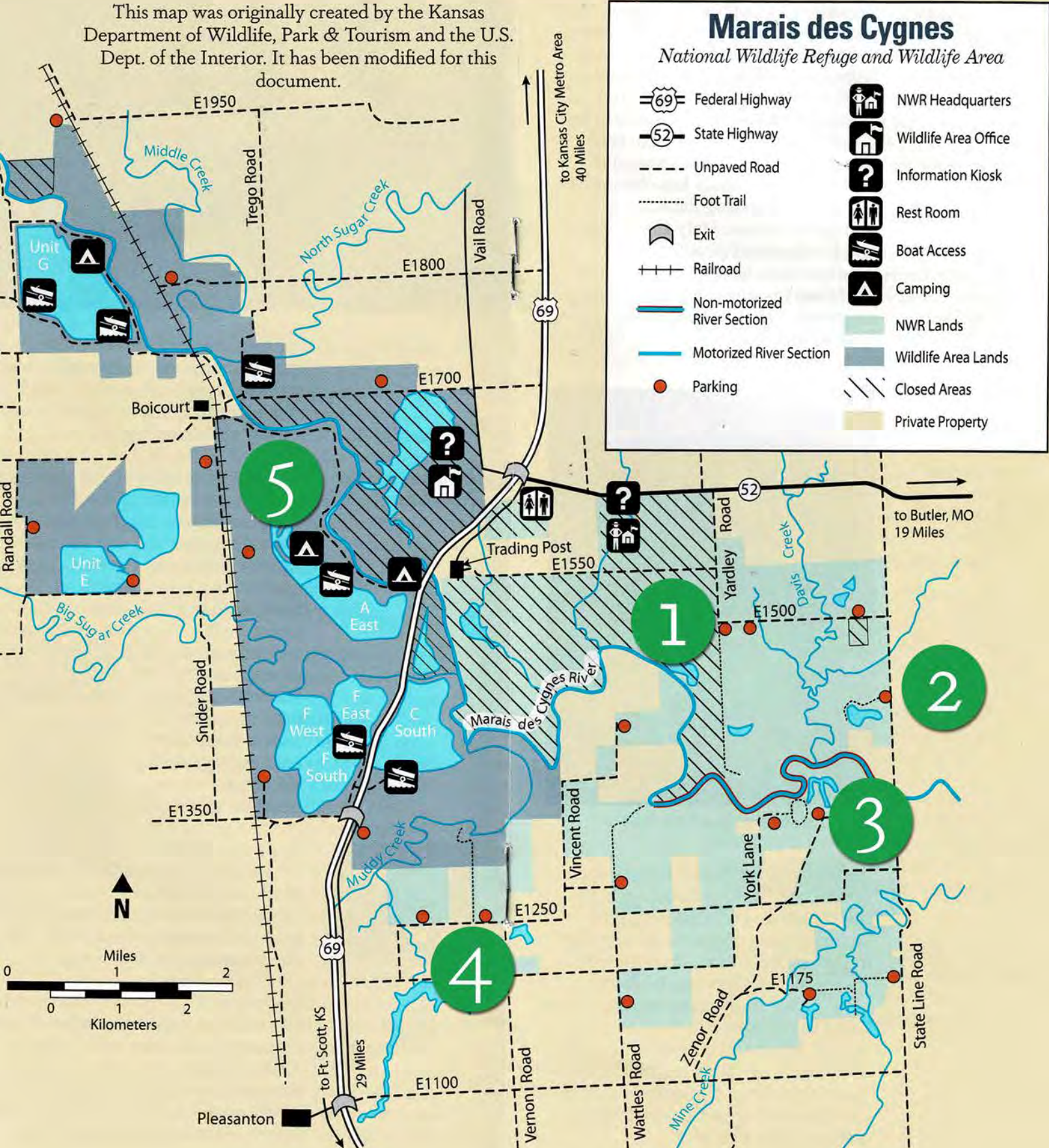




# Marais Des Cygnes Trail Map

Scroll to page 2 for descriptions of each area.

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## Marais des Cygnes

National Wildlife Refuge and Wildlife Area

- Federal Highway
- State Highway
- Unpaved Road
- Foot Trail
- Exit
- Railroad
- Non-motorized River Section
- Motorized River Section
- Parking
- NWR Headquarters
- Wildlife Area Office
- Information Kiosk
- Rest Room
- Boat Access
- Camping
- NWR Lands
- Wildlife Area Lands
- Closed Areas
- Private Property

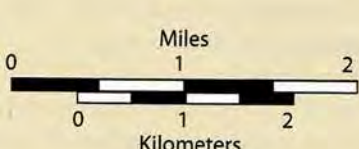
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to Butler, MO  
19 Miles

to Kansas City Metro Area  
40 Miles

to Ft. Scott, KS  
29 Miles

# Marais Des Cygnes Trail Map

While there are more areas to explore that are not included here, this guide helps sort out the best of the 15,000 acres.

## 1. The Forest Trail

This is the longest trail in the refuge, a four-mile out and back. It follows a dirt road through the prairie, gradually descending into bottomland hardwood forest. The trail does not go all the way to the river, but ends in a clearing about 200 yards away. You can easily bushwack your way through the trees to the shoreline.

## 2. Pond out-and-back

This trail, like most in the refuge, has no official name. It's a half-mile quiet walk through prairie to a small fishing lake.

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## 3. Zenor Road out-and-back

This small parking area provides access on two paths to oxbow lakes created by the river. Scenery includes rocky bluffs and rocky shorelines, streams and abundant bottomland forest. Each path is about a quarter mile each way. There is also ample opportunity for exploring on your own.

## 4. South Trail out-and-back

This two-mile (total) trail explores one of the most beautiful areas of the refuge. Rolling, forested hills descend through bluffs to a clearing near the river. You can follow an unofficial trail down to the riverbank and some spectacular ravines and rocky bluffs.

## 5. 1650 Road and trail

On the state (west) side there are no formal trails, but there are still many opportunities to explore. You can park and then walk east alongside the river on E. 1650 Road. It ends in a short trail giving access to the river and reservoirs. There's also a picnic area and campground.

