

**WALDO CARLSON PARK
2717 29th AVENUE
BIRCHWOOD WI 54817
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Size: 17 acres on Red Cedar Lake

Location: 1.5 miles north of Mikana on State Highway "48"

Of Sites: 36 (31 with electricity-20,30,50 amp service)
All sites have water hookup
3 sites available for monthly rentals

Fees: \$26.00 - sites with electricity
\$18.00 - sites without electricity
\$5.00 additional for reservations

Facilities: Coin operated showers, pit toilets, boat landing, docks,
swimming, playground, dumping station, fish cleaning house,
picnic shelter

Other Info: Caretaker in residence
Heavily used - fills up most weekends

Reservations: parks.co.barron.wi.us

RED CEDAR LAKE

Size: 1,841 acres

Maximum Depth: 53 feet

Public Access: Public boat ramps at Waldo Carlson Park, at CTH "V" road
ending, and at Pidgeon Creek. Navigable water access from
Balsam and Hemlock Lakes

Fish Species: Walleye, smallmouth bass, northern pike, largemouth bass,
muskellunge (rare), bluegill, pumpkinseed, black crappie,
yellow perch, rock bass, bullheads, and cisco

Water Quality: Moderate algae blooms occur during the summer months. Weeds
are not a problem on a lake-wide basis. Summer secchi disk
readings averaged 7.1 feet in 1987 and 11.9 feet in 1988.

Comments: Red Cedar Lake is connected to Hemlock Lake. A dam with an 11
foot head is located at the outlet. The outlet forms the Red
Cedar River.

Red Cedar Lake has good populations of walleye and smallmouth
bass, and moderate populations of northern pike and largemouth
bass. Muskies are rare. Panfish numbers are only moderate,
but the size distribution is good. Some large yellow perch are
caught.

BALSAM LAKE

Size: 295 acres

Maximum Depth: 49 feet

Public Access: Navigable water from Red Cedar through 4' deep outlet channel and small access with limited parking on east side

Fish Species: Walleyes, northern pike, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, black crappies, bluegills, pumpkinseeds, rock bass, perch, and bullheads.

Water Quality: More weeds than Red Cedar Lake. Historical secchi disk reading averages 9 feet.

Comments: Balsam Lake has very good populations of walleye, northern pike, largemouth bass, and panfish.

HEMLOCK LAKE

Size: 357 acres

Maximum Depth: 21 feet

Public Access: Public boat ramp on south shore. Navigable water access from Red Cedar Lake.

Fish Species: Largemouth bass, northern pike, walleye smallmouth bass, muskellunge (rare), bluegill, pumpkinseed, black crappie, yellow perch, rock bass, and bullhead.

Water Quality: Algae blooms occur during the summer months. Weeds are not a problem on a lake-wide basis, but weeds can be dense in about the east one-third of the lake. Secchi disk readings are not available.

Comments: Largemouth bass and northern pike are common. Walleye and smallmouth bass are found in lesser numbers, and muskies are rare. This lake is popular for panfishing, especially for bluegills and crappies.