

Winter Camping at GSCNC

Camping in the winter is fun, exciting and beautiful! All of our GSCNC Camps are open in the winter and offer plenty of exciting winter lodging options. Once you know how the camps change in the winter, you'll be all set to camp!

Washstands: All above-ground washstands are shut off for the winter to avoid bursting water pipes. For water at units, please use the year-round frost-free water hydrants; see chart below to see which units have hydrants.

Seasonal Water: At many units, when the washstands are turned off, there are year-round, frost-free water hydrants that provide safe drinking and cooking water for your troop. Some units do not have year-round hydrants and water must be brought in from different units or outside camp; check out the chart to see which units do not have year-round water.

Closed for Winter: Some units are closed for the winter. Most Lodges at all camps stay open during the winter.

Bathroom Changes: At White Rock, all units stay open, because the bathrooms (and water) are open year round. Check out the chart below.

Winter Season: Different camps shut down for winter at different times. Take a look at the chart to see when winter changes take effect.

Winter Weekend Day Use: Non-lodge units that are open for winter camping are now available for Day Use reservations on Fridays and Saturdays during each camp's winter season! See chart for each camp's specific winter season.

[Check out the chart below for more information about winter camping.](#)

[If questions, contact the camping department at 202-534-3793!](#)



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Camp Winter Season	Closed for Winter No Water	UNITS OPEN for Winter: Washstands Turned OFF but Water Hydrant Stays On Latrines or Bathrooms Available	LODGES: Open for Winter Use
Aquasco (Nov 1 – April 1)	FARM SIDE CLOSED Cherry, Golden Valley, Hiker's Hill, Pine, Star View, Sumac, Valley View	Sunnyside Glen Shelter Unit Open	Aquascape Lodge
Brighton Woods (Nov 1 – April 1)		All Glen Shelter Units Open but no water in washstands:	Brighton Lodge Friendship Lodge Meadowside Lodge
Coles Trip (Nov 1 – April 1)	All Glen Shelter Units Closed, Covered Wagons		Arrowhead Lodge Freedom Lodge Ross Lodge White House Lodge
Crowell (Nov 1 – April 1)	Blueberry Hill Hammocks – Hammocks removed, can still be used as primitive site	All Glen Shelter Units Open but no water in washstand.	Ashgrove Lodge Firefly Lodge Juliette's Place Lodge
May Flather (Oct 15 – April 15)	All Glen Shelter and Platform Tent Units Closed		Stone Lodge Staff House
Potomac Woods (Nov 1 – April 1)	Greenbrier Hammocks – Hammocks removed, can still be used as a primitive site	All Glen Shelter Units Open but no water in washstand.	Abie's, Bluff, Sparky's Knoll , Kresge, Mountford, Ridge Lodges
White Rock (Oct 15 – April 15)	Dudley Dining Hall and Commercial Kitchen* Dogwood Hammocks – Hammocks removed, can still be used as a primitive site	All Glen Shelter, Wagon, Treehouse Units Open with indoor bathrooms.	Buckskin, Chinkapin, Cooper, Scout House, Shawnee Lodges
Winona (Oct 31 – April 15)	All Glen Shelter Units Closed		Cafritz Lodge, Cedar Lodge, Laurel Lodge, Promise Lodge, Sassafras Lodge, Sycamore Lodge

*Commercial kitchens at all properties are not available for troop use and are only for use by service unit encampments, core camps and other Council-sponsored activities with Camping Dept. permission.