



Camp St. Albans
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Welcome to Girl Scouts of Western Washington's camp properties! Our seven camp properties provide a breath-taking backdrop for your troop, service unit, or organization use. This guide will provide helpful information for your stay, including facilities and amenities descriptions, usage guidelines, and info on the reservation process. Whether it's your first time camping, or your hundred-and-first, Girl Scouts of Western Washington can't wait to make it a great one.

When and where do we check-in? Can we park in our unit? What are the guidelines for building a fire? You may have many of these questions and more as you prepare for your outing at camp. Here, we'll try to address most of those topics. If your question or concern isn't addressed, call or email your reservation contact, and they will be happy to find the answer for you.

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Arriving at Camp

Check-in/Check-out

The “person in charge” for your group will check in with the site host or camp manager when you arrive, before you enter camp. At this time, the camp host will give you a camp orientation (including pertinent emergency procedures), issue any equipment you have requested, and confirm your check-out time. This is a great time for them to answer questions, help solve problems, and make your stay at camp more enjoyable. You’ll also provide all necessary certifications (waterfront, first aid, etc). Please allow at least 10 minutes for the check-in process, and at least 15 minutes for the check-out process.

Check-In can be as early as 3:00pm, and no later than 9:00pm. Check-Out is generally scheduled by 2:00pm. If your group needs an earlier check-in or later check-out, we’ll do our best to arrange that prior to your arrival with the site host or camp manager.

Parking

Most of our units do allow you to drive in to unload gear, but not all areas are accessible by vehicle. Check with your camp host regarding your specific unit, and pack accordingly. Once you are unloaded, please return all vehicles to the designated parking areas. Posted speed limits and vehicle-restricted areas ensure that everyone in camp has a safe, enjoyable stay. If your group has special accessibility needs, talk to your camp host at check-in to arrange appropriate transportation accommodations.

Using Camp Facilities

Dining Hall and Kitchen Use

Meal services can be provided for groups larger than 35 for an additional fee, pending staff availability. To request meal service, please include it on your camp reservation request. If you have already submitted your request, contact Girl Scouts of Western Washington to schedule this service.

A few reminders for kitchen use:

- Groups with a qualified cook (Food Handler’s Permit and training/documentated experience in commercial cooking) may rent the dining hall commercial kitchens. Does someone in your group need a Quantity Cook workshop? Search “Quantity Cook” on our website to learn more and find the current training schedule.
- You will receive a kitchen orientation at check-in. Please also read the provided kitchen and lodge manual.
- Youth must be age 15 or older to prepare foods or utilize the commercial equipment in our camp kitchens. Need a job for your younger group members? Set them up with table hosting and table setting!
- For non-commercial kitchens (like Skogly Lodge), a Food Handlers Permit is only needed if you are providing meals for more people than your immediate troop/small group. Looking for a smaller, non-commercial kitchen? Check out available options in the Facilities at-a-Glance or Camp Facilities Descriptions documents at the end of this guide.

Using Camp Facilities (cont.)

Waterfront Use

Our camp waterfront areas are open to groups who bring certified adult personnel or hire Girl Scouts of Western Washington certified staff. If you are planning to use the waterfront with your own certified staff, please include the program area in your reservation and confirm with your site host prior to arrival. Your site host will need copies of all applicable certifications when you check-in at camp.

A few reminders for waterfront use:

- All swimming, boating, and other waterfront usage must be supervised by certified adults
- Heed the posted swim and boat dock rules
- Swimming is permitted in designated swim areas
- Observe all dock closure signs as posted
- Waterfront access is available March 15–October 31, pending safe air and water temperatures
- For detailed procedures for waterfront usage, please refer to Girl Scouts of Western Washington Waterfront Use Guidelines.



Tents & RVs

Each camp property has a primitive camping area where visitors can tent camp. In some instances, groups may want to set up a tent to expand the group size or provide for men in camp; please work with your site manager/host for approval.

