

# Birding at Little Lick Recreation Area, Daniel Boone National Forest

## Directions

From Somerset, take KY 192 east for about 21 miles. Turn right on Old Whitley Road just before the Mt. Victory Fire Department and follow to the recreation area.

## Google Map coordinates

36.995323, -84.395147

## Habitats

- Deciduous and mixed forest
- Steep ravines with rhododendron and hemlock
- An old mined area, planted in some native grasses at 36.962935, -84.398667
- Bordered on the south by Lake Cumberland (North Fork of the Cumberland River) and on the east by the Rockcastle River.

## Birds and birder comments:

Eighteen species of breeding warblers can be found, including Cerulean, American Redstart and Blue-winged, Swainson's, Black-throated Green, Ovenbird, Worm-eating, Louisiana Waterthrush, Black-and-white, Prothonotary (along the Cumberland and Rockcastle Rivers), Kentucky, Common Yellowthroat, Hooded, Northern Parula, Pine, Yellow-throated, Prairie, and Yellow-breasted Chat. Yellow Warblers can usually be found in the nearby community of Mt. Victory. Four breeding vireo species include White-eyed, Yellow-throated, Blue-headed and Red-eyed. Passerine migrants can be excellent. Bald Eagles nest beyond the campground. Northern Saw-whet Owls can sometimes be found in appropriate habitat during late fall and winter.

Link to camping information:

<http://tinyurl.com/n6f84q8>

Campground coordinates: 36.963034, -84.398698

Link to information on trails:

<http://tinyurl.com/lrxv2nz>