Woodford State Park

Welcome to 398-acre Woodford State Park. At 2,400 feet in elevation Woodford is the highest state park in Vermont. Located on a mountain plateau, Woodford surrounds Adams Reservoir. High elevation spruce-fir-birch forest covers the park which borders 14,000 acres of the Green Mountain National Forest including the George D. Aiken Wilderness Area. There are several lakes and ponds in the surrounding area.

Woodford was designated as a state park in 1963. All the land on which the State of Vermont built Woodford State Park was acquired from three private landholders. The park opened in the summer of 1964 with 23 campsites. By the summer of 1966, 71 more sites were added, including 16 lean-tos. Improvements to the Adams Reservoir dam, including construction of a new spillway and control gates, were started in the fall of 1969. The picnic area was completed in the summer of 1970.

The Town of Woodford was originally granted on March 6, 1753, but due to the French and Indian Wars it was not settled within the required five years and was then formally established on August 12, 1762. There are several stories to explain the naming of the town. One is that it was named for a General Woodford, a British officer who served in the French and Indian Wars. Another is that it was named after a Virginian named Woodford who fought in the American Revolution. A third story is that it was named after the town of Woodford in the county of Essex in England.

Today Woodford is a popular destination for camping, hiking, boating, wildlife viewing, and fishing. Twenty-three-acre Adams Reservoir provides excellent trout fishing. It is stocked with trophy brook trout each spring.

Woodford State Park Amenities
- 76 Campsites
- 20 lean-to shelters
- 4 cabins
- Fishing and boating on Adams Reservoir
- Boat rentals
- Hiking trails
- Interpretive Programs

Recreating and Sightseeing in the Area
Green Mountain National Forest
- Hiking
- Wildlife watching
- Primitive camping

Bennington
- Bennington Battle Monument State Historic Site
- Bennington Museum
- Park-McCullough House
- Historic downtown

Arlington
- Shaftsbury State Park
- Norman Rockwell Museum

Manchester
- Hildene, the Lincoln Family home
- Southern Vermont Arts Center
- Mount Equinox and Skyline Drive

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