

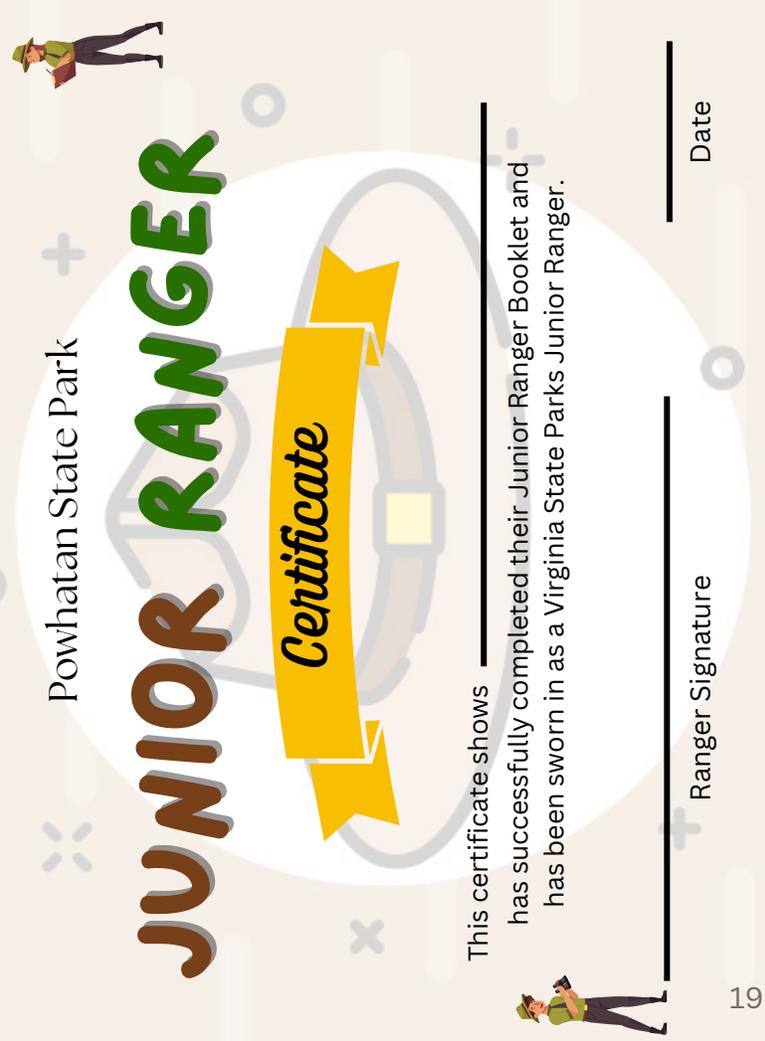
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This certificate shows

_____ has successfully completed their Junior Ranger Booklet and
_____ has been sworn in as a Virginia State Parks Junior Ranger.

Ranger Signature

Date


**HOWDY
RANGER!**

Welcome to Powhatan State Park!

This book is full of fun activities that will help you get to know the park. Park rangers strive to be knowledgeable, helpful, respectful and kind. As a Junior Ranger, you will practice this attitude in the park, at home, and in your community.

When you've finished all of the activities, bring your booklet to the park office. The ranger will sign your booklet and you'll get your own Junior Ranger patch and certificate!



Clues

DOWN

1. I have a hairless tail and a pouch to carry my babies.
2. I sleep in the trees and bury nuts to eat in the winter.
3. My shell keeps me safe from predators.
5. I have a bandit mask and super-sensing hands.
6. I have no legs but I can swim and climb trees.

ACROSS

4. I have long ears and I thump my feet when I'm scared.
7. I was born in the water and have smooth, moist skin.
8. I like to eat plants and grow new antlers every year.
9. I have big claws and teeth and love to eat berries.
10. I can see in the dark and fly silently to catch my prey.

Word Bank

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|---------|------------|----------|
| Rabbit | Salamander | Owl |
| Bear | Deer | Raccoon |
| Opossum | Turtle | Squirrel |
| | Snake | |



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ACTIVITY BOOKLET



The Junior Ranger Pledge

Hand this book to the ranger. Raise your right hand and repeat after them.

I promise...

That I will treat all people with kindness.

I will treat all creatures with care and respect.

I will share the wonders of nature with others.

And continue to explore and discover!

