

Carnes Shelter House

at Natural Falls State Park

About the Shelter House

During the Civil War, soldiers of the North and South alike used the area as a hidden shelter, though no battles were ever fought there. In 1907, the Carnes family took ownership of the Dripping Springs area. Today families and community groups reserve the site for small gatherings and functions.



The Carnes Shelter House has picnic tables, grills and horseshoe pits. The shelter is also located next to accessible parking and playground. Additional park amenities include four and 1/2 miles of hiking and nature trails, volleyball, basketball court, catch and release fishing, playgrounds, an eighteen-hole disc golf course. Pets are allowed on a leash only. **Park entry for 10 cars is included in the reservations for the Carnes Shelter House. (\$100 value)**



About Natural Falls State Park

Located near the Oklahoma/Arkansas border in the scenic Ozark Highlands region of northeast Oklahoma, Natural Falls State Park features a stunning 77-foot waterfall cascading through rock formations and creating a hidden, serene atmosphere at the bottom of a narrow V-shaped valley. A railed observation platform allows hikers to overlook the falls and another observation deck with seating is located at the foot of the falls offering two vantage points to enjoy one of the most scenic wonders in the state. The beautiful scenery looks familiar to many visitors because scenes from the 1974 movie, "Where the Red Fern Grows" were filmed in the park.



Book the Carnes Shelter at TravelOK.com or by calling the Park Office at (918) 422-5802.