be asked to leave. Pets are not permitted within the historic lighthouse grounds, on the fishing pier or in any indoor facility.

RETAIL SHOPS

Within the campground you will find a well-stocked store where you can buy ice, firewood, refreshments and souvenirs as well as groceries and camping supplies. A second retail outlet is located near the lighthouse, where you’ll find lighthouse-themed merchandise and beach gear.

TENT & RV CAMPING

The park has 125 campsites, which can be reserved up to 12 months in advance. Sites vary in size from tents only to ones that can accommodate a 45-foot RV. More details can be found online at SouthCarolinaParks.com, or you can call the park for information.

PICNICS

Picnic tables are located throughout the park. A picnic shelter is available on a first-come, first-served basis or by calling the park office at 843.858.2011. Grills are not provided. Reserved beach parking is available along Campground Road. Reservations can be made up to 12 months in advance.

HIKING & BIKING TRAILS

With nearly 10 miles of hiking trails, you’ll have the opportunity to see some of the island’s most beautiful sights. The trails range in difficulty from easy to moderate, and you can travel along a 2-mile lagoon, the maritime forest and the ancient dune lines. Bicycles can also ride the beach from tip to tip, tide permitting. Trail maps are available and posted at each trailhead and intersection along the way.

FISHING

Surf fishing and fishing along the lagoon require a state saltwater fishing license. Seasonal favorites include whiting, red drum, sheepshead, spots and several different kinds of sharks.

KAYAKING & PADDLEBOARDING

In addition to the Atlantic Ocean and tidal creeks, our 2-mile lagoon is a very popular destination for both kayaking and paddleboarding. Rentals are not available in the park, but nearby rental vendors offer guided tours of the park. Trips are best scheduled based on the tides.

GET INVOLVED

Friends of Hunting Island is dedicated to helping the park enhance the unique natural wonders and educational opportunities that exist on the island. As a nonprofit, 501(c)(3), independent volunteer organization, our mission is to preserve, protect and enhance the natural and cultural resources of Hunting Island by educating the public and promoting a variety of programs. Visit FriendsOfHuntingisland.org to find out more.