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As the nation's principal conservation agency, the Department of the Interior has responsibility for most of our nationally owned public lands and natural resources. This includes fostering the wisest use of our land and water resources, protecting our fish and wildlife, preserving the environmental and cultural values of our national parks and historical places, and providing for the enjoyment of

life through outdoor recreation. The Department assesses our energy and mineral resources and works to assure that their development is in the best interest of all our people. The Department also has a major responsibility for American Indian reservation communities and for people who live in island territories under United States administration.

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The National Park Service welcomes you to some of the world's greatest camping areas, ranging from the wooded campgrounds near the rockbound coast of Acadia National Park in Maine to those in the Chihuahuan Desert and the Rio Grande Canyon of Big Bend National Park in Texas. Whether you camp by the water at Cinnamon Bay in the Virgin Islands or deep in the rugged wilderness of the parks in Alaska, you are about to embark upon an adventure that will be memorable and rewarding. It may be that you will hike into the backcountry and pitch your



tent beside a gurgling brook and breathe in deeply of the fresh, sweet air. Or perhaps you will watch chipmunks playing around a campground while you savor the wafting odors of meals cooking over campstoves. Or in the rush to set up your campsite, you forget to look around, but when you do you see the sun setting through the trees, gilding the land. Simple things, any one of them. But when taken together and combined with the joy that comes from relaxing with people you like amidst some of this country's most pristine landscapes, you end up with a



sense of completeness and confidence. The variety of what you will find may astonish you, for no matter how excitedly you envision what the parks are like, the reality is always a surprise, whether it be the scenery, the wildlife, the friendliness of the National Park Service rangers, or the other people you meet. Ever since Yellowstone became the first national park in 1872, tourists have been going to the parks, camping as they traveled and building a tradition that continues in more than 100 parks today. That tradition also brings with it an obligation of trust



Park Fees
All information on prices and conditions of fees detailed below are subject to change.

Entrance Fees Many parks charge entrance fees. A single-visit entrance fee ranges from \$3 to \$5 for each private, non-commercial passenger vehicle. If you plan to travel to several national parks you may want to pur-

chase a Golden Eagle Pass. This annual entrance permit sells for \$25 and permits entrance into all national parks. Also available are park-specific annual passes that sell for \$10 or \$15, depending on the park. These entrance passes are also good for one calendar year. Both the Golden Eagle and parkspecific passes can be purchased at national parks where entrance fees are charged. Two other permitsthe Golden Age Passport and Golden Access Passport allow free entry into the national parks. The Golden Age Passport is a lifetime entrance permit issued free to any United States citizen or permanent resident age 62 or older. To receive this permit, you must present a proof of age, such as a driver's license, or sign an affidavit attesting to the age requirement. A Golden Access Passport is issued free to blind and disabled persons. Applicants must present a document showing eligibility for disability benefits under any of several federal programs, such as Social Security or Federal Retirement, or sign an affidavit affirming eligibility. The Golden Age and Golden Access Passports are issued in parks where entrance fees, camping fees, or other recreation use-fees are charged. All four types of passes allow not only the card-holder but passengers traveling in the same private, non-commercial vehicle to enter the parks free.

Camping Fees In addition to entrance fees, many parks charge fees at some or all of their camping areas. In tent and recreational vehicle campgrounds, fees range from \$3 to \$10 per night per campsite. In group campgrounds, fees may be higher. Camping fees at group campgrounds often vary according to the size of the group; a minimum fee often is charged Backcountry camping is allowed free of charge. The Golden Eagle Passport does not reduce the price of camping fees, but the Golden Age Passport and Golden Access Passport can cut the price of staying in campgrounds by 50 percent. These price reductions do not apply to campgrounds run by concessioners, who operate some camping areas in the parks.

that each camper must acknowledge, for these parks and their campgrounds must be left for others to use, generation after generation. So, again we say welcome; enjoy your camping experiences in your national parks. May you leave with memories to treasure as the years go by.

Most campsites are available on a first-come, first-served basis, but many sites are available by reservation. Depending on the camping area, reservations may be made with a park concessioner, through the Ticketron reservation system, or, in some cases, with the park directly. See the individual park entries for specific information on making reservations. Ticketron reservations can be made by stopping by in person at: any of the many Ticketron outlets located throughout the United States: any of the national parks on the Ticketron reservation system, including Grand Canyon, Joshua Tree, Sequoia, Whiskeytown-Shasta-Trinity, Yosemite, Rocky Mountain, Acadia, Cape Hatteras, Great Smoky Mountains, and Shenandoah; and National Park Service information offices in Washington, D.C., San Francisco, Atlanta, Phoenix, Philadelphia, Denver, and Woodland

Hills, California. You can re-

ceive an application through

the mail by writing: Ticketron

Reservation Office, Depart-

ment R. 401 Hackensack

Camping Reservations

Avenue, Hackensack, NJ 07601; or by writing to parks on the Ticketron reservation system or to Park Service regional offices (see addresses on page 15). The application should be mailed at least 2. weeks before the start of your trip. Neither the National Park Service nor Ticketron can be responsible for delays in mail service. Reservations can be made as much as 8 weeks in advance or up to the day before the start of a camping stay, but it is recommended that reservations be made as early as possible. A reservation fee is included in the total camping charge.

Park Activities

National parks offer a wide range of special activities for visitors. In many parks rangers give evening programs in main camping areas at outdoor amphitheaters or around a campfire. These programs may be talks illustrated with slides, demonstrations, or movies. A program may touch on any aspect of the park—its wildlife, its plant life, its geology, its wilderness, its past, present, or future. During the day parks also may offer other activities, such as guided hikes, nature walks, and boat trips, tours of historical sites, slide shows, films, demonstrations, and talks. Some parks have special programs for children. Schedules of activities are posted at visitor centers and often at camping areas.

Camping for the Handicapped In many parks, modifications have been made in camping areas to make them more accessible to handicapped persons, especially those in wheelchairs or others who have difficulty walking. The extent of modification varies from park to park and from camping area to camping area. Some parks have handicapped-accessible campsites with larger-thannormal paved areas. Some have paved walkways to nearby restrooms. Some have restrooms with ramps, handrails, and other features for the disabled. Some have picnic tables and fire grills specially designed for persons in wheelchairs. Handicappedaccessible campsites may be available on a first-come, first-served basis, or by reservation. A few parks have special backcountry sites.

Safety and Regulations

To protect the national parks' natural and historical resources and the millions of people who come to enjoy them, the National Park Service asks every visitor to abide by some regulations and heed a few safety recommendations. Park staffs take precautions to ensure that you have a safe, pleasant visit, but your cooperation is essential.

Some park hazards—deep lakes, steep cliffs, extremely hot or cold temperatures—cannot be eliminated. However, accidents and illnesses can be prevented if you use the same common-sense you would at home and become familiar with the park. Take some time before your trip or when you first arrive to get to know a park's hazards and its

regulations. If you have children, make sure they understand them, too.

A few rules and safety tips are common to many parks. For example, at all parks you must keep your campsite clean and the park free of litter by disposing of refuse in trash receptacles. The National Park Service also asks

Safe Driving

Park roads are designed for sightseeing, not speeding. They are often narrow and winding, and sometimes steep. Drive carefully and observe posted speed limits. Watch for pedestrians, bicyclists, other drivers, wildlife, fallen rocks or trees, slippery roads, and other hazards. Be especially alert for motorists who might stop unexpectedly for sightseeing or wildlife viewing. You should use roadside pullouts instead of stopping on the roadway.

Campfires

Most parks permit fires as long as certain rules are followed. To avoid a wildfire that would be dangerous to people or property or damaging to natural resources, parks may allow only certain types of campfires. For example, they may permit fires only in grills provided or designated fire rings. Parks may prohibit fires in some areas. Firewood gathering may be prohibited or restricted to certain areas: plan on bringing your own fuel supply. Fires should be kept under control, should never be left unattended, and should be extinguished.

Quiet Hours

Campers should try to keep noise to a minimum at all times, but especially from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.

Pets

Pets must always be leashed, or otherwise physically restrained, for the protection of the animal, other visitors, and wildlife. Pets may be prohibited from certain areas. including public buildings, trails, and the backcountry. A few parks prohibit pets altogether. Dog owners are responsible for keeping their pets quiet in camping areas and elsewhere. Seeing-eye dogs and guide dogs for deaf persons may be exempted from park restrictions.

Protection of Valuables

When you leave your campsite, take valuables with you or hide them in a locked vehicle, preferably in the trunk.

Heat, Cold, and Other Hazards

Campers, as well as other visitors, should take precautions to deal with the demands and hazards of a park environment. On hot days, pace yourself and perform strenu-

ous activities in the morning and evening hours. Drink plenty of water and other fluids. On cold days, or when you get cold and wet, frostbite and the life-threatening illness called hypothermia ca occur. Avoid subjecting your self to these conditions for long periods. In the thinner air of mountains and high pla teaus, tasks easy to perform at home can leave a person short of breath and dizzy: slow down. If a thunderstorn occurs, avoid exposed areas and open bodies of water where lightning often strikes Keep out of lowlying areas and stream beds where flashfloods are most likely to occur. Get to know the other environmental hazards in a park.

Wild Plants and Animals

Please help preserve the native plants and animals protected in the parks. Leave them as you find them, undisturbed and safe. Hunting or carrying a loaded weapon is prohibited in all but a few parks. While you are more likely to encounter poisonous plants such as poison ivy or biting insects, you should be aware of the hazards posed

you to follow Federal regulations and refrain from the overuse and abuse of alcohol and drugs, a contributing factor to many park injuries and deaths. Other rules and safety tips that are widespread throughout National Park Service areas are outlined below. More detailed information may be provided in park brochures, on signs, and on bulletin boards at camping areas and other park sites. If you have questions, talk with a ranger. The National Park Service asks that you report any violation of park regulations that you witness. If you are injured or become ill, the staff can assist you by directing you to the nearest medical center, and, in some parks, by giving you emergency care.



by other wild plants and animals, too. Rattlesnakes, Gila monsters, and other poisonous reptiles, ticks, and animals carrying rabies and other transmittable diseases inhabit some parks. Any wild creature, whether as large as a bison or moose or as small as a raccoon or prairie dog, is unpredictable and should be viewed from a distance. Feeding animals is prohibited.

Campers should especially guard against attracting bears to their campsites. A close encounter with a grizzly, brown, or black bear can result in serious injury or death. Parks in bear country recommend, or often require, that campers take certain precautions. One is to keep a clean

campsite. Bears' sensitive noses can easily detect food and the smell of food left on cans, bottles, and utensils. Food should be stored in containers provided by the parks or in your vehicle—preferably out of sight in the trunk with all the windows tightly closed. Trash should be disposed of in bear-proof garbage cans or stored away with your food. In the backcountry, food should be hung from poles or wires that are provided or from a tree; inquire at the park as to the recommended placement. In treeless surroundings, campers should store food at least 50 yards from any campsite.

Backcountry Camping

Camping in the remote backcountry of a park requires
more preparation than other
camping. Most parks require
that you pick up a backcountry permit before your
trip so rangers will know of
your plans and be able to talk
them over with you. They
can advise you of hazards
and regulations and give you
up-to-date information on
road, trail, river, lake, or sea
conditions, weather forecasts,
special fire regulations, avail-

ability of water, and other matters. Rangers and backcountry permits can be found at visitor centers, headquarters, and ranger stations.

There are a few basic rules to follow whenever you camp in the backcountry. Stay on trails. Pack out all trash. Obey fire regulations. Be prepared for sudden and drastic weather changes. Carry a topographic map or nautical chart when necessary, and carry plenty of food and water. In parks where water is either unavailable or scarce you may need to carry as much as 1 gallon of water per person per day. In other parks springs, streams, or lakes may be abundant but always purify water before drinking it. Untreated water can carry contaminants. One of the most common, especially in Western parks, is giardia, a disease-causing organism that causes an unpleasant intestinal illness. A variety of others also exist. Depending on the contaminant, water may have to be boiled, filtered, or purified with tablets; check with the park staff for the most effective treatment.

A Guide for Planning Your Trip

The guide on the following pages is intended to help you plan a camping trip in the national parks. At a glance, it will give you an idea of the variety of places where you can camp and provide you with practical information about camping seasons, campground facilities, and other important details. Once you have selected the park or

parks where you would like to stay, you probably will want additional information. The best source for more details or for confirmation of information that is especially important to you is the parks themselves. On request, the parks will gladly provide you with more facts on camping in the park, services, activities, special natural and historical

features, weather, safety, and regulations. They also will provide available information about alternative camping areas outside the park run by states, counties, other federal agencies, and private operators. When writing the parks for additional information, be sure to write well in advance of your planned departure date. This guide, combined

- 1 Park name and mailing address
- 2 Setting A general description of a park's camping areas.
- 3 Tent/RV Campgrounds— Information on tent and recreational vehicle campgrounds, the main camping areas at most parks. These camping areas are designed for individual campers, families, and other small camping parties. Access is by a paved road or graded dirt or gravel road unless otherwise noted. Besides the facilities listed. picnic tables and fire grills. pits, or rings are usually provided. Where flush toilets are not available, some other type of toilets usually is provided. Information on a few special camping shelters open to small parties is also given.
- Group Campgrounds Information on group campgrounds, which are designed for large camping parties. Parks often restrict use of these campgrounds to certain kinds of groups. Many, for example, allow only organized groups such as educational, scientific, church,

- or youth groups. Parks also may have minimum and maximum group size restrictions. Access is by a paved road or graded dirt or gravel road unless otherwise noted. Besides the facilities listed, these areas usually have picnic tables and fire grills, pits, or rings. Where flush toilets are not provided, some other kind of toilets usually is available. Information on a few special camping shelters that are open to large groups is also given.
- 5 Backcountry Campsites— Information on backcountry campsites, remote camping areas located away from roads and developed areas. Backcountry campers have to use some means other than a regular passenger vehiclesuch as hiking, horseback riding, or boating—to get to a site. Small camping parties are preferred in most backcountry areas, but some sites are occasionally set aside specially for larger groups. Picnic tables, toilets of any kind, drinking water, and fire grills, pits, or rings are rarely provided; campstoves often are required.

- Special Notes—Important messages to campers from the park staff.
- Mileposts—Milepost numbers for main camping areas located along a major park road or trail. Mileposts are listed for Denali, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, Natchez Trace Parkway, Blue Ridge Parkway, and Shenandoah.
- 3 Special access Camping areas that cannot be reached by driving a regular passenger vehicle over paved or graded dirt or gravel roads but require some special means of transportation. Sites may be designated as: walk-in (for short distances), hike-in (for longer distances), horseback ride-in, bike-in, boat-in, canoe-in only, climb-in, fly-in, 4WD-in (4-wheel-drive-in), or high-clearance 2WD-in (2-wheel-drive-in).

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- Total sites—The total number of sites available in a camping area. In some cases a park has not designated a specific number of campsites. In these cases, the number of sites is listed as "open" if the park does not impose restrictions on how many persons may use the camping area; or 'Itd' (limited) if the park does impose restrictions.
- PRVs—Sites for recreational vehicles are available. All types of RVs—from trailers to motorhomes to small tent-campers—are permitted unless otherwise noted in the text above the chart. Campground limits on the length of RVs and the availability of water, electrical, and sewage hookups also may be noted above.
- Tents—Sites for tent camping are available.

- **12**Fee—A camping fee is charged.
- 13 Limit of stay—The number of days a camping party is allowed to stay in a park camping area during a visit. In many parks the limits vary during the year. In these cases, the limits listed are those enforced during the peak visitor season; changes during a park's off-season are noted in the text above. In some parks the permitted length of stay in the backcountry varies from campsite to campsite; in these cases, "varies" appears in the chart.
- Orinking water—Potable water is available in the camping area. Water is available all year unless otherwise noted in the text above.
- Flush toilets—Flush toilets are available in the camping

with the information you receive from the parks, will help you plan your vacation wisely. When you're finally ready to leave on your trip, take this guide along as a handy reference.

area. Flush toilets are available all year unless otherwise noted in the text above.

- Sanitary dump—A sanitary sewage dump station for recreational vehicles is provided in the camping area. A fee is sometimes charged.
- Camp store—A store that sells basic supplies such as groceries, ice, firewood, and charcoal is within 2 miles of a camping area. Stores may be open all year or seasonally.

The National Park System

National parklands with camping areas are shown in color







Seven national park areas in Alaska have adjoining national preserves, counted as separate units of the National Park System. They are: Aniakchak, Denali, Gates of the Arctic, Glacier Bay, Katmai, Lake Clark, and Wrangell-St. Elias.





Visiting Other National Parks

Besides the many parklands listed in this camping guide, there are many, many other national park areas with extraordinary scenic, natural, and historical treasures. They are located in all corners of the nation in the mountains, forests, seashores, lakeshores, deserts, and wilderness areas of the country, and in cities and towns. The National Park

Service invites you to visit these other sites, too. All national park sites are shown on the maps on the three preceding pages.

Where To Stay

National parks that do not nave camping areas often are ocated near campgrounds operated by private individuals, by state or county agencies, or by other federal igencies such as the U.S. Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, or the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. You may want to consider staying in these campgrounds. Or, as an alternative, you may want to consider spending the night in lodging available in many parks or nearby. For information on where to stay, contact the parks directly or, if you do not have their addresses, contact the appropriate National Park Service regional offices (listed here) or the National Park Service Public Inquiries Office, Room 1013, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013.

National Park Service Regional Offices

North Atlantic Region National Park Service 15 State Street Boston, MA 02109 Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont Mid-Atlantic Region National Park Service 143 South Third Street Philadelphia, PA 19106 Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, excluding parks assigned to National Capital Region

National Capital Region National Park Service 1100 Ohio Drive, SW Washington, DC 20242 Metropolitan area of Washington, D.C., with some units in Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia

Southeast Region National Park Service Richard B. Russell Federal Building 75 Spring Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30303 Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands

Midwest Region
National Park Service
1709 Jackson Street
Omaha, NE 68102
Indiana, Illinois, Iowa,
Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska,
Ohio, Wisconsin

Rocky Mountain Region National Park Service 12795 West Alameda Parkway P.O. Box 25287 Denver, CO 80225 Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming

Southwest Region National Park Service P.O. Box 728 Santa Fe, NM 87504 Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, northeast corner of Arizona

Western Region National Park Service 450 Golden Gate Avenue Box 36063 San Francisco, CA 94102 California, Hawaii, Nevada, most of Arizona

Pacific Northwest Region National Park Service 83 South King Street Suite 211 Seattle, WA 98104 Idaho, Oregon, Washington

Alaska Region National Park Service 2525 Gambell Street Anchorage, AK 99503 Alaska





Alaska

Denali National Park and Preserve P.O. Box 9, McKinley Park, AK 99755

Setting: The Alaska Range and 20,320-foot Mt. McKinley, North America's tallest peak, dominate this subarctic wilderness. Campers can see one of the most extraordinary collections of wildlife left on the North American continent, Moose, caribou, wolf, Dall sheep, and grizzly bears range throughout the park's virgin spruce forests, wild river valleys, and mountain slopes. Tent/RV Campgrounds: Morino and Riley Creek are open all year. Wonder Lake is open from about June 10 to September 1 and Teklanika River is open from about mid- to late May to September: exact dates depend on the weather. The rest of the campgrounds are open from about early June to September; exact dates depend on road and snow conditions. All sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis, Riley Creek, Savage River, and Teklanika River have drinking water only from May to September, Riley Creek and Savage River have flush toilets only from May to September; the rest of the year pit toilets are available. Morino is only for campers without vehicles. Trailers and motorhomes are prohibited beyond Teklanika River; buses provide transportation for tent campers to Igloo Creek and Wonder Lake. The limit of stay for all campgrounds is as noted below from May 15 to September 15; the rest of the year it is 30 days. Handicapped-accessible sites near accessible toilets are reserved for use by handicapped persons at Riley Creek and Teklanika River.

Group Campground: The campground is open from early June to September; exact dates depend on road and snow conditions. Reservations are required; contact the park. Each site can accom-

modate up to 20 persons and 2 vehicles.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed throughout most of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: Hot showers, a restaurant, gasoline station, firewood, telephones, and evening ranger programs are available seasonally near the park entrance—the main entry point for campers. These services are within 1 mile of Morino and Riley Creek. Services available seasonally within 1 mile of other camping areas include: Savage River—firewood, evening ranger programs; Teklanika River—evening ranger programs. Campers must keep a clean camp and store food away to avoid attracting grizzly bears; food must be kept in locked vehicles or storage lockers (provided in all campgrounds except Riley Creek) or hung on high wires. In the backcountry, campers should store food in bear-resistant containers, which the park issues with backcountry permits. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves; stoves are required in most of the backcountry. Milepost numbers along the park road are listed after each campground name below. Milepost 0 is at the park entrance; the higher the number, the farther into the park's interior.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
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| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Riley Creek 0.5 | 102 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Morino 2.0 | 10 | | • | | 14 | | | | • |
| Savage River 12.5 | 34 | • | • | • | 14 | • _ | • | | |
| Sanctuary River 22.0 | 7 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Teklanika River 28 | 50 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Igloo Creek 33.6 | 7 | | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Wonder Lake 85 | 20 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Teklanika River 28 | 2 | | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |

Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve Gustavus, AK 99826

Setting: In this frozen wilderness campers are surrounded by ice-clad mountains, coastal fjords, spruce-hemlock forests, and glaciers galore. Seabirds and marine mammals, including hump-back, minke, and orca whales, inhabit the waters of Glacier Bay, while wolves, moose, and brown and black bears roam on land. Park access is by boat and plane only.

Group Campground: See "Backcountry Campsites" below for information on a backcountry

group site.

Backcountry Campsites: Bartlett Cove and Bartlett Cove group camp are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Drinking water is not available at the camping area but is provided \(^{1}\)4 mile away at Bartlett Cove docks from April to October. A warming hut with a woodstove is provided in the camping area. The group camp can accommodate up to 20 persons. Backcountry camping is also allowed throughout much of the rest of the park on a first-come, first-served basis; registration is requested.

Special Notes: Scheduled and charter air services, cruise ships, and charter boats from Juneau, Alaska, provide access to the town of Gustavus, 10 miles from Bartlett Cove camping area; from Gustavus buses and taxis will transport campers to the Bartlett Cove area. Boats also land in Bartlett Cove within 1/4 mile of the camping area. Tour boats will pick up campers at Bartlett Cove and drop them off in the more remote backcountry of Glacier Bay; reservations are recommended. Contact the park for transportation information. Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Bartlett Cove—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, restaurant, white gas, evening ranger programs. An orientation program for backcountry campers is given at the lodge and at the docks on a regularly scheduled basis and on request. Campers should bring all necessary supplies; Juneau, 50 air miles away, is the nearest major supply point. Transporting any kind of fuel on airplanes is prohibited. Campers should keep a clean camp and store food away to avoid attracting black and brown bears; food should be kept in storage caches provided or, in the backcountry, hung high in trees. The park staff also encourages campers not to cook or eat in their campsites and recommends that Bartlett Cove campers cook and eat in the intertidal zone on the beach. Fires are permitted in the woodstove and in an established fire ring on Bartlett Cove beach; campstoves must be used in the backcountry.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
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| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Bartlett Cove (walk-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Bartlett Cove Group Camp (walk-in) | 1 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Other locations (boat-in, fly-in) | open | | • | | 30 | | | | |

Katmai National Park and Preserve P.O. Box 7, King Salmon, AK 99613

Setting: From wilderness retreats, campers can explore the coastal mountains, valleys, enormous lakes, and rushing rivers of this Alaskan peninsula refuge. The Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes, center of one of the Earth's most active volcanic areas, is a popular backpacking area. Brown bears fish for salmon in rivers. Park access is primarily by floatplane or boat.

Backcountry Campsites: Brooks Camp is open from May to early September on a first-come, first-served basis. Three 3-sided shelters are provided for cooking. More remote backcountry camping is allowed throughout much of the rest of the park; it is recommended from June

through August.

