The Ohio River Paddlefest is the nation’s largest paddling celebration, held each summer in Cincinnati. Be a part of this year’s Paddlefest! Visit ohioriverpaddlefest.org.
There's more than one way to enjoy paddlesports. Try something new or hone your skills in a familiar craft. Here are our favorite types of paddling.

**CANOEING**
For many, paddling a canoe is a fond memory from summer camp and family vacations. Canoes are ideal for paddling with a friend, as a standard canoe accommodates two paddlers.
We love canoes for river sweeps. The extra space in the boat allows you to stack up collected debris. Show your favorite paddling spot some conservation love -- grab a canoe and get sweeping!

**KAYAKING**
More slender and shallow than a canoe, kayaks are a great choice for solo paddlers or paddlers who would prefer to be near their friends or family instead of with them in the same boat.
Kayaks are generally categorized as "sit-on-top" or "sit-in." Sit-on-top boats are easier to enter and exit. As the name implies, you simply sit on top of the kayak, legs exposed. A sit-in kayak is slightly trickier to get in and out of, but is more stable on the water. With a sit-in kayak, your legs slip down inside the hull of the boat.
While canoes have traditionally been the choice boat for fishing while paddling, kayaks are gaining quickly. There are an impressive variety of fishing kayaks on the market, complete with all the bells and whistles an angler could ask for.

**STAND-UP PADDLE BOARDING (SUP)**
Relatively new to the paddling scene, stand-up paddle boarding (or SUP for short) has quickly grown as a favorite of lifelong paddlers and fitness enthusiasts alike. Standing on your board while paddling requires good core strength and balance.
While whitewater SUPping is an option for expert paddlers, beginners will want to stick to lakes and wide, calm rivers with a SUP. Opt for a canoe or kayak if you're paddling a moderate current.

**BOAT REGISTRATION**
State registration is required for kayaks and canoes in Ohio.
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WATER SAFETY

Take one simple step to ensure your safety on the water --

WEAR A LIFE JACKET.

Regardless of the activity -- paddling, boating or fishing -- wear a properly fitted, Coast Guard-approved life jacket. Consider the statistics:

- **77%** of boating deaths are caused by drowning
- **84%** of victims were NOT wearing a life jacket
- **66%** of drowning victims are good swimmers

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IF YOU FEEL LIKE STICKING TO FLAT WATER, TAKE A PADDLE ON ONE OF THESE FAVORITE LAKES.

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www.greatparks.org/parks/miami-whitewater-forest

B - Voice of America MetroPark
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C - Stonelick State Park
2895 Lake Drive | Pleasant Plain, OH 45162
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D - Cowan Lake State Park**
1750 Osborn Road | Wilmington, OH 45177
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* No liveries on this creek, but the Mill Creek Yacht Club offers frequent guided paddles
** Be sure to check out the water lilies!
We love to paddle the Little Miami River for multiple reasons: It's scenic, it's beginner-friendly and it's proof of the power of conservation. The first river in Ohio named to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, the Little Miami River is a deeply treasured and protected waterway for recreation. We love paddling the lower part of the river and ending at Lake Isabella for a little fishing! There are numerous locally-owned liveries along the Little Miami. Go rent a boat and get to know this local gem a little better.
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