

ONODAGA CAVE STATE PARK
SCOUT PATCH PROGRAM SUMMARY

Dates: Sept. 8-9

The Onondaga Cave State Park Scout Patch Program is a two-day event developed by the park specifically for Scouts. Requirements for the program include touring one cave (Onondaga Cave or Cathedral Cave) and completing the "Cave Quiz"; hiking one of the parks trails (Deer Run Trail, Vilander Bluff, or Oak Ridge Trail); attend the Saturday evening program; and complete a pre-determined three-hour service project. A park staff member must verify these requirements have been completed and initial the requirement sheet. Scouts completing these requirements will receive a unique patch to add to their collection.

Cave tour preference is filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Onondaga Cave is an electronically lit tour; Cathedral Cave is a flashlight tour and each Scout will need his own flashlight.

This program must be completed in its entirety during the two-day weekend. No parts can be completed at a later date, previous cave tours do not count. Substitution of requirements is not allowed. Special needs will be accommodated, but must be addressed in advance.

Space is limited and reservations are required. There is a limit of 60 total participants.

Reservation of the special-use group camp is filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Please be aware that there will be mixed ages and genders in the special-use camp. Individual campsites may be reserved as well using the state park reservation system.

Costs of the program

- * **Patch** \$2
- * **Onondaga Cave Tour** \$10/Adult, \$8/Teen, \$6/Child
- * **Cathedral Cave Tour** \$6/Adult, \$6/Teen, \$4/Child
(Note that only one cave is toured during the program.)
- * **Special Use Camp** \$2 /person/night
- * **Individual Campsites**
 - * **Basic Campsite** - \$13/night
 - * **Electric/Water Campsite** - \$25/night
 - * **Reservation Fee** - \$8.50/site (non-refundable)

Individual campsite reservations must be made through the State Park Reservation System, park staff cannot make this reservation for you. To make an individual site reservation, visit the website at www.mostateparks.com or call 877-ICampMO (877-422-6766). There is a limit to six people and two sleeping units per individual site.

To participate in the program, please fill out the application and return it to the park.

If you have any questions on the program, contact park naturalist Robert Swain at 573-522-3760 or email robert.swain@dnr.mo.gov.