



# The Cove Palisades

## CAMPGROUND



## The Cove Palisades State Park

Off US 97, 15 miles SW of Madras  
7300 Jordan Road, Culver, OR 97734  
541-546-3412



Latitude: 44.54648 N  
Longitude: -121.250542 W

**Reserve early!** Reserve campsites and cabins one day to nine months in advance by calling 1-800-452-5687 or visiting [www.oregonstateparks.org](http://www.oregonstateparks.org).

The Cove Palisades State Park offers two campgrounds and opportunities for year-round recreation amidst a scenic high desert canyon reservoir in central Oregon.

### Crooked River Campground

(Open mid-February to mid-December)

- 88 electrical sites with water
- RV dump station
- Paved parking, picnic table, and fire ring at all sites
- Flush toilets and hot showers
- Firewood for sale
- Outdoor amphitheater
- Fenced, off-leash pet exercise area

### Deschutes Campground

(Open mid-May to mid-September)

- 85 full-hookup sites with sewer, electricity, and water (13 pull-through)
- 91 tent sites with water nearby
- Paved parking, picnic table, and fire ring at all sites
- 3 group tent camping areas (one RV per area, no hookups)
- Flush toilets and hot showers
- Firewood for sale
- Camp store
- 21 reservable boat moorages
- Fish cleaning station
- Outdoor amphitheater
- Fenced, off-leash pet exercise area

### Universal Access

Campsites A25, B17, E14, E39, E44, and E70 are accessible according to the Americans with Disabilities Act.

### Camping Rates

Rates are subject to change. You can get up-to-date information by calling 1-800-551-6949 or visiting [www.oregonstateparks.org](http://www.oregonstateparks.org).

**Need to cancel** your reservation? Follow these guidelines: If your reservation is for today call 541-546-3412. Otherwise, call 1-800-452-5687.

### Enjoy Year-Round Cabin Comforts

The Cove has three deluxe cabins available to rent. The three-room cabins sleep five and feature bathrooms, showers, and beds with vinyl-covered mattresses. They also have microwaves, gas barbecues, and refrigerators as well as covered porches that overlook the lake. The parking pad length at each cabin is 30 feet. No pets are allowed. Reserve early; cabins book quickly.

### So Much to do

**Fishing:** Lake Billy Chinook is home to kokanee salmon, small and large mouth bass, and a number of trout species, especially bull trout. The Crooked River and Deschutes River Day-use Areas are open year-round.

**Boating:** The marina has boat moorage as well as boats and houseboats for rent. It also has a store and a restaurant. Season runs Memorial Day to Labor Day. Call 541-546-9999.

**Hiking:** The park offers 10 miles of trails, from short connecting trails to the seven-mile Tam-a-lau Trail. (NOTE: Please stay on established trails. Rattlesnakes inhabit the area; be alert.)

### Day-use Amenities

The Cove Palisades has three day-use areas, one on the Crooked River arm of the reservoir and two on the Deschutes River. Each has a boat ramp, courtesy dock, sandy beaches, picnic sites, and a restroom. Day-use parking permits are required. Your camping receipt serves as a daily permit for each of the days you are registered. Purchase a daily permit from a fee machine at the park. Annual and 24-month permits are also sold online at [store.oregonstateparks.org](http://store.oregonstateparks.org), at major park offices and at some merchants near the park.

Smoking in Oregon State Parks is allowed only in personal vehicles, RVs, campsites and portions of day use parks along state highways that are designated as safety rest areas by the Oregon Department of Transportation.

### Park Information:

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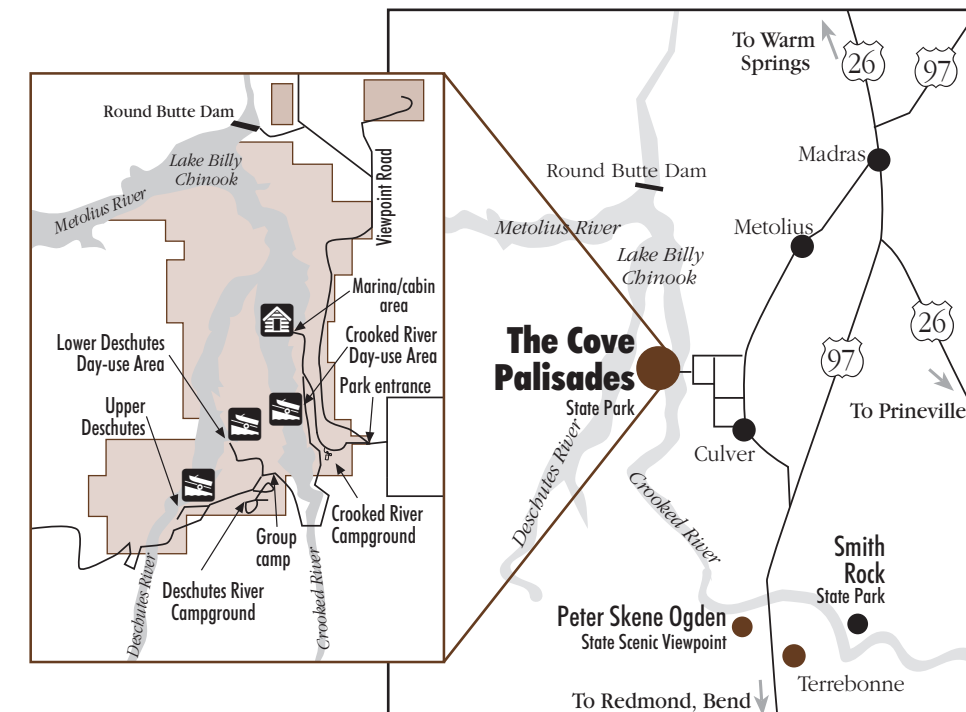
### Shaped by Fire and Water

Geologists say that 10-12 million years ago, alternating layers of stream sediments, volcanic debris, and basaltic lava flows from the Cascade Range were deposited into a huge basin in this area. Named "The Deschutes Formation," these exposed layers of material were capped by lava flows from Cascade volcanoes three million years ago. This cap, known as "The Rimrock Basalt," is visible throughout the park high atop the cliffs. Subsequent periods of water erosion and volcanic activity formed today's dramatic canyons and vertical cliffs.

