

Kiptopeke State Park

SCAVENGER
HUNTRULES**Stay on marked trails.**

Walking unmarked paths and going off the trail can damage the fragile ecosystem that the plants and animals have worked so hard to create.

Bring a trail guide.

Even if you have a “keen sense of direction” it is still possible to get lost. A trail guide will not only assist you on your scavenger hunt, it will help you find your way back home.

Travel in a small group.

Although it is possible to hunt alone, it’s safer to have a partner.

Be respectful of nature.

Wildlife is wild! It is always best to leave a plant or animal alone. Do not attempt to capture wildlife or damage plants and trees.

Leave no trace.

Please take your trash with you when you scavenge. The best trails are clean trails. Litter is harmful to the ecosystem and can spoil an adventure. Also, don’t be afraid to pick up a litterbug’s mistake along the way.

How To Play

Use this guide to explore and discover the natural, cultural, and historical wonders of Kiptopeke State Park.

Utilize reference material such as fields guides, the apps “I Naturalist” and “Seek” and the Virginia State Parks website to identify some of the more difficult scavenges.

Use Kiptopeke State Park’s trail guide to traverse the trails, boardwalks and beaches to find unique landmarks.

Once you find an item on the list, mark it off to complete the hunt!

☆ = Difficult Find!



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FISHING PIER

- Concrete Ships
- Blue Crab
- Common Tern
- Brown Pelican
- ★ Mooring Dolphin
- ★ Blue Heron

STRUCTURES

- Osprey Boardwalk
- Bald Eagle Boardwalk
- Peregrine Boardwalk
- Amphitheatre
- Camp Store
- Hawk Observatory
- Butterfly Garden
- Tourinns Sign
- ★ Bird Banding Station
- ★ Concrete Toll Barrier
- ★ Potato Barn

BEACH

- Jingle Shell
- Crab Claw
- Drift Wood
- Hard Clam Shell
- ★ Razor Clam Shell
- ★ Whelk Shell
- ★ Sand Piper

TRAILS

- Bay Overlook
- Loblolly Pine Tree
- White Oak Tree
- Turkey Vulture
- American Toad
- Black Cherry Tree
- ★ Sweet Bay Magnolia
- ★ White Tailed Deer
- ★ Yucca Plant
- ★ Park Ranger

TAYLOR POND

- Native Plant Garden
- Eastern Box Turtle
- Yarrow
- ★ Monarch Butterfly
- ★ Painted Turtle

QUESTIONS

What is the most sighted hawk here at Kiptopeke?

What year were the concrete ships sunk as a breakwater?

The park's name, Kiptopeke, come from what Native American language?

Draw a Concrete Ship

Wood warblers, flickers, & orchard orioles are

songbirds that travel through Kiptopeke.

Draw a Seagull