Our camps have no sanitation, water or power facilities for recreational vehicles. Self-contained RVs require prior approval from the camp host and are limited to the main parking areas.

Garbage & Recycling

Our commitment to environmental stewardship extends to our camp properties, and we do practice recycling and compost at most of our locations. Work with your group to plan a menu that minimizes garbage and maximizes recyclable and compostable materials. Your site host can provide more information about what materials your site can recycle or compost. For those unavoidable trash items, garbage bags are provided. Please note that Styrofoam dishes and cups are not allowed on Girl Scouts of Western Washington properties because of their negative environmental impact. You are encouraged to make use of the reusable dishes at camp or bring your own reusable implements to conserve our environment.

Facilities Capacities

All of our buildings have a listed capacity that meets with local fire code regulations and Girl Scouts of Western Washington guidelines. For the safety and comfort of all of our guests, please abide by all listed capacities.

Using Camp Facilities (cont.)

Lights

Many visitors to camp live in urban areas where light pollution is common, and have rarely experienced a pitch black sky. Camp is an opportunity to experience this first-hand, so most of our units do not have electric lights. Make sure to pack heavy-duty battery-powered or rechargeable lanterns. You may bring propane lanterns or check them out from the site host, but please leave liquid gas lanterns at home.

Accessibility

Girl Scouts of Western Washington follows a general policy of inclusion. If a member of your group requires special assistance, please call us to make arrangements. Reasonable accommodations will always be provided when feasible. We strongly recommend a member of your group visit the site prior to the event to see if specific needs can be met.



Safety at Camp

Emergencies in Camp

Each group is responsible for bringing their own first aider and first aid kit. Bring with you a list of all participants that includes name, address, emergency contact(s), health statements, and permission to seek emergency medical treatment. In the event of any serious accident or emergency, notify your site host immediately, and follow his or her direction. Medical emergency transportation shall be provided by Emergency Medical Services (911).

Each site has procedures for notifying camp visitors if evacuation of the camp becomes necessary. Your site host will provide this information during your check-in and orientation. Emergency procedures are posted in each unit and designate the appropriate evacuation point.

Fires & Propane Use

We gladly provide firewood at all of our camp properties! Bring dry kindling and fire starters to start fires. Each camp provides posted rulings on fire management in camp. Basic guidelines include:

- Please keep fires within designated areas, with fire safety equipment close at hand. Always supervise your fire, and make sure that it's completely extinguished before leaving your site or retiring for the evening.
- Check the local burn bans to ensure fires are permitted. Charcoal fires may be permitted in designated areas during outdoor fire bans.

Safety at Camp (cont.)

Fires & Propane Use (cont.)

- Ask the Site Manager/Host for instructions on putting out fires in masonry fireplaces and wood stoves.
- Avoid placing box ovens on wood or flammable surfaces or concrete floors.
- Girl Scouts of Western Washington-owned propane stoves are set up in many of the outdoor units. Some camps have propane stoves available for checkout through the camp host. Two to three burners per stove unit available, propane provided. Gas matches or fire starting lighters are provided for propane stoves.
- Candles or any type of open flame are not allowed in sleeping shelters. Candles are restricted in camp buildings and cook shelters with the exception of special events, for example: birthday candles on a cake or Girl Scout candle ceremonies. This restriction DOES include candles used for repelling bugs and candle lanterns. Please check with the site manager/host prior to use of candles in any camp building.
- Please do not use charcoal lighter fluid, gasoline, or other liquid fire starters.
- Liquid gas stoves and lanterns are prohibited, except when used as part of a Girl Scouts of Western Washington-approved training or program progression.