Special Notes: Commercial floatplanes ferry passengers from King Salmon, Alaska, to Brooks Camp daily from June to mid-September. Year-round air charter services are available in King Salmon. Contact the park for transportation information. Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Brooks Camp—hot showers, meals, van tours of the Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes, evening ranger programs. Food and other camping supplies are lim-

ited in the park; bring all necessary gear and supplies. Transporting any kind of fuel on planes is prohibited; white gas can be purchased in King Salmon. Campers should keep a clean camp and store food away to avoid attracting brown bears. In Brooks Camp, food should be stored in elevated caches; in the backcountry, food should be hung high from trees or kept at some distance from campsites. Fires are permitted only in established fire pits or campstoyes.

| | Total RVs sites | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|-------|-----|----|-------------------|------------------|------|
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | |
| Brooks Camp | 28 | • | | 10 | • | | • |
| Other locations (hike-in, boat-in) | open | • | | | | | |

Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park

P.O. Box 517, Skagway, AK 99840

Setting: Where prospectors once traveled in search of gold, campers today find refuge in an expanse of Pacific coastal forests of hemlock, spruce, and aspen and a highcountry tundra wilderness. All camping areas are near the Chilkoot Trail, the historic route of the Klondike Gold Rush of 1898. Park access is by boat or plane, and, from about May to October, by road, too. Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open from mid-May through September on a first-

come, first-served basis.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at sites shown below on a first-come, first-served basis. Shelters with woodstoves are provided in two camping areas; in the summer they are to be used only for drying out and warming up, but in the winter they can be used as camping shelters.

Special Notes: Persons planning to travel to the park in the winter when the park access road is closed can contact the park for information on commercial boat and plane service. No food, fuel, or other supplies are available in the park; the nearest are 9 miles away in Skagway, Alaska. Fires are permitted in established fire rings, woodstoves, or campstoves. Wood fires are permitted only in established fire rings and woodstoves.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Camp |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Dyea | 22 | • | • | | 14 | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | |
| Chilkoot Trail (hike-in) | open | | • | | 14 | | | |

Arizona

Canyon de Chelly National Monument

P.O. Box 588, Chinle, AZ 86503

Setting: Cottonwood-shaded camping areas lie near the mouths of two steep-walled canyons—Canyon de Chelly and Canyon del Muerto—where villages of cliff dwellings built by the Anasazi Indians between 350 and 1300 A.D. are preserved. The entire park is part of the Navajo Indian Reservation.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. **Group Campground:** The campground is open from April 1 through October. Reservations are recommended and are accepted up to 90 days in advance; call the park. Groups must include at least 15 persons and no more than 100.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Cottonwood—restaurant, horse and jeep rentals, visitor center with a museum of ancient Anasazi and Navajo artifacts, evening ranger programs. Alcohol is prohibited in the park. The Navajo Reservation observes daylight savings time in the summer but the state of Arizona does not.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | | Camp |
|-------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|---|------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Cottonwood | 104 | • | • | | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Cottonwood | 3 | • | • | | 14 | • | • | • | |

Chiricahua National Monument

Dos Cabezas Route, Box 6500, Willcox, AZ 85643

Setting: Camping areas are located in a dense forest of oak, juniper, and pine in the Chiricahua Mountains, a rugged range that abounds with stone spires and columns, balanced rocks, and other strange eroded volcanic rock formations. In this highcountry campers can escape the heat of the Sonoran and Chihuahuan deserts surrounding the mountains. Mexican wildlife can be seen in the park.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Trailers up to 26 feet long are permitted. Handicapped persons can call the park and reserve a campsite near the restroom; some assistance may be needed to enter the restroom. The campground usually fills on weekends from March through October.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are recommended; call the park. The campground is only for organized groups. The site accommodates up to 20 persons.

Special Notes: Services available all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Bonita Canyon—visitor center. Fires are permitted only in grills or campstoves. Firewood gathering is prohibited; charcoal can be purchased at the visitor center.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---------|-------------------|---|------|
| Tent/RV Campground | 31(03 | | | - | Oi stay | | | |
| Bonita Canyon | 26 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Bonita Canyon Group Site | 1 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | |

Glen Canyon National Recreation Area (see Utah)

Grand Canyon National Park

P.O. Box 129, Grand Canyon, AZ 86023

Setting: The Grand Canyon sets a grand and colorful stage for campers. Many campers stay on the North and South Rims above the mile-deep canyon of the Colorado River at elevations of between 7,000 and 8,000 feet. More isolated backcountry camping areas are located on the

rims and throughout the canyon, including along the river.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Mather (on the South Rim) is open from about mid-March to mid-December. Reservations through Ticketron are required for the period from May 15 to September 30. Mather sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis the rest of the camping season. Desert View (on the South Rim) and North Rim are open from about mid-May to mid-October on a first-come, first-served basis. Trailer Village (on the South Rim) is open all year and reservations are recommended; persons should contact the park concessioner at Grand Canyon National Park Lodges, Reservations Office, P.O. Box 699, Grand Canyon, AZ 86023. Water, electrical, and sewage hookups for RVs are available at most village sites. No more than 6 persons are permitted at each Desert View, Mather, and North Rim site. Six handicapped-accessible sites near accessible restrooms are available at Mather. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are provided at Desert View. Campgrounds fill up almost every day by early afternoon from at least June to mid-September.

Group Campgrounds: Mather is open from March 1 through much of the fall. Reservations through Ticketron are required throughout the camping season. North Rim is open from about mid-May to mid-October. Reservations by mail are required; write to Group Reservations, North Rim Campground, in care of the park. Mather accommodates 25 to 100 persons per site; North Rim, from 6 to 25. Both campgrounds have restrictions on the number of vehi-

cles allowed per site.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park. A backcountry permit is required. Reservations are required and can be made beginning October 1 for the upcoming year; write Backcountry Reservations Office in care of the park. Reservations also can be made in person at reservations offices on the North Rim from mid-May to mid-October or on the South Rim all year. The limit of stay is as noted below for Bright Angel, Cottonwood, and Indian Gardens from spring through fall; it is extended in the winter. The limit of stay in the rest of the park varies with location.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Bright Angel—restaurant; Desert View—gasoline station, snack bar, evening ranger programs; Mather and Trailer Village—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, gasoline, visitor center, evening ranger programs; North Rim—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, gasoline.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|---|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Desert View | 50 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | | • |
| Mather | 319 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| North Rim | 82 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Trailer Village | 84 | • | | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Mather | 6 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| North Rim | 4 | | • | • | 7 | | • | | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Bright Angel (hike-in) | 31 | | • | | 2 | • | • | | • |
| Cottonwood (hike-in) | 14 | | • | | 2 | • | • | | |
| Indian Gardens (hike-in) | 15 | | • | | 2 | • | • | | |
| Other locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in, boat-in) | open | | • | | varies | | | | |

Navaio National Monument

H.C. 71, Box 3, Tonalea, AZ 86044

Setting: The main camping areas are in pinyon-juniper forests near the rim of Tsegi Canyon, where cliff dwellings built by the Anasazi Indians as early as 1250 A.D. are preserved. Backcountry campers can stay near Keet Seel, largest of the Anasazi villages in the canyon, Navaios discovered the dwellings, and today the park is surrounded by the Navajo Indian Reservation.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open from May through October on a first-come, first-served basis; late snowfalls can delay the opening. RVs up to 27 feet long are permitted.

Group Campground: The campground is open from May through October. Reservations are recommended; call the park. One campsite accommodates 30 persons; the other, 20.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed from Memorial Day to Labor Day at sites shown below on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. The

camping area accommodates up to 25 persons.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Betatakin and Group Camp-visitor center, with museum and Navajo arts and crafts shop. evening ranger programs; Keet Seel-ranger-guided tours of Keet Seel ruins. No food, fuel, or other supplies are available in the park; the nearest are 10 miles away at Black Mesa Trading Post. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves. Wood fires and firewood gathering are prohibited. Alcohol is not allowed in the park.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | | Camp store |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---|-------------------|---|---|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Betatakin | 30 | • | • | | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Group Camp | 2 | • | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Keet Seel (hike-in, | ltd | | • | | 1 | | | | |

Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument Route 1, Box 100, Ajo, AZ 85321

Setting: The extraordinary wildlife of the Sonoran Desert shares its severe habitat with campers. The arid mountains-and-plains terrain is home to organ pipe cacti, saguaros, chollas, a variety of desert trees and shrubs, covotes, peccaries, roadrunners, Gambel's quail, and Gila monsters. Profusions of spring wildflowers sometimes carpet the desert floor after winter rains.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. The limit of stay is as noted below from January 15 to April 30; the rest of the year it is 30 days. RVs up to 35 feet long are permitted. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are available. The campground usually fills up by mid-day from February through March.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park. A backcountry permit is required. Camping parties are limited to 8 persons or less.

Special Notes: Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves. Firewood gathering is prohibited. Rattlesnakes are prevalent in warmer months; carry a flashlight at night.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | | | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|---|---|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Tent/RV camping area | 208 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Group camp | 6 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | open | | • | | 14 | | | | |

Saguaro National Monument

3693 South Old Spanish Trail, Tucson, AZ 85730-5699

Setting: In this Sonoran Desert preserve, campers leave behind the desolate beauty of saguaro country and climb up into the cooler, higher elevations of the rugged Rincon Mountains. Oak and pine woodlands and coniferous forests cover mountain slopes. The park includes two separate sections; all camping is in Saguaro East, also known as the Rincon Mountain Unit.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at designated sites. A backcountry permit is required. Permits can be obtained a maximum of 6 weeks in advance and no later than noon on the day of departure. As many as 14 horses are permitted at Manning Camp; up to 7 are allowed at other campsites.

Special Notes: Fires are permitted only in designated grates or campstoves. No food, fuel, or other supplies are available in the park; the nearest are about 5 miles away from the park (Saguaro East) in Tucson, Arizona.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Douglas Springs (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 3 | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Grass Shack (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 3 | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Happy Valley (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 3 | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Juniper Basin (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 3 | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Manning Camp (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 6 | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Spud Rock (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 3 | | • | | 7 | | | | |

Sunset Crater National Monument

Route 3, Box 149, Flagstaff, AZ 86004

Setting: An eruption in 1065 A.D. created colorful 1,000-foot-high Sunset Crater, part of the volcanic landscape of lava flows and cinder cones that surrounds the campground. A ponderosa pine forest provides shade. Although located just outside the park in Coconino National Forest, the campground is operated and maintained by the National Park Service.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open from late spring to early fall on a first-come, first-served basis. A handicapped-accessible site is available. The campground fills almost every evening; campers are encouraged to arrive by early afternoon.

Group Campground: The campground is open from late spring to early fall. Reservations are required; contact the park. Groups must have at least 10 and no more than 32 persons.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of the campground include: Bonito—visitor center, evening campfire programs.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | _ | | | |
| Bonito | 44 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Bonito | 1 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |

Arkansas

Buffalo National River

P.O. Box 1173, Harrison, AR 72601

Setting: The swift-moving Buffalo River meanders past many nearby camping areas on its 148-mile journey through the Ozark Mountains. The watercourse is lined with bluffs as high as 500 feet. Riverside stands of willow, sycamore, river birch, and cottonwood blend into upland forests of oak and hickory. The river is a popular place for float trips and sport fishing.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: The campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Buffalo Point has water all year, and electrical and water hookups for RVs and flush toilets from April to November; vault toilets are provided the rest of the year but no hookups are available. Water and flush toilets are available at other campgrounds noted below from April to November; vault toilets are provided the rest of the year. Kyles Landing and Steel Creek are accessible only via steep, winding gravel roads; the park recommends that buses and larger RVs not use these campgrounds. All campgrounds except Lost Valley are accessible by boat and by road; Lost Valley is accessible only by road. Buffalo Point has some handicapped-accessible sites and restrooms.

Group Campgrounds: The campgrounds are open all year. Reservations are required at Buffalo Point; call the park. Erbie is open on a first-come, first-served basis. Water and flush toilets are available at Buffalo Point from April to November; vault toilets are provided the rest of the year, but water is not. Water is available at Erbie only from April to November, too.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year on riverside gravel bars and

in some other areas of the park.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Buffalo Point—hot showers, evening ranger programs; Lost Valley—evening ranger programs. Canoe rentals are available along the river all year. Swimming is permitted, but diving or jumping into the river from rocks or bluffs is extremely dangerous.

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|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Buffalo Point | 107 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Carver | ltd | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Erbie | 30 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Hasty | ltd | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Kyles Landing | ltd | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Lost Valley | 15 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Maumee South | ltd | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Mt. Hersey | ltd | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Ozark | ltd | • | • | | 14 | • | • | | |
| Rush | ltd | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Steel Creek | ltd | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Woolum | ltd | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Buffalo Point | 5 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Erbie | 10 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, boat-in) | Itd | | • | | | | | | |

Hot Springs National Park

P.O. Box 1860, Hot Springs, AR 71902

Setting: Like the soothing thermal spring waters that have attracted people to this area for centuries, the park's campground, nestled in the Ouachita Mountains along Gulpha Creek, offers refreshment and relaxation. Visitors can partake of the hot waters at Bathhouse Row nearby, where therapeutic tub baths, hot packs, and massages are available.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of the campground include: Gulpha Gorge—evening campfire programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves. Area roads are narrow, winding, and heavily traveled; drive carefully.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Gulpha Gorge | 47 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |

California

Channel Islands National Park 1901 Spinnaker Drive, Ventura, CA 93001

Setting: More than 10 miles off southern California's mainland coast, two of the rocky, windswept Channel Islands—Anacapa and Santa Barbara—give refuge to campers as well as gulls, cormorants, and other sea birds, sea lions, and a few hardy species of trees, shrubs, and flowers. Offshore, California gray whales sometimes appear. Access to the islands is by boat only.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at designated sites. No more than 30 campers are permitted on either island at one time. Reservations are required and are

accepted up to 60 days in advance; contact the park.

Special Notes: Commercial boats ferry passengers from Ventura, California, to Anacapa and Santa Barbara Islands. For information or reservations contact Island Packers, Inc., 1867 Spinnaker Dr., Ventura, CA 93002. Reservations should be made at least one week in advance. In the summer the boats run daily to Anacapa and about once a week to Santa Barbara; the boats run less frequently the rest of the year. Campers must climb a 154-step stairway to reach the Anacapa camping area or hike up a steep switchback trail to reach the Santa Barbara camping area. No supplies are available on the islands; campers must bring food, fuel, water, and other essentials. A tent that can be anchored securely against strong winds is recommended. There is no shade. Campers must pack out trash. Fires are permitted in campstoves throughout the year. Wood and charcoal fires are permitted only in a few months each year; they are prohibited in the dry season, which normally extends from April to December.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Camp store |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | |
| Anacapa (boat-and-hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | |
| Santa Barbara (boat-and-hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | |

Death Valley National Monument Death Valley, CA 92328

Setting: Summer temperatures soar above 120°F, but during the rest of the year campers can find comfortable quarters in Death Valley's mountains and plains. Some camping areas are desert oases with planted shade trees and water. In others, campers sample the Mohave Desert

virtually unaltered. Elevations range from 282 feet below sea level to 11,049 feet.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Furnace Creek, Mesquite Springs, and Wildrose are open all year. Stovepipe Wells, Sunset, and Texas Spring are open from October through April. Emigrant is open from May through October. All sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Sunset is not recommended for tents; it does not have picnic tables or grills. Stovepipe Wells does not have picnic tables; grills are located at tent sites only. The limit of stay noted below for all campgrounds is for the year-long period from October 1 to September 30 each year. Sunset has 16 handicapped-accessible sites near accessible restrooms. Furnace Creek, Mesquite Springs, and Stovepipe Wells have handicapped-accessible restrooms.

Group Campgrounds: Mesquite Spring is open all year; it accommodates 35 persons and 8 vehicles. Texas Spring is open from November through April. One of its sites can accommodate 150 persons and 10 vehicles; the other, 50 persons and 10 vehicles. Reservations are required

for both areas; contact the park.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping at sites shown below is on a first-come, first-

served basis; it is recommended from May through October.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Furnace Creek, Stovepipe Wells, Sunset, and Texas Spring—hot showers, restaurant, gasoline station, evening ranger programs. From June through September daytime temperatures are often in the 100s°F. Fires are allowed only in grills or campstoves; wood gathering is prohibited.

| Death Valley continued | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Emigrant | 10 | • | • | | 30 | • | • | | |
| Furnace Creek | 158 | • | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Mesquite Springs | 53 | • | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Stovepipe Wells | 200 | • | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Sunset | 1000 | • | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Texas Spring | 93 | • | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Wildrose | 39 | • | • | | 30 | | | | |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Mesquite Spring | 1 | | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | |
| Texas Spring | 2 | | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Mahogany Flat (4WD-in, hike-in) | 10 | • | • | | 30 | | | | |
| Pinyon Mesa (4WD-in, hike-in) | 2 | • | • | | 30 | | | | |
| Thorndyke (4WD-in, hike-in) | 8 | • | • | | 30 | | | | |

Devils Postpile National Monument

c/o Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, Three Rivers, CA 93271

Setting: Beyond the lodgepole pine forest along the Middle Fork of the San Joaquin River where the camping area is located lies the unusual formation of columnar basalt called Devils Postpile. Geologists say the columns formed from the cooling and cracking of volcanic rock. A second major feature of this region of the Sierra Nevada is 101-foot-high Rainbow Falls.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open from about mid-June to mid-October, depending on road and snow conditions. Sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of the campground include: Devils Postpile—evening ranger programs. No food, fuel, or other supplies are available in park; the nearest are 3 miles away at Reds Meadow or 13 miles away in Mammoth Lakes, California. Campers should keep a clean camp and store food in vehicles to avoid attracting black bears.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Devils Postpile | 24 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |

Golden Gate National Recreation Area

Fort Mason, Building 201, San Francisco, CA 94123

Setting: The city of San Francisco, San Francisco Bay, and the 4,200-foot-long Golden Gate Bridge are clearly visible in the distance from many camping areas, yet the feeling of wilderness prevails amid this area of sandy beaches, coastal woods, and windswept hills and valleys in the Marin Headlands.

Group Campgrounds: Battery Alexander is open all year. Kirby Cove is open from about May to November; exact dates depend on weather and road conditions. Reservations are required for both campgrounds; they can be made 90 days in advance. For reservations call the park's Marin Headlands Visitor Center in Marin County. Sites can accommodate from 12 to 65 campers. The number and type of vehicles permitted in the campgrounds are restricted. Handicapped-accessible toilets are available at Kirby Cove.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed at sites shown below from about May to November; exact dates depend on the weather. Reservations are required; contact the park's

Marin Headlands Visitor Center in Marin County.

Special Notes: Fires are permitted only in grills, designated fire rings, or campstoves. In the backcountry fires are allowed only in campstoves. Winters are wet, and fog is common in the summer. Cliffs are prone to landslides and often covered with poison oak; avoid climbing them.

| | Total R' | √s Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp store |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|-----|---|-------------------|--|---------------|
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | |
| Battery Alexander | 1 | • | | 3 | • | | |
| Kirby Cove | 4 | • | | 3 | • | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | |
| Bicentennial (hike-in) | 3 | • | | 3 | | | |
| Haypress (hike-in) | 8 | • | | 3 | | | |
| Hawkcamp (hike-in) | 3 | • | | 3 | | | |

Joshua Tree National Monument

74485 National Monument Drive, Twentynine Palms, CA 92277

Setting: Two deserts—the Mohave, with its out-of-the-ordinary forests of Joshua trees and other high desert plants, and the Colorado, with its mix of cactus, ocotillo, and other low desert plants—merge in the park, and camping areas are located in both. Coyotes, jackrabbits, and roadrunners are just some of the native inhabitants.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Belle, Hidden Valley, and portions of Cottonwood, Indian Cove, and Jumbo Rocks are open all year. Black Rock, Ryan, White Tank, and all of Cottonwood, Indian Cove, and Jumbo Rocks are open from about October through May. Black Rock is also open from about June to September for horse camping only. All sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Horses are allowed at Ryan. The limit of stay is as noted below for all campgrounds from October 1 to June 1; the rest of the year it is 30 days. RVs up to 32 feet long are

permitted.

Group Campgrounds: The campgrounds are open from about October through May. Reservations through Ticketron are required throughout the camping season. Handicapped-accessible

toilets are provided at Indian Cove and Sheep Pass.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. The park staff recommends camping in the fall, winter, or spring because in the summer high temperatures are common and there is no water in the backcountry. **Special Notes:** Drinking water is available only at three park areas—Cottonwood Campground and Visitor Center, Oasis Visitor Center, and Indian Cove Ranger Station. Campers should bring a sufficient supply of water to their campsites. Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Cottonwood—evening ranger programs. Summer temperatures commonly exceed 100°F.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|---------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Belle | 20 | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Black Rock | Itd | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Cottonwood | 62 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Hidden Valley | 62 | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Indian Cove | 114 | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Jumbo Rocks | 130 | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Ryan | 27 | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| White Tank | 20 | • | • | | 14 | | | | |

Yosemite: Visiting with a ranger and friend.



| Joshua Tree continued | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | Flush toilets | | Camp store |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|------------------|---|---------------|
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Cottonwood (walk-in) | 3 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Indian Cove (walk-in) | 13 | | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Sheep Pass (walk-in) | 6 | | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | open | | • | | | | | | |

Kings Canyon National Park Three Rivers, CA 93271

Setting: From the spectacular canyon of the Kings River—one of the deepest gorges in North America—to the high Sierra Nevada, a wide selection of camping areas is offered. Like Sequoia National Park to the south, groves of giant sequoias grow here, as well as stands of ponderosa pine, white fir, and incense fir. In the highcountry, lakes, waterfalls, and alpine meadows can be found.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: The campgrounds are located in two main areas of the park—Cedar Grove and Grant Grove. Cedar Grove campgrounds include Canyon View, Moraine, Sentinel, and Sheep Creek. Grant Grove campgrounds include Azalea, Crystal Springs, and Sunset. All Cedar Grove campgrounds are open from about late April to November; exact dates depend on road and snow conditions. Sentinel has handicapped-accessible campsites near accessible restrooms. In Grant Grove, Azalea is open all year. The rest of the campgrounds are open from about late April to November; exact dates depend on road and snow conditions. Azalea has handicapped-accessible campsites near accessible restrooms. All campsites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The limit of stay is as noted below for all campgrounds from June 14 to September 14; the rest of the year the limit is 30 days. RVs up to 30 feet long are permitted. Group Campground: The group campground, in Cedar Grove, is open from about late April to November; exact dates depend on road and snow conditions. Reservations are required; write Canyon View Campground, Group Sites, Cedar Grove Ranger Station, Box 948, Kings Canyon National Park, CA 93633. Groups must include at least 20 persons. RVs up to 30 feet long are permitted.

Kings Canyon: A wilderness trek alone and a relaxing moment together.





Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed throughout most of the park. The park staff recommends camping from June through September. A backcountry permit is required. Reservations for a permit can be made beginning March 1 for the upcoming camping season; reservations must be made at least 7 days in advance and by mail. Some permits are also available at the park on a first-come, first-served basis throughout the summer camping season. Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: all Cedar Grove campgrounds (Canyon View, Moraine, Sentinel, Sheep Creek)—hot showers, coinoperated laundry, gasoline station, snack bar, evening ranger programs; all Grant Grove campgrounds (Azalea, Crystal Springs, Sunset)—hot showers, gasoline station, restaurant, horse rentals, evening ranger programs. Campers are required to keep a clean camp and store their food to avoid attracting black bears. Cedar Grove campers must keep food in provided storage lockers. Grant Grove campers must store food in vehicles. Backcountry campers should hang food high from trees. Fires are permitted only in designated fire rings or in campstoves.

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| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Azalea | 113 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Canyon View | 37 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Crystal Springs | 63 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Moraine | 120 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Sentinel | 83 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Sheep Creek | 111 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Sunset | 200 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Canyon View | 4 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | | |
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Lassen Volcanic National Park

P.O. Box 100, Mineral, CA 96063

Setting: The park abounds with violent volcanic history and peaceful camping settings. Lassen Peak, the last of several dormant volcanoes in this part of the Cascade Range to erupt (from 1914 to 1921), towers over a landscape of coniferous forests, alpine meadows, and mountain lakes intermixed with cinder cones, lava flows, and thermal springs.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open from about Memorial Day weekend through most of September; exact dates depend on road and snow conditions. All sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Manzanita Lake has handicapped-accessible restrooms.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open from about Memorial Day weekend through most of September; exact dates depend on road and weather conditions. Reservations are required; write the park. Campgrounds are for organized groups only. Group sizes are limited by sizes of sites.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Manzanita Lake—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, gasoline, food service. Campers should keep a clean campsite and store food in vehicles, or, in the backcountry, hang food high from trees to avoid attracting black bears.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Butte Lake | 98 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Crags | 45 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Juniper Lake | 18 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Manzanita Lake | 179 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Southwest (walk-in) | 21 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Summit Lake-North | 56 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | | |
| Summit Lake-South | 38 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Warner Valley | 15 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Butte Lake | 1 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Juniper Lake | 1 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Lost Creek | 7 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | | |

Lava Beds National Monument P.O. Box 867, Tulelake, CA 96134

Setting: From its vantage point on a volcanic slope, the park campground overlooks a terrain of massive lava flows and cinder cones. Below ground and out of sight are more than 200 lava tube caves. This wilderness of sagebrush and juniper was also the site of the Modoc War between U.S. Army troops and native Modoc Indians.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Water and flush toilets are available from Memorial Day to Labor Day; the rest of the year water is available ½ mile away at the visitor center and pit toilets are provided at the campground. The limit of stay is as noted below from spring through fall; it can be extended in the winter. Campsites for RVs more than 35 feet long are limited.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of the campground include: visitor center, evening campfire programs. No food, fuel, or other supplies are available in the park; the nearest are 30 miles away at Tulelake, California. Be prepared for unpredictable weather changes. Fires are permitted only in fireplaces provided or campstoves.

