



Our favorite places are quick references for users of the SNF to find recreational areas, sites, activities that are meant just for you. FoSNF members visit their favorite places in the forest and introduce you to them. Find the best places to hike, canoe, bike, ride, hunt, camp, and picnic. Whatever your favorite activity is we can tell you all about the place.

Common Name:

Oakwood Bottoms' Greentree Reservoir

Off Highway 3 in Jackson County



Figure 1: The Boardwalk

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Possible Activities:

- Day hiking
- Bird watching
- Picnicking
- Boardwalk
- Fishing
- Relaxation

Potential Hazards:

- Open water
- Mosquitoes

Driving directions:

From Murphysboro take highway 149 west for approximately 7 miles until it ends at Highway 3. Turn left (South) and travel 5.8 miles FR 786, Oakwood Bottoms Rd. Turn right (East) and travel .9 miles where you will see the entry and parking lot for Greentree Reservoir on your left (there are also a pair of wildlife viewing shelters at .7 miles on your right.)

Oakwood Bottoms Greentree Reservoir

Oakwood's Greentree Reservoir offers many family activities while being surrounded by a vast oak/hickory bottomland forest. The Reservoir offers an open setting with shelters, benches, a pond, easy to walk paths, a mowed lawn, and even a raised board walk that ventures into the swamp. Bring your fishing poles, picnic baskets, and binoculars.



Figure 2: The Shelter

There is also additional wildlife watching opportunities from a set of viewing shelters near the site. These shelters will be found on the right (south) side of Oakwood Bottoms Rd about .7 miles from highway 3.



Figure 3: Wildlife Viewing Area

More Photos



Figure 4: Fishing, walking, and watching area



Figure 5: Entrance Sign



Figure 6: Oakwood Bottoms - Greentree Reservoir