



The Olympic Wilderness

Flapjack Lakes Wilderness Destination

Official web site: www.nps.gov/olym

Olympic National Park is one of the wildest places left in the contiguous United States. In 1988, Congress designated 95% of Olympic as wilderness to further protect the wild areas of the park from development. Congress defines Wilderness as "...an area where the earth and its community of life are untrammelled by man, where man himself is a visitor and does not remain." These areas "shall be administered for the use and enjoyment of the American people in such a manner as will leave them unimpaired for future use and enjoyment as wilderness..." Learn more about your National Wilderness Preservation System at www.wilderness.net.

Each year, nearly 40,000 people camp in the Olympic Wilderness. Because of the large number of people, each of us should take the time to consider what effect our actions have on wildlife, plants, other visitors and the overall wildness of Olympic National Park.

Camping

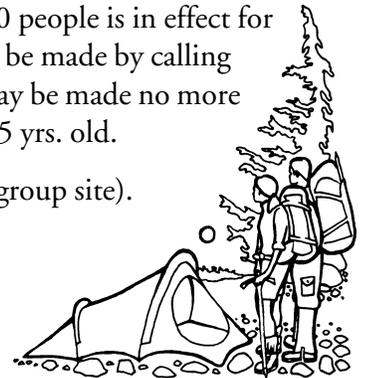
Permits: A Wilderness Permit is required for all overnight trips. An overnight quota of 30 people is in effect for Flapjack Lakes and Gladys Divide from May 1 through September 30. Reservations may be made by calling the Wilderness Information Center (WIC) (360) 565-3100 prior to trip. Reservations may be made no more than 30 days in advance. A Permit costs \$5 plus \$2 per person, per night for those over 15 yrs. old.

Campsites: 9 sites, 1 group site (parties of more than 6 people must camp in designated group site).

Toilets: Pit toilets are available at lakes. Do not throw trash in toilets.

Water Source: Flapjack Lakes and outlet stream.

Stock: Closed to stock.



Special Concerns

Leave No Trace: Camp in designated sites only. Camping or walking on vegetation will kill it. Pack it in-Pack it out. Lake and stream water is too cold to breakdown biodegradable soaps, food particles and fish entrails. Pack all food particles out with your trash. Bury fish entrails at least 200 feet from campsites or water.

Fires: Subalpine forests and meadows need dead and decaying wood for nutrients. Because of the general lack of dead wood, no fires are allowed at Flapjack Lakes or elsewhere above 3,500 feet.

Wildlife: All food, garbage and scented items must be stored in bear canisters or hung from the bear wires at Flapjack Lakes. Never store food in your tent or backpack! Protect yourself and bears by properly securing food.

Revegetation: The popularity of Flapjack Lakes has resulted in extreme erosion evidenced by a multitude of trails and sprawling bare ground campsites. In 1993, park staff and volunteers began an extensive restoration project to revegetate impacted areas and stabilize campsites and trails. Please Leave No Trace.

A Few Regulations: Pets, weapons and vehicles are prohibited on trails and in the park backcountry.

Group size for overnight trips is limited to 12 persons. Larger groups must split up and camp and travel at least 1 mile apart and may not congregate in groups larger than 12 at any time.

-  Ranger Station
-  Campsite
-  Group site
-  Toilet

- **Camp only in designated sites.**
- **No campfires!**
- **Always use bear wires. Never store food in your tent!**
- **Help protect fragile vegetation. Avoid revegetation areas.**

