

About Sutton Lake

Sutton Lake is a beautiful, clear, clean fresh water lake located in the Mountain Lakes Region of Central West Virginia. The lake is a Corps of Engineers Flood Control and Water Quality Project. The Dam was completed in 1960 and the lake was filled in 1961. Be sure to be here for the *50th Birthday Party* on the weekend of July 22, 2011. The actual dam is located on the Elk River 101 miles from The Kanawha River in Charleston, WV. One of the most striking features of Sutton Lake is that it is surrounded by over 10,000 acres of public land. There are no commercial developments on the lake, no houses. All a boater sees is pristine water and green mountains. There are 44 miles of shore and literally hundreds of coves where you can spend the day or night in seclusion.

Boating and Fishing

The lake is uncrowded for boat traffic so the water skier, wake boarder, jet skier, and tuber can find that elusive glass smooth water for carving. Fishing is also good so much in fact that over 60 bass tournaments are held at Sutton Lake annually. Pan fish like crappie are plentiful too.

Lake Access

The Corps of Engineers maintains very good wide concrete launch ramps at the day use area behind the dam, Bakers Run Campground, Gerald R. Freeman Campground, and at Bee Run Recreational Area adjacent to the marina. Bee Run also features a beach, showers, bathrooms, picnic area and pavilions along with a great kids' playground.

Camping

Camping both primitive and improved is offers at three locations around the lake.

Check the Corp of Engineers Sutton Lake website for particulars. There are no cabins available for rent but check out our rental houseboat!

Dam Factoids

CONCRETE GRAVITY DAM

Top Length.....	1178 feet
Top Width.....	20 feet
Base width, maximum.....	195 feet
Elevation, top of dam (mean sea level).....	1017 feet
Height above steam bed, maximum.....	210 feet
Concrete.....	611,000 cubic yards
Reinforcing Steel.....	1,466,000 tons