



### YORK MILL

Just across the Wolf River from the Visitor Center is the red two-story gristmill known as the York Mill. Constructed by James Conley and William Rankin in 1880, this water powered gristmill served the region for several generations. Sgt. York purchased the gristmill in the early 1940s and operated it until the early 1950s. The gristmill is open for self-guided tours between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. daily.

### PICNIC SITES AND PAVILIONS

The park has nine picnic sites with grills at each table. Two pavilions that accommodate up to 50 people each are available for rental by reservation via the park website or Visitor Center. Restroom facilities are available in the picnic area.


### FISHING

Fishing is allowed year-round with a Tennessee fishing license and trout stamp. The Wolf River provides bank fishing for bass, catfish and bream. Trout are released into the Wolf River during the summer months.

### HIKING

The one-mile Homestead Loop encompasses the York Homestead and features sweeping views of the York Home, the York Gristmill, and the surrounding valley. The short Trench Trail intersects the Homestead Loop and allows visitors to view a World War I replica trench. Please note: The swinging bridge is unavailable at this time.

### DRIVING TOUR

 The park offers a paid driving tour of the Wolf River Valley at noon on Saturdays and Sundays. There is a fee for those six and older, and spaces are limited. Departing from the Visitor Center in their own vehicles, participants follow the park guide to the various locations, with minimal walking involved at most locations. Stops include the York burial site and the York Bible School.

### YORK HOME WALKING TOUR

Park guides offer four daily tours of the York home. Departing from the Visitor Center, the one-hour tour focuses on the homestead where Sgt. York and his wife Gracie raised their children after the conclusion of World War I. There is a nominal fee for persons six and older; the tour is free for those under six. Visitors may reserve a spot in advance online or by calling the Visitor Center. With advanced reservations, school groups can tour the York home at no cost.

### ANNUAL PARK EVENTS

- April: The Great War Expo
- May/June: Spring Farm Planting
- October: Fall Farm Work
- November: Veterans Day
- December: Christmas in the Valley

### GET INVOLVED

Friends and volunteers assist in protecting, preserving, and promoting the cultural and natural resources of their favorite state park, by giving of their time and talents to ensure the park's integrity for future generations. Show your support—join a Friends group or participate in one of the many volunteer opportunities offered to individuals, families, and groups. To learn more, visit [tnstateparks.com/about/get-involved](http://tnstateparks.com/about/get-involved).



### SGT. ALVIN C. YORK STATE HISTORIC PARK

2609 North York Hwy.  
Pall Mall, TN 38577  
931-879-6456 Park Office

### HOURS OF OPERATION

8:00 A.M. to Sunset

### VISITOR CENTER HOURS

8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

### DIRECTIONS

From I-40, take Route 127 North to Pall Mall.



# SERGEANT ALVIN C. YORK STATE HISTORIC PARK --- TENNESSEE



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**SERGEANT ALVIN C. YORK STATE HISTORIC PARK** is located nine miles north of Jamestown in Pall Mall, Tennessee, and pays tribute to one of the most decorated soldiers of World War I. Sergeant Alvin C. York rose to fame for his actions in the Argonne Forest of France on October 8, 1918.

On that day, York and 16 of his fellow soldiers were caught in an ambush behind German lines and suffered heavy casualties. Using his Tennessee sharp-shooting skills, York led the remaining members of his patrol against the German forces, capturing four officers and 128 soldiers. His actions from this battle earned him more than 40 awards, including the Congressional Medal of Honor and the French Croix de Guerre.

Situated on the farm deeded to Sgt. York by the Nashville Rotary Club, the park includes a Visitor Center modeled after York's general store, his two-story home, a gristmill, the York Bible School, and various picnic facilities. The York Farm was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1977.

Just outside the park are the Wolf River Methodist Church where York experienced his religious conversion, and the Wolf River Cemetery which includes the burial site of Sgt. York and his wife, Gracie. While these properties are not owned by the park, they are accessible as a part of the driving tour or via the park hiking trail.

### VISITOR CENTER AND GIFT SHOP

The Visitor Center features vintage store displays modeled after Sgt. York's General Store, and houses an exhibit area with artifacts from World War I and interpretive displays on Sgt. York's life. Visitors can watch an all-encompassing 10-minute film about the life of Sergeant York. The Visitor Center includes a gift shop with books and other merchandise focusing on Sgt. York and World War I.

### HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

A World War I reproduction trench lies behind the York home, depicting trench warfare that American soldiers would have encountered in the Great War. The trench affords an opportunity for visitors and school groups to explore this aspect of the war, and experience the intricacies of life in the trenches for the average American dough-boy on the front. Living history events and encampments are held at the park throughout the year.

### NEARBY ATTRACTIONS

- Forbus General Store: Five miles
- Rugby Historic British Colony: 30 miles
- Big South Fork National River and Recreational Area: 35 miles

### OTHER NEARBY STATE PARKS

- Cordell Hull Birthplace State Historic Park: 17 miles
- Pickett CCC Memorial State Park: 19 miles
- Standing Stone State Park: 44 miles



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