Park Facilities
Lake Minnewashta Park offers 341 acres to explore and enjoy during every season.

Picnic Shelters:
Share a meal or enjoy a snack at any of the four picnic shelters. These Park facilities are available for reservations. All shelters feature picnic tables, grills, water and electric service. For reservations, visit www.co.carver.mn.us/parks or call the Park Office at (952) 466-5250. Visa® and MasterCard® accepted.

Beach Area:
Swim and play at the beach. The sandy beach area offers a shallow entrance to the lake - perfect for small children and people who prefer to wade in.
- Restrooms and changing rooms are available.
- Concession stand with snacks and drinks from vending machines is located on site.
- Picnic tables and grills are located nearby.

Boating:
Launch your boat from one boat access areas within the park. Parking for vehicles with trailers is limited to 35 spaces.

Did you know? The word “Minnewashta” comes from the Dakota Indian language meaning “good water”.

Lake Minnewashta Regional Park

Carver County Parks & Trails

B • Baylor Regional Park: 10775 County Rd. 33, Norwood Young America, MN 55397
Located on County Road 33, 2 and 1/2 miles north of Hwys 5 and 212, near Norwood Young America

M • Lake Minnewashta Regional Park:
6900 Hazelton Blvd., Chanhassen, MN 55331
Located along Hwy 41, between Hwys 5 and 7, west of Chanhassen

W • Lake Waconia Regional Park:
8170 Paradise Lane, Waconia, MN 55387
Located just east of Waconia on Paradise Lane, next to the Lakeside Ballroom

D • Dakota Rail Regional Trail:
New Germany to the Hennepin County line. Trailhead located in Mayer at Highway 25 & County Rd. 30 and New Germany at County Rd. 30 and County Rd. 33 (East side). Also at St. Bonifacius at Kennedy Memorial Dr. and Bell St. (Hennepin Cty).

Please Note:
- Dogs must be leashed and are not permitted at the beach or picnic areas.
- Park in designated areas only.
- Annual/daily permits are required for all vehicles year round.
- Observe signage.

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Creative Playground/Open Play Area:
Conquer the slides, swings, ladders, bridges, and climbing equipment at the Creative Playground. Ready for some football, frisbee or other games that need space? The Open Play Area is located right across the road from the Creative Playground.

Fishing:
Catch that big fish on Lake Minnewashta! A variety of fish live in the lake including crappie, sunfish, perch, largemouth bass, northern pike, carp and bullhead. You can fish from your boat or from the fishing pier. The fishing pier, an 84-foot "T" shape, is located on a point close to the beach picnic area. It's the perfect spot to enjoy scenic lake views and observe waterfowl, fish and aquatic vegetation.

Walking/Hiking/Skiing Trails:
Enjoy a leisurely stroll along five miles of trails that meander along Lake Minnewashta, through forests and across the prairie. In the winter separate trails are groomed for skiing and walking. Have your own snowshoeing equipment? You are welcome to explore the park off-trail.

New trail! In 2012, 1.5 miles of new trail was constructed and paved within the park. The Trail exits the park via a box culvert underpass at Hwy 41 south of the park gate. Once outside the park, an additional 1 mile of new paved trail runs north and south along the highway. The trail outside of the park is owned and operated by the City of Chanhassen. In winter months, trail surfaces will be maintained for walking/hiking.

Park Hours
The park is open daily from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
From the fishing opener through September 15, the park opens at 5 a.m. and closes at 10 p.m.

Off-Leash Dog Area:
Lake Minnewashta Park is home to an extremely popular off-leash dog area. The off-leash area consists of 18 beautiful acres, almost one mile of trail and a separate portion for small dogs. A drinking fountain will be available for you and your pets near the entrance between May - September. As a reminder, dogs are to be on a leash in all other areas outside of the off-leash area and are not permitted at the beach, playground and picnic shelters.

Benefits of an Annual Park Permit
- Valid for 12 months from month of purchase
- Honored at Baylor, Lake Minnewashta, and Lake Waconia Regional Parks
- Honored at Washington & Anoka County Regional Parks

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