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| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|--------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Indian Well | 45 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |

Pinnacles National Monument Paicines, CA 95043

Setting: Jagged pinnacles, spires, and other towering rock formations created by the erosion of remnants of an ancient volcanic eruption surround the camping area. The park lies on the earthquake-prone San Andreas Fault; the land to the west of the fault is moving slowly northward while the land to the east stands still.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. The limit of stay is as noted below from February 15 to June 15; the rest of the year it is 14 days. All tent sites are walk-in sites. RVs up to 20 feet long are permitted. Two handicapped-accessible sites are near accessible restrooms. The campground often fills up on weekends from February 15 to June 15; campers should arrive by early evening Friday to get a campsite.

Special Notes: Shade is scarce. Rattlesnakes are prevalent in warm weather. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves. Firewood gathering is prohibited. In the summer daytime temperatures of 100°F are common.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp store |
|--------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---|-------------------|--|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Chaparral | 23 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | |

Point Reyes National Seashore Point Reyes, CA 94956

Setting: Point Reyes Peninsula, a coastal preserve that juts out into the Pacific Ocean, has camping areas scattered throughout its many acres of seaside bluffs, sandy beaches, wooded valleys, and grassy meadows. Campers often awaken to foggy mornings. Seals, sea lions, and many shorebirds, including terns, gulls, and murres, frequent the shoreline.

Group Campground: See "Backcountry Campsites" below for information on a backcountry group site.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at sites shown below. A backcountry permit is required and is available from the park up to 60 days in advance. The limit of stay is as noted below for all campsites on weekdays; on weekends the limit is 1 night. The total limit of stay in the park is 4 days. Each camping area has several sites that can accommodate up to 8 persons. Coast, Sky, and Wildcat also have sites that can accommodate 9 to 25 persons. Special Notes: Fires are permitted only in grills provided and campstoves or on the beach. The only wood fires permitted are driftwood fires on the beach.

| | Total RV sites | s Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Camp store |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|---------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | |
| Coast (hike-in) | 14 | • | | 2 | • | | |
| Glen (hike-in) | 12 | • | | 2 | • | | |
| Sky (hike-in) | 12 | • | | 2 | • | | |
| Wildcat Group Camp (hike-in) | 7 | • | | 2 | • | | |

1111 Second Street, Crescent City, CA 95531

Setting: Redwood trees, the tallest trees in the world with a record height of 367.8 feet, tower over campers in this Pacific coast preserve. Groves of virgin trees still stand. Where logging occurred, redwoods are returning in second-growth forests. A nurturing climate of abundant rain and fog and moderate temperatures prevails. Rivers and creeks crisscross the region.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: DeMartin, Flint Ridge, and Nickel Creek are open all year on a firstcome, first-served basis. Four California state parks—Gold Bluff Beach and Elk Prairie in Prairie rie Creek State Park, Jedediah Smith in Jedediah Smith State Park, and Mill Creek in Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park—are also located within park boundaries. All these campgrounds except Mill Creek are open all year; Mill Creek is open from April to October, Reservations through Mistix, a California-based ticket agency, are required for all state campgrounds from about mid-May through August; the rest of the camping season they are on a first-come, firstserved basis. Reservations can be made through Mistix by phone; by writing to: Mistix, P.O. Box 85705, San Diego, CA 92138-5705; or by stopping by a Mistix ticket outlet. Reservations can be made up to 8 weeks in advance; they must be made at least 48 hours in advance. The limit of stay at the state campgrounds is as noted below from June to September; the rest of the year it is 30 days. Trailers up to 27 feet long and motorhomes up to 31 feet are permitted at Jedediah Smith and Mill Creek. Trailers up to 24 feet long and motorhomes up to 27 feet are allowed at Prairie Creek. RVs longer than 20 feet are not permitted at Gold Bluff Beach because the access road is narrow and winding. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are at Jedediah Smith. Mill Creek, and Prairie Creek.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed at the sites shown below on a first-come, first-served basis. The park recommends camping from June through September.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Gold Bluff Beach—hot showers; Jedediah Smith—hot showers, gasoline station, evening ranger programs; Mill Creek and Prairie Creek—hot showers, evening ranger programs. In state campgrounds, campers with dogs must have proof of rabies vaccination; additional fees are charged for dogs. Campers should keep a clean camp and store food in lockers provided or in their vehicles, or, in the backcountry, hang it high from trees to avoid attracting black bears.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| DeMartin (walk-in) | 10 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Flint Ridge (walk-in) | 10 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Gold Bluff Beach (not NPS) | 25 | • | • | • | 15 | • | • | | |
| Jedediah Smith (not NPS) | 109 | • | • | • | 15 | • | • | • | • |
| Mill Creek (not NPS) | 145 | • | • | • | 15 | • | • | • | |
| Nickel Creek (walk-in) | 10 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Prairie Creek (not NPS) | 75 | • | • | • | 15 | • | • | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Redwood Creek (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | | |

Sequoia National Park Three Rivers, CA 93271

Setting: Dwarfed in a natural world of gigantic dimensions, campers stay in a land of giant sequoias, the largest living things on Earth and one of the oldest, and in the shadow of 14,495-foot Mt. Whitney, one of a series of tall peaks in the Sierra Nevadas and the highest mountain in the lower 48 states. The park is adjacent to Kings Canyon National Park.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Lodgepole, Potwisha, and South Fork are open all year. Water is available at South Fork only from April to November. Buckeye is open from April to mid-October. Atwell Mill and Cold Springs are open from late May to November; exact dates depend on road and snow conditions. All campsites except those at Lodgepole are available on a first-come,

first-served basis. Reservations through Ticketron are required for Lodgepole. Trailers are prohibited at Atwell Mill and Cold Springs because the access roads are narrow and steep. Those with trailers should not use South Fork because of a steep, narrow access road and limited turnaround room in the campground. The limit of stay is as noted below for all campgrounds from June 14 to September 14; the rest of the year it is 30 days. RVs up to 30 feet long are permitted. Lodgepole and Potwisha have handicapped-accessible sites near accessible restrooms. Campgrounds fill up by early afternoon from mid-August to Labor Day.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed throughout most of the park. The park staff recommends camping from June through September. A backcountry permit is required. Reservations for a permit can be made beginning March 1 for the upcoming camping season; reservations must be made at least 7 days in advance and by mail. Some permits are also available at the park on a first-come, first-served basis throughout the summer camp-

ing season

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Potwisha—evening ranger programs; Lodgepole—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, restaurant, gasoline station, evening ranger programs. Campers are required to keep a clean campsite and store their food away to avoid attracting black bears. Food must be kept in provided storage lockers at Atwell Mill, Cold Springs, and Lodgepole. At the rest of the campgrounds food must be stored in vehicles. Backcountry campers should hang food on wires or poles provided or high in trees. Fires are permitted only in designated fire rings or campstoves.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Atwell Mill | 23 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Buckeye Flats | 28 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Cold Springs | 37 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | • |
| Lodgepole | 260 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Potwisha | 44 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| South Fork | 13 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | | |

Whiskeytown-Shasta-Trinity National Recreation Area Whiskeytown Unit, P.O. Box 188, Whiskeytown, CA 96095

Setting: Persons flock to the shores of Whiskeytown Lake for boating, swimming, waterskiing, fishing, and camping. In the mid-1800s, fortune hunters of the California Gold Rush came to this area after gold was discovered. Visitors can pan for gold for fun. Away from the lake, secluded chaparral and oak-pine woodlands in the surrounding hills provide places for back-

country camping.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Brandy Creek is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Only campers with self-contained RVs can stay at Brandy Creek because no restrooms are provided. Oak Bottom is also open all year. Reservations through Ticketron are recommended from May 15 to September 15; the rest of the year the campground is on a first-come, first-served basis. Most tent sites at Oak Bottom are walk-in. The limit of stay is as noted below for both campgrounds from May 15 to September 15; the rest of the year it is 30 days. Brandy Creek has handicapped-accessible sites. Oak Bottom has handicapped-accessible sites and restrooms in a section set aside exclusively for RV campers.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required: call the park.

The maximum number of persons allowed per site is 80.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. The limit of stay is as

noted below from May 15 to September 15; the rest of the year it is 30 days.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Brandy Creek—cold showers, snack bar, marina; Oak Bottom—cold showers, snack bar, marina, boat rentals, evening ranger programs.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--|-------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Brandy Creek | 37 | • | | | 14 | • | | • | |
| Oak Bottom | 155 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Dry Creek | 2 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, 4WD-in, high-clearance 2WD-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | | |

Yosemite National Park

P.O. Box 577, Yosemite National Park, CA 95389

Setting: Just as Yosemite Valley—"the Incomparable Valley," as it has been called—has inspired photographers and painters, it, too, inspires the many campers who stay in this glacier-carved gorge of steep granite cliffs and domes and towering waterfalls. Beyond the valley, camping areas are scattered throughout the park's Sierra Nevada highcountry of forests, meadows, and

alpine lakes.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: In Yosemite Valley: Lower River and Sunnyside are open all year: Lower Pines, Upper Pines, and Upper River, from April through November; and Backpackers and North Pines, from May through September. Reservations through Ticketron are required for all Yosemite Valley campgrounds except Sunnyside from Easter week through Thanksgiving; the rest of the year these campgrounds are on a first-come, first-served basis. Sunnyside is available on a first-come, first-served basis all year. Backpackers is only for campers without vehicles. In the rest of the park: Hodgdon Meadow and Wawona are open all year; Bridalveil Creek, Tenaya Lake, and White Wolf, from June through September; and Crane Flat, Porcupine Flat, and Tuolumne Meadows, from May through October. Reservations are required through Ticketron for Hodgdon Meadow from Easter through Thanksgiving; the rest of the year it is on a first-come, first-served basis. The other campgrounds are on a first-come, firstserved basis. Exact opening and closing dates vary for campgrounds outside Yosemite Valley due to snow and road conditions. The limit of stay for all campgrounds is as noted below from June 1 to September 15; the rest of the year it is 30 days. Persons wanting to stay in Yosemite Valley campgrounds in the summer should make reservations early. The other campgrounds fill daily in July and August; persons should arrive before noon to get a site during the week and before noon Friday to get a site for the weekend.

Group Campgrounds: Yosemite Valley (the only group campground in Yosemite Valley) is open from May through September; reservations through Ticketron are required throughout the camping season. In the rest of the park: Hodgdon Meadow is open all year; Tuolumne Meadows, from June through September; and Bridalveil Creek and Wawona, from June through September. Reservations through Ticketron are required for Hodgdon Meadow from April through November; the rest of the year it is on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations through Ticketron are required for Tuolumne Meadows throughout the camping season. For reservations for Bridalveil Creek and Wawona, write Wawona District Office, P.O. Box 2027, Yosemite, CA 95389; reservations are required. All groups must include 10 to 30 persons.

A group can reserve a maximum of 2 campsites.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed throughout much of the park all year. A backcountry permit is required. Persons may make reservations for backcountry sites between February 1 and May 31 for the upcoming camping season; contact the park's Backcountry

Office for application information. Many sites are also available on a first-come, first-served basis throughout the year. Camping parties may include up to 25 persons if camping near a trail; off-trail camping parties are limited to 8.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Yosemite Valley campgrounds (Backpackers, Lower Pines, Lower River, North Pines, Sunnyside, Upper Pines, Upper River)—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, restaurant, gasoline station, horse, raft, bike, and crosscountry ski rentals, evening ranger programs; Bridalveil Creek and Tenaya Lake—evening ranger programs; Crane Flat—gasoline station, evening ranger programs; Tuolumne Meadows—hot showers, gasoline station, horse rentals, evening ranger programs; Wawona—gasoline station, horse rentals, evening ranger programs, Fires are permitted only in existing fire rings or campstoves. No fires are permitted above 9,600 feet. Campers should keep a clean camp and store food in storage boxes provided, in a vehicle or, in the backcountry, hang food high from trees or provided wires or poles to avoid attracting black bears.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|--|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Backpackers (walk-in) | 25 | | • | • | 2 | • | • | | • |
| Bridalveil Creek | 110 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Crane Flat | 129 | • | 0 | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Hodgdon Meadow | 107 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Lower Pines | 173 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | | • |
| Lower River | 139 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| North Pines | 86 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | | • |
| Porcupine Flat | 52 | • | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Sunnyside (walk-in) | 38 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | | • |
| Tenaya Lake (walk-in) | 50 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Tuolumne Meadows | 325 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Upper Pines | 240 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Upper River | 124 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | | • |
| Wawona | 100 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| White Wolf | 87 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Bridalveil Creek (walk-in) | 1 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Hodgdon Meadow (walk-in) | 5 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Tuolumne Meadows (walk-in) | 8 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Wawona (walk-in) | 1 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Yosemite Valley (walk-in) | 11 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | | |

Colorado

Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Monument P.O. Box 1648, Montrose, CO 81402

Setting: The main camping areas are located at an elevation of about 8,200 feet near the rim of the Black Canyon, a 2,000-foot-deep, dark gorge carved by the Gunnison River. Backcountry campers can stay in the canyon, which, according to one observer, has a combination of "depth, narrowness, sheerness, and somber countenance" unmatched by any other canyon in North

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open from about mid-April through October; exact dates for North Rim depend on road and snow conditions. All campsites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Water is provided only from mid- or late May through September; when available, water should be used sparingly because it has to be hauled in from an outside source.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is available from about mid-April through October in Black Canyon on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: Large RVs may have difficulty traveling the dirt access road to North Rim when it is wet; call the park for up-to-date road conditions. Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: South Rim—visitor center, evening ranger programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves; below the canyon rims fires are permitted only in campstoves. Firewood gathering is prohibited; bring your own fuel. Visitors should watch their step at the canyon's edge; parents should supervise children closely.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | |
| North Rim | 14 | • | • | | 14 | • | | |
| South Rim | 102 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | 12 | | • | | 7 | | | |

Colorado National Monument

Fruita, CO 81521

Setting: From the main camping area, a colorful panorama of deep, sheer-sided canyons, high rock towers, and distant mountains and mesas unfolds. Campers who want to explore further into the backcountry can stay throughout this rugged territory, where fossils of dinosaurs have been unearthed. The wildlife of today includes mule deer, coyotes, mountain lions, and desert bighorn sheep.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Flush toilets are available only in warmer months; vault toilets are provided the rest of the year.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. The park requests that campers register with the park before starting their trip.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Saddlehorn—visitor center, evening ranger programs.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
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| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Saddlehorn | 49 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | open | | • | | | | | | |

Curecanti National Recreation Area 102 Elk Creek, Gunnison, CO 81230

Setting: Three man-made lakes along the Gunnison River—Blue Mesa, Crystal Lake, and Morrow Point Lake—are the delight of trout and salmon fishermen and boaters as well as campers. The main camping areas are located amid mesas and canyons along Blue Mesa, which is the largest of the lakes, lake tributaries, and the Gunnison River. Backcountry camping is permitted along each lake.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Cimarron and Elk Creek are open all year, weather permitting. Water and flush toilets are available from late May to mid-September; the rest of the year pit toilets are provided and water is available ½ mile away at visitor centers. The rest of the campgrounds are open from May to October; exact dates depend on snow and road conditions. All sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are provided in all campgrounds.

Group Campground: The campground is open from May to October. Reservations are required; contact the park. The site is only for organized groups of 10 to 50 persons. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are available.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed in designated areas along the lakeshores on a first-come, first-served basis; exact dates depend on the lakes' ice conditions.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Cimarron, Lake Fork, and Stevens Creek—evening ranger programs; Elk Creek—hot showers, restaurant, evening ranger programs.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Cimarron | 25 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Dry Gulch | 10 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| East Portal | 17 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Elk Creek | 179 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Gateview | 7 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Lake Fork | 87 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Ponderosa | 23 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Red Creek | 7 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Stevens Creek | 54 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| East Elk Creek | 2 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Boat-in campsites (boat-in) | 10 | | • | | 14 | | | | |

Dinosaur National Monument P.O. Box 210, Dinosaur, CO 81610 Camping in Colorado and Utah

Setting: In a park where prehistoric dinosaurs reigned 140 million years ago and where paleontologists continue to search for and find their ancient fossil bones, campers can contemplate the mysteries of the past. They can also enjoy the wild beauty of the Green and Yampa Rivers, and their canyons, either from shore or on a float trip.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Split Mountain is open all year. Flush toilets and water are provided in the summer; water is not available the rest of the year and pit toilets are provided. Gates of Lodore is open all year. Deerlodge Park and Green River are open from about mid-May to mid-September; exact dates depend on road and snow conditions. All sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Backcountry Campsites: Echo Park and Rainbow Park are open in the summer; exact dates depend on road and snow conditions. They are open on a first-come, first-served basis. Camping in the rest of the backcountry is allowed all year; a backcountry permit is required. The limit of stay varies with location.

Special Notes: The only place where fossils can be seen are at Dinosaur Quarry Visitor Center; the nearest campgrounds are Green River and Split Mountain, both about 5 miles away. Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Split Mountain—evening ranger programs. A permit is required for boating in the park.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|--|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Deerlodge Park | 10 | • | • | | 15 | | | | |
| Gates of Lodore | 17 | • | • | | 15 | • | | | |
| Green River | 99 | • | • | • | 15 | • | • | | |
| Split Mountain | 35 | • | • | • | 15 | • | • | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Echo Park (high-clearance 2WD-in) | 15 | • | • | | 15 | | | | |
| Rainbow Park (high- clearance 2WD-in) | 2 | • | • | | 15 | | | | |
| Other locations (hike-in, boat-in) | open | | • | | varies | | | | |

Great Sand Dunes National Monument Mosca, CO 81146

Setting: The 700-foot-high Great Sand Dunes—North America's tallest dunes—loom over the most popular camping areas. Backcountry campers can spend a night among the windblown sands on the dunes, as well as at other isolated sites near the dunes. The 14,000-foot snow-topped Sangre de Cristo Mountains dominate the eastern horizon.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open from early April through October on a first-come, first-served basis. Each site is limited to one vehicle and its occupants. Some sites can accommodate RVs up to 60 feet long. A handicapped-accessible site is available near an accessible restroom.

Group Campground: The campground is open from April through October. Reservations are required; call the park. Sites accommodate 25 to 50 persons. A handicapped-accessible site is available near an accessible restroom.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed throughout much of the park from April to October on a first-come, first-served basis. In the winter backcountry camping is allowed on a limited basis.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Pinyon Flats—visitor center, evening ranger programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves. Firewood gathering is prohibited. In summer shoes should be worn when on the hot dunes sand. In a thunderstorm, seek low ground; get off the dunes if possible.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Pinyon Flats | 88 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Pinyon Flats | 3 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Backpacker Campsites (hike-in) | 2 | | • | | | | | | |
| Castle Creek (4WD-in, hike-in) | 1 | | • | | | | | | |
| Sand Pit (4WD-in, hike-in) | 1 | | • | | | | | | |
| Other locations (hike-in) | open | | • | | | | | | |

Mesa Verde National Park

Mesa Verde National Park, CO 81330

Setting: The ancient Anasazi Indians who built the impressive prehistoric villages of cliff dwellngs called Mesa Verde hunted game and grew crops of corn, beans, and squash on the 7,000o 8,000-foot-high plateau where the camping areas are located. The Anasazi lived here until 1300 A.D. From the plateau, there are panoramic views of the Four Corners, where four states come together.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open from mid-April to mid-October on a firstcome, first-served basis; exact dates depend on road and snow conditions. Six handicappedaccessible campsites are located near accessible restrooms.

Group Campground: The campground is open from mid-April to mid-October on a first-come. irst-served basis.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Morefield – hot showers, coin-operated laundry, gasoline station, snack bar, firewood, evening anger programs. Firewood gathering is prohibited.

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| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | | Camp store |
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Morefield | 477 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | - | |
| Morefield | 17 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |

Rocky Mountain National Park

Estes Park, CO 80517

Setting: A broad spectrum of camping experiences is possible in the glacial landscape of the Rocky Mountains, with its valleys, its highlands of pine, fir, and spruce forests, its alpine meadows, its clear streams, and its crystal lakes. Elevations range from 7,800 to 14,255 feet. Bighorn sheep, elk, deer, coyotes, marmots, and ptarmigan find refuge in the park.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Aspenglen, Longs Peak, and Timber Creek are open all year. Water and flush toilets are provided from about May to September; the rest of the year water is not available and pit toilets are provided. Glacier Basin and Moraine Park are open from early June to September. Reservations through Ticketron are required for Glacier Basin and Moraine Park from the end of June to mid-August. The rest of the year sites at these campgrounds are available first-come, first-served. The rest of the campgrounds are always on a first-come, firstserved basis. The limit of stay for all campgrounds is as noted below from June through September; the rest of the year it is extended by 15 days. The total limit of stay in the park is 7 days. All campgrounds have handicapped-accessible restrooms.

Group Campground: The campground is open from early June to September. Reservations are required; contact the park. Three vehicles are permitted per site. See "Backcountry Camp-

sites" below for information on backcountry group campsites.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park. A backcountry permit is required. Designated backcountry campsites and crosscountry campsites are designed for smaller camping parties; some are open to horseback riders. Bivouac camps are restricted to use by technical mountain climbers; no tents are allowed. Backcountry group sites are for organized groups only; the sites can accommodate from 8 to 20 persons. Besides these sites, there is a special site for handicapped persons called Handi-camp, which is reached via a sometimes steep 1/2-mile hard-surfaced access trail. The site accommodates 10 persons. An accessible restroom is provided. Reservations can be made for many backcountry sites by writing or appearing in person at the park throughout the year, or, from October through May, by calling the park. The limit of stay for all backcountry areas is as noted below from June through September; the rest of the year it is extended by 15 days.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Aspenglen-evening ranger programs; Glacier Basin-horse rentals, evening ranger programs; Moraine Park - horse rentals, visitor center, evening ranger programs; Timber Creek - evening ranger programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves. Lightning can be a serious hazard; avoid high exposed areas during storms.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|---|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Aspenglen | 56 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Glacier Basin | 152 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Longs Peak | 28 | | • | • | 3 | • | • | | |
| Moraine Park | 250 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Timber Creek | 100 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Glacier Basin | 18 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | - |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Bivouac Camps (climb-in) | ltd | | | | 7 | | | | |
| Crosscountry campsites (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Designated backcountry sites (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 250 | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Group Campsites (hike-in) | 19 | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Handi-camp (trail access) | 1 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
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Florida

Biscayne National Park

P.O. Box 1369, Homestead, FL 33090

Setting: Subtropical islands of the Florida Keys provide remote camping areas not far from the city of Miami. Brown pelicans, herons, and other sea birds populate the islands' tropical forests, while offshore dazzling fishes inhabit crystal clear Biscayne Bay and undersea coral reefs in the Atlantic. The islands are 7 miles off the Florida mainland. Island access is by boat only.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: The campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis.

