

## Chain O' Lakes State Park

Chain O' Lakes State Park occupies a low-lying landscape that was originally carved by glacial meltwater. In this lowland, a series of interconnected kettle lakes formed when buried blocks of ice left behind during deglaciation melted. As the ice melted, large water-filled depressions remained. Conical hills, known as "kames," accentuate the landscape; they developed when sand and gravel filled in crevasses in the ice. The northern and eastern portion of the park is home to the Glacial Esker Nature Preserve—a narrow, sinuous ridge of sand and gravel that formed in a meltwater tunnel below the glacial ice.

