



## How To: Boat-in Camping Reservations at Point Reyes National Seashore

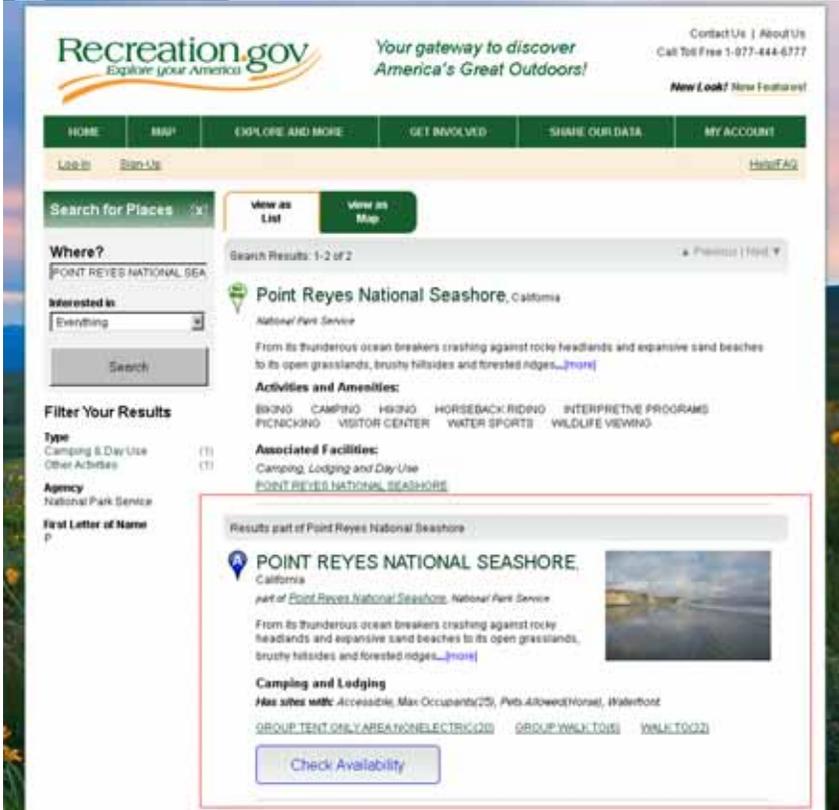
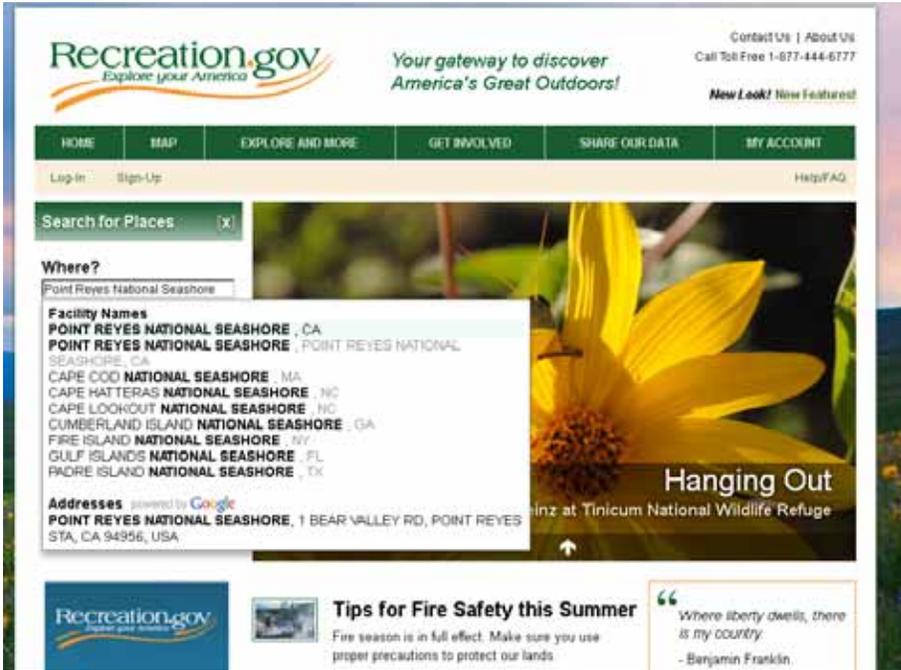
### Step One:

Open a web browser and navigate to [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov) . Or click this [link](#) and skip to step three.



Step Two:

On recreation.gov search for Point Reyes National Seashore.