Handicapped-accessible restrooms are available at both campgrounds.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout most of Elliott Key and on Sands Key on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: Although camping is permitted all year, mosquito infestations during the summer can make camping unbearable; contact the park for up-to-date information. Commercial tour boats ferry passengers to Elliott Key from Convoy Point on the park mainland; contact the park for information. At Boca Chita, private boats may tie up at the sea wall in Boca Chita harbor; at Elliott Key they may dock in the 66 slips in Elliott Key harbor or anchor offshore; and at Sands Key they may tie up along shore in "the Keyhole" or anchor offshore. Services available seasonally or all year in the camping areas include: Elliott Key—cold showers (handicapped-accessible), visitor center. No food, fuel, or other supplies are available on the islands; the nearest are 7 miles away by boat on the mainland. Campers must pack out all trash.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|---|-------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Boca Chita Key (boat-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | • | | |
| Elliott Key (boat-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | • | • | | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Elliott Key (boat-and hike-in) | 1 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Elliott Key (boat-in, boat-and-hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Sands Key (boat-in, boat- and-hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | | |

Everglades National Park

P.O. Box 279, Homestead, FL 33030

Setting: Sanctuary for alligators and crocodiles, the Florida panther, a myriad of birds, and many tropical plants, the watery expanse of the Everglades also serves as a refuge for campers. Most campers stay in camping areas on the coast of Florida Bay or in an inland pine forest. Backcountry campers can stay in more isolated areas of this subtropical wilderness.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Flamingo has 60 walk-in tent sites. The limit of stay is as noted below from November to May; the rest of the year it is 30 days. Each campground has one site reserved for the handicapped next to an accessible restroom.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park. Each campsite accommodates up to 15 persons.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. In watery areas, designated campsites are on wooden platforms called chickees. One campsite—Pearl Bay Chickee—is accessible to the handicapped. The limit of stay for backcountry sites varies with location.

Special Notes: The park staff strongly recommends against camping at Flamingo or in many areas of the backcountry from April through November because of seasonal mosquito infesta-

ons. Campers should come prepared for mosquitoes all year; bring insect repellent, bug-proof ent netting, long pants, long-sleeved shirts, and a cover for your head. Services available seanally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Flamingo—cold showers, coinperated laundry, restaurant, gasoline station, marina, boat and bike rentals, boat tours, evening anger programs; Long Pine Key—evening ranger programs. Wildlife is most easily seen twinter.

| Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | | | | Camp |
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'ort Jefferson National Monument

/o Everglades National Park, P.O. Box 279, Homestead, FL 33030

setting: Far off the beaten track, this camping area is located in the Dry Tortugas, a collection f subtropical islands 70 miles west of Key West, Florida. Fort Jefferson, the largest of America's 9th-century coastal forts, is preserved here. Campers stay on Garden Key next to the fort. It tern nesting sanctuary and undersea coral reefs are nearby. Park access is by boat or eaplane.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year on Garden Key on a first-

ome, first-served basis. Boaters also can anchor offshore and spend the night.

Special Notes: Reservations can be made with private charter boats and seaplanes for transportation to the park from Key West and other south Florida areas all year; contact Everglades National Park for information. No drinking water, food, boat fuel, or other supplies are available in the park; the nearest are in Key West. Campers must carry out all trash. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp store |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|---------------|
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | |
| √arious locations (boat-in, ly-in) | 10 | | • | | 14 | | • | |

Gulf Islands National Seashore

1801 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Gulf Breeze, FL 32561

See also Mississippi

Setting: Campers share Santa Rosa Island, one of a chain of barrier islands off the Florida nainland in the Gulf of Mexico, with great blue herons, terns, brown pelicans, and other sea birds, skunks, and raccoons. Offshore, gamefish abound. Forests of live oak and pine shade the camping areas. Fort Pickens, a 19th-century coastal fort, is nearby. A toll bridge links the island o the mainland.

Selectrical hookups are available for RVs at 135 sites. A special area of the campground is set uside for campers with pets; space is limited. The limit of stay is as noted below from March hrough November; the rest of the year it is 30 days. Several campsites near a handicapped-accessible restroom are held until at least noon each day for handicapped campers. Demand for campsites is great near Easter and in the summer; the park advises arriving early in the veek to get a site.

Group Campgrounds: The campgrounds are open all year. Reservations are required; contact

the park. Each site accommodates up to 50 persons. The limit of stay is as noted below from March through December; the rest of the year it is 30 days.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Ft. Pickens (tent/RV campground)—hot showers, lifeguarded beach; Ft. Pickens (group campground)—cold showers, lifeguarded beach.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | | Camp |
|--------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|---|------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Ft. Pickens | 200 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Ft. Pickens | 1 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Naval Live Oaks | 1 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |

Georgia

hickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park

LO. Box 2128, Fort Oglethorpe, GA 30742

etting: The hills and valleys along Chickamauga Creek that are the setting for the camping rea were the scene of a decisive Civil War battle in the fall of 1863. It was here that Union toops gained control of the city of Chattanooga, Tennessee, a key southern rail center and ateway to the heart of the Confederacy. Cannons and monuments surround the camping area. Froup Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required; call the ark. The campground is primarily for scout groups and educational groups. Sites accommosate 10 to 30 campers. One handicapped-accessible site is located near an accessible toilet.

pecial Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of the campground include: South ost—ranger programs (on request only). Climbing on historical objects is prohibited.

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| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
| roup Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| outh Post | 10 | | • | • | 10 | • | | | • |

Cumberland Island National Seashore CO. Box 806, St. Marys, GA 31558

etting: While on primitive Cumberland Island, a camper's neighborhood is one of wide sandy eaches, dunes, salt marshes, and dense maritime oak forests. The 16-mile-long barrier island, thich is located 3 miles off Georgia's mainland shore, provides habitat for whitetailed deer, raterbirds, alligators, wild turkeys, and other island wildlife. Park access is by boat only.

ent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required; call the ark. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are available but can be difficult to reach.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required; call the park. Each site accommodates up to 15 persons.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at sites shown below. Resertations are required; call the park. Each backcountry area accommodates up to 20 persons.

ipecial Notes: A passenger boat from St. Marys, Georgia, ferries visitors to the island all year. The boat runs daily from Memorial Day to Labor Day; the rest of the year it runs 5 days a veek. Private boaters planning to stay at SeaCamp may unload gear at the SeaCamp dock and hen anchor offshore. Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: eaCamp—cold showers (handicapped-accessible). No food, fuel, or other supplies are proided on the island; the nearest are 7 miles away by boat in St. Marys. Pets are not allowed in he park. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|----------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| leaCamp (hike-in) | 14 | | • | | 7 | • | • | | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| leaCamp (hike-in) | 2 | | • | | 7 | • | • | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Brick Hill Bluff (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Hickory Hill (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| stafford Beach (hike-in) | 10 | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Yankee Paradise (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | | | | |

Hawaii

Haleakala National Park

P.O. Box 369, Makawao, HI 96768

Setting: Campers stay either amid the volcanic, desert-like landscape of lava ash flows and cinder cones of Haleakala Crater or in the contrasting lush green coastal areas of grasslands and rainforests. No eruptions have occurred since the late 1700s. Colorful tropical birdlife, muci of it unique to the Hawaiian Islands, can be found here on this Maui island preserve.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Hos mer Grove accommodates up to 25 persons; Oheo Gulch accommodates up to 50. Each camping party is limited to a maximum of 15 persons. Handicapped-accessible toilets are available at Oheo Gulch.

Backcountry Campsites: Holua and Paliku are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis A backcountry permit is required. Each site accommodates up to 25 persons. Camping partie are limited to 15 persons. Holua Cabin, Kapalaoa Cabin, and Paliku Cabin each have a primitive cabin available all year. Each cabin is equipped with bunk beds, woodstove, and cooking utensils and accommodates up to 12 persons. Persons can apply for a cabin 3 months in advance by writing the park; cabins are assigned in a lottery drawing 2 months in advance. Occasionally drinking water is not available at backcountry sites; check with the park for up-to-date information. The limit of stay noted below is for each specific backcountry site; the total permitted length of stay in the backcountry is 3 days per month.

Special Notes: Food, fuel, and other supplies are not available in the park; the nearest armore than 15 miles away in Pukalani and Makawao, Maui. Services available all year within mile of camping areas include: Oheo Gulch—swimming at natural mountain pools. (No life guards are provided; swimming is prohibited in these pools when flooded). Campers should be prepared for variable weather conditions, including intensely sunny days, hailstorms, rain, high winds, and near-freezing temperatures. Fires are permitted only in grills provided, woodstoves or campstoves.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|--|-------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Hosmer Grove | ltd | • | • | | 3 | • | • | | |
| Oheo Gulch | ltd | • | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Holua (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | ltd | | • | | 2 | • | | | |
| Holua Cabin (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | ltd | | | • | 2 | | | | |
| Kapalaoa Cabin (hike-in) | ltd | | | • | 2 | | | | |
| Paliku (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | ltd | | • | | 2 | • | | | |
| Paliku Cabin (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | ltd | | | • | 2 | | | | |

Hawaii Volcanoes National Park Hawaii National Park, HI 96718

Setting: From a distance, campers may experience an eruption of Mauna Loa or Kilauea, two of the most active volcanoes on Earth and the main attractions of this Hawaii island park. Fier eruptions of lava occurred as recently as 1987. From the coast to the summit of the two volcanic mountains are sandy beaches, tropical rainforests, and lava-covered slopes.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis Handicapped-accessible restrooms are available at Kamoamoa and Namakani Paio.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at sites shown below on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. Each party of backcountry campers is limited to 12 persons. Mauna Loa Summit, Pepeiao, and Red Hill Cabins each have a primitive sheltering cabin with bunk beds. The rest of the campgrounds, except Napau Crater, have 3-sided camping shelters. Shelter is not provided at Napau Crater.

Special Notes: Services available all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Namakani Paio—restaurant, golf course. Campers and hikers should avoid wandering off trails into unknown areas, where deep cracks in the Earth's surface pose dangers. Campers should be prepared for variable weather conditions, including intensely sunny days, high winds, heavy rains, and, in higher elevations, subfreezing temperatures. Elevations rise higher than 13,000 feet: altitude sickness occurs often.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Kamoamoa | ltd | • | • | | 7 | • | • | | |
| Kipuka Nene | ltd | • | • | | 7 | • | | | |
| Namakani Paio | ltd | • | • | | 7 | • | • | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Halape (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | • | | | |
| Kaaha (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | • | | | |
| Keauhou (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | • | | | |
| Mauna Loa Summit Cabin (hike-in) | ltd | | • | 1 | 7 | • | | | |
| Napau Crater (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Pepeiao Cabin (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | • | | | |
| Red Hill Cabin (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | • | | | |



Craters of the Moon National Monument P.O. Box 29, Arco, ID 83213

Setting: Camp settings are in the heart of what has been called an outdoor museum of volcanism and the strangest 83 square miles on the North American continent. The stark terrain consists of lava flows and cinder cones created during more than 15,000 years of eruptions that ended 2,000 years ago. Mule deer, prairie falcons, marmots, and other wildlife inhabit this volcanic landscape.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open from mid-April to mid-October on a first-come, first-served basis; exact dates depend on road and snow conditions. Water and flush toilets are available from mid-May through September; the rest of the year water is not available and pit toilets are provided.

Group Campground: The campground is open from June through August. Reservations are required; contact the park. The site accommodates up to 30 persons and 8 vehicles.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is permitted throughout much of the park's designated wilderness area. A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: No food, fuel, or other supplies are available in the park; the nearest are 18 miles away in Arco, Idaho. Charcoal fires are permitted in grills or campstoves; wood fires are prohibited.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Lava Flow | 51 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Lava Flow | 1 | • | • | • | | | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | open | | • | | | | | | |

Kentucky



Mammoth Cave: A camping trip tests outdoor skills.



Cumberland Gap National Historical Park P.O. Box 1848, Middlesboro, KY 40965

Camping in Kentucky, Tennessee, and Virginia

Setting: The Wilderness Road, the historic route through the Appalachian Mountains that Daniel Boone and other pioneers followed on their way west in the 1700s, winds past the main camping area. Several more isolated backcountry camping areas are perched along a high ridge in the mountains. Dense oak-hickory forests predominate throughout the region.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open from late spring to late fall on a first-come, first-served basis. A few handicapped-accessible sites are available.

Group Campground: The campground is open from late spring to late fall. Reservations are required; call the park. The largest site accommodates 42 persons; most hold 12.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at sites shown below on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Wilderness Road—hot showers, gasoline, firewood, evening campfire programs.

| | Total | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit | Drinking | Flush | Sanitary | Camp |
|---|-------|-----|-------|-----|---------|----------|---------|----------|-------|
| | sites | | | | of stay | water | toilets | dump | store |
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Wilderness Road | 112 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Wilderness Road | 13 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Chadwell Gap (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 4 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Gibson Gap (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 2 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Hensley Settlement (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 1 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Martins Fork (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 8 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| White Rocks (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 4 | | • | | 14 | | | | |

Mammoth Cave National Park Mammoth Cave, KY 42259

Setting: The main camping areas are located in oak-hickory forests throughout the hilly karst limestone landscape that overlies Mammoth Cave, part of a 300-mile cave system renowned as the longest cave network in the world. Backcountry campers can stay in many areas, including the valleys of the Green and Nolin Rivers on river floodplains and islands.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Two handicapped sites at Headquarters Campground, located near accessible restrooms, are held

until 6 p.m. each day for handicapped campers during the summer.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required; contact the Chief Ranger's office. Each site is limited to 24 persons. Three sites are equipped to accommodate horses; 8 horses are allowed per site.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at designated sites on a first-

come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Headquarters—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, visitor center (where cave tours begin). Ticks and poisonous copperheads and rattlesnakes are prevalent in warm weather.

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|--|-------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| * | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Dennison Ferry (high- clearance 2WD-in) | 4 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Headquarters | 111 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Houchins Ferry | 12 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Maple Springs | 6 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| River campsites (boat-in) | ltd | | | | 14 | | | | |
| Other locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 11 | | • | | 14 | | | | |

Maine

Acadia National Park

P.O. Box 177, Bar Harbor, ME 04609

Setting: Coastal forests shelter campers on Mount Desert Island, where the cold Atlantic meets the most mountainous terrain on the East Coast of the United States. The high point is Cadillac Mountain, which rises 1,530 feet above the waves. A backcountry camping area is located on Isle au Haut, one of many rocky islands off the Maine coast. Seals and sea birds visit the park.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Blackwoods is open all year. Flush toilets are available from May through mid-October; pit toilets are provided the rest of the year. Reservations through Ticketron can be made for the period from June 15 to September 15. The rest of the year Blackwoods is on a first-come, first-served basis. Seawall is open from Memorial Day through September on a first-come, first-served basis. It has several walk-in tent sites. The limit of stay for both campgrounds is as noted below from June 14 to September 16; the rest of the year it is 30 days. Each campsite is limited to 8 persons. Both campgrounds have a few handicappedaccessible sites near accessible restrooms. The campgrounds usually fill up by early afternoon from mid-July through August.

Group Campgrounds: Blackwoods is open from May to mid-October. Seawall is open from Memorial Day through September. Reservations are required for both campgrounds; contact

the park. Each campground has sites that accommodate up to 20 persons.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed from mid-May to mid-October at site shown below. Reservations are required; contact the park. A reservation fee is charged; there is no daily camping fee. The limit of stay is as noted below between June 15 and September 15; from May 15 to June 15 and from September 15 to October 15 the limit is 5 days. Camping is restricted to lean-to shelters provided; no tents are permitted.

Special Notes: A private mail/passenger boat ferries campers to the backcountry camping area on Isle au Haut from Stonington, Maine. From mid-June through August the boat lands within 1/10 mile of the camping area; at other times the boat lands 4 miles away. The boat does not run on Sundays or holidays. Contact the park for transportation information. Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Blackwoods and Seawall—hot showers, coinoperated laundry, evening ranger programs.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Blackwoods | 320 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Seawall | 214 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Blackwoods | 5 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Seawall | 5 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Isle au Haut—shelters provided (boat-and-hike-in) | 5 | | | | 3 | • | | | |

Maryland

Antietam National Battlefield

P.O. Box 158, Sharpsburg, MD 21782

Setting: Amid the fields, woods, and farmlands of Antietam Battlefield, campers may be able to imagine the events of September 17, 1862, the single bloodiest day of the Civil War. More than 23,000 Union and Confederate troops were killed or wounded on that day. Antietam Creek runs along the edge of the camping area and Burnside Bridge, the park's best known landmark, is nearby.

Group Campground: The campground is open from March through October. Reservations are

required; contact the park. The sites are for organized groups only.

Special Notes: Campers should bring firewood. Sites have little or no shade. Fires are permitted only in designated fire rings or campstoves. Ticks and chiggers infest the area in the summer; bring insect repellent. Campers should bring water containers; drinking water is available in the rear of the visitor center about 1½ miles from the campground.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Camp |
|------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|-------|
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Rohrback | 4 | | • | | 3 | | | • |

Assateague Island National Seashore Route 2, Box 294, Berlin, MD 21811

Setting: For campers, Assateague Island is a gateway to white sandy beaches along the Atlantic Ocean, dunes, pine forests, salt marshes, and sheltered coves on Chincoteague Bay. The 37-mile-long barrier island, located off Maryland and Virginia's mainland, is a favorite haunt of nesting shorebirds and migrating waterfowl. Several bands of wild ponies roam the island.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Both campgrounds—Bayside and Oceanside—are scheduled to undergo extensive reconstruction in 1988. Some campsites are expected to remain open throughout the construction period but the number of sites will vary. Contact the park for up-to-date information. Normally, Bayside is open all year; Oceanside, from Memorial Day weekend through September. All sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The limit of stay for both campgrounds is as noted below from Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day; the rest of the year it is 14 days. Oceanside has several walk-in tent sites. Campgrounds usually fill every day from mid-June to Labor Day; campers should arrive early in the week, and if a campsite is not immediately available, place their name on a waiting list for a site.

Group Campground: Due to construction (see "Tent/RV Campgrounds" above), group leaders should contact the park for up-to-date information as to the availability of a site. Normally, the campground is open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park. Each site normally

accommodates from 12 to 25 persons.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed at sites shown below on a first-come, first-served basis. Ocean-side sites are open all year. Bay-side sites are open from March through October; however, biting insects discourage most campers from using Bay-side sites in the summer. A backcountry permit is required for all sites. The limit of stay is as noted below from Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day; the rest of the year it is 14 days.

Special Notes: None of the campsites are shaded. Tent campers should bring 18-inch-long stakes for camping in sandy soil and occasional strong winds. Mosquitoes, biting flies and ticks can be abundant from mid-May to mid-October; bring insect repellent and bug-proof tent netting. Assateague State Park, located adjacent to the national park, has a campground with hot showers.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp store |
|---------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---|-------------------|---|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | |
| Bayside | 40 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | |
| Oceanside | 86 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | |

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Oceanside | 5 | | • | • | 7 | • | | • | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Bay side (hike-in, boat-in) | 4 | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Ocean side (hike-in) | 3 | | • | | 7 | | | | |

Catoctin Mountain Park

6602 Foxville Road, Thurmont, MD 21788

Setting: Men once logged, farmed, and made moonshine deep in the hills of this portion of the Appalachian Mountains where campers today come for a quiet woodland visit. Evidence of man's past activities can be seen in the second-growth forests of chestnut oak, hickory, birch, poplar, and sassafras. Creeks flow through the hills. Whitetailed deer are natives.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open from mid-April to late November on a first-come, first-served basis. The limit of stay noted below is for any one stay; the total permitted stay in one year is 14 days. Trailers up to 22 feet long are permitted. Handicapped-accessible

restrooms are provided.

Group Campgrounds: Misty Mount camp has several rustic wood-and-stone cabins and lodges. Each cabin accommodates up to 4 persons; lodges, 8. Anyone 18 years or older can rent a cabin or lodge, both of which are available from May through October. Each cabin and lodge has single beds and mattresses; central hot showers and restrooms are available. Some cabins and all restrooms are handicapped-accessible. Reservations are required; contact the volunteer organization that runs the camp at Misty Mount Camp, C.A.M.P.E.R., Inc., 6602 Foxville Road, Thurmont, MD 21788. Greentop, also a cabin camp, has several rustic cabins and 1 lodge equipped like those at Misty Mount, but it is for organized groups only. Round Meadows includes 4 modern dormitories and is equipped similarly to the cabin camps. It, too, is for organized groups only. Both Greentop and Round Meadow are available in the spring and fall. Reservations are required; contact the park during January for the spring camping season and in May for the fall season. Groups at Greentop and Round Meadow must include at least 65 persons.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Owens Creek—evening campfire programs. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited in the park. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or designated fire rings.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp store |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Owens Creek | 51 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | |
| Greentop | 1 | | | • | | • | • | • |
| Misty Mount | 25 | | | • | 14 | • | • | |
| Round Meadow | 1 | | | • | | • | • | • |

Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park P.O. Box 4, Sharpsburg, MD 21782 Camping in Maryland and West Virginia

Setting: Campers get a taste of history and nature along the 184-mile Chesapeake and Ohio (C&O) Canal. The 19th-century transportation canal parallels the wooded shores of the Potomac River from urban Georgetown in Washington, D.C. (milepost 0), to the mountains of Cumberland, Maryland (milepost 184). A gravel-surfaced towpath follows the entire canal route.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open from Memorial Day to Labor Day on a first-come, first-served basis. RVs up to 16 feet long are permitted at McCoys Ferry, 15-Mile Creek, and Spring Gap.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Water is available only from April through November. An advance permit is required; call the park's Great Falls Tavern Visitor Center in Great Falls, Maryland.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at the sites shown below on a first-come, first-served basis. Water is available at all sites only from April through November. Special Notes: Milepost numbers along the canal and towpath are listed after each campground name below. Horses are not allowed in camping areas.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|---|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | 7 | | | | | | | | |
| Antietam Creek 69.3 | 20 | | • | | 10 | • | | | • |
| McCoys Ferry 110.4 | 14 | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| 15-Mile Creek 140.9 | 10 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | • |
| Spring Gap 173.3 | 19 | • | • | | 14 | | | | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Marsden Tract 11.5 | 4 | | • | | 7 | • | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Horsepen Branch 26.1 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Chisel Branch 30.5 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Turtle Run 34.4 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | • |
| Marble Quarry 38.2 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Indian Flats 42.5 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Calico Rocks 47.6 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | • |
| Bald Eagle Island 49.9 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Huckleberry Hill 62.5 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Killiansburg Cave 75.2 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | • |
| Horseshoe Branch 79.6 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Big Woods 82.4 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Opequon Junction 90.9 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Cumberland Valley 95.2 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Jordon Junction 101.2 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | • |
| North Mountain 109.5 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Licking Creek 116.0 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Little Pool 120.6 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Leopards Mill 129.9 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|---|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Cacapon Junction 133.6 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Indigo Neck 139.2 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Devils Alley 144.5 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Stickpile Hill 149.4 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Sorrel Ridge 154.1 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Paw Paw Tunnel 156.0 (boat-in only) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | • |
| Purslane Run 157.4 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Town Creek 162.1 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Potomac Forks 164.8 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Pigmans Ferry 169.1 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |
| Iron Mountain 175.3 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | • |
| Evitts Creek 179.0 (hike-in, bike-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | • | | | |

Greenbelt Park

6565 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770

Setting: This woodland retreat in the greater Washington, D.C., metropolitan area allows urban dwellers to go camping and get away from it all without going very far. Situated on the rolling hills of the Piedmont coastal plain, the park's hardwood forests are a natural sanctuary for raccoons, squirrels, red fox, bobwhite quail, and many other birds. Downtown Washington is 12 miles away.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. The limit of stay is as noted below from Memorial Day to Labor Day; the rest of the year it is 14 days. One family is allowed per site. RVs up to 30 feet long are permitted. Handicapped-accessible sites are available close to restrooms; assistance may be needed to enter the restrooms. **Special Notes:** Services available seasonally within 1 mile of campground include: Greenbelt—evening campfire programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Greenbelt | 174 | • | • | • | 5 | • | | • | |

Michigan

Isle Royale National Park

87 North Ripley Street, Houghton, MI 49931

Setting: An unbroken wilderness awaits campers on Isle Royale, a 45-mile-long island of sprucefir and birch-maple forests, inland lakes, and rocky shores 22 miles off Minnesota's mainland in Lake Superior. Dozens of smaller islands surround the main island. Moose and wolves share the island with red fox and beaver. Park access is by boat or floatplane only.