Named "The Cove" by the original homesteader, the word "Palisades" refers to the tall column-like formations in the basalt rimrocks. Lake Billy Chinook was formed by the construction of Round Butte Dam in 1964.

Ancient area inhabitants carved mysterious symbols into a massive boulder called the "Crooked River Petroglyph." It lies near the group camp below a formation called Ship Rock.

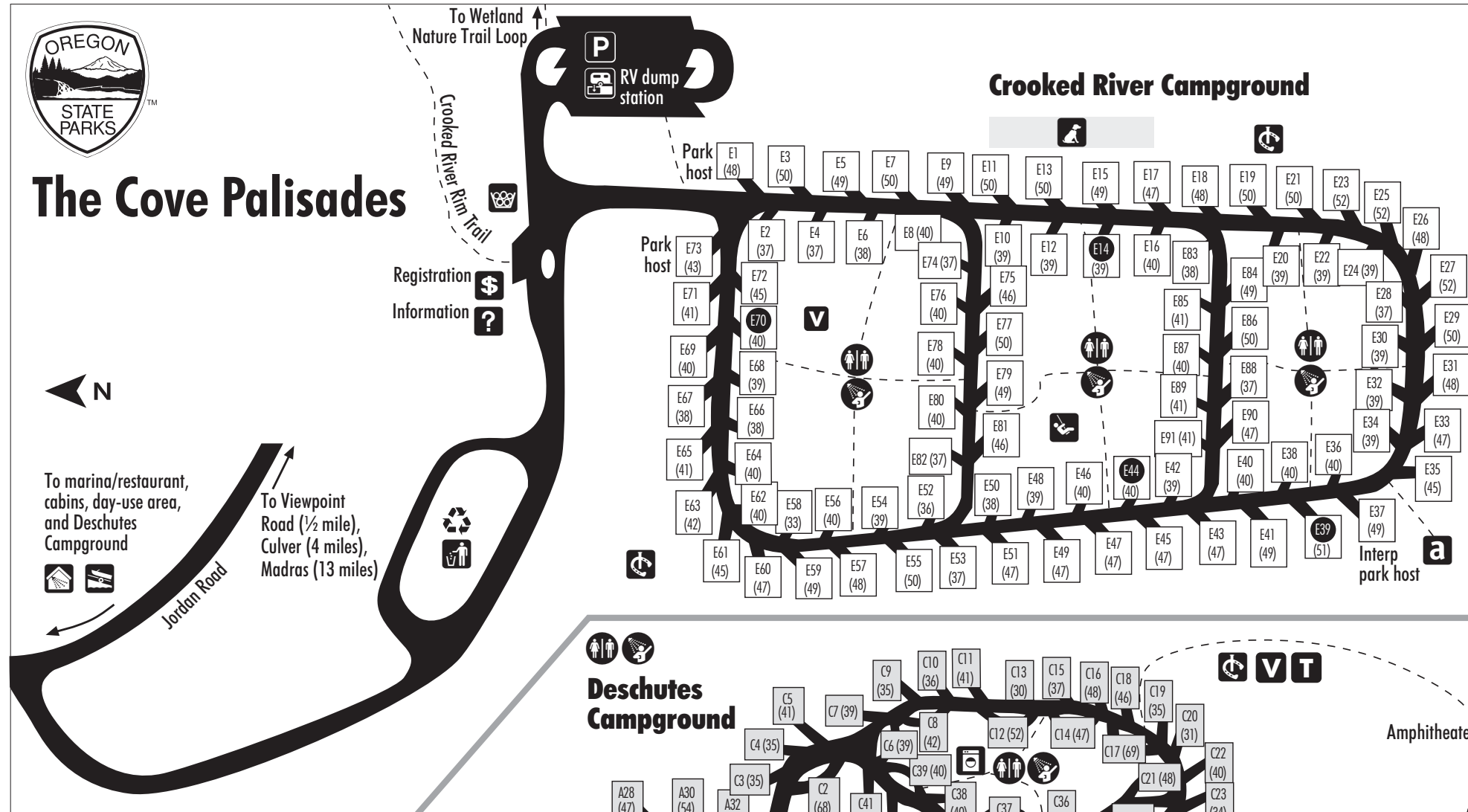
Support your parks by becoming a member of the Oregon State Parks Foundation. Free 12-month day-use parking permit with your membership. [oregonstateparksfoundation.org](http://oregonstateparksfoundation.org).





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## Crooked River Campground



- Campground quiet hours are between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m.
- A maximum of six people and one extra vehicle are allowed per site. **NOTE:** Parking for one vehicle is included in the campsite rate; a second vehicle is subject to an extra vehicle fee per night. No overflow parking is available for a third vehicle.
- All paths and trails in the campground, as well as the areas around park buildings and the amphitheater, are open to foot traffic only.
- Bicycles are permitted on park roads, but must be ridden with the traffic flow. Riders younger than 16 must wear helmets.
- Pets must be physically restrained at all times when not confined in a vehicle or tent. Leashes must be no longer than six feet. All waste must be properly removed. (See our "Pets in Parks" brochure for details.)

**Check-in** after 4 p.m., **Check-out** by 1 p.m.

## Deschutes Campground