Restricted Substances & Weapons

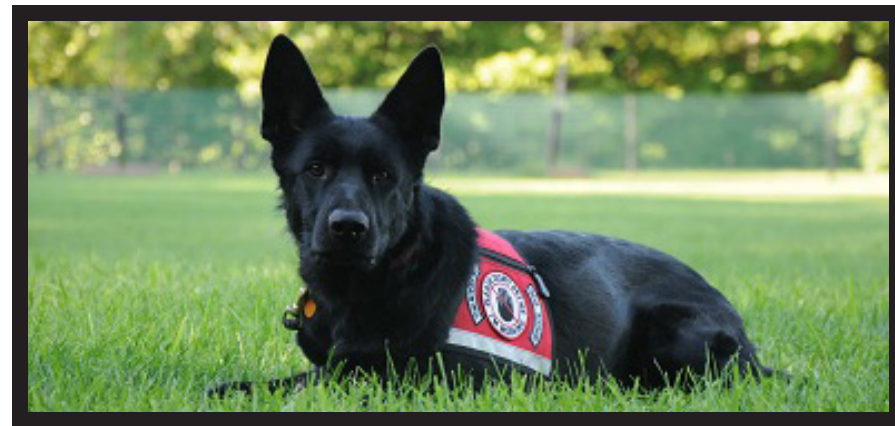
Alcoholic beverages are prohibited on all Girl Scouts of Western Washington properties; exceptions are made only with approval by the board of directors. The use of marijuana, illegal narcotics, and drugs is prohibited on property. The use of prescription or over-the-counter medication must not impair adults' ability to effectively carry out their responsibilities.

Smoking or use of tobacco is allowed only at areas designated by the camp host. Persons accompanying and/or at any time responsible for minors must not smoke or use any form of tobacco in the presence of minors. Girl program participants may not use tobacco products.

Fireworks, firearms, and weapons are prohibited. Pocket knives are allowed as part of an approved activity.

Service Animals & Pets

We love our pets, but for the safety of everyone at camp, please leave your animal friends at home. Service animals are allowed; please notify your camp host prior to arrival.



Sharing our Camps

Respect for Others

Often there are several groups camping at our sites on weekends. Please show respect for other people's belongings and their space. Use only the fire circle and bathroom assigned to the unit you have rented. Individual troops may be asked to share a unit or bathroom facility with another troop in order to maximize outdoor opportunities for all girls. Visitors should be careful to only enter an occupied unit with permission from those using the facility.

Co-ed Groups

Separate sleeping/bathroom areas must be provided for males and females. For assistance with specific situations/ solutions, please contact your site host.

Service Projects

Giving service to others is an important part of Girl Scouting, and ensures that our camp properties can be enjoyed by all. Opportunities for family or group experience provide a means for your group to gain appreciation and a sense of ownership in our beautiful camp facilities. The camp host or site manager may have service projects where you can lend a helping hand. Remember: site staff time for supervising service projects is limited so be prepared to be given only tools, instructions and safety training. Some camps offer the "I Worked Like a Beaver" patch.

Available Equipment

Equipment Available in Outdoor Facilities

Three pots with lids*	2-4 brooms
1 cast iron frying pan*	2 dust pans
1 cast iron griddle*	1 rake
1 cutting board*	1 shovel
1 Dutch oven	1 axe or hatchet
1 hot water kettle*	2 fire buckets
1-2 dish drainers*	1 garbage can
3 dish pans*	1 recycling bin
1-2 cooking grates for fireplace	1 bottle of Mineral Oil for cast iron
Gas Match	1 fire extinguisher
2 or 3 burner propane stove*	Tables and benches
- (propane provided)	Disinfectant

* Some larger units may have double these items

Equipment Available in Indoor Cooking Facilities

All items listed above, plus:	2 veggie peelers
Refrigerator	1 sheet pan
Stove/Oven	2 paring knives
Microwave	2 or more pitchers
6-12 cup coffee maker	1 spatula/flipper
4-6 mixing bowls	1 mop and bucket
1 ladle	3 or more large spoons
2 can openers	Table service (plates, cups, bowls, utensils) for building capacity
1 or more rubber scrapers	

