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## **Louisiana State Parks Sites Honored on ReserveAmerica's Annual List**

BATON ROUGE - Summer camping season has arrived and ReserveAmerica, one of the largest providers of campground reservation services, recently announced their 2010 "Top 100 Family Campgrounds" list, a guide to help campers and families plan camping trips at locations across America's great outdoors. In addition to the Top 100 Family Campgrounds, the list also includes the best camping spots across 16 different categories.

Chemin-A-Haut State Park, in the northern part of the state, placed in 3 categories -- Picnic Areas, Horse Friendly and Hiking, while Hodges Gardens State Park near Many is a favorite Romantic Spot and Amazing Spot among RV campers.

Other parks being recognized offer something for everyone, from Water Recreation and canoeing at Lake Bruin State Park, Biking Trails at Lake Bistineau State Park, Bird Watching at Grand Isle State Park and Fishing at Jimmie Davis State Park.

If you just want to relax, check out the Park Beaches at Cypremort Point State Park, the Scenic Views at South Toledo Bend State Park or the Unique Cabins at Lake D'Arbonne State Park. But if you want to make sure the children keep up with their studies over the summer, swing by Fairview Riverside State Park for the Educational & Historical Facilities, or Fontainebleau State Park for Tours & Events.

"Louisiana's State Parks and Historic Sites have always been a great family destination," said Dr. Stuart Johnson, Assistant Secretary for the Office of State Parks. "We offer many opportunities for quality outdoor recreation, and a chance to experience the state's natural and cultural treasures. We are happy to be recognized on Reserve America's list."

To determine the top campgrounds and locations, over 3,000 parks were evaluated based in part on testimonials from park rangers, regional park management and campers, as well as specific family-friendly criteria including kid-friendly parks, scenic views, hiking trails, children's activities and more.

"The Top 100 Family Campground list highlights some of America's finest campgrounds that not only provide convenient services, but offer beautiful scenery and ensure that outdoor enthusiasts and families have a great camping experience," explained David Dutch, general manager for the Active Network's Outdoors division. "We congratulate all our winners on receiving this great award."

For more information and to view the full Top 100 Family Campground list and all categories, go here: [www.active.com/outdoors/Articles/2010-Outdoor-Awards-Americas-Top-Campgrounds.htm](http://www.active.com/outdoors/Articles/2010-Outdoor-Awards-Americas-Top-Campgrounds.htm).

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