



Toledo Bend Forest Scenic Byway

Natural beauty and outdoor recreation are what entices visitors to drive the 76-mile, eco-rich, Toledo Bend Forest Scenic Byway.

The route starts at US highway 84 in Logansport and continues to LA highway 191 where it runs south to the Louisiana/Texas line, ending at the Toledo Bend Dam. The byway includes mileage in both Sabine and DeSoto Parishes and runs parallel to the 186,000 acre Toledo Bend Reservoir, the fifth largest man-made lake in the United States. This inland body of water supports an abundance of outdoor recreation including fishing, swimming and water sports, bicycling, golfing, ATV riding, camping, picnicking, and hunting.

The gently-rolling landscape of the roadway is flanked by southern pine and hardwood forests,

lush farmlands, and beautiful lake views. In addition to the lake and

Sabine River, visitors will encounter picturesque vistas and overlooks, wildlife refuges, distinctive flora and fauna, birding opportunities, and nature trails. Conveniently located off of LA 191 are more than 30 accommodations, including marinas, resorts, and lodges.

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Here is a sample of what visitors will find during a drive along the Toledo Bend Forest Byway:

a) Logansport boasts the only international boundary marker existing within the continental United States. The one-of-a-kind granite shaft landmark was placed at its current location in 1841. The Sabine River was officially established as the boundary between the United States and Spanish Mexico by the Adams-Onis Treaty of 1819. Twenty years and a revolution later, the demarcation of the official border line between Louisiana and Texas was established in the center of the Sabine River.

Logansport, LA 71408
www.townoflogansport.com

b) Cow Bayou Wilderness Area is a beautiful 228-acre site located on the northern section of Toledo Bend Lake. Opportunities abound for ATV enthusiasts to ride smooth trails or to get into a muddy challenge. Approximately eight miles of ATV-marked trails form a figure eight shape to bring the riders



back to their starting point. The park is part of the Sabine River Authority system and is available for primitive overnight camping.

Admission: Free
481 Coker Worsham Rd., Converse, LA 71419
318-256-4114
www.srala-toledo.com

c) San Patricio Scenic Overlook is a roadside

pullover with a fishing pier where catfish are plentiful. San Patricio is a tributary that runs into the Sabine River. The overlook includes picnic tables and is located on the west side of Hwy 191 between mile markers 47 and 48 or 0.2 miles north of the junction where Hwy 1218 intersects Hwy 191.

GPS: 31.40.903N, -93.43.506W
www.srala-toledo.com

d) North Toledo Bend State Park, with its cabins and RV pads, provides a venue for a wide variety of water-related activities, including fishing, swimming, and boating. Land-based activities such as camping, hiking, biking, picnicking, and relaxing in the heart of nature are also available in abundance across the more than 900 acre park.

Open: 6 AM – 9 PM
2907 N. Toledo Park Rd., Zwolle, LA 71486
888-677-6400
318-645-4715
www.lastateparks.com

e) Clyde's Crossing is a 2.5 acre park located off of Hwy 191 in Zwolle where visitors can enjoy a picnic area, barbeque pits, a covered fishing pier, and incredible scenery of Toledo Bend Lake. This park commemorates the actual historical site of the town of Clyde and its early years of trading goods and communication with the West.

Open: 24/7
Admission: Free
19099 Hwy 191, Zwolle, LA 71486
www.srala-toledo.com

Timber production



accounts for a large percentage of the economic base for Sabine and DeSoto Parishes. The forest lands along Highway 191 are owned by timber companies and individuals. Various stages of timber management can be observed. One of the two timber mills in the area is Weyerhaeuser in Zwolle. This mill produces plywood and lumber. Weyerhaeuser also owns and manages large tracks of timber in Louisiana.

f) Wildwood Resort provides a great alternative to a typical hotel with unexpected luxury in a beautiful wooded setting overlooking Toledo Bend Reservoir. There are 44 lodges, cabins, and suites which are unique, spacious and all include lake or pond views. The resort features six stocked ponds, a 460 foot covered fishing pier, rental canoes, paddleboats, and four swimming pools.

129 Wildwood Dr., Zwolle, LA 71486
318-645-6114
www.wildwood-resort.com

g) Cypress Bend Golf Resort & Convention Center is located on Toledo Bend Lake. This premier property offers one of the finest 18-hole golf courses in the South.

You'll feel the magic the moment you set foot on Cypress Bend and experience spectacular views at every turn. The resort features 96 luxurious guest rooms, including 17 suites, 11,000 square feet of meeting space, dining, full service spa, fitness center, and heated indoor/outdoor pool.

2000 Cypress Bend Parkway, Many, LA 71449
318-590-1500
www.cypressbend.com



Fishing is a major recreational attraction for the Toledo Bend Forest Byway corridor and attracts both amateur and professional anglers from all over the world. While largemouth bass is by far the most popular sport fish on Toledo Bend, other species of freshwater fish such as crappie, bream, white bass, white perch, and catfish are in abundance.

h) Cypress Bend Park is located on 114 acres of forested land with roughly one mile of Toledo Bend Lake shoreline. Overnight accommodations available include 60 RV campsites with water, sewer and 50, 30, and 20 amp electrical hook-ups; new fully-furnished cabins with satellite TV, air conditioning, and heating offer a beautiful waterfront view. Eight fully-furnished RV trailer rentals are available as well as primitive tent camping areas. Spend a relaxing day on the newly renovated beach and enjoy meals in one of the covered pavilions with picnic tables and restrooms. For visitors interested in fishing, there is a six lane paved boat ramp and a lighted fishing pier.

Open: Daily, 6 AM – 9 PM
3462 Cypress Bend Rd., Many, LA 71449
318-256-4118
www.srala-toledo.com

i) South Toledo Bend State Park offers cabins, RV and primitive camping, world-class fishing, hiking and biking trails, ATV trail, swimming, lake access, picnic areas, and numerous scenic, waterfront views from many vantage points. Learn about local animal and plant life at the park's visitor center. An open-air breezeway leads out to the observation deck and a majestic view of the lake and nearby islands.

120 Bald Eagle Rd., Anacoco, LA 71403
337-286-9075
888-398-4770
www.crt.state.la.us/parks

j) Toledo Bend Dam was built on the Sabine River to create the 186,000-acre Toledo Bend Reservoir, the largest man-made body of water in the South. With an average depth of 60 feet, Toledo Bend Lake is 15 miles across at its widest point and has 1,264 miles of shoreline. The reservoir's storage capacity is 4,777,000 acre-feet (an acre-foot is the amount of water



needed to cover one acre of land to a depth of one foot). Toledo Bend Dam is located on the southern-most end of LA Hwy. 191.

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