Toilet paper and garbage bags are provided. Other equipment available in limited supply for check-out with Site Host:

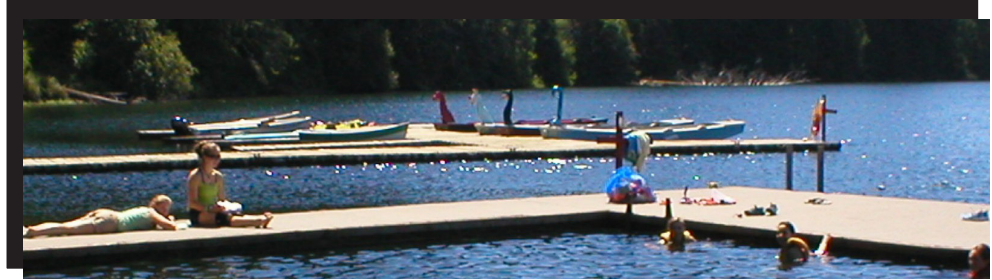
Tents/Tarps Charcoal Chimneys Flags Propane Lanterns

Facilities at a Glance

Note: Please refer to Waterfront Use Guidelines for requirements for qualified supervisors of waterfront activities		Electric lights	Electric heat	Wood heat	Indoor Covered fireplace	Outdoor Fire Circle	Stove	Refrigerator	Showers	Toilets F=Flush; L=Latrine	Water	Open Program shelter	Open sleep shelters	Propane Stove	Capacity
Okashi Nokoya Lodge		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	F	X				20
Skogly Lodge:	Inside & Outside 3 sleep shelters	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	F	X		X		30 + 18
Pixie	sleeping cabin	X	X			X						X			14
	sleeping cabin														14
	Wash house	X	X						X	F	X				
	Program Shelter	X			X	X					X	X			
Beaver's Acre	5 sleeping shelters Program shelter					X				L	X	X	X		30
Whispering Winds	Mariah-4 sleep shelters program shelter				X	X				L	X	X	X		24
	Chinook-4 sleep shelters program shelter				X	X				L	X	X	X		24
Pioneer	5 sleeping shelters program shelter				X	X				L	X	X	X		30
Frontier	6 tent sites program shelter				X	X				L	X	X	X		12
Mountaineer	7 platform tents program shelter				X	X				L	X	X			28
Total bed capacity															196
Lodge of Nations	Dining hall only	X		X	X	X	X	X	*	*	X				
Lodge of Nations	Dining hall with kitchen	X		X	X	X			*	*	X				
Additional areas/activities:															
Misty Point	Tent sites program shelter (primitive)				X	X				L	X	X			30
Huckleberry Hut	Program Shelter	X			X						X				100

Camp St. Albans

Camp St. Albans has been a part of the Girl Scout camp tradition for over 75 years. Home of our unique Viking boats, Girl Scout Camp St. Albans is located on between Allyn and Belfair on beautiful Lake Devereaux, about 18 miles south of Bremerton. Over 414 acres of woods surround the lake and provide opportunities for hiking, nature exploration, outdoor living, and water activities.



Programming

There's tons to do at Camp St. Albans, whether you're exploring the lake on the Viking Boats, taking a stroll through the Arboretum, or hiking out in the Back 40.

Hiking Hike a mile out to Frog Pond, or choose from a myriad of other trails that traverse the Back 40. Full trail maps are available from the site host.

Playfield Located near Huckleberry Hut, this one-acre field is great for daytime activities. A parachute, sports equipment, and more are available for check-out from the site host.

Waterfront Row a Viking boat, an 18-foot rowing boat with carved head, unique to St. Albans. Canoes and swimming are available too! Lake Devereaux waterfront is open seasonally, as temperatures permit.