Group Campgrounds: See "Backcountry Campsites" below for information on backcountry

group sites.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed from mid-April through October on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. All backcountry camping areas have sites for camping parties of 6 persons or less. Eighty-eight 3-sided wooden shelters are located in the camping areas. In addition, 17 of the camping areas have sites for groups with from 7 to a maximum of 10 persons (including group leaders). These 17 areas are: Chippewa Harbor, Daisy Farm, East Chickenbone, Feldtmann Lake, Hatchet Lake, Island Mine, Lake Richie, Malone Bay, McCargoe Cove, Moskey Basin, Rock Harbor, Siskiwit Bay, South Desor, Three Mile, Todd Harbor, Washington Creek, and West Chickenbone. Groups should write the park for special group camping information. Some sites listed below as hike-in sites are accessible by a combination of canoeing and portaging. Docks are available at all boat-in sites. Special Notes: Commercial passenger boats and a floatplane ferry visitors to the park throughout the camping season. Boats leave from Grand Portage, Minnesota, and Houghton and Copper Harbor, Michigan. A floatplane leaves from Houghton, Michigan. Reservations, which must be made with the individual transportation services, are recommended. Contact the park for up-to-date transportation information. Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Rock Harbor—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, restaurant, snack bar, marina, canoe rentals, evening ranger programs; Washington Creek-hot showers, coinoperated laundry, boat fuel, canoe rentals, evening ranger programs; Daisy Farm—evening ranger programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves; all campers should bring stoves. Wood gathering is prohibited in many areas. Campers must pack out all trash. Pets are not allowed within park boundaries. Mosquitoes, black flies, and gnats can be bothersome in the summer; bring insect repellent and bug-proof tent netting.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Beaver Island (boat-in) | 3 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Belle Isle (boat-in) | 6 | | • | | 5 | | | | |
| Birch Island (boat-in) | 2 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Caribou Island (boat-in) | 4 | | • | | 3 | · | | | |
| Chippewa Harbor (hike-in, boat-in) | 7 | | • | | 3 | | | , | |
| Daisy Farm (hike-in, boat-in) | 26 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Duncan Bay (boat-in) | 3 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Duncan Narrows (boat-in) | 3 | | • | | 3 | - | | | |
| East Chickenbone Lake (hike-in) | 4 | | • | | 2 | | | | |
| Feldtmann Lake (hike-in) | 8 | | • | | 2 | | | | |
| Grace Island (boat-in) | 2 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Hatchet Lake (hike-in) | 8 | | • | | 2 | | | | |
| Hay Bay (boat-in) | 1 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Huginnin Cove (hike-in, boat-in) | 5 | | • | | 3 | | | | |

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Intermediate Lake (canoe-in only) | 3 | | • | | 2 | | | | |
| Island Mine (hike-in) | 6 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Lake Richie (hike-in, canoe-in only) | 6 | | • | | 2 | | | | |
| Lake Richie Canoe (canoe-in only) | 2 | | • | | 2 | | | | |
| Lake Whittlesey (canoe-in only) | 3 | | • | | 2 | | | _ | |
| Lane Cove (hike-in) | 5 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Little Todd Harbor (hike-in) | 4 | | • | | 2 | | | | |
| Malone Bay (hike-in, boat-in) | 8 | | • | | 3 | | | | , |
| McCargoe Cove (hike-in, boat-in) | 12 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Merritt Lane (boat-in) | 2 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Moskey Basin (hike-in, boat-in) | 10 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| North Lake Desor (hike-in) | 3 | | • | | 2 | | | | |
| Pickerel Cove (canoe-in only) | 1 | | • | | 2 | | | | |
| Rock Harbor (hike-in, boat-in) | 23 | | • | | 1 | • | | | • |
| Siskiwit Bay (hike-in, boat-in) | 9 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| South Lake Desor (hike-in) | 10 | | • | | 2 | | | | |
| Three Mile (hike-in, boat-in) | 15 | | • | | 1 | | | | |
| Todd Harbor (hike-in, boat-in) | 10 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Tookers Island (boat-in) | 2 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Washington Creek (hike-in, boat-in) | 19 | | • | | 3 | • | | | • |
| West Chickenbone Lake (hike-in) | 9 | | • | | 2 | | | | |
| Wood Lake (canoe-in only) | 3 | | • | | 2 | | | | |

Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore P.O. Box 40, Munising, MI 49862

Setting: Campers in this northwoods wilderness overlook Lake Superior from the 50- to 200-foot-high sandstone cliffs known as the Pictured Rocks. Wave erosion has created arches, pedestals, and other rock sculptures along shore. There are sand and pebble beaches, waterfalls, lakes, dunes, and forests of hardwoods, spruce, hemlock, and fir. Whitetailed deer, beaver, and muskrat are common.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Water is available only from early May to mid-November. Handicapped-accessible sites are provided at each campground; these sites are held until 6 p.m. each day on a first-come, first-served basis for use by any handicapped person. Handicapped-accessible toilets are also provided at the campgrounds.

Group Campgrounds: See "Backcountry Campsites" below for information on backcountry

group sites.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at campsites shown below. A backcountry permit is required. Reservations can be made for some sites, while others are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations can be requested by writing the park. Camp-

sites for parties of 8 persons or less are available at all camping areas. One group site, for groups of up to 20 persons, is available at each of the following areas: Au Sable Point East, Beaver Lake, Cliffs, Coves, Masse Homestead, Mosquito River, Sevenmile Creek, and Trapper's Lake. In the winter when snow covers the ground more of the park is open for backcountry camping. Special Notes: Heavy snows close park roads from about November to May each year. Campers may still enter the park on designated snowmobile routes, or by crosscountry skiing or snowshoeing.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Hurricane River | 22 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Little Beaver Lake | 8 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Twelvemile Beach | 37 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Au Sable Point East (hike-in) | 9 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Beaver Creek (hike-in) | 6 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Beaver Lake (hike-in) | 11 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Benchmark (hike-in) | 6 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Chapel Beach (hike-in) | 15 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Cliffs (hike-in) | 4 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Coves (hike-in) | 6 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Masse Homestead (hike-in) | 4 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Mosquito River (hike-in) | 11 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Pine Bluff (hike-in) | 5 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Potato Patch (hike-in) | 3 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Sevenmile Creek (hike-in) | 7 | | • | | 3 | | | | |
| Trapper's Lake (hike-in) | 6 | | • | | 3 | | | | |

Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore

P.O. Box 277, 9922 Front Street, Empire, MI 49630

Setting: Many camping areas lie in this hilly region of massive coastal sand dunes, clear inland lakes, beech-maple forests, sandy beaches, and birch-shaded streams along Lake Michigan. The largest dune, Sleeping Bear Dune, is a highlight of any visit. Backcountry campers can find privacy on North and South Manitou Islands off the Michigan mainland. Island access is by boat only.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Water is available only from mid-April to November. Each campground has 1 handicapped-accessible site next to an accessible toilet.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park. The entire campground accommodates up to 100 persons. See "Backcountry Campsites" below for information on backcountry group sites.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at sites shown below. A backcountry permit is required. Backcountry group sites, which accommodate up to 25 persons, are available. Reservations are required for these sites; contact the park. The rest of the sites are for smaller camping parties; these are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Special Notes: A commercial passenger boat ferries visitors from Leland, Michigan, to South Manitou Island, where Bay, Bay Group, Weather Station, and Weather Station Group back-country campsites are located, and to North Manitou Island from May to December. The boat runs daily in the summer, less frequently during the rest of its operating season. Reservations are recommended; they must be made directly with the boat operator. Contact the park

for information. Services available all year or seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: D.H. Day and Platte River—gasoline station, boat rentals, firewood, evening ranger programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided, designated fire rings, or campstoves. Campers can collect dead and down firewood anywhere but on the dunes.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|---|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| D.H. Day | 89 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | • | • |
| Platte River | 160 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| D.H. Day | 4 | | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Bay (boat-and-hike-in) | 27 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Bay Group (boat-and- hike-in) | 3 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| North Manitou (boat-and-hike-in) | open | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Valley View (hike-in) | 6 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Weather Station (boat-and-hike-in) | 27 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Weather Station Group (boat-and-hike-in) | 3 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| White Pine (hike-in) | 6 | | • | | 14 | | | | |



Minnesota

Grand Portage National Monument

P.O. Box 666, Grand Marais, MN 55604

Setting: Just as 18th- and 19th-century fur traders on their way to and from the fur-rich lands of Canada once rested along the Grand Portage, so do campers today. The 8½-mile long Grand Portage was a vital overland link in the historic trading route along rivers and other waterways into the continent's interior. The camping area is in a birch-fir forest on the Pigeon River.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at sites shown below on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. Each site accommodates up to 10 campers.

Special Notes: Fires are permitted only in grills provided or in campstoves. Mosquitoes and other insects can be bothersome in the summer; bring insect repellent and bug-proof tent netting. Winter temperatures often fall to -10° F and colder.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Drinking water | | Camp store |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|-------------------|--|---------------|
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | |
| Fort Charlotte (hike-in, boat-in) | 2 | | • | | | | |

Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway (see Wisconsin)

Voyageurs National Park

P.O. Box 50, International Falls, MN 56649

Setting: Like the French-Canadian voyageurs who canoed through this lakes region in the heyday of the fur trade in the 1700s and 1800s, campers can spend the night on lakeshores or forested islands. The region's lakes, bogs, freshwater marshes, and mixed forests of hardwoods and evergreens are wilderness sanctuaries for moose, wolves, beaver, black bear, and loons.

Group Campgrounds: See "Backcountry Campsites" below for information on backcountry group sites.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. Many sites are inaccessible during the freeze-up of the lakes from mid-November to mid-December and again during spring thaw in April; when the lakes are frozen, access is by snowmobile, crosscountry skiing, or snowshoeing. Two campsites designed for larger groups each accommodate up to 5 tents.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|---|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (boat-in, boat-and-hike-in) | 100 | | • | | 14 | | | |

Mississippi

Gulf Islands National Seashore 3500 Park Road, Ocean Springs, MS 39564 See also Florida

Setting: Davis Bayou, a saltwater inlet that opens up into the Gulf of Mexico, borders the main camping area. Saltwater marshes, homes for shorebirds, alligators, shrimp, and fish, are nearby. Magnolias and a variety of pines and oaks shelter the camping area. For more primitive surroundings, campers can retreat to barrier islands about 10 miles off Mississippi's mainland.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. The limit of stay is as noted below from January through March; the rest of the year it is 30 days. Water and electrical hookups are provided at each site. Several campsites near handicapped-accessible restrooms are held until noon each day for handicapped persons.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are recommended; contact the park. The campground is for organized groups only; up to 30 persons can be accommodated.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year on East Ship, Horn, and Petit Bois Islands. The only island where drinking water is available is Horn Island; it is provided at the ranger station.

Special Notes: Commercial passenger boats ferry persons to backcountry camping areas on the islands from Davis Bayou on the mainland. The boats run all year; contact the park for information. Private boaters may pull boats up on island beaches or anchor offshore; no docks are provided. Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Davis Bayou—hot showers, restaurants, gasoline station, evening ranger programs.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | | Camp store |
|---|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|---|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Davis Bayou | 51 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Davis Bayou | 1 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (boat-in, boat-and-hike-in) | open | | • | | | | | | |

Natchez Trace Parkway R.R. 1, NT-143, Tupelo, MS 38801

Camping in Mississippi and

Setting: A historic frontier route used by Indians, Civil War troops, and other travelers for more than 400 years, the Natchez Trace Parkway today offers camping along its current 405 miles of paved parkway. The parkway runs from Natchez, Mississippi (milepost 0), through Alabama, to Nashville, Tennessee (milepost 449). Camping areas are on rolling hills in mixed pine-hardwood forests.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. All campgrounds have some handicapped-accessible sites and restrooms.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Jeff Busby—gasoline station. In the summer, high temperatures range from 90 to 95°F and the relative humidity commonly is 90 percent and above. Milepost numbers along the parkway are listed after each campground name below.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp store |
|------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | |
| Rocky Springs 54.8 | 22 | • | • | | 14 | • | • | |
| Jeff Busby 193.1 | 18 | • | • | | 14 | • | • | • |
| Meriwether Lewis 385.9 | 32 | • | • | | 14 | • | • | |

Missouri

Ozark National Scenic Riverways P.O. Box 490, Van Buren, MO 63965

Setting: The Current and Jacks Fork Rivers meander through hills and hollows of the Ozark Mountains, where the land is almost as wild for campers today as it was in the days when early Indians hunted and fished here. Both rivers have quiet pools and mild rapids. Large freshwater springs and limestone caves are abundant along the rivers. Oaks and hickories shade riverside camping areas.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Handicapped-accessible sites near accessible restrooms are available at Alley and Big Spring.

Handicapped-accessible restrooms are provided at Round Spring.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park after January 1 to make reservations for the upcoming camping season. A non-refundable reservation fee is charged in addition to a camping fee. Sites accommodate from 15 to 45 persons. Handicapped-accessible sites near accessible restrooms are available at Alley.

Special Notes: Campgrounds are occasionally closed due to flooding. Services available sea-

sonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Akers and Pulltite-evening ranger programs; Alley-hot showers, evening ranger programs; Big Spring-cold showers, restaurant, evening ranger programs; Round Spring-hot showers, coin-operated laundry, evening ranger programs. Canoe rentals are available all along the rivers. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|---------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | - | | | | | | | |
| Akers | 81 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | • |
| Alley Spring | 187 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Big Spring | 205 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Owls Bend | 10 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Pulltite | 56 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Round Spring | 60 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Two Rivers | 14 | • | • | | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Akers | 5 | | • | • | 14 | • | | | • |
| Alley Spring | 3 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Big Spring | 4 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Pulltite | 3 | | • | • | 14 | • | | | • |
| Round Spring | 3 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Two Rivers | | | • | • | 14 | • | | | • |

Montana

Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area P.O. Box 458, Fort Smith, MT 59035 Camping in Montana and Wyoming

Setting: Bighorn Lake, a 71-mile-long reservoir created by the damming of the Bighorn River, is a favorite of fishermen, boaters, and campers. Canyon walls 1,500 feet high flank the lake on both sides. From north to south, the ever-changing lakeshore scenery blends from semi-desert into a scrub juniper woodland into forested mountains and finally into a short-grass prairie.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis; heavy snows sometimes close campgrounds for periods from November through March. Water is available at Afterbay and Horseshoe Bend only from April to October. Flush toilets are available all year at Afterbay, but at Horseshoe Bend they are provided only from April through September; the rest of the year pit toilets are available. Afterbay and Horseshoe Bend have handicapped-accessible restrooms.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. Two areas—Black Canyon and Medicine Creek—are open only from about March to December; exact dates depend on when Bighorn Lake freezes and thaws. Black Canyon has flush toilets from May to October; pit toilets are provided the rest of the year. A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: Campgrounds may be closed for periods during the high fire danger season from mid-June to mid-August. Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Afterbay—evening ranger programs; Horseshoe Bend—marina, snack bar, evening ranger programs. In Black Canyon, fires are permitted only in grills provided and campstoves; in other areas, the park staff recommends building fires in grills, designated fire pits, or campstoves. Temperatures range from 100°F, and hotter, in the summer to -10°F, and colder, in the winter.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Afterbay | 37 | • | • | | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Horseshoe Bend | 75 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Barry's Landing | 20 | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Black Canyon (boat-in) | 12 | | • | | 14 | | • | | |
| Medicine Creek (boat-in) | 20 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Other locations (hike-in, boat-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | | |

Glacier National Park West Glacier, MT 59936

Setting: This glacially carved landscape in the northern Rocky Mountains attracts campers with its promise of high mountain adventure, 200 sparkling lakes, rivers and streams, waterfalls, forests, and alpine wildflowers. Mountain goats, bighorn sheep, grizzlies, and black bears dwell here. The park is part of Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park, which includes adjacent Waterton Lakes National Park in Canada.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Apgar and St. Mary Lake are open all year. Water and flush toilets are available from about mid-May to mid-September; the rest of the year no water is available and pit toilets are provided. Bowman Lake, Cut Bank, Kintla Lake, Logging Creek, River, and Two Medicine are open from mid-May or early June to mid-November. Water and flush toilets, where provided, are available from the opening of the campground until mid-September; the rest of the season water is not available and pit toilets are provided. The rest of the campgrounds open in June or July and close in late August or September. All campground sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The limit of stay for all campgrounds is as noted

below in July and August; the rest of the year it is 14 days. Up to 8 persons are allowed in a campsite. Only hard-sided camping vehicles can use Avalanche. Towed camping vehicles are prohibited from using Sprague Creek because of limited turnaround room. Apgar, Avalanche, Fish Creek, Many Glacier, Rising Sun, Sprague Creek, and St. Mary Lake have handicapped-accessible restrooms. Campgrounds often fill in July and August; campers should arrive by early afternoon to get a site.

Group Campground: The campground is open from about May to early October; the rest of the year camping is permitted at an adjacent picnic area, where no water is available and pit toilets are provided. Camping at both areas is on a first-come, first-served basis. In the campground, each site accommodates from 9 to 15 persons. The limit of stay is as noted below in July and August; the rest of the year it is 14 days. The campground has handicapped-accessible restrooms.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. Reservations are recommended; they must be made in person at park headquarters no more than 1 day in advance. A camping party may extend its length of stay beyond 6 days by contacting a ranger at the end of 6 days.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Apgar and St. Mary Lake—restaurant, gasoline station, evening ranger programs; Avalanche, Many Glacier, Fish Creek, Rising Sun, Sprague Creek, and Two Medicine—evening ranger programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves. Campers should keep a clean camp and store food in vehicles or, in the backcountry, on poles provided, to avoid attracting black and grizzly bears. Backcountry campers should be aware of the dangers of avalanches in winter and spring.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Apgar | 196 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Avalanche | 87 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Bowman Creek | 6 | • | • | | 7 | | | | • |
| Bowman Lake | 48 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Cut Bank | 19 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Fish Creek | 180 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Kintla Lake | 19 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Logging Creek | 8 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Many Glacier | 117 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Quartz Creek | 7 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Rising Sun | 83 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| River | 7 | • | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Sprague Creek | 25 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| St. Mary Lake | 156 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Two Medicine | 99 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Apgar | 10 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | 65 | | • | | 6 | | | | |

Nevada

Great Basin National Park Baker, NV 89311

Setting: Mountainous terrain dominated by towering 13,063-foot Wheeler Peak, forests of ponderosa pine, fir, and quaking aspen, and cool mountain streams offer an inviting campers' retreat from the surrounding Nevada desert. Lehman Caves, a vast limestone cavern decorated with stalactites and stalagmites, 3,000-year-old bristlecone pines, and glacial lakes are other treasures of this wilderness area.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Lower Lehman Creek is open all year, except during and immediately after snowstorms. Baker Creek and Upper Lehman Creek are open from about May 15 through October. Wheeler Peak is open from about June 15 to October 1; exact dates depend on snow conditions. All campgrounds are on a first-come, first-served basis. Water is available at all campgrounds only from about May through September.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is permitted all year at designated sites shown

below and throughout much of the rest of the park.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Upper Lehman Creek and Wheeler Peak—evening campfire programs. Guided tours of Lehman Caves are offered all year, except on winter holidays. No fuel or camping supplies are available in the park; the nearest are about 5 miles away in Baker, Nevada. Cold rain or snow can occur suddenly at any time of year. Pace yourself in higher elevations to avoid altitude sickness. Cattle grazing is permitted in the park by federal legislation.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Baker Creek | 20 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Lower Lehman Creek | 11 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Upper Lehman Creek | 24 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Wheeler Peak | 37 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Snake Creek (high- clearance 2WD-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Strawberry Creek (high- clearance 2WD-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | | | | |
| Other locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | ltd | | • | | 7 | | | | |

Lake Mead National Recreation Area 601 Nevada Highway, Boulder City, NV 89005-2426 Camping in Nevada and Arizona

Setting: In earlier times few travelers would have chosen to stay overnight in this harsh desert of canyons and mountains, but since the construction of Hoover and Davis Dams and the creation of Lake Mead and Lake Mohave, this area has become a mecca for those seeking opportunities for lakeshore camping and water sports. Backcountry desert camping is offered, too.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. In all campgrounds except trailer villages each site is limited to 9 persons and 1 vehicle (plus anything being towed). The limit of stay noted below for Cottonwood Cove applies to part of the campground all year; in the rest of the campground the limit is 30 days from March 1 to May 31 and 90 days the rest of the year. Trailer villages, which are run by park concessioners, have water, electrical, and sewage hookups for RVs. Persons staying at trailer villages can request an extension to their limit of stay after 30 days; extensions of up to 6 months may be granted. Handicapped-accessible sites and restrooms are available at all campgrounds.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required; call the park.

Groups must include at least 10 persons.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed along both lakeshores and throughout much of the desert. The park recommends camping from October to May, when cooler temperatures prevail.

Special Notes: All camping areas except Hemenway are within 1 mile of a restaurant, marina, and boat rentals. Other services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Boulder Beach and Lakeshore Trailer Village (at Boulder Beach)—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, evening ranger programs; Callville Bay Trailer Village—hot showers and coin-operated laundry (both for trailer village occupants only); Cottonwood Cove and Cottonwood Cove Trailer Village—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, gasoline station; Echo Bay, Echo Bay Trailer Village, Temple Bar, and Temple Bar Trailer Village—hot showers (trailer village occupants only), coin-operated laundry, gasoline station; Overton Beach and Overton Beach Trailer Village—hot showers (trailer village occupants only), coin-operated laundry; Katherine and Lake Mohave Resort Trailer Village (at Katherine)—hot showers and coin-operated laundry (both for trailer village occupants only), gasoline station, evening ranger programs; Willow Beach Trailer Village—hot showers and coin-operated laundry (both for trailer village occupants only), gasoline station. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves. Summer temperatures reach 100°F and above; pets should not be left in vehicles or trailers.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Boulder Beach | 154 | • | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Callville Bay | 80 | • | • | • | 90 | • | • | • | • |
| Callville Bay Trailer Village | 6 | • | | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Cottonwood Cove | 149 | • | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Cottonwood Cove Trailer Village | 75 | • | | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Echo Bay | 166 | • | • | • | 90 | • | • | • | • |
| Echo Bay Trailer Village | 58 | • | | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Hemenway | 184 | • | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Katherine | 173 | • | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Lake Mohave Resort Trailer Village | 39 | • | | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Lakeshore Trailer Village | 75 | • | | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Las Vegas Wash | 89 | • | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Overton Beach | 40 | • | • | | 90 | • | • | • | • |
| Overton Beach Trailer Village | 15 | • | | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Temple Bar | 153 | • | • | • | 90 | • | • | • | • |
| Temple Bar Trailer Village | 13 | • | | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Willow Beach Trailer Village | 18 | • | | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Boulder Beach (walk-in) | 5 | | • | • | 30 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (boat-in, 4WD-in) | open | | • | | | | | | |



New Jersey

Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area (see Pennsylvania)

New Mexico

Bandelier National Monument

Los Alamos, NM 87544

Setting: The mesas, canyons, and plateaus where campers stay today were the home of ancient Anasazi Indians from the 12th to 16th centuries. The preserved ruins of their agricultural villages include cliff dwellings, open pueblos, and shrines. Most campers stay on the mesa tops, but backcountry campers find overnight sites on mesa tops and canyon bottoms.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open from early March through November on a

first-come, first-served basis. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are available.

Group Campground: The campground is open from mid-April through October. Reservations are required; call the park. A maximum of 50 campers is permitted per site.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. Camping parties are limited to 10 persons.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Juniper evening ranger programs. Food, fuel, and other supplies are not available in the park; the nearest are 12 miles away in Los Alamos and White Rock, New Mexico. Campers are encouraged to bring their own wood or charcoal for campfires, or use campstoves. Wood fires in the backcountry are discouraged.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | | Camp store |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|---|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Juniper | 96 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Ponderosa | 4 | | • | • | 7 | • | - | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Wilderness Sites (hike-in) | 8 | | • | | 2 | | | | |
| Other locations (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | | |

Chaco Culture National Historical Park

Star Route 4, Box 6500, Bloomfield, NM 87413

Setting: The desert canyon country where the camping areas are located was the site of a flourishing Anasazi Indian city of pueblos in the 10th century A.D. Prehistoric ruins in Chaco Canyon, the center of the far-flung community, are nearby. Pueblo Bonito, the largest of Chaco's pueblos, had 600 to 800 rooms and outdoor plazas. Ancient roads connected the pueblos.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Drinking water is available all year 1 mile away at the visitor center. Flush toilets are provided at the campground in the summer, pit toilets the rest of the year. RVs up to 30 feet long are permitted.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park. Groups must include from 15 to 50 persons. Drinking water is available all year 1 mile

away at the visitor center. RVs up to 30 feet long are permitted.