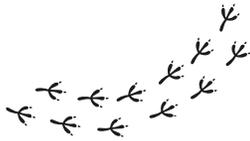
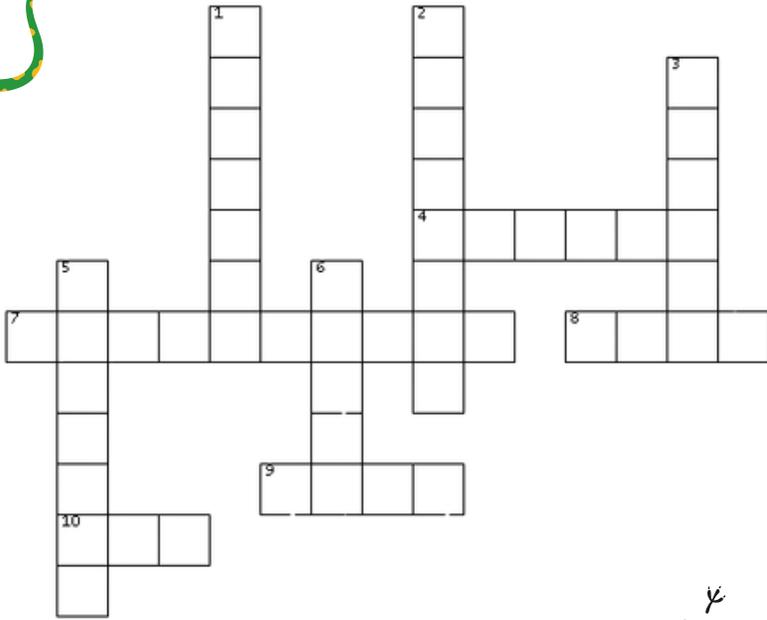


**This Junior Ranger
 Booklet Belongs To:**



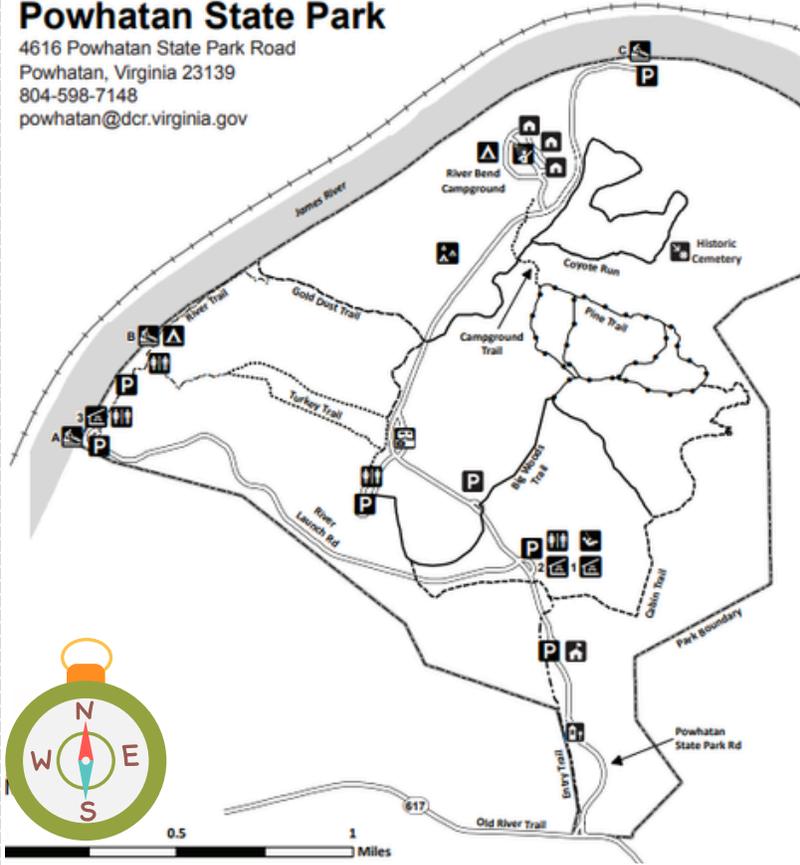
Critter Clues

Can you match the name of each animal in the word bank to its clue?



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Programs and Activities

Attend one program or activity being held at the park, and have the park ranger sign your book.



View our event page for all the upcoming programs!
dcr.virginia.gov/state-parks/powhatan



What are two types of habitats found at Powhatan State Park?

1. _____
2. _____

What river flows past this park?

Can you finish the names of these trails?

1. _____ Run
2. Gold _____ Trail
3. Big _____ Trail





Learn about the park!



Park rangers need to know all about their park. Ask a ranger to help answer these questions, or search our website.



When was Powhatan State Park built?

Who lived here before Europeans came to Virginia?

Name 3 animals that live here.

Title of Program



What are your 3 favorite things that you learned at the program?

Ranger Signature

Date

Who was here?

Rangers often find tracks from animals on the trail and try their best to identify them. Can you guess who visited these spots?

Print #1

Print #2



Ranger Ready!

Rangers need to be ready for any situation. Find all the items a Ranger wears or carries in their backpack in the word search below.

O	T	C	F	L	A	S	H	L	I	G	H	T	A
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T	A	T	L	N	P	O	D	A	O	B	E	E	R
B	O	D	G	D	M	N	T	T	D	W	I	C	S
A	W	W	I	P	E	S	T	T	B	A	N	N	S
S	P	E	A	O	E	W	H	I	S	T	L	E	B
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H	A	H	S	O	B	A	N	D	A	G	E	S	Y
N	H	Y	T	B	I	N	O	C	U	L	A	R	S

- Hat
- Flashlight
- Compass
- Boots
- Belt

- Badge
- Bandages
- Whistle
- Binoculars
- Bug spray

- Water
- Sunscreen
- Map
- Radio
- Snack





Take a Hike!