Arboretum Take a self-guided walk through stations identifying local flora. Activity sheets are available by the Arboretum sign. This area is generously maintained by Friends of St. Albans.

Archery Range Targets and equipment available for 4th grade and up.

At-a-Glance

Offering both seasonal open-air and year-round winterized sleeping facilities, St. Albans has beds to sleep 196. A primitive tent site can host an additional 30 people. Gather for meetings or meals in one of the lodges, and explore various program areas throughout camp.

Open-Air Sleeping:

- Skogly Lodge (18)
- Beaver's Acre (30)
- Whispering Winds - Mariah (24)
- Whispering Winds - Chinook (24)
- Pioneer (30)
- Frontier (12)
- Mountaineer (28)

Winterized Sleeping:

- Skogly Lodge (30)
- Okashi Nokoya Lodge (20)
- Pixie - Green (14)
- Pixie - Blue (14)

Additional Facilities:

- Lodge of Nations Dining Hall (220)
- Huckleberry Hut Program Shelter

Facilities Descriptions

Winterized Facilities

Skogly Lodge (Indoor) (capacity 30): This large room features a fireplace, kitchen with electric stove and refrigerator, hot and cold water, flush plumbing, a shower, and electric heat. Outdoor fire circle. Mattresses are available for sleeping on the floor. Also features three outdoor sleeping shelters (see Skogly Lodge - Outdoor).

Pixie Green and Pixie Blue (28): These two winterized sleeping cabins feature heat and electricity. Each cabin includes two cots with mattresses and an additional 12 mattresses for sleeping on the carpeted floor. A shower house in the unit has flush plumbing. The program shelter contains propane cook stoves, an outdoor fire circle, cold water, electricity, and gear lockers. Wheelchair accessible.

Okashi Nokoya Lodge (24): This large room features a fireplace, kitchen with electric stove and refrigerator, hot and cold water, flush plumbing, a shower, and electric heat. Outdoor fire circle. Mattresses are available for sleeping on the floor.



Open Air Facilities

Skogly Lodge (Outdoor) (18): Three open-air shelters, each with six wood bunks with mattresses. Must be rented with Skogly Lodge (Indoor). flush toilets. Built-in wood bunks with mattresses.

Beaver's Acre (30): Five open-air shelters, each with six wood bunks with mattresses. Small program shelter (no cook stove), latrine, cold water, fire circle, and gear locker.

Whispering Winds (Mariah and Chinook) (48): Mariah and Chinook each sleep 24, and can be rented separately or together. A total of eight open air cabins, each with six bunks with mattresses. A double-sided program shelter features wood cook stoves, fire circles, a latrine, cold water, and gear lockers.

Pioneer (30): Five open-air cabins, each with six wood bunks with mattresses. A program shelter contains a wood stove. Amenities include an outdoor fire circle, latrines, and cold running water. This unit is not accessible by vehicle.

Frontier (16): Four small platform tents (each sleeps four on cots), a program shelter with wood cook stove, and a gear locker. Amenities include an outdoor fire circle, latrine, and cold running water. This unit is not accessible by vehicle.

Moutaineer (28): Seven platform tents (each sleeps four on cots), a program shelter with a wood cook stove, and a gear locker. Amenities include an outdoor fire circle, latrine, and cold running water. This unit is not accessible by vehicle.

Misty Point (30+): Primitive site for pitched tent or tarp use, with a program shelter with fireplace and cook stove. Amenities also include an outdoor fire circle, latrine, and cold running water. This site is in a more remote area of camp.

Additional Facilities

Huckleberry Hut: This open-air program shelter has a fireplace, electricity, and cold running water. A pit latrine is located nearby in the main parking area.

Lodge of Nations: The main dining hall has a capacity of 220, and features a central fireplace, covered porch, and an outdoor fire circle with amphitheatre benches. Restrooms are located in the nearby shower house. This facility can be rented with or without the kitchen (kitchen open seasonally). No electrical heat.