



Eugene T. Mahoney State Park

ASHLAND, NEBRASKA You'll barely make it through the entrance before the kids beg to hit the outdoor water park's water slides, wave pool and zero-depth zone. The scent of honeysuckle floats over the mini golf course, and pedal boats dock near the Lakeside Campground, which has free Wi-Fi. **What we love:** Trail rides, arts and crafts nights, and theater performances. **Plus:** The Mahoney Grille serves good sandwiches and has a pretty view of the Platte River. \$20 for each of the 149 RV sites (402/944-2523; outdoornebraska.ne.gov).

ARE YOU A GLAMPER?

If you like a little more pampered approach to the outdoors but don't have an RV, consider "glamping" (glamorous camping). These two locations are affordable, fun and ready to treat you right.

CLAY'S PARK RESORT North Lawrence, Ohio You'll find Amish-made queen-size beds, a day bed and bunk beds atop wood platforms in the glamping tents overlooking the lake at this pastoral campground 50 miles south of Cleveland. Guests rent golf carts to zip to the restaurant and water park and activities. Big-name country music concerts (Darius Rucker and Lady Antebellum this year) fill an outdoor amphitheater. From \$126 (330/854-6691; clayspark.com).

SLATTERY VINTAGE ESTATES Nehawka, Nebraska Sip wine, dine on wood-fired pizzas and listen to live music under a big sky 35 miles south of Omaha, then retire to room-size tents with comfy beds and amenities you'd see at a country B&B. You'll wake up to see ducks, deer, turkeys and eagles and enjoy a three-course breakfast in the wine-tasting room. From \$65 (402/267-5267; svevineyards.com).



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