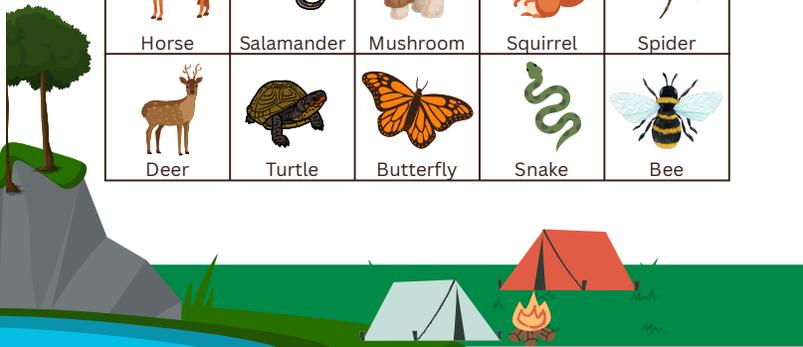
Park rangers hike the trails to look for wildlife, pick up trash, or talk to visitors. There are lots of trails to explore! You could go look out at the water from River Trail, visit the historic cemetery on Coyote Run Trail, or look for sparkly dirt on Gold Dust Trail.

Where did you go and what did you see?

PARK BINGO

How many of these Plants, Critters, and objects can you find while you explore the park? Spot 5 in a row either horizontally, vertically, or diagonally to get a BINGO!

 Acorn	 Park Ranger	 Campfire	 Rabbit	 Bike
 Trail Marker	 Car	 Toad	 Flower	 Dragonfly
 Bird	 Pinecone	FREE SPACE	 Tent	 Millipede
 Horse	 Salamander	 Mushroom	 Squirrel	 Spider
 Deer	 Turtle	 Butterfly	 Snake	 Bee



Leave No Trace

We can show respect to wild places, wildlife, and other guests that inspire us by adopting the **Leave No Trace** principles:



1. Plan Ahead and Prepare



2. Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces



3. Dispose of Waste Properly



4. Leave What You Find



5. Minimize Campfire Impacts



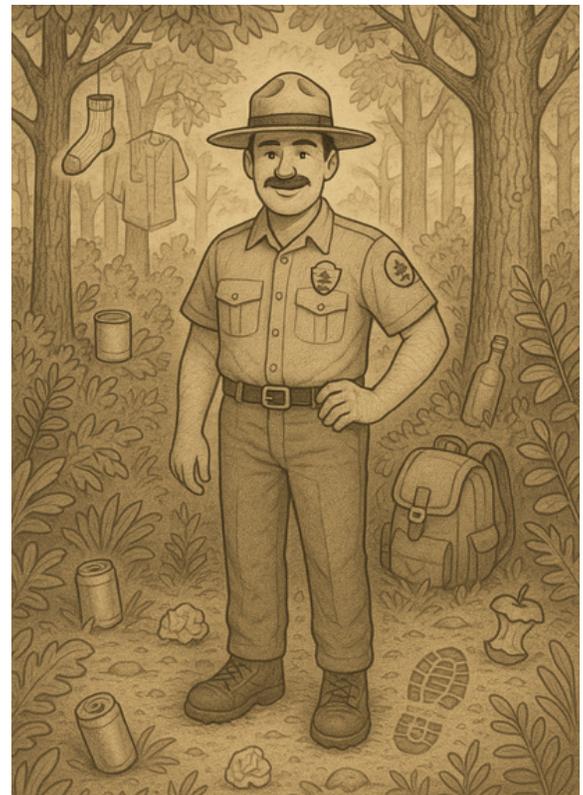
6. Respect Wildlife



7. Be Considerate of Other Visitors

Spot the Mess, Be Nature's Guest

Ranger Payton has found an area where people camped off-trail. Can you circle all the items that violate the Leave No Trace principles?



Wait and watch...

Choose a place to sit quietly and observe the area around you for 5-10 minutes. What do you notice? Do you see any animals or insects?

List 3 things you saw and heard.



1.	_____	1.	_____
2.	_____	2.	_____
3.	_____	3.	_____



Who's scat is that?!

Scat is another clue that can tell us who passed through the area. Which animal do you think left these behind?

Scat #1 _____

Scat #2 _____



Tidy up!

Our environment is a home to many living creatures. We share this place with them, so it's important to keep it clean.

How many pieces of trash can you pick up here or in your neighborhood? Make sure to wash your hands afterward!

I removed _____ pieces of trash.

Draw 4 kinds of flowers or leaves.

Find out what kind of plant they belong to and write their name in the box, too. (Hint: Try using the Seek app by iNaturalist)
