



# WY-HIT-TUK PARK

#### A Family Oriented Recreation Area





Discover a multitude of interesting outdoor activities and attractions right in your own back yard.

County of Northampton Division of Parks & Recreation Gracedale Complex Nazareth, PA 18064 (610) 746-1975

## FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY



Welcome to **WY-HIT-TUK Park**, named after the Lenni Lenape Indian word for the Delaware River. The park is located 3 miles south of Easton on PA Route 611 and is within a few minutes drive of most Lehigh Valley communities. Located along the scenic and beautiful Delaware River, it is the perfect location for family gatherings.

#### **Recreational Opportunities**

- **Picnic & Play Areas:** Over 30 tables, numerous grills, and specifically designed play structures
- **Softball Field:** Mammy Morgan's Hill overlooks this playing field and is a great natural setting for family games.
- **Canal Towpath & Walking Trails:** Enjoy the quiet solitude of walking through an area rich with the history and scenic beauty of the Colonial Frontier
- **Canoe Camping:** Permits can be obtained for an overnight stay in campsites provided for canoe travelers. Over 5 sites are available in natural woodsy surroundings, while canoe launch areas provide access to and from the canal. Racks are available for storage.

## **Unique Features**

Wy-Hit-Tuk Park has a uniqueness of its own. No other Park along the Delaware River has the special attractions of this scenic and historic frontier area.

A wooden span type bridge connects the Delaware Canal Towpath with a remote section of the Park – the perfect spot to watch nature and the world go by.

A large and spacious picnic pavilion includes an observation deck with a breathtaking view of the Canal and Delaware River Activities.

#### Accessibility

The Park has been developed so there is easy access to the Park's features for the handicapped. The Park staff is actively involved in encouraging use of Park facilities by the handicapped and welcome inquires about such use.

#### **Park Regulations**

- Hours: 7:30 am to sunset daily
- Automobile Parking: Visitors may park in designated areas only. Handicapped parking is available.
- **Permits:** Required for group picnics
- No Alcoholic Beverages Allowed
- Visitors supply their own sports equipment for activities in the park.



### **Roosevelt State Park**

Immediately adjacent to Wy-Hit-Tuk Park is the spaghetti shaped State Park constructed in 1940 and named for Theodore Roosevelt, the President famous for conservation. The Park runs the entire length of the south eastern border of Pennsylvania, some 60 miles long and it includes 524 acres of canal towpath and recreational areas. Traverlers along PA Routes 611 and 32 are familiar with the historical Park and its many facilities. Almost all of the locks have been restored to control the water level in the canal and to provide additional insights to our American Heritage. Complete with a mule drawn barge operating out of New Hope this State Park is an additional attraction worth visiting.



## The Delaware Canal

Built in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century by Lehigh University Founder, Asa Paker, the can and towpath were a source of commerce and trade in a growing industrial area. Mainly anthracite coal was transported from the coal regions through the Lehigh Valley and on to Philadelphia and New York. At the same time, the canal provided a recreational area for canoeing and fishing. After the canal was closed, the recreational use increased as this scenic area, rich with colonial history, became more popular. Many people come to canoe, picnic, hike, and fish along the Delaware Canal and the Wy-Hit-Tuk Park. Long before the arrival of the Colonist, the area was a settlement of the Lenni Lenape Indians, the first people to take advantage of the scenic and recreational opportunities afforded by the Delaware River.