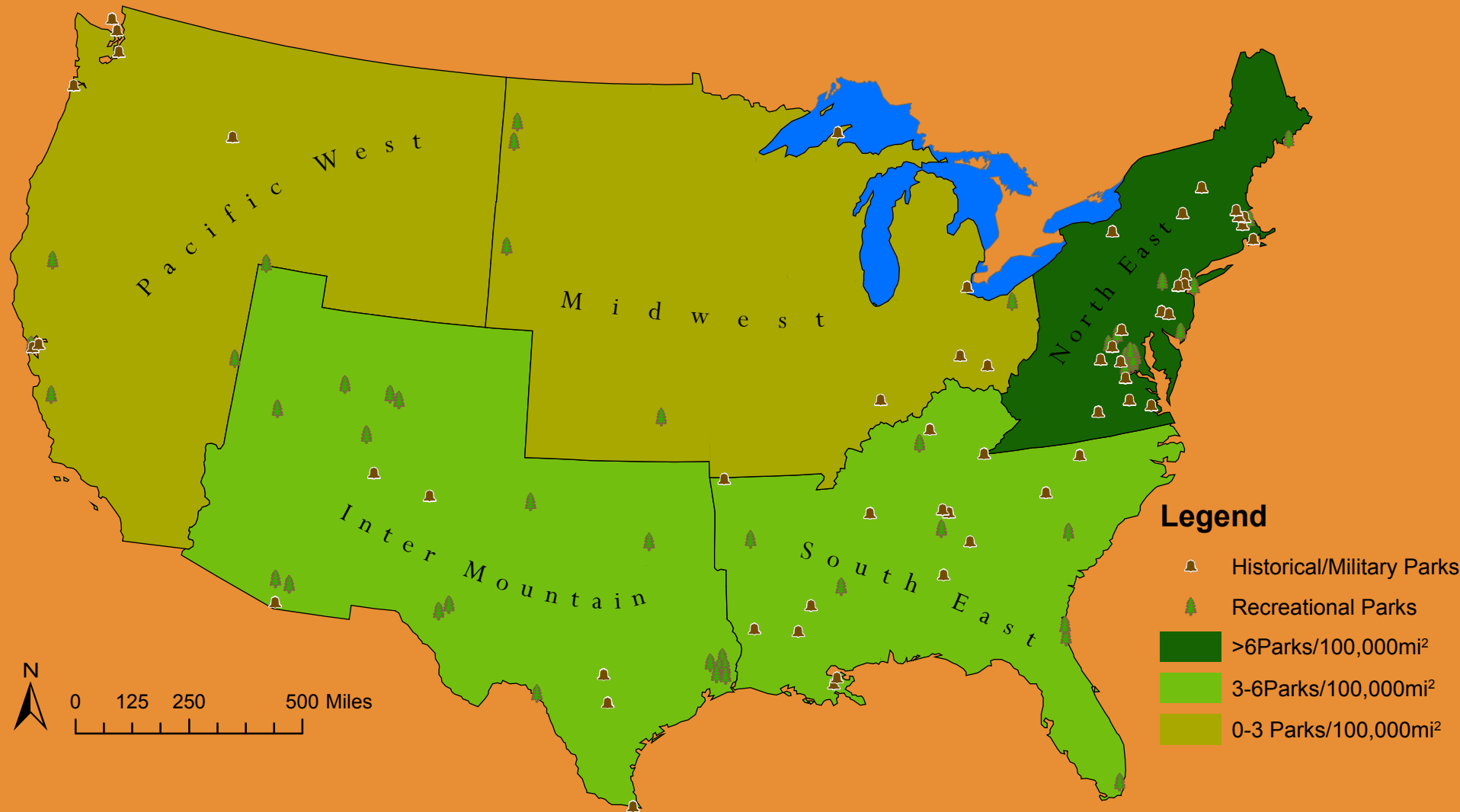


National Parks in the United States



There are 104 historical, military and recreational parks in the contiguous United States spread throughout five large regions. The North East region has the highest density with 9.89 parks per 100,000mi². This is mostly due to the high number of historical sites relating the origins of the nation and the Revolutionary War. The rest of the country has significantly lower density with next highest at 5.05 parks per 100,000mi in the Inter Mountain region and the lowest at 1.57 parks per 100,000mi in the Midwest. While the number of national parks has been growing ever since 1872 when Yellowstone National Park became the first, there have only been five new parks in the last two decades, the most recent being Pinnacles National Park in California.

Notes

Projection: Albers
Central Meridian: -96°
Latitude of Origin: 23°
Sources: Natural Earth, National Park Service
Cartographer: Will Anthony