



# BIG OAK TREE: A PARK OF CHAMPIONS

Big Oak Tree State Park, often called the “Park of Champions,” has a tree canopy averaging 120 feet and several trees more than 140 feet tall. Five trees qualify as state champions and two of these trees are registered as national champions. The Big Oak Tree Boardwalk offers access to several of these champion trees, while the location of other magnificent trees are shown on the map below. The Bottomland Hardwood Trail winds through a designated National Natural Landmark, one of the last uncut tracts of Bottomland Hardwood Forest in southeast Missouri.

**TRAIL INFORMATION**

**Boardwalk Trail:**

- Length: 1.25 miles round-trip (includes 2 rest stops)
- Time: 45 to 90 minutes
- Trail is accessible to the handicapped

**Bottomland Hardwood Trail:**

- Length: 1.4 miles loop
- Time: 45 to 90 minutes

