

ENVIRONMENTAL LIVING / GROUP CAMPING

INDIAN GRINDING ROCK STATE HISTORIC PARK U'MACHA TAM'MA' ENVIRONMENTAL CAMPGROUND
14881 PINE GROVE-VOLCANO ROAD
PINE GROVE, CA 95665
(209)296-7488

THE EXPERIENCE

Camping in the U'MACHA TAM'MA' site is a unique experience. Here you can not only "get away from it all" and back in touch with the world we live in, but also get in touch with the way the Miwok people related to their environment for thousands of years.

Indian Grinding Rock State Historic Park in the Sierra Nevada foothills was and is a traditional gathering place for the Miwok people. In the autumns of past, the people would come to this area to gather and grind acorns on the grinding rock. The grinding rock contains 1,185 mortar cups and 363 petroglyphs or rock carvings. Today, the people still gather here in the fall to celebrate the acorn gathering time during the annual Big Time Celebration. Traditional dancing and singing is still conducted in the ceremonial Round House at the park.

THE CAMPSITES

In the Miwok language, U'MACHA TAM'MA' means bark houses, North. Seven Miwok bark houses have been built for your use. Made of cedar poles interwoven with grape vines and covered with cedar bark, they will accommodate up to six people each. No fire of any kind is allowed in the structures. The camp also has picnic tables, fire rings and amphitheatre style campfire benches. Chemical toilets and water are available near the parking area. Water and supplies must be carried about two hundred yards from the parking area to the campsites. Coin operated hot showers are available in the family campground.

RESERVATIONS

You may phone the park to set a tentative reservation date up to six months in advance. The camp site can be reserved for groups up to 44 people.

FEES: \$85.00 Per Night Total: Including

\$25.00 Per Night NON-REFUNDABLE
Reservation Deposit: Due Within 30
Days.

&

\$60.00 Per Night Camp Fee Due Upon
Arrival.

(Please make checks payable to: CA State Parks)

Fill out the reservation form below and mail it back along with your **Reservation Deposit** to:

Indian Grinding Rock State Historic Park
14881 Pine Grove-Volcano Road
Pine Grove, CA 95665

Attn: Environmental Camp Reservations

You will receive confirmation of your reservation by mail. Please pay the camp fees upon arrival at the park. Check in/out time is 12:00 noon. Stays are limited to seven days. The camp will be closed in December, January and February.

The road to U'MACHA TAM'MA' is located off the Museum/Day Use entrance road to the park. (See map on reverse) The road is posted "Authorized Vehicles Only". Enter the road and proceed 0.3 miles to the designated parking space on the left. There will only be room for approximately six vehicles in the small parking space. Any additional vehicles must be parked in the Day Use parking lot. Please leave a note in the window identifying the extra vehicles. Use the marked trail to reach the camp.

ENVIRONMENTAL LIVING PROGRAMS

Environmental living programs are actual living, overnight experiences for visitors that take place at any historic, cultural or natural site where the life-ways and customs of a people are recreated and studied. If you would like to use the campsite for a group learning experience, an ELP booklet and other resources are available. Please contact the park regarding these.

PLEASE REMEMBER

- To preserve the special nature of the camp, tent camping is discouraged.
- Gathering wood is prohibited; you must bring your own firewood, or purchase it in the family campground
- Fires are only allowed in the fire rings provided and may be prohibited entirely during periods of high fire danger.
- Dogs are not allowed in the camp.
- Do not leave valuables unattended.
- Help us to be good neighbors and respect adjoining private property.
- Keep your campsite clean; leave it looking as if no one had ever camped there.

Return Within 30 DAYS or Tentative Date Will Be Removed From Calendar

NAME OF GROUP: _____ NUMBER IN GROUP: _____ DATE _____
GROUP LEADER: _____ NUMBER OF ADULTS: _____
ADDRESS: _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____
_____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

DATES REQUESTED: 1st Choice: _____ 2nd Choice _____ 3rd Choice _____
NUMBER OF NIGHTS: 1ST Choice _____ 2nd Choice _____ 3rd Choice _____
PARK USE ONLY: Date Confirmed (Fee Paid) _____ Dates Not Available _____