Sikeston and Southeast Missouri offers a variety of fishing opportunities from small ponds to large lakes and the Mississippi River, you’ll enjoy the great outdoors and find that perfect fishing hole!

Complex Lake (573) 475-3725 - 501 Campanella Street, Sikeston . Located in the city’s Recreation Complex, this 4.6 acre fishing lake is stocked periodically during the year with catfish. A half-mile fitness trail surrounds the lake. Several playgrounds, picnic shelters, and restrooms are available. State fishing license requirements apply. Handicap Accessible.

R.S. Matthews Park/C.P. Wing Lake (573) 475-3725 - Col. George Day Parkway, Sikeston. Features a 7 acre fishing lake with a boat ramp (no gas motors allowed). This park also features a .5 mile walking track, playground equipment and a picnic shelter. Restrooms are available. State fishing license requirements apply.

Otter Slough Conservation Area (573) 475-3725 - Located 10 miles east of Sikeston on Hwy 80, turn north at County Rd 754, then west on County Rd 756 and travel one mile to the area entrance. Facilities/features: a concrete boat ramp, picnic area, nine fishable lakes and ponds (20 acres total). State fishing license requirements apply.

Robert G. Delaney Lake (Big Lake) (573) 290-5730 - North of Charleston on Route N, then 0.5 mile west on County Road 222 in Mississippi County.. In addition to Delaney Lake (102 acres), there is bottomland forest, a boat ramp, and a fishing jetty. Parking lot, pavilion, and restrooms available. State fishing license requirements apply. Handicap Accessible.

Dorena Access (573) 290-5730 - Near the levee at the junctions of County Road 507 and County Road 510 in Mississippi County. This area has a boat ramp that offers access to the Mississippi River. State fishing license requirements apply.

Ross Lake (573) 264-2322 - Located 7.1 miles from Scott City near Commerce. Take MO E to County Rd 341. Fishermen will find a variety of fish including striped bass, crappie and lake trout here. State fishing license requirements apply.

General Watkins Conservation Area (573) 290-5730. – Three miles south of Benton on Highway 61, or 1.5 miles south of Oran on Highway 77. Additional access is provided by traveling 0.5 mile on County Park Road. The area is named for a famous Missouri statesman and Civil War general, Nathaniel Watkins, who lived here and is buried in a small cemetery in the forest. Facilities/features: camping area, picnic area, nine fishable lakes and ponds (20 acres total). State fishing license requirements apply.

Donaldson Point Conservation Area (573) 290-5730 - East of New Madrid on Rte WW, then south on Rte AB to County RD 405. This area features 5 ponds, Mississippi River access, bird watching, fishing, camping, hiking, hunting, trapping (with special permit use), and dirt boat ramp. State fishing license requirements apply.

Bird's Blue Hole (573) 290-5730 – Located at the junction of County Rd 301 and Levee Junction southeast of Hwy 62 near Bird's Point in Mississippi County. This area features an 8 acre lake, bird watching, camping, canoeing, fishing, boat ramp, parking lot. State fishing license requirements apply.

Thirty Four Corner Blue Hole Lake (573) 290-5730 – Located 10 miles east of East Prairie on Hwy 80 in Mississippi County. Features a 9 acre fishing lake, boat ramp, camping, canoeing and gravel boat ramp. State fishing license requirements apply.

Otter Slough Conservation Area (573) 290-5730 – In Stoddard County, travel west of Dexter on Highway 60, then 10 miles south on Route ZZ to County Road 675. Turn west on 675 and travel two miles to the area entrance. Facilities/features: a concrete boat ramp, 21 unimproved boat ramps, primitive camping, picnic areas, three fishing jetties, fishing dock, Otter Lake (250 acres), Cypress Lake (100 acres), Otter Lake Natural Area and Bradyville Natural Area. State fishing license requirements apply. Handicap Accessible.

For a list of hotels and other amenities contact the Sikeston Convention & Visitors Bureau at (573) 471-6362 or cvb@visitsikeston.com