Special Notes: During rainy weather the dirt access road to the park can be difficult to travel; call the park for up-to-date road conditions. Services available seasonally or all year within 1 nile of camping areas include: Gallo-visitor center with exhibits of the art, artifacts, and architecture of the Anasazi, evening campfire programs. No food, fuel, telephone, or other services are available in the park; the nearest are 30 miles away on New Mexico State Highway 14. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves; wood gathering is prohibited.

El Morro: An out-of-the-way place to stay.



| Chaco Culture continued | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | | Camp |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|---|------|
| Tent/RV Campground Gallo | 46 | | | | 14 | | • | • | |
| Group Campground | - 10 | | | | 17 | | | | |
| Gallo | 1 | • | • | | 14 | | • | • | |

El Morro National Monument Ramah, NM 87321

Setting: Two hundred-foot-high El Morro, a great sandstone buttress and landmark marking the site where weary western travelers once rested, dominates the view from the camping area. Indians and Spanish conquistadors stopped to enjoy water from the natural pool at El Morro's base and carve messages into the rock. Hundreds of inscriptions record their passing.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. It may be closed by snow for periods from January through March. Water is provided only from about April through October; the rest of the year the nearest water is ½ mile away at the visitor center.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of the campground include: El Morro—evening ranger programs. Food, fuel, and other supplies are not available in the park; the nearest are 9 miles away at Lewis Trading Post. Thunderstorms occur frequently from July through September.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Camp store |
|--------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | |
| El Morro | 9 | • | • | | 14 | • | | |



Fire Island National Seashore

120 Laurel Street, Patchogue, NY 11772

Setting: Although New York City's skyline is just out of view, campers can feel far removed from city life while staying on this 32-mile-long barrier island south of Long Island. The white sandy beaches, grassy dunes, thickets, and wetlands are rich in geese, ducks, and other waterfowl, and marine life such as crabs and fish. Access to the park's camping area is by boat only.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open from mid-May to mid-October. Reservations are required; contact the park for information. Up to 5 persons are permitted at a site.

Handicapped-accessible restrooms are available.

Group Campground: The campground is open from mid-May to mid-October. Reservations are required; persons should send a self-addressed stamped envelope and a request for a group camping application to the park after March 1. The application should be completed and returned before April 15; the site is assigned by a lottery drawing conducted after April 15. The site accommodates up to 40 persons. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are available.

Special Notes: From May through October, a commercial boat ferries passengers from Patchogue, New York, to a ferry landing less than ¼ mile from the camping areas. The ferry runs daily; for information contact the park or call the Watch Hill Ferry Company in Patchogue, New York. Private boaters can dock at the Watch Hill marina within ¼ mile of the campgrounds. Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Watch Hill—solar-heated showers, restaurant, snack bar, evening ranger programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves. Sandy campsites require longer-than-normal tent stakes. Mosquitoes are abundant in warmer months; bring insect repellent and bug-proof tent netting. Some ticks carry Lyme disease, a serious illness: to avoid getting bitten, stay on the boardwalk, use insect repellent, and inspect yourself carefully for ticks if you walk through grass or brush.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp store |
|----------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---|-------------------|---|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Watch Hill (walk-in) | 25 | | • | | 4 | 0 | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Natch Hill (walk-in) | 1 | | • | | 4 | • | • | • |

North Carolina

Blue Ridge Parkway 700 Northwestern Plaza, Asheville, NC 28801

Camping in North Carolina and Virginia

Setting: The 469-mile ribbon of highway known as the Blue Ridge Parkway winds along the crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina and Virginia and past several camping areas. The parkway begins just south of Shenadoah National Park (milepost 0) and continues through woodlands of hardwoods, pine, spruce, and fir until it reaches Great Smoky Mountains National Park (milepost 469).

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Otter Creek, Roanoke Mountain, Julian Price, and Linville Falls are open all year. Water is available at these campgrounds year-round, but flush toilets are provided only from May through October; pit toilets are available the rest of the year. The other campgrounds are open from May to October. All campsites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The limit of stay is as noted below for all campgrounds from June 1 to Labor Day; the rest of the year there is no limit. All campgrounds have some sites reserved for RV use only. Mt. Pisgah is run by a park concessioner. All campgrounds have at least 2 handicapped-accessible sites near accessible restrooms.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is available all year at campsites shown below on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: The parkway is often closed during periods of ice and snow from November to mid-March. Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Otter Creek—restaurant, evening ranger programs; Peaks of Otter, Doughton Park, Crabtree Meadows, and Mt. Pisgah—restaurant, gasoline station, evening ranger programs; Julian Price—boat rentals, evening ranger programs. Campers at Mt. Pisgah should keep a clean camp and store food in their vehicles to avoid attracting black bears. Milepost numbers along the parkway are listed after the campground names below.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Otter Creek 60.9 | 67 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Peaks of Otter 86.0 | 148 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Roanoke Mountain 120.5 | 105 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Rocky Knob 167.1 | 109 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Doughton Park 241.1 | 136 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Julian Price 297.1 | 197 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Linville Falls 316.3 | 75 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Crabtree Meadows 339.5 | 93 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Mt. Pisgah 408.6 | 140 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Rock Castle Gorge 168.0 (hike-in) | 8 | | • | | 14 | 100 | | | |
| Basin Cove 241.1 (hike-in) | 10 | | • | | 14 | | | | |

Cape Hatteras National Seashore Route 1, Box 675, Manteo, NC 27954

Setting: The influence of the sea is evident throughout camping areas on the Outer Banks, a narrow 70-mile chain of barrier islands off the North Carolina mainland. Coastal fishing villages, historic lighthouses, the remains of shipwrecks, sea birds, crabs and clams, and sportfish abound. Access to most of the park is by road; one island, Ocracoke, can be reached only by ferry.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Cape Point, Ocracoke, and Oregon Inlet are open from early April through October. Frisco and Salvo are open from about Memorial Day to Labor Day. Reserva-

tions through Ticketron can be made from mid-May to Labor Day for Ocracoke; during the rest of the camping season the campground is on a first-come, first-served basis. The rest of the campgrounds are on a first-come, first-served basis all year. All campgrounds have handicapped-accessible restrooms.

Special Notes: State-operated ferries carry passengers and vehicles to Ocracoke Island from Hatteras Island, Swanquarter, and Cedar Island, North Carolina, all year; for information or reservations, call the state Department of Transportation's Cedar Island Ferry Reservations number in Atlantic, North Carolina, or the department's Ferry Reservations number in Swanquarter. Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Cape Point, Frisco, Ocracoke, and Salvo—cold showers; Oregon Inlet—cold showers, marina. Mosquitoes are abundant in the summer; bring insect repellent and bug-proof tent netting. Longer-than-normal tent stakes are recommended for camping in sandy spots. Shade is scarce.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | | Camp |
|---------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|---|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Cape Point | 202 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Frisco | 126 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Ocracoke | 136 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Oregon Inlet | 120 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Salvo | 130 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |

Cape Lookout National Seashore P.O. Box 690, Beaufort, NC 28516

Setting: When campers come to this chain of wild barrier islands off North Carolina's mainland, they immerse themselves in a seaside kingdom ruled by waves, wind, tides, and storms. Fifty-five miles of wide sandy beaches, dunes, salt marshes, and maritime forests support waterfowl and sea life. An 1859 lighthouse and abandoned coastal village are here, too. Park access is by boat only.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. RV camping is limited to small tent-campers or 4-wheel-drive trucks with camper tops.

Special Notes: Commercial ferries transport passengers from Ocracoke, Atlantic, Davis, and Harkers Island, North Carolina, to various points in the park from April through October or November, depending on the weather. The ferries from Atlantic and Davis will also carry 4-wheel-drive vehicles. Reservations must be made with ferry operators; contact the park for information. Private boats can be anchored offshore. No food, fuel, or other supplies are available in the park; the nearest are in towns where ferry services are located. Campers must carry out all trash. Mosquitoes and gnats can be bothersome in warmer months; bring insect repellent and bug-proof tent netting. Longer-than-normal tent stakes are required for camping in sandy spots.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Camp store |
|--|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Various locations (boat-in, poat-and-hike-in, boat-and-tWD-in) | open | • | • | | | | | |

Great Smoky Mountains National Park (see Tennessee)



Theodore Roosevelt National Park P.O. Box 7, Medora, ND 58645

Setting: The rugged country of badlands and prairies along the Little Missouri River that surrounds campers of today inspired conservationist ideals in Theodore Roosevelt in the late 1800s. A multitude of prairie life, including bison, elk, pronghorn, wild horses, and prairie dogs, inhabits the area's grass-and-sagebrush plains. The park's two sections are 72 miles apart; each has camping.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Water and flush toilets are available from May to mid-October; the rest of the year no water is available and pit toilets are provided. Both campgrounds have handicapped-accessible sites.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park after March 1 for the upcoming camping season. Groups must include at least 8 persons. Halliday Wells accommodates up to 30 persons and 20 horses; an additional fee is charged for horses. Horses are not permitted at Squaw Creek.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: No food, fuel, or other supplies are available in the park; the nearest are from 5 to 15 miles away from the various campgrounds. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves. Beware of bison and rattlesnakes.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|---|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|--------|------------------|-------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | 31.03 | | | | Orstay | | tonets | - dump | store |
| Cottonwood | | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Squaw Creek | 50 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Group Campgrounds | _ | | | | | | | | |
| Halliday Wells | 1 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Squaw Creek | 1 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| North Unit (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | | |
| South Unit (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | | |

Oklahoma

Chickasaw: A fishing expedition.



Chickasaw National Recreation Area P.O. Box 201, Sulphur, OK 73086

Setting: This hilly region of cold mineral and freshwater springs and streams has been a traditional camper's getaway since the turn of the century. Today the man-made Lake of the Arbuckles, a popular place for boating and fishing for catfish, largemouth bass, and sunfish, is an added attraction. Many camping areas are shaded by oaks, hickories, and pecan trees.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Buckhorn, Point, and Rock Creek are open all year. The rest of the campgrounds are open from spring to fall. All campsites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The limit of stay is as noted below from Memorial Day to Labor Day; the rest of the year there is no limit. All campgrounds have handicapped-accessible restrooms.

Group Campgrounds: Rock Creek is open all year. The rest of the campgrounds are open from spring to fall. Reservations are recommended; call the park's Travertine Ranger Station. Groups must include at least 10 persons. The limit of stay is as noted below from Memorial Day to Labor Day; the rest of the year there is no limit. All campgrounds have handicapped-accessible restrooms.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Buckhorn—evening ranger programs; Central, Cold Springs, and Rock Creek—coin-operated laundry, restaurant, gasoline, evening ranger programs. Tornado season is from May through luly. In the summer temperatures of 100°F and a relative humidity of 40 percent are common.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|----------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Fent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Buckhorn | 184 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Cold Springs | 63 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | 0 |
| Guy Sandy | 39 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| oint | 52 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Rock Creek | 106 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Buckhorn | 4 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | • | • |
| Central | 12 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Cold Springs | 1 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| lock Creek | 1 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | 0 | • |

Oregon

Crater Lake: Enjoying the pristine landscape of winter.



Crater Lake National Park P.O. Box 7, Crater Lake, OR 97604

Setting: Sapphire-blue Crater Lake, the deepest lake in the United States with a depth of 1,932 feet, is the prime attraction for campers, as well as other visitors. The lake sits in the collapsed center of a volcano that erupted about 6,800 years ago. This region of the Cascade Range also boasts virgin forests of ponderosa and lodgepole pine, red fir, and mountain hemlock and summer displays of flowers.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Lost Creek is open from mid-July to early October. Mazama is open from late June to September. Sites at both campgrounds are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Each site is limited to 6 persons. Mazama has handicapped-accessible restrooms. The campgrounds sometimes fill up in the summer; campers should arrive by early afternoon to get a site.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. Horseback riders can camp at one designated camping area. Dogs are allowed at a few campsites along the Pacific Crest Trail.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Mazama—evening campfire programs. Campers should keep a clean camp and store food in their vehicles to avoid attracting black bears.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Lost Creek | 12 | • | • | | 14 | • | • | | |
| Mazama | 198 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | | |

Pennsylvania

Delaware Water Gap: A river to soothe the soul.



Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Bushkill, PA 18324

Camping in Pennsylvania and New Jersey

Setting: Camping areas are scattered throughout the long valley of the Delaware River, which cut the great slash of the Delaware Water Gap through this hardwood-forested region of the Appalachian Mountains. Nearby, tributary streams cascade down to the river through deep croded gorges. Stone houses and other historic structures built by early Dutch settlers are preserved.

Fent/RV Campground: The campground is open from April through October. Reservations are recommended; contact the park concessioner at Dingmans Campground, R.D. 1, Box 312, Dingmans Ferry, PA 18328. Water and electrical hookups are provided at some sites.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open from April through October. Reservations are equired; contact the park. Both campgrounds are for organized groups only. Each site at Hidlen Lake and Rivers Bend accommodates a maximum of 25 persons.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is permitted all year along the Delaware River nd along the Appalachian Trail on a first-come, first-served basis. River sites are only for boatrs on trips of 2 or more days. Trail sites are only for Appalachian Trail hikers on trips of 2 or nore days. The limit of stay shown below is for any one backcountry site.

pecial Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Dingmans campground—hot showers, canoe rentals; Hidden Lake and Rivers Bend—ranger programs on request only). Fires are permitted only in designated fire rings or pits, grills provided, and ampstoves.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|---|------------------|---------------|
| ent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| ingmans Campground | 107 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| roup Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| idden Lake | 2 | | • | | 14 | • | | | • |
| ivers Bend | 5 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| ackcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| arious locations (hike-in, pat-in) | ltd | | • | | 1 | | | | |

Fort Necessity National Battlefield

The National Pike, R.D. 2, Box 528, Farmington, PA 15437

Setting: The campground is nestled in the Allegheny Mountains near Fort Necessity Battlefield, where, on July 3, 1754, the first shots of the French and Indian War were fired and George Washington held his first military command. Nearby are a reconstruction of Fort Necessity and Mount Washington Tavern, a stagecoach inn of the 1800s. Campers are shaded by oaks and hickories.

Group Campground: The campground is open from early spring to late fall. However, heavy snows can make access difficult at times; contact the park for information on road conditions. Reservations are required at least 1 week in advance; call the park. The campground is for organized youth groups only. Each group is required to perform a 3-hour park conservation project and expected to attend park programs such as fort tours and talks. There must be 1 adult leader at least 21 years old for every 6 youths. Water is available only from mid-April to mid-October.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp store |
|--------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---|-------------------|--|---------------|
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Fort Necessity (walk-in) | 1 | | • | | 7 | • | | |

Gettysburg National Military Park Gettysburg, PA 17325

Setting: A secluded, woods-enclosed camping area sits in a corner of Gettysburg Battlefield, the bloodiest battlefield of the Civil War. Here, in three July days in 1863, 51,000 men were killed or wounded. Many of the Union soldiers who died are buried in the national cemetery nearby. It was at the dedication of the cemetery 4 months later that President Abraham Lincoln delivered the Gettysburg Address.

Group Campground: The campground is open from mid-April to mid-October. Reservations are required; contact the park beginning January 1 for the upcoming camping season. The campground is for organized youth groups only. Groups can include up to 45 persons; there must be at least 1 adult for every 10 youths.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of the campground: McMillan Wood—firewood.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|------------------|------|
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | |
| McMillan Wood | 8 | | • | | 14 | • | | • |

South Dakota

Badlands National Park

P.O. Box 6, Interior, SD 57750

Setting: There are colorful views of the wind- and water-carved canyons, ridges, rock spires, and knobs of the Badlands from every camping area. Only a few streams intersect this otherwise arid environment. Campers may see bison, prairie dogs, and other animals that inhabit this remnant of the prairie that once stretched uninterrupted across North America's heartland.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. However, heavy snows and blizzards may close campgrounds for periods from December through April. Cedar Pass has water and flush toilets in the summer; the rest of the year no water is available and vault toilets are provided. Neither campground has fire grills. The limit of stay is as noted below from June through August; the rest of the year it is 14 days.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Heavy snows and blizzards can close the campground for periods from December through April. Reservations are required from Memorial Day to Labor Day; contact the park. Reservations are accepted, but not required, the rest of the year. The limit of stay is as noted below from June through August; the rest of the year it is 14 days. Fire grills are not provided.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Cedar Pass—restaurant, evening ranger programs. In the summer temperatures reach 110°F and severe storms, with lightning, hail, and high winds, can occur. Fires are permitted only in campstoves.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | | Camp store |
|------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|---|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Cedar Pass | 110 | • | • | • | 10 | • | • | • | • |
| Sage Creek | 5 | • | • | | 10 | | | | |
| Group Campground | - | | _ | | | | | | |
| Cedar Pass | 3 | • | • | • | 10 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | Itd | | • | | | | | | |

Wind Cave National Park Hot Springs, SD 57747

Setting: Campers enjoy the sunlit world of rolling prairies and woodlands where bison, elk, and pronghorn graze and prairie dog towns thrive, while below them lies the dark side of the park—50-mile-long Wind Cave. The cave entrance, just 1 mile from where most campers stay, leads to underground chambers of boxwork, frostwork, and other limestone cave formations.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Water and flush toilets are available from May to early October; the rest of the year no water is available and chemical toilets are provided.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park. A backcountry permit is required. All fires and smoking are prohibited.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Elk Mountain—restaurant, visitor center, firewood, cave tours, evening campfire programs.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Elk Mountain | 100 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | |

Tennessee

Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area

P.O. Drawer 630, Oneida, TN 37841

Setting: The scenic gorges of the free-flowing Big South Fork of the Cumberland River and its tributaries and the surrounding wooded countryside are an outdoor playground for campers, as well as those who like to canoe, kayak, hike, horseback ride, fish, and hunt. Among the special natural wonders to be found in the park are waterfalls and rock arches.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Alum Ford is open all year. Bandy Creek and Blue Heron are open from early April to early December. All campgrounds are on a first-come, first-served basis. RVs are limited to 35 feet in length at Bandy Creek. Handicapped-accessible sites near accessible restrooms are available at Bandy Creek and Blue Heron.

Group Campground: The campground is open from mid-April through October. Reservations are required; call the park. Each site is limited to 75 persons.

Special Notes: Services available within 1 mile of camping areas include: Bandy Creek — visitor center, hot showers, evening ranger programs. Ticks and poisonous snakes are prevalent in warm weather.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Drinking water | | | Camp store |
|---------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|-------------------|---|---|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | |
| Alum Ford | 10 | | • | | • | | | |
| Bandy Creek | 150 | • | • | • | • | • | • | |
| Blue Heron | 49 | | • | • | • | • | | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Bandy Creek | 2 | | • | • | • | • | • | |

Cumberland Gap National Historical Park (see Kentucky)

Great Smoky Mountains National Park Gatlinburg, TN 37738 Camping in Tennessee and North Carolina

Setting: Deep in the Appalachians, one of the Earth's oldest mountain ranges, campers are enveloped by a vast Eastern wilderness forest with an extraordinarily rich variety of flora and fauna. Black bear and deer abound, as do rustic cabins and barns of early mountain folk.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Cades Cove, Elkmont, and Smokemont are open all year. Reservations through Ticketron are recommended for these campgrounds from May through October. The rest of the year sites at these campgrounds are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The other campgrounds are open from April or May to late October on a first-come, first-served basis. The limit of stay is as noted below from mid-May through October; the rest of the year it is 14 days. Handicapped persons can make reservations through Ticketron for sites near handicapped-accessible restrooms at Cades Cove, Elkmont, and Smokemont from May through October; the rest of the year these sites are first-come, first-served.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open from April or May to late October. Reservations through Ticketron are recommended for Cades Cove, Elkmont, and Smokemont throughout the camping season. For reservations at other campgrounds, contact the park; reservations are recommended. The campgrounds are for organized groups only. There are limits to the size of

groups permitted at each site at each campground.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park. Reservations are accepted; write Backcountry Reservations in care of the park. A backcountry permit is required. A camping party can include up to 8 persons. Three-sided shelters are provided at 18 areas. The limit of stay for each backcountry site is 3 days, or, where a shelter is provided, 1 day. The total permitted length of stay in the backcountry is 14 days.

Special Notes: Services provided seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Balsam Mountain and Elkmont—firewood, evening ranger programs; Cades Cove—bike and horse rentals, hay rides, firewood, evening ranger programs; Cosby, Deep Creek, and Smokemont—

horse rentals, firewood, evening ranger programs. Campers should keep a clean camp and store food out of sight in vehicles or, in the backcountry, hang it high from trees or provided poles to avoid attracting black bears.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|--|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Abrams Creek | 16 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | | |
| Balsam Mountain | 46 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | | |
| Big Creek | 12 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | | |
| Cades Cove | 161 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Cataloochee | 27 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | | |
| Cosby | 175 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Deep Creek | 123 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Elkmont | 220 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | | |
| Smokemont | 140 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Big Creek | 1 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | | |
| Cades Cove | 4 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Cattaloochee | 1 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | | |
| Cosby | 3 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Deep Creek | 3 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Elkmont | 4 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | | |
| Smokemont | 5 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | 116 | | | | varies | | | | |

Natchez Trace Parkway (see Mississippi)

Texas

Amistad Recreation Area

P.O. Box 420367, Del Rio, TX 78842-0367

Setting: Built primarily for flood control and water conservation, the dam across the Rio Grande that created Lake Amistad reservoir also created a setting for lakeshore camping on the United States-Mexico border. Most campers stay in a few concentrated areas around the lake, but backcountry campers can stay at many remote spots along the 500 miles of U.S. shoreline below the highwater mark.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park. Campgrounds are for organized groups only. Groups must include at least 25 persons. One of the sites can accommodate up to 200 persons.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year along the U.S. side of the lake below the highwater mark (below contour level 1,144.3 feet) on a first-come, first-served basis. The park requests that you pick up a backcountry permit. Lakeshore camping is also permitted on the Mexican side; campers must stay within 500 feet of the shoreline.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Governors Landing—marina, boat rentals, restaurant, evening ranger programs; San Pedro Flat—gasoline, evening ranger programs. A sanitary dump station is located in the park; the nearest campground, Governors Landing, is 2 miles away.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Governors Landing | 18 | • | • | | 15 | | | | • |
| San Pedro Flat | 22 | • | • | | 15 | | | | • |
| Spur 406 | 6 | • | • | | 15 | | | | |
| 277 North | 13 | • | • | | 15 | | | | |
| 277 South | 4 | • | • | | 15 | | | | |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Rock Quarry | 1 | • | • | | 15 | | | | |
| San Pedro Flat | 1 | • | • | | 15 | | | | • |
| 277 North | 1 | • | • | | 15 | | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (boat-in) | ltd | | • | | 15 | | | | |

Big Bend National Park

Big Bend National Park, TX 79834

Setting: The banks of the Rio Grande, the nearly 8,000-foot Chisos Mountains, and the Chihuahuan Desert all provide places to camp. Plant and animal life varies with each environment, with willows, beavers, and many birds thriving in the river community; pinyon, juniper, ponderosa pine, and whitetailed deer in the mountains; and cactus and kangaroo rats in the desert.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Rio Grande Village (A), Basin, Cottonwood, and Rio Grande Village Trailer Park are open all year. Rio Grande Village (B), a less developed section of Rio Grande Village, is open only around the Easter holiday season and during Thanksgiving week in November. All sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Rio Grande Village Trailer Park, which is operated by a park concessioner, has water, sewer, and electrical hookups for RVs. Persons towing trailers more than 20 feet long or driving motorhomes more than 24 feet long are discouraged from trying to camp at Basin because the access road is narrow, winding, and has a steep 15 percent grade.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park up to 90 days in advance. Campgrounds are for organized groups only. Basin accommo-

dates from 3 to 5 persons at smaller sites, and from 8 to 12 persons at larger sites. The Cottonwood site accommodates from 10 to 30 persons. Rio Grande Village (A) sites accommodate up to 20 persons at smaller sites and up to 40 at larger ones.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park

on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Basin—restaurant, horse rentals, evening ranger programs; Cottonwood—gasoline station, evening ranger programs; Rio Grande Village (A and B)—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, gasoline station, visitor center, evening ranger programs. Access points to Mexico are located within 1 mile of Cottonwood and Rio Grande Village; entry is by foot and boat. Summer temperatures can reach 105°F and above.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|---|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Basin | 63 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Cottonwood | 35 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | • |
| Rio Grande Village (A) | 100 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Rio Grande Village (B) | 200 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | • | • |
| Rio Grande Village Trailer Park | 25 | • | | • | 14 | • | | • | • |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Basin | 12 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Cottonwood | 1 | | • | • | 14 | • | | | • |
| Rio Grande Village (A) | 4 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, 4WD-in, horseback ride-in, boat-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | | |

