

# Sleeping Bear Dunes

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## White Pine Backcountry Campground

This campground is within wilderness. Designated Wilderness areas are the most protected public lands in America. They are managed with restraint to preserve characters of wildness and solitude. The Sleeping Bear Dunes Wilderness, within the boundaries of the Lakeshore, is over 30,000 acres. Practice Leave No Trace.

### Leave No Trace includes 7 Principles:

1. Plan ahead and prepare
2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces
3. Dispose of waste properly
4. Leave what you find
5. Minimize campfire impacts
6. Respect wildlife
7. Be considerate of other visitors

Leave No Trace Seven Principles © 1999 by the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics: [www.LNT.org](http://www.LNT.org).

### Permits and Passes

A backcountry permit and park pass are required to camp at White Pine Backcountry Campground. For reservations, visit [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov) and search "White Pine Backcountry Campground Permits" or call 1-877-444-6777. There is a fee of \$13 per night for each campsite permit. Sites are available year-round and can be made seven days in advance of your arrival date. Park pass information is available at <https://www.nps.gov/slbe/planyourvisit/fees.htm>.

### Permit Conditions

1. This is a required permit area. **Print your permit and have it in your possession during your stay.**
2. Check-in time is 2 pm. Check-out time is noon. Quiet hours are 10 pm to 6 am. Noise levels must be controlled at all times.
3. **A maximum of two tents and four people are permitted at each backcountry campsite.** To minimize impact to natural resources, set up your tent in the cleared area of your campsite. Do not set up your tent on vegetation.
4. Camp only in one of the six designated campsites. **Sites are not assigned in advance. Campers choose from the unoccupied sites upon arrival.** Each site has a numbered post at its entrance.
5. Use a backpack-style stove for cooking or use the community fire rings provided. Only burn dead, down, and detached wood in the fire ring. Do not burn trash or leave aluminum, glass, or other non-burnable materials in the fire ring. Beach fires are restricted to bare beach sand between the water's edge and the first dune. Do not leave fires unattended.
6. Carry out all refuse. Please leave a clean, neat campsite for the next camper.
7. **Pets are prohibited in White Pine Backcountry Campground.**
8. Bicycles, wheeled devices, wheelbarrows, wagons, carts, and trailers are prohibited on the Platte Plains trail and the White Pine Backcountry Campground. Do not create short-cuts.
9. Keep all food, drinks, coolers, toiletries, hygiene products, trash, recyclables, and scented items stored in the provided food storage lockers when not in use. Do not feed the wildlife.

**Violation of terms may result in permit suspension, revocation, and/or a citation by law enforcement.**

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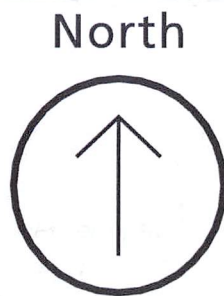
White Pine Backcountry Campground is located in the southern part of Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore. It is about 2.5 miles north of Platte River Campground and Ranger Station. The backcountry campground is within walking distance of Lake Michigan. There are six campsites, two fire rings, pit toilet, and two shared bear proof storage lockers. Plan to pack your water into the campsite, as there is no well in the campground.

## Access and Parking

The campground may be accessed from any of the trailheads for Platte Plains Trail. Most campers choose to enter from either Peterson Road or Trails End Road. Please park your vehicle only in designated areas. Do not park overnight in loading/unloading spaces.

**Map Key**

- Information
- Pit toilet
- Food storage locker
- Campsite
- Campfire ring



**End of campground**  
Campground does not connect to Platte Plains Trail to the north.

