

OLYMPIC NATIONAL PARK

HEART O' THE HILLS CAMPGROUND AREA

The following information will help familiarize you with facilities in the Heart O' the Hills campground area. Five miles from the Olympic Park Visitor Center on the Hurricane Ridge Road, the area offers a *105 site campground* and *three trailheads*. Campfire programs are given nightly in the campground amphitheater from July 1 through Labor Day. For your convenience, up-to-date information is posted on bulletin boards located near each restroom in the campground.

REFER TO MAP ON THE REVERSE SIDE FOR THE FOLLOWING:

TRAILHEADS

Heart O'the Forest Trail: Starting in Loop "E" of the campground, the trail winds through a dense forest of douglas fir, western hemlock, and western red cedar. It ends at the park boundary, 2 miles from the campground. Lake Creek which drains Lake Angeles (approximately 3-1/2 miles south) is audible in the gulley below you as you approach the boundary.

Lake Angeles Trail: This trail starts a short distance across from the campground entrance, at the end of the spur road by the ranger station. Ample parking is available at the trailhead behind the employee housing area. The trail climbs 2450 feet in 3.5 miles to Lake Angeles. Water is available along the way. You can continue another 3 miles and 1800 feet to the Klahhane Ridge/Heather Park/Switchback trail junction. This creates four options: descent 1600 feet in 1.5 miles via the Switchback Trail to the Hurricane Ridge Road; traverse 3.6 miles with a net loss of 620 feet to the Hurricane Ridge Lodge; descent 4000 feet in 6.4 miles via Heather Park to Heart O' the Hills; or return via Lake Angeles, down 4000 feet in 6.5 miles to Heart O' the Hills.

Heather Park Trail: Visible from the Lake Angeles Trailhead, this trail climbs 4000 feet in 6.4 miles to Klahhane Ridge. Hiking

options include the same as for Lake Angeles Trail, once Klahhane Ridge is reached. Halfway Rock, a viewpoint at 2.2 miles; and Heather Park, a meadow setting at 4.1 miles are common destinations in themselves.

FACILITIES AND SERVICES

The *Ranger Entrance Station* is manned Memorial Day weekend through the end of September. Park maps are available at this location. For emergencies a telephone is available nearby or inquire at the employee residential area.

A pay *telephone* is adjacent to the ranger entrance station. For general information contact the Olympic Park Visitor Center at 452-0330.

Restrooms are available in the campground.

The nearest *dump stations* are in Port Angeles. Visit the Olympic Park Visitor Center for directions or check campground bulletin boards.

The nearest *food services* are available in Port Angeles. During the summer months and winter ski season, meals are available at Hurricane Ridge Visitor Center during daytime hours (during the winter on weekends and holidays only).

Lodging is available in Port Angeles. There is no camping or overnight lodging at Hurricane Ridge. Camping is available year around at Heart O' the Hills campground. Camping limit is fourteen days per campground within the park.

Showers are available for a reasonable fee at the William Shore Memorial Pool (225 East 5th, Port Angeles), Monday through Friday, 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Saturday from 7am to 9a.m., noon to 3p.m. and 6p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Sundays from 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Heart of the Hills Campground (Elevation 1807')