Guadalupe Mountains National Park

H.C. 60, Box 400, Salt Flat, TX 79847-9400

Setting: Just as early westward-bound travelers welcomed the sight of the landmark Guadalupe Mountains on the edge of the Texas desert, so, too, will today's campers. The variety of camping areas include shady spots near the imposing 8,085-foot El Capitan peak, juniper-oak woodlands in canyons, and, in the backcountry, forests of Douglas-fir, limber pine, and ponderosa pine.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Both campgrounds have several walk-in tent sites. Grills are not provided in Pine Springs; fires there must be made in campstoves. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are available in both camp-

grounds; some assistance may be needed to reach the restroom in Dog Canyon.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year. Reservations are recommended for Pine Springs; call the park. Each Pine Springs site accommodates a minimum of 10 and maximum of 20 persons. The Dog Canyon site, available on a first-come, first-served basis, accommodates a minimum of 6 and maximum of 12 persons.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. Horses are not permitted

in the backcountry overnight.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Pine Springs—evening ranger programs. Wood and charcoal fires are prohibited at Pine Springs and in the backcountry, but charcoal fires are permitted at Dog Canyon. Fires are permitted in campstoves at Pine Springs and in the backcountry. Campers should be prepared for strong winds, which occasionally reach speeds of up to 80 to 100 miles per hour in February, March, and April.

| Guadalupe Mountains continued | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|---|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Dog Canyon | 23 | • | • | | 14 | • | • | | |
| Pine Springs | 53 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Dog Canyon | 1 | | • | | 14 | • | • | | |
| Pine Springs | 2 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | | |

Lake Meredith Recreation Area P.O. Box 1438, Fritch, TX 79036

Setting: The refreshing waters of Lake Meredith reservoir, the Canadian River, and smaller streams are one of the main reasons campers come to these otherwise arid, windswept plains. The flatlands are broken by 200-foot-deep canyons, buttes, and pinnacles. Along the water cottonwoods and willows add a touch of green. In drier regions mesquite, prickly pear, and prairie grasses grow.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Harbor Bay—coin-operated laundry, gasoline station, restaurant; Sanford-Yake—marina.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|---------------------|-------------|-----|-----------|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | |
| Bates Canyon | 25 | • | • | 14 | | | • | |
| Big Blue | 20 | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Blue West | 40 | • | • | 14 | | | • | |
| Bugbee Canyon | 25 | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Fritch Fortress | 10 | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Harbor Bay | 19 | • | • | 14 | | | • | • |
| McBride Canyon | 10 | • | • | 14 | | | • | - |
| Mullinaw Canyon | 10 | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Plum Creek | 15 | • | 0 | 14 | | | • | |
| Rosita | 25 | • | • | 14 | | | • | |
| Sanford-Yake | 53 | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Spring Canyon | 6 | • | • | 14 | | | | • |

Padre Island National Seashore

9405 South Padre Island Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78418-5597

Setting: This barrier island in the Gulf of Mexico just off the Texas mainland offers camping throughout much of its 68 miles of wide sandy beaches, dunes, and grassy flats. A multitude of marine life and waterfowl populates the island and its waters. Backcountry camping areas are on the gulf beach and on islands in Laguna Madre, the body of water separating the island from the mainland.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. The campground usually fills up on spring and summer holiday weekends.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year along the Gulf Coast and on Laguna Madre islands that are not posted off-limits on a first-come, first-served basis.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Malaquite Beach—outdoor rinse-off showers (new showers and additional beach facilities should be available by 1989), evening ranger programs. In the summer temperatures can reach 95°F and the relative humidity is usually above 70 percent.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | Flush toilets | | Camp |
|--|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|------------------|---|------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Malaquite Beach | 42 | • | • | • | 15 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Group Camp | 1 | | • | | 15 | | | | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (boat-in, hike-in, 4WD-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | | |

Utah

Arches National Park

P.O. Box 907, Moab, UT 84532

Setting: Landscape Arch, Delicate Arch, and more than 400 other arches are concentrated in the redrock country of this park, and campers are rarely more than a short drive or hike from one of the natural spans. Other creations of erosion—balanced rocks, sandstone fins, and oddly shaped pedestals and spires—are scattered throughout the area.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Water and flush toilets are available from mid-March to mid-October; the rest of the year water is not available and pit toilets are provided. Handicapped-accessible toilets are available. The

campground usually fills by mid-day from March to mid-October.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Water and flush toilets are available from mid-March to mid-October; the rest of the year water is not available and pit toilets are provided. Reservations are required; contact the park. Groups must include at least 10 persons. One site accommodates up to 35 persons; the other, 55. Handicapped-accessible toilets are available.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park.

A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: No food, fuel, or other supplies are available in the park; the nearest are 23 miles away in Moab, Utah. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves. Firewood gathering is prohibited.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---|-------------------|---|------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Devils Garden | 53 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Devils Garden (walk-in) | 2 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | |

Bryce Canyon National Park Bryce Canyon, UT 84717

Setting: The colorful eroded wonderland of rock spires, pedestals, and other geologic sculptures known as Bryce Canyon is no more than a stone's throw away from all camping areas. Most campsites are within walking distance of the canyon rim in forests of ponderosa pine on the 8,000-foot-high Paunsaugunt Plateau, but there are backcountry sites below in Bryce Canyon itself.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: North is open all year. Sunset is open from about mid-May through September. Sites at both campgrounds are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Both campgrounds have handicapped-accessible restrooms. The campgrounds usually fill by late after-

noon or early evening from Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day weekend.

Group Campground: The campground is open from about mid-May through September. Res-

ervations are recommended; contact the park.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed in the southern part of Bryce Canyon from spring to fall on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. The limit of stay listed below is for a specific campsite; the total permitted length of stay in the backcountry is 14 days. Each of 10 sites accommodates up to 6 persons; 2 sites each accommodate up to 15.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: North and Sunset—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, restaurant, gasoline station, horse rentals, visitor center, evening ranger programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or camp-

stoves. Firewood gathering is prohibited.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|-------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| North | 105 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Sunset | 101 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Sunset | 1 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | 11 | | • | | 3 | | | | |

Canyonlands National Park

125 West 200 South, Moab, UT 84532

Setting: This Colorado Plateau wilderness provides many opportunities for campers, as well as hikers and 4-wheel-drive enthusiasts, to enjoy far-reaching vistas, unusual rock formations, and ancient Indian art and architecture. Campers must come prepared to rough it, whether they plan to stay on the Island in the Sky plateau, in the colorful rock pinnacles called the Needles, in the jumble of canyons called the Maze, or along the Green and Colorado Rivers.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Water is available at Squaw Flat only from April through September; water is available all year within

½ mile at Needles District headquarters.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park. Squaw Flat accommodates up to 50 persons and 10 vehicles; Wooden Shoe, up to 25 persons and 5 vehicles; and Split Top Cave, up to 15 persons and 3 vehicles. All camping areas are within 1½ miles of the Squaw Flat tent/RV campground, where water is available seasonally. Water is available all year within 1 mile of each of the camping areas at Needles District headquarters.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year on a first-come, first-served basis throughout much of the park. A backcountry permit is required. River runners going through Cataract Canyon of the Colorado River will need a special river permit, too. The per-

mitted length of stay varies with location, as well as season.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Squaw Flat and Willow Flat—evening ranger programs. No food, fuel, or other supplies are available in the park; the nearest towns, Moab and Monticello, Utah, are more than 40 miles away. Fires are permitted only in grills provided, designated fire rings, or campstoves. Firewood gathering is prohibited. Summer temperatures commonly reach 100°F and above. Backcountry campers should avoid camping in low-lying areas, which are prone to storm-caused flash floods in late summer and fall.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|---|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Squaw Flat | 26 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Willow Flat | 12 | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Group Campgrounds | | - | | | | | | | |
| Split Top Cave | 1 | • | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Squaw Flat | 1 | • | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Wooden Shoe | 1 | • | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, 4WD-in, horseback ride-in, boat-in) | ltd | | • | | varies | | | | |

Zion: Creating memories to take home.



Capitol Reef National Park

Torrey, UT 84775

Setting: A variety of red, yellow, orange, and white rock cliffs predominantly carved from the Waterpocket Fold—a 100-mile-long buckling of the Earth's surface—sets the outdoor stage for campers. Camping areas range from the historic site of the oasis-like Mormon pioneer community of Fruita on the banks of the Fremont River to more remote outposts in the desert.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Flush toilets are provided from April to November, pit toilets the rest of the year.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park. The campground is for organized groups only. Each site accommodates up to 20 persons; limited parking is available.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: Cathedral Valley and Cedar Mesa are accessible only via dirt roads; contact the park for up-to-date road conditions. No food, fuel, or other supplies are available in the park; the nearest are about 10 miles away in Torrey, Utah.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--|-------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Cathedral Valley (high- clearance 2WD-in) | 5 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Cedar Mesa (high-clearance 2WD-in) | 5 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Fruita | 70 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Fruita | 2 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | | |

Cedar Breaks National Monument P.O. Box 749, Cedar City, UT 84720

Setting: Highcountry spruce-fir forests near the colorful Cedar Breaks Amphitheater, a huge

Cedar Breaks: Wildflowers for photographing, not picking.





bowl-shaped masterpiece of erosion carved from the side of the 10,000-foot-high Markagunt Plateau, shelter the main camping area. Subalpine meadows nearby fill with wildflowers in spring and summer. Some backcountry camping is done in the amphitheater.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open from mid-June to mid-September on a first-come, first-served basis.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year below 9,000 feet in the amphitheater. The park requests that campers notify a ranger of their plans before starting their trip. **Special Notes:** Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Point Supreme—visitor center, evening ranger programs. Firewood can be collected only in the immediate vicinity of the campgrounds; wood must be dead and down.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Point Supreme | 29 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | |

Glen Canyon National Recreation Area P.O. Box 1507, Page, AZ 86040

Camping in Arizona and Utah

Setting: The damming of the Colorado River and the creation of 186-mile-long Lake Powell almost 25 years ago created a dramatic landscape of blue water and desert slickrock ideal for boating, waterskiing, fishing, swimming, and lakeshore camping. Those who want to experience the place as it was before Glen Canyon Dam can backcountry camp away from the lake. Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year. Bullfrog, Halls Crossing, Hite, Lees Ferry, and Wahweap sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations are

accepted for campgrounds run by park concessioners at Bullfrog, Halls Crossing, and Wahweap. For reservations, contact: Bullfrog Resort and Marina, Bullfrog, UT 84734; Halls Crossing Resort and Marina, Blanding, UT 84511; or Wahweap Lodge and Marina, P.O. Box 1597, Page, AZ 86040. All concession campgrounds have water, electrical, and sewage hookups for RVs. Hite is within 1 mile of drinking water at Hite Marina.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year. Reservations are required; contact the park. The campgrounds are primarily for organized groups of 10 or more persons.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required only for the Escalante Can-

yon region.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas are: Bullfrog and Bullfrog (concession)—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, restaurant, gasoline station, marina, boat rentals, boat tours, evening ranger programs; Halls Crossing and Halls Crossing (concession)—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, marina, boat rentals, boat tours; Hite—marina, boat rentals; Lees Ferry—evening ranger programs; Wahweap and Wahweap (concession)—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, restaurant, gasoline station, marina, boat rentals, boat tours, evening ranger programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided, fire pans, or campstoves. Camping is prohibited in Rainbow Bridge National Monument, which is adjacent to the recreation area.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|---|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Bullfrog | 87 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Bullfrog (concession) | 24 | • | • | • | | • | • | • | • |
| Halls Crossing | 70 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Halls Crossing (concession) | 40 | • | • | • | | • | • | • | • |
| Hite | ltd | • | • | | 14 | | | | • |
| Lees Ferry | 65 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Wahweap | 208 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Wahweap (concession) | 118 | • | • | • | | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Bullfrog | ltd | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Wahweap | 7 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in, 4WD-in, boat-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | | |

Hovenweep National Monument McElmo Route, Cortez, CO 81321

Camping in Utah

Setting: The campground is perched on a mesa in a pinyon-juniper forest above Little Ruin Canyon, the location of Square Tower, the best preserved of many prehistoric Anasazi Indian ruins in the park. From the campground there are colorful views of the surrounding mesa-and-canyon country and distant mountain ranges. Park access is by dirt roads only.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Water and flush toilets are provided from mid-April to mid-November; the rest of the year water is available ½ mile away at a ranger station and pit toilets are provided.

Special Notes: Park access roads can be difficult to travel during or after rainstorms; contact the park for up-to-date road conditions. Gnats can be bothersome in May and June; bring insect repellent and bug-proof tent netting. Climbing on prehistoric ruins is prohibited.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Square Tower | 31 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |

Natural Bridges National Monument

Box 1, Lake Powell, UT 84533

Setting: The camping areas serve as gateways to more remote country where three large natu-

ral sandstone bridges created by stream erosion are located. A nearby scenic drive leads to bridge overlooks and trails lead to the bridges themselves. The bridges-named Owachomo, Sipapu, and Kachina—range from 180 to 268 feet in length and 106 to 220 feet in height.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Water is available within \(\frac{1}{2} \) mile of the campground at the visitor center. RVs up to 21 feet long are permitted. The campground sometimes fills by early afternoon from May to October.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Reservations are required; write the park. The campsite accommodates up to 16 persons. Water is available within \(\frac{1}{2} \) mile of the campground at the visitor center. RVs up to 21 feet long are permitted.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Natural Bridges—visitor center, evening ranger programs. No food, fuel, or other supplies are available in the park; the nearest are 25 miles away in Fry Canyon. During summer thunderstorms avoid high exposed areas prone to lightning strikes. Firewood gathering is prohibited.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp |
|--------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|--|------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Natural Bridges | 13 | • | • | | 14 | | | |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Natural Bridges | 1 | • | • | | 14 | | | |

Zion National Park Springdale, UT 84767-1099

Setting: Campers can stay along the cottonwood-shaded banks of the Virgin River in Zion Canyon, a 2,000-foot-deep gorge with colorful eroded cliffs of sandstone. A more remote camping area is available in a highcountry forest of ponderosa pine, pinyon, and juniper atop the Kolob Plateau. The backcountry lures campers even further into this precipitous canyon country.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Watchman is open all year, South from May through September, and Lava Point usually from May to October. All sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The limit of stay is as noted below from May to October; the limit is extended the rest of the year. South and Watchman have handicapped-accessible sites near accessible restrooms. The campgrounds fill on most summer weekends; arrive by noon to secure a site for the weekend.

Group Campground: The campground is open from March through November. Reservations are required; contact the park. The campground is for organized groups only. A maximum of from 15 to 45 persons is allowed per site, depending on the site size. Three vehicles are allowed per site.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park.

A backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Watchman and South-hot showers, restaurants, visitor center, Zion Nature Center (for children ages 6 through 12), evening ranger programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves. Summer temperatures regularly reach 100°F and higher at lower elevations.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Lava Point | 6 | • | • | | | | | | |
| South | 140 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Watchman | 223 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Watchman | 7 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | | |

Virginia

Blue Ridge Parkway (see North Carolina)

Cumberland Gap National Historical Park (see Kentucky)

Prince William Forest Park

P.O. Box 209, Triangle, VA 22172

Setting: What once were intensively farmed fields are today an outdoor recreation area where campers, and others, can enjoy a land reclaimed by nature. This eastern deciduous forest in the rolling hills of the Piedmont coastal plain harbors whitetailed deer, wild turkey, raccoons, squirrels, and ruffed grouse. Quantico Creek and other streams and lakes are in the area.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Oak Ridge is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. RVs up to 18 feet long are permitted. Each site is limited to 6 persons. Travel Trailer Village is also open all year. Reservations are recommended; contact the park concessioner at Travel Trailer Village, 16058 Dumfries Rd., Dumfries, VA 22026. Electrical, water, and sewage hookups for RVs are available at all village sites. RVs up to 35 feet long are permitted. Both campgrounds have handicapped-accessible sites and restrooms.

Group Campgrounds: Turkey Run Ridge is open all year. Reservations are accepted by mail; call the park for a camping application. Sites accommodate up to 40 persons. Cabin Camps are available from April to mid-October. Each camp includes sleeping cabins, central kitchen and dining hall, restrooms, hot showers, and firewood. Reservations are accepted each year from January 15 to February 15 for spring and summer camping and from May 15 to June 15 for the fall camping season. Groups must include at least 50 persons; the maximum number that can be accommodated at one camp is 216. Groups are charged for use of utilities in addition to being charged a camping fee. Groups must bring bedding and cooking utensils.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed from May 15 through September at sites shown below. Reservations can be made by writing the park or appearing in person. A

backcountry permit is required. Most sites are limited to 4 persons.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Cabin Camps—ranger programs by reservation (see "Group Campgrounds" for information on other special services provided); Oak Ridge—firewood, evening ranger programs; Travel Trailer Village—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, swimming pool; Turkey Run Ridge—firewood, ranger programs by reservation. Fires are permitted only in grills provided, designated fire rings, or campstoves.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Oak Ridge | 80 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Travel Trailer Village | 79 | • | | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Cabin Camps | 5 | | | • | varies | • | • | | |
| Turkey Run Ridge | 6 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Chopawamsic designated sites (hike-in) | 10 | | • | | 7 | | | | |

Shenandoah National Park

Route 4, Box 348, Luray, VA 22835

Setting: In a part of the Blue Ridge Mountains where homes and farms once stood, campers can escape to a wilderness where forests of oak, hickory, and evergreens now grow and black bear and whitetailed deer roam. All camping areas except backcountry sites are along Virginia's Skyline Drive, which starts at Front Royal (milepost 0) and ends near Waynesboro (milepost 105).

Tent/RV Campgrounds: All campgrounds except Big Meadows are open from May through October on a first-come, first-served basis. Big Meadows is open from March through December. From mid-May through October, reservations can be made through Ticketron for Big Meadows; the rest of the camping season its sites are on a first-come, first-served basis. Handicapped-accessible sites next to accessible restrooms are available at all campgrounds. In May, October, and in the summer, campgrounds fill up for the weekend by Friday evening. **Group Campground:** The campground is open from mid-May through October. Reservations are recommended; call the park. The campground is for non-commercial groups only. A maximum of 20 persons per site is permitted.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. The limit of stay noted below is for any one campsite; there is no limit on the total length of stay in the backcountry. Special Notes: Skyline Drive may be closed in the winter due to snow. Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Mathews Arm and Lewis Mountain—evening ranger programs; Big Meadows—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, restaurant, gasoline station, wagon rides, visitor center, evening ranger programs; Loft Mountain—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, snack bar, gasoline station, evening ranger programs. Campers are required to keep a clean camp and store food in vehicles or, in the backcountry, hang it high from trees to avoid attracting black bears. Milepost numbers along Skyline Drive are listed after each campground name below.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Mathews Arm 22.2 | 186 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Big Meadows 51 | 227 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Lewis Mountain 57.5 | 31 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |
| Loft Mountain 79.5 | 221 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | | |
| Dundo 83.7 | 7 | | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | ltd | | • | | 2 | | | | |



Virgin Islands

Virgin Islands National Park

P.O. Box 7789, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, VI 00801

Setting: The days when Christopher Columbus first sailed in this tropical paradise are long gone, but campers can still find enticing turquoise waters, sandy beaches, brilliant flowers, and multicolored reef fishes and corals. Bayshore camping areas are on St. John, the smallest of the

three major U.S. islands. Island access is by boat and seaplane only.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year. Three types of camping opportunities are available. There are 10 bare tent sites where campers provide their own tents and all their own camping gear; 54 sites where canvas tents for 4 to 6 persons are provided; and 40 one-room screened-in cottages that sleep 4 to 6. Provisions supplied at the latter two include cots, bedding linen, cooking and eating utensils, charcoal grill, gas stove, and ice chest. Reservations are required for all camping and can be made up to 8 months in advance. Persons wanting bare tent sites should contact the park concessioner at Cinnamon Bay Campground, P.O. Box 720, Cruz Bay, St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands 00830. Persons wanting tent sites with tents provided or cottages can contact the concessioner at Cinnamon Bay Campground or at Rockresorts Reservations, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, Room 5400, New York City, NY 10112. The limit of stay is as noted below from December 15 to April 15; the rest of the year it is 21 days. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are available in the campground. The campground is usually booked up well in advance for the December 15 to April 15 camping period.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year. Eight 4-to-6-person canvas tents are provided at each site, along with cots, linen, cooking and eating utensils, charcoal grill, gas stove, and ice chest. Reservations are required; they can be made up to 8 months in advance. Persons should contact the park concessioner at Cinnamon Bay Campground or Rockresorts Reservations (see addresses above). The campground is for organized groups only. The limit of stay is as noted below from December 15 to April 15; the rest of the year it is 21 days.

Special Notes: A commercial passenger boat ferries visitors year-round from St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, to a landing dock on St. John in Cruz Bay, about 5 miles from the campgrounds. Taxis are available on St. John to transport persons to the campgrounds. Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Cinnamon Bay—cold showers, evening ranger programs, water sports center with sailing, scuba, and snorkeling tours and scuba, snorkeling, and windsurfing gear rentals. Pets are not permitted in the camping areas.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp |
|--------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|-------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Cinnamon Bay | 104 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Cinnamon Bay | 2 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • |

Washington

Coulee Dam National Recreation Area P.O. Box 37, Coulee Dam, WA 99116

Setting: Lake Roosevelt, a 151-mile-long reservoir fed by the waters of the Columbia River and created by Grand Coulee Dam, is the centerpiece around which a variety of camping areas are found. Campers can choose from a range of settings, from the arid sagebrush hills in the south to the cooler pine-fir forests to the north. Fishing, boating, and waterskiing are popular activities. Tent/RV Campgrounds: All campgrounds except Hunters and Porcupine Bay are open all year. Water and flush toilets are provided at these campgrounds (where noted below) from April to mid-October; the rest of the year water is not available and pit toilets are provided. Hunters and Porcupine Bay are open from May through October. Water and flush toilets are provided at Hunters from June to mid-October; the rest of the year water is not available and pit toilets are provided. All sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The maximum trailer length permitted at Hawk Creek and Keller Ferry is 16 feet; at Gifford, Marcus Island, and Porcupine Bay, 20 feet; and at Evans, Fort Spokane, Haag Cove, Hunters, Kettle Falls, and Spring Canyon, 26 feet. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are available at Evans, Fort Spokane, Keller, Ferry, Kettle Falls, Porcupine Bay, and Spring Canyon.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year. Reservations are recommended; contact the park. Campgrounds are for organized groups only. Fort Spokane accommodates up to 75 persons; Kettle Falls, up to 150; and Spring Canyon, up to 20. The maximum trailer length permitted at each campground is 26 feet. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are provided at

Fort Spokane, Kettle Falls, and Spring Canyon.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year at lakeside sites shown below on a first-come, first-served basis.

