



PRAIRIE CREEK REDWOODS STATE PARK

Gold Bluffs Beach Campground

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Magnificent groves of coast redwoods, among the tallest trees in the world at 300 feet and more, adorn this 14,000-acre park. Set aside in the 1920s by the people of California and the generosity of the Save the Redwoods League, Prairie Creek is a sanctuary of old-growth coast redwoods.

CAMPING is open to reservations for the majority of the year, but changes to first-come first-served for the winter months (typically November to February). Potable water, restrooms and showers are available. No hook-ups. Parking at campsites is limited to 2 vehicles in the designated parking space only. Extra vehicles must park in the designated overflow area. Overnight camping is limited to 8 people per site, including children. Tents must be pitched in the designated sites. No camping is allowed on the beach.

QUIET HOURS are from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Generators may only be operated between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. To ensure an enjoyable experience for everyone, please do not disturb other campers at any time of day or night.

CHECK-OUT TIME is noon. Please vacate your site by that time. Check-in is 2 p.m.

FIRES AND FIREWOOD: Fires are allowed only in established fire rings or camp stoves. Do not build ground fires outside the fire rings or leave campfires unattended. Do not gather firewood in the park—the nutrients must be allowed to recycle back into the ecosystem. You may purchase firewood from the park personnel.

VEHICLES must stay on designated roads and parking areas. Vehicles of all types may not exceed 24 feet in combined length or 8 feet in width. No trailers. Off-road vehicle operation is prohibited. Commercial fisherman with special access permits are the only vehicles allowed on the beach.

DAY-USE PARKING is allowed from sunrise until 1/2 hour after sunset. Day-use parking is prohibited in the campground.

BICYCLES are only permitted on roads and designated bike trails. Bicycles are prohibited on all other trails. Riders under 18 years of age must wear a helmet.

FISHING is allowed, subject to Department of Fish and Wildlife regulations at wildlife.ca.gov. The visitor is responsible to learn and obey these regulations.

DOGS must be on a leash (no longer than 6 feet) and under control at all times. Dogs are only allowed in the campground, on the beach and the main beach road. Dogs are not permitted on any of the park trails including Fern Canyon.

Dogs may not be left unattended and must be kept inside a tent or vehicle at night. Please be courteous and clean up after your pets. Keep dogs leashed, under control or in a car.

FERN CANYON is open year round from 9 a.m. until dusk (weather and trail conditions permitting). Seasonal footbridges are available only during the summer. Waterproof shoes and/ or boots are recommended the rest of the year.

Reservations are required to drive to Fern Canyon, May 15 through September 15. Reservations are not required to hike in using the James Irvine Trail from Elk Prairie. Dogs and bikes are not permitted in Fern Canyon. Reservations for Fern Canyon are not required for visitors camping at Gold Bluffs Beach. For more information, visit RedwoodParksConservancy.org/reservations.

WILD ANIMALS: Help save a bear. To ensure that you will not have a negative encounter with wildlife, please dispose of all garbage immediately and keep a clean camp at all times.

Bear-resistant metal lockers are provided for each campsite. All food, beverages, and scented items are required by law to be stored in the provided lockers, unless being consumed or preparing for consumption.

ROOSEVELT ELK can be seen throughout Gold Bluffs Beach. Please remember that elk are wild animals and can be unpredictable. Do not approach them under any circumstances and keep a safe distance at all times.

OCEAN WAVES AND CURRENTS can be unpredictable at any time of year. Never turn your back to the ocean while enjoying the beach and keep a special watch on young children.

CAMPING RESERVATIONS: Call 800-444-7275 (711, TTY Relay Service) or visit ReserveCalifornia.com.
California State Parks supports equal access. For accommodation requests, including alternative formats, contact 707-465-7354. For information about accessible features, visit parks.ca.gov/AccessibleFeatures.



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