Special Notes: Backcountry campsites are accessible by boat only; the other camping areas can be reached by boat and by road. However, because of fluctuations in the lake level and winter freezing of portions of the lake, some sites are not accessible by boat all year; contact the park for up-to-date lake conditions. Services available seasonally or within 1 mile of camping areas include: Fort Spokane—lifeguarded beach, guided fort tours, evening ranger programs; Evans, Keller Ferry, Kettle Falls, Porcupine Bay, and Spring Canyon—lifeguarded beach, evening ranger programs.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|---------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Bradbury Beach | 5 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Cloverleaf | 8 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Evans | 46 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Fort Spokane | 67 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Gifford | 47 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | • | |
| Haag Cove | 18 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Hawk Creek | 16 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Hunters | 42 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Jones Bay | 4 | • | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Kamloops | 14 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Keller Ferry | 55 | • | • | • | 14 | • ' | • | • | • |
| Kettle Falls | 77 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Kettle River | 20 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Marcus Island | 20 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | • |
| North Gorge | 10 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Porcupine Bay | 31 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Snag Cove | 6 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Spring Canyon | 87 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Fort Spokane | 1 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Kettle Falls | 1 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | • | • |
| Spring Canyon | 1 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Crystal Cove (boat-in) | 4 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Detillion (boat-in) | 12 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Enterprise (boat-in) | 12 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Plum Point (boat-in) | 4 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Ponderosa (boat-in) | 7 | | • | - | 14 | | | | |
| Sherman Creek (boat-in) | 6 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Summer Island (boat-in) | 4 | | • | | 14 | - | | | |

Mount Rainier National Park

Tahoma Woods, Star Route, Ashford, WA 98304

Setting: The grandeur that lures mountaineers to the summit of 14,410-foot Mount Rainier draws campers to its lower slopes, where campgrounds nestle amid stands of Douglas-fir, western red cedar, and hemlock. This ancient—but not extinct—volcano of the Cascade Range also boasts subalpine meadows, where flowers bloom in July and August, and glaciers.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Sunshine Point is open all year. The rest of the campgrounds are open from May or June to September or October; exact dates depend on the weather. All sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Cougar Rock has a few handicapped-accessible sites and restrooms.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open from late May to mid-October; exact dates depend on the weather. Reservations are required; call the park. Reservations are accepted up to 90 days in advance. Cougar Rock sites accommodate from 12 to 40 campers. Ipsut Creek sites accommodate from 20 to 30 campers.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required from June 15 to September 30.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Cougar Rock, Ipsut Creek, Ohanapecosh, and White River—evening ranger programs. Hot showers are provided at Paradise Visitor Center; the nearest campground, Cougar Rock, is 10 miles away. Campers should be prepared for inclement weather throughout the year.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Cougar Rock | 200 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Ipsut Creek | 29 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Ohanapecosh | 232 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Sunshine Point | 18 | • | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| White River | 117 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Cougar Rock | 5 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Ipsut Creek | 2 | | • | • | 14 | • | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in) | Itd | | • | | | | | | |

North Cascades National Park Service Complex 2105 Highway 20, Sedro Woolley, WA 98284

Setting: Three adjacent park areas—North Cascades National Park, Lake Chelan National Recreation Area, and Ross Lake National Recreation Area—have camping areas from their large man-made lakes to their lofty, snow-topped Cascade Range peaks. Stehekin Valley, surrounded by towering mountains, is particularly popular with campers. Access to the park complex var-

ies (see "Special Notes" below).

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Harlequin and Purple Point are open from mid-spring to mid-fall. Goodell Creek and Gorge Lake are open all year. Water is available at Goodell Creek only from spring through fall. Colonial Creek is open from mid-April to mid-October. Hozomeen is open from early May through October. Newhalem is open from mid-June to Labor Day. Campsites at all these campgrounds are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Diablo Lake Resort is open all year and reservations are accepted; contact the park concessioner at Diablo Lake Resort, P.O. Box 176, Rockport, WA 98283. The maximum trailer length recommended at Colonial Creek, Goodell Creek, Hozomeen, and Newhalem Creek is 22 feet. Colonial Creek and Newhalem Creek have handicapped-accessible campsites and toilets.

Group Campground: Goodell Creek is open all year. Bridge Creek and Harlequin are open in the summer. Reservations are required for all campgrounds; contact the park. Bridge Creek and Harlequin are both in the backcountry; a backcountry permit is required. All campgrounds are for organized groups only. The maximum trailer length recommended in part of Goodell Creek is 22 feet; trailers are not recommended in the other portion of the campground. Bridge Creek and Harlequin can each accommodate from 10 to 20 persons. See "Backcountry Camp-

sites" below for information on other backcountry group camping.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park complex. A backcountry permit is required. Organized groups of up to 12 persons can make reservations for sites at Boundary Bay, Green Point, McMillian, Ponderosa, and Silver Creek, which are all along Ross Lake. Other backcountry sites, including Bridge Creek, Cottonwood, Dolly Varden, Flick Creek, High Bridge, Manley Wham, Shady, Tumwater, and Weaver Point—all in Stehekin Valley—as well as other locations in the complex, are available on a first-come,

first-served basis. Camping parties with horses are permitted at some sites.

Special Notes: Campers can reach Stehekin Valley campsites by taking a passenger boat and shuttlebus, by taking a floatplane and shuttlebus, or by hiking. The boat leaves from Fields Point just outside Chelan, Washington, at the southern end of Lake Chelan and lands at Stehekin, the main entry point for campers into Stehekin Valley. The plane leaves from Chelan and also lands at Stehekin. From Stehekin campers can board a shuttlebus that will drop them off near Stehekin Valley campsites. The 23-mile shuttlebus road is remote and not connected to any other roads. The boat is available on a first-come, first-served basis all year; it runs daily in the summer, less frequently the rest of the year. The plane is available all year by reservation only. The shuttlebus runs daily on a first-come, first-served basis from about May 15 to October 15; a fee is charged. For information on transportation services, contact the park. Stehekin has hot showers, coin-operated laundry, visitor center, and evening programs; Purple Point and Weaver Point are within 1 mile. Other services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Colonial Creek, Goodell Creek, Hozomeen, and Newhalem Creek-evening ranger programs; Diablo Lake Resort-restaurant, gasoline station, boat rentals; Green Pointboat rentals at Ross Lake Resort (trail or boat access only). Washington State Highway 20, the only paved access road to Ross Lake National Recreation Area, is usually closed to through traffic from November to April because of snow and the danger of avalanches; contact the park for up-to-date road conditions. There is no road access to the south end of Ross Lake; the only road access to the north end is via the Trans-Canada Highway in British Columbia and the gravel Silver-Skagit Road. Campers should keep a clean camp and store food in vehicles, or, in the backcountry, hang it high between trees, to avoid attracting black bears.

| Lake Chelan National Recreation Area | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|---|-------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | |
| Harlequin (hike-in, bus-in) | 7 | | • | | | | | |

| Sites of stay water toilets dump st Purple Point (hike-in) 7 Group Campground Harlequin (hike-in, bus-in) 1 Backcountry Campsites | Camp |
|--|------|
| Group Campground Harlequin (hike-in, bus-in) Backcountry Campsites | |
| Harlequin (hike-in, bus-in) 1 Backcountry Campsites | |
| Backcountry Campsites | |
| | |
| | |
| Flick Creek (hike-in, boat-in) | |
| Manley Wham (boat-in) | |
| Weaver Point (hike-in, 22 • • • • • boat-in) | |
| Other locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | |
| | |
| | amp |
| Group Campground | |
| Bridge Creek Group 1 ● (hike-in, bus-in) | |
| Backcountry Campsites | |
| Bridge Creek (hike-in, 7 bus-in) | |
| Cottonwood (hike-in, bus-in) 5 | |
| Dolly Varden (hike-in, 1 ● bus-in) | |
| High Bridge (hike-in, bus-in) 2 | |
| Shady (hike-in, bus-in) 1 | |
| Tumwater (hike-in, bus-in) 2 | - |
| Other locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | |
| | amp |
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | |
| Colonial Creek 164 • • • • | |
| Diablo Lake Resort 10 • • • • |) |
| Goodell Creek 22 • • • | |
| Gorge Lake 12 ● ● | |
| Hozomeen 122 ● ● | |
| Newhalem Creek 129 ● ● ● ● | |
| Group Campground | |
| Goodell Creek 3 ● | |
| Backcountry Campsites | |
| Big Beaver (hike-in, boat-in) 7 | |
| Boundary Bay (boat-in) 3 | |
| Buster Brown (boat-in) 3 | |
| Cat Island (boat-in) 5 | |
| Cougar Island (boat-in) 3 | |
| Devil's Junction (hike-in, 1 boat-in) | |

| Ross Lake continued | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|--|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Dry Creek (boat-in) | 4 | | • | | | | | | |
| Green Point (hike-in, boat-in) | 7 | | • | | | | | | |
| Hidden Cove (boat-in) | 1 | | • | | | | | | |
| Lightning Creek (hike-in, boat-in) | 6 | | • | | | | | | |
| Little Beaver (boat-in) | 6 | | • | | | | | | |
| May Creek (hike-in, boat-in) | 1 | | • | | | | | | |
| McMillian (boat-in) | 3 | | • | | | | | | |
| Ponderosa (boat-in) | 3 | | • | | | | | | |
| Rainbow Point (hike-in, boat-in) | 4 | | • | | | | | | |
| Roland Point (boat-in) | 1 | | • | | | | | | |
| Silver Creek (boat-in) | 3 | | • | | | | | | |
| Spencer's Camp (boat-in) | 2 | | • | | | | | | |
| Ten-Mile Island (boat-in) | 3 | | • | | | | | | |
| Thunder Point (boat-in) | 3 | | • | | | | * 4 ***** | | |
| Other locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in) | ltd | | • | | | | | | |

Olympic National Park

600 East Park Avenue, Port Angeles, WA 98362

Setting: Camping areas are located throughout the park's extraordinarily diverse landscape. Scenes change from the snow- and glacier-covered peaks of the Olympic Range, to forests of hemlock, fir, and pine, to lush Pacific rainforests, to rocky ocean shores where harbor seals and migrating gray whales can be spotted. Elevations range from sea level to 5,400 feet.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Elwha, Fairholm, Heart O' the Hills, Hoh, Kalaloch, Mora, Ozette, Soleduck, and Staircase are open all year. Heavy snows sometimes close some of these campgrounds for periods. Water and flush toilets at Soleduck are available only from Memorial Day through September; the rest of the year no water is available and pit toilets are provided. The other campgrounds are open from May or June through September; exact dates depend on snow. All campgrounds are on a first-come, first-served basis. Deer Park, Dosewallips, North Fork, and Queets are for tents only, because the access roads are too narrow and rough for RVs. RVs 21 feet long or shorter are recommended in the rest of the campgrounds; however most have some sites that accommodate RVs up to 30 feet. Staircase is limited solely to RVs 21 feet or shorter. Handicapped-accessible toilets are provided at Doswallips, Elwha, Fairholm, Graves Creek, Heart O' the Hills, Hoh, Kalaloch, Mora, Queets, Soleduck, and Staircase.

Group Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open all year. Reservations are required; write the park. Kalaloch accommodates a maximum of 40 persons; Mora, a maximum of 20; Ozette, up to 12. Handicapped-accessible toilets are available at Kalaloch and Mora.

Backcountry Campsites: Boulder Creek is open from June through September; exact dates depend on snow. Water and flush toilets are available only from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Erickson's Bay is open all year. A backcountry permit is required for camping at this site. July Creek is open all year; water is available only from June to September. Backcountry camping is allowed throughout much of the rest of the park, too; a backcountry permit is required.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Elwha, Heart O' the Hills, Hoh, Mora, and Staircase—evening ranger programs; Fairholm—gasoline, boat rentals, evening ranger programs; Kalaloch—restaurant, gasoline station, evening ranger programs; Soleduck—restaurant, evening ranger programs.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|---|-------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Altaire | 29 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Deer Park | 18 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Dosewallips | 33 | | • | | 14 | • | • | | |
| Elwha | 41 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Fairholm | 87 | 0 | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Graves Creek | 45 | 0 | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Heart O' the Hills | 105 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Hoh | 95 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | **** |
| Kalaloch | 179 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Mora | 91 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| North Fork | 8 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Ozette | 14 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Queets | 26 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Soleduck | 84 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Staircase | 63 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Kalaloch | ltd | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Mora | ltd | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | |
| Ozette | ltd | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Boulder Creek (hike-in) | 50 | | • | | 14 | • | • | | |
| Erickson's Bay (hike-in, boat-in) | 15 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| July Creek (hike-in) | 31 | • | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Other locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in, boat-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | | |



West Virginia

Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park (see Maryland)

Wisconsin

Apostle Islands National Lakeshore Route 1, Box 4, Bayfield, WI 54814

Setting: Campers seeking an island getaway can choose from many of the more than 20 Apostle Islands in Lake Superior. Forested with maple, birch, and spruce and populated with black bear and deer, the islands are much as they were when Indians visited them long ago. Lakeshore beaches and cliffs, grottoes, and pillars of sandstone are found. Park access is by boat only.

Group Campgrounds: See "Backcountry Campsites" below for information on backcountry

group sites.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park. Camping parties of less than 10 persons can use all camping areas; sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Groups of 10 or more persons can stay at sites at Basswood, Oak, and Stockton Islands. Reservations are required for these sites; call the park. Backcountry camp-

ing in areas other than those sites shown below requires a backcountry permit.

Special Notes: Commercial boats carry passengers from Bayfield, Wisconsin, to several islands where camping is permitted. The boats run from Memorial Day to October; services are more limited after Labor Day. A water taxi will take passengers to the other islands. For reservations contact Apostle Islands Cruise Service, Box 691, Bayfield, WI 54814 or Water Taxi, Inc., P.O. Box 680, Bayfield, WI 54814. Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Raspberry, Rocky, South Twin and Stockton Islands—evening ranger programs. Campers should keep a clean campsite and hang their food high in trees to avoid attracting black bears. Mosquitoes, black flies, and other insects can be bothersome in warmer months; bring insect repellent and bug-proof tent netting.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Basswood Island (boat-in) | 8 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Devils Island (boat-in) | 1 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Oak Island (boat-in) | 10 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Raspberry Island (boat-in) | 2 | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| Rocky Island (boat-in) | 6 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Sand Island (boat-in) | 5 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| South Twin Island (boat-in) | 5 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Stockton Island (boat-in) | 27 | | • | | 14 | • | | | |
| Other locations (boat-in) | ltd | | • | | 14 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |

Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway P.O. Box 708, Saint Croix Falls, WI 54024 Camping in Wisconsin and Minnesota

Setting: The Saint Croix and Namekagon Rivers are naturally designed for a combination of canoeing and camping. Along the 227 miles of riverway are pine and hardwood forests, marshes, quiet pools, and rapids. For part of its length, the Saint Croix flows along the Wisconsin-Minnesota border. Fishermen can angle for trout, pike, bass, and sunfish. Whitetailed deer and waterfowl are common.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open from April through October on a first-come, first-served basis; exact dates depend on the weather. The limit of stay noted below is for each campground; the total permitted length of stay in the park is 14 days. Both campgrounds have handicapped-accessible toilets.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed from April through October throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis; exact dates depend on the weather. One area—Highway 70—has several campsites; the rest of the designated sites are primarily designed for one camping party. Although many backcountry sites are accessible by road, the park discourages anyone but persons floating the river from using them. Drinking water is available at some sites and not at others. The limit of stay noted below is for each specific campsite; the total permitted length of stay in the park is 14 days.

Special Notes: Many state park camping areas are located along the river; state parks require a camping permit and charge fees. Campers should be careful not to trespass on private property

along the river.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp store |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|---|-------------------|--|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | |
| Earl Park | 15 | | • | | 3 | • | | |
| Howell Landing (walk-in) | 8 | | • | | 3 | • | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | |
| Highway 70 (canoe-in) | 15 | | • | | 3 | • | | • |
| Other locations (canoe-in) | ltd | | • | | 3 | | | |

Wyoming

Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area (see Montana)

Devils Tower National Monument Devils Tower, WY 82714

Setting: Devils Tower—one of the "things in nature that engender an awful quiet in the heart of man," according to one observer—breaks into the sky to the northwest of the camping areas. The flat-topped fluted stone column, the core of an ancient volcano, rises 867 feet from its base. Cottonwood trees in a bend of the Belle Fourche River shade the camping areas.

Tent/RV Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Campground roads are not plowed in winter; snow may make access difficult. Water and flush toilets are provided from mid-May to mid-September; the rest of the year water and restrooms are available ½ mile away at park headquarters. RVs up to 35 feet long are permitted. The campground has a few handicapped-accessible sites near restrooms.

Group Campground: The campground is open all year on a first-come, first-served basis. Campground roads are not plowed in winter; snow may make access difficult. Water and flush toilets are provided from mid-May to mid-September; the rest of the year water and restrooms are available ½ mile away at park headquarters. Groups must include at least 7 persons. RVs up to

35 feet long are permitted.

Special Notes: Heavy snows can close park roads in the winter; call the park for information on up-to-date road conditions. Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Belle Fourche River—hot showers, gasoline stations, restaurant, evening ranger programs.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | | Drinking water | | Camp store |
|---------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|----|-------------------|---|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Belle Fourche River | 48 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • |
| Group Campground | | | | | | | | |
| Belle Fourche River | 3 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • |

Grand Teton National Park P.O. Drawer 170, Moose, WY 83012

Setting: The valley of Jackson Hole, where blue lakes reflect the craggy snow-capped 12,000- to 14,000-foot peaks of the Teton Range, is the center for camping. The Snake River and smaller streams flow through the valley. Backcountry campers can retreat further into the mountains. Pronghorn antelope, moose, bald eagles, and a large elk herd range from the sagebrush flats to

the high forested slopes.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Gros Ventre is open from mid-May to mid-October. Colter Bay, Jenny Lake, and Signal Mountain are open from late May to mid- or late September. Lizard Creek is open from mid-June to early September. All sites at these campgrounds are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Colter Bay Tent Cabins, where canvas-and-log tents are provided, is open from early June to early September. A woodstove, bunkbeds without linens, and storage chest are provided; other camping gear can be rented within 1 mile. Colter Bay Trailer Village, with water, electrical, and sewage hookups for RVs, is open from late May to late September or early October. Reservations are required for the Tent Cabins and the Trailer Village; contact the park concessioner at Grand Teton Lodge Company, P.O. Box 250, Moran, WY 83013. Reservations are accepted beginning in November prior to the upcoming camping season. Winter camping for tent and RV campers is permitted at Colter Bay Visitor Center from mid-October to mid-May; sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis, and drinking water and restrooms are available at the visitor center. In the summer, campgrounds fill up by noon or early afternoon daily.

Group Campground: Campgrounds are open from mid- or late May to mid-September. Reservations are recommended and accepted from January 1 to June 1 for the upcoming camping

season; write the park. Campgrounds are for organized groups only. Groups must include at least 10 persons. Some sites may accommodate only 12 persons; larger sites can accommodate up to 75.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year. A backcountry permit is required. Reservations can be made for many backcountry sites; persons must know when and where they want to camp. Reservations are accepted by the park from January 1 to June 1 for the upcoming camping season. Many backcountry sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis; persons must pick up their permit within 24 hours of the start of their trip. Camping parties cannot include more than 12 persons in sites designed for groups or more than 6 in smaller sites. The limit of stay noted below is for any specific site, or designated backcountry zone: the total permitted length of stay in the backcountry is 10 days. Campers with horses are restricted to a few campsites. Climbing parties must have a climbing permit as well as a camping permit. Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Colter Bay, Colter Bay Tent Cabins, and Colter Bay Trailer Village - hot showers, coin-operated laundry, restaurant, gasoline station, horse rentals, marina, boat rentals, evening ranger programs; Gros Ventre, Jenny Lake, and Lizard Creek-evening ranger programs; Signal Mountain-restaurant, gasoline station, marina, boat rentals, float trips down the Snake River, windsurfing school, evening ranger programs. Fires are permitted only in grills provided, designated fire rings, or campstoves.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp store |
|---|-------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Colter Bay | 350 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Colter Bay Tent Cabins | 72 | | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Colter Bay Trailer Village | 112 | • | | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Gros Ventre | 360 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Jenny Lake | 49 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | | • |
| Lizard Creek | 63 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | |
| Signal Mountain | 86 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | • | • |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Colter Bay | 10 | | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Gros Ventre | 5 | | • | • | 14 | | | | |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in, boat-in) | ltd | | • | | 2 | | | | |

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Memorial Parkway c/o Grand Teton National Park, P.O. Drawer 170, Moose, WY 83012

Setting: This scenic corridor linking Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks has road-side camping areas located in spruce-pine forests. The Snake River, with its bordering steep cliffs and rock outcrops, passes nearby these main camping areas.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Campgrounds are open from June through September. Snake River sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations are accepted for Flagg Ranch. Reservations are recommended at least 3 weeks in advance; contact the park concessioner at Flagg Ranch, P.O. Box 187, Moran, WY 83013. Flagg Ranch has electrical and water hookups for RVs.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally within 1 mile of camping areas include: Flagg Ranch—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, restaurant, gasoline station, horse rentals, guided float trips down the Snake River. Campers should keep a clean camp and store food in their vehicles, or, in the backcountry, hang it high from trees, to avoid attracting grizzly and black bears. Fires are permitted only in grills provided or campstoves.

| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
|---------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-----|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Flagg Ranch | 150 | • | • | • | | • | • | • | • |
| Snake River | 24 | • | • | • | 14 | • | • | | • |

Yellowstone National Park

P.O. Box 168, Yellowstone National Park, WY 82190

Setting: For campers in this Rocky Mountain wilderness, Old Faithful, symbol of America's oldest park, is just one of a multitude of wonders. Thousands of geysers, hot springs, and other thermal features erupt, bubble, steam, and simmer. Yellowstone Lake and the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River are grand-scale treasures. Grizzlies, black bears, bison, and elk head

an impressive wildlife list.

Tent/RV Campgrounds: Mammoth is open all year. Madison is open from about early May through October. Norris is open from mid-May to mid-September. Slough Creek is open from about mid-May through October. Bridge Bay is open from about late May through September. Fishing Bridge and Fishing Bridge RV Park are open from about early June to early September. Pebble Creek and Tower Falls are open from about early June to mid-September. Canyon and Indian Creek are open from about mid- or late June to mid-September. Grant Village and Lewis Lake are open from about mid-June to mid- or late October. Opening and closing dates can vary widely depending on the weather and other factors. All campgrounds except Fishing Bridge RV Park are on a first-come, first-served basis, At Fishing Bridge RV Park reservations are accepted; contact the park concessioner at Reservations Office, TW Services, Inc., Yellowstone National Park, Yellowstone National Park, WY 82190. Canyon, Fishing Bridge, and Fishing Bridge RV Park are open only to hard-sided camping vehicles. The limit of stay is as noted below from July 1 to August 25; the rest of the year it is 30 days. Motor-driven generators are permitted only in Bridge Bay, Canyon, Fishing Bridge, Fishing Bridge RV Park, Grant Village, Madison, and Mammoth. Handicapped-accessible restrooms are available at Fishing Bridge RV Park and Madison. Campgrounds often fill up during the camping season; campers should arrive well before noon, especially in July and August, to get a site.

Group Campgrounds: Bridge Bay is open from late May through September. Grant Village is open from mid-June through October. Reservations are required; contact the park's visitor services office. The campgrounds are for organized groups only. Groups must include more than 10 persons. All group campgrounds are only for organized groups with designated leaders trav-

eling in three or less vehicles.

Backcountry Campsites: Backcountry camping is allowed all year throughout much of the park on a first-come, first-served basis. A backcountry permit is required. The limit of stay permitted at any specific campsite may be 1, 2, or 3 days; the total length of stay permitted in the backcountry is 14 days. Persons boating into campsites must get a boating permit as well as a

camping permit.

Special Notes: Services available seasonally or all year within 1 mile of camping areas include: Bridge Bay—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, restaurant, gasoline station, marina, boat tours, evening ranger programs; Canyon—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, horse rentals, evening ranger programs; Fishing Bridge and Fishing Bridge RV Park—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, restaurant, evening ranger programs; Grant Village—hot showers, coin-operated laundry, gasoline station, evening ranger programs; Indian Creek, Lewis Lake, Madison, Norris, and Tower Falls—evening ranger programs; Mammoth—restaurant, evening ranger programs. Weather is extremely variable; temperatures can fluctuate by as much as 80°F in 24 hours. Fires are permitted only in grills provided, designated fire rings, or campstoves; fire permits are required for fires in the backcountry. Campers should keep a clean campsite and store food in vehicles or, in the backcountry, hang it high from trees or provided wires or poles to avoid attracting black or grizzly bears. Parts of the backcountry are sometimes closed because of bears. Keep your distance from bears, bison, elk, and other wildlife. Hot springs and geysers

are fragile and unstable; stay on trails to protect yourself and these features. Throwing coins and other items into thermal pools damages them and is illegal. Swimming or bathing in thermal pools or streams whose waters originate entirely from a thermal spring or pool is prohibited.

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| | Total sites | RVs | Tents | Fee | Limit of stay | Drinking water | Flush toilets | Sanitary dump | Camp |
| Tent/RV Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Bridge Bay | 420 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Canyon | 280 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Fishing Bridge | 308 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Fishing Bridge RV Park | 358 | • | | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Grant Village | 403 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Indian Creek | 75 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Lewis Lake | 85 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Madison | 292 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | |
| Mammoth | 85 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | | • |
| Norris | 116 | • | • | • | 7 | • | • | | |
| Pebble Creek | 36 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Slough Creek | 29 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Tower Fall | 32 | • | • | • | 7 | • | | | |
| Group Campgrounds | | | | | | | | | |
| Bridge Bay | 4 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Grant Village | 8 | | • | • | 7 | • | • | • | • |
| Backcountry Campsites | | | | | | | | | |
| Various locations (hike-in, horseback ride-in, boat-in) | ltd | | • | | varies | | | | |



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