Step Three:

Change the loop via drop down menu to Tomales Bay and enter your Arrival Date and Length of stay.

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### POINT REYES NATIONAL SEASHORE, CA

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**58 site(s) found**  
**ALL (58)** [GROUP TENT ONLY AREA NONELECTRIC \(20\)](#) [GROUP WALK TO \(6\)](#)

Facility Details Facility Map Site List

#### Find Sites [x]

**Loop**  
Tomales Bay

Site #

**Looking for**  
Any type of site

**Arrival date**  
Wed Sep 12 2012  
Not Flexible

Length of stay: 1

Accessibility needs  
 Pets allowed

#### Overview

From its thunderous ocean breakers crashing against rocky headlands and expansive sand beaches to its open grasslands, brushy hillsides and forested ridges, Point Reyes offers visitors over 1000 species of plants and animals to discover. Bordered by the San Andreas Fault, home to several cultures over thousands of years, the Seashore preserves a tapestry of stories and interactions of people. Point Reyes awaits your exploration.

Five campgrounds are available for reservations - four hike-in/bike-in campgrounds and one boat-in campground. For more information, please click here <http://www.nps.gov/pore/index.htm>.

#### Natural Features:

Point Reyes is a peninsula, one and half hours north of San Francisco providing a welcome respite for the surrounding urban area. Wooded hillsides give way to chaparral and grasslands with 140 miles of hiking trails and seven beaches.

#### Recreation:

Activities include hiking, limited bike riding along the borders of the Philip Burton Wilderness, bird watching, and beach walking. In the winter season whale watching and Northern Elephant seal

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Step Four:

Select your permit category. Boat-in A permits are for groups of 1 to 6 people. Boat-in B permits are for groups of 7 to 14 people. The category A & B permits are non-site specific; you are not assigned a specific beach.

The named sites—Marshall Group 1 & 2 and Tomales Bay Group—are for large groups of 15 to 25 people. If you acquire one of these permits, you are required to camp at a specific beach, i.e., Marshall Group 1 & 2 at Marshall Beach and Tomales Bay Group at Tomales Beach.

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**14 site(s) available out of 20 matching site(s)** (Clear search and show all)  
**ALL (14)** GROUP TENT ONLY AREA NONELECTRIC (14)

Facility Details	Facility Map	Site List	Date Range Availability
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Site Search Results: 1-5 of 5

Online availability	Site#	Facility Area	Site type	Max # of people	Equip length/ Driveway	Amenities
available (6 sites) Book Now From \$0.00*	<a href="#">BOAT-IN A</a> 	Nonspecific+	GROUP TENT ONLY AREA NONELECTRIC	6		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
available (5 sites) Book Now From \$0.00*	<a href="#">BOAT-IN B</a> 	Nonspecific+	GROUP TENT ONLY AREA NONELECTRIC	14		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
available Book Now From \$0.00*	<a href="#">MARSHALL GROUP 1</a> 	Tomales Bay	GROUP TENT ONLY AREA NONELECTRIC	25		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
available Book Now From \$0.00*	<a href="#">MARSHALL GROUP 2</a> 	Tomales Bay	GROUP TENT ONLY AREA NONELECTRIC	25		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
available Book Now From \$0.00*	<a href="#">TOMALES BAY GROUP</a> 	Tomales Bay	GROUP TENT ONLY AREA NONELECTRIC	25		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

**Find Sites** [x]

**Loop**  
Tomales Bay

Site #

**Looking for**  
Any type of site

**Arrival date**  
Wed Sep 12 2012  
Not Flexible

Length of stay: 1

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Search

Step Five:

Book your permit! Only 6 Category A and 6 Category B permits are issued each day. The named large group sites (Marshall 1 & 2 and Tomales Bay Group) only have one permit available for each day (3 total).

Please note: Category A permits are \$20 per night, Category B are \$40 per night, and the named group sites are \$50 per night. While the Price Rate may indicate \$0 per night, the appropriate fee will be displayed after you enter the number of people in your group.

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Site: **BOAT-IN A+**  
Type: **GROUP TENT ONLY AREA NONELECTRIC**

**Non-Site-Specific Reservation:**  
Park staff will assign you a site during check-in.

< Previous 2 weeks Sep 2012 Next 2 weeks >

12 W	13 T	14 F	15 S	16 S	17 M	18 T	19 W	20 T	21 F	22 S	23 S	24 M	25 T
A 6	A 6	A 6	A 5	A 6	A 6	A 5	A 5	A 6	A 6	A 4	A 6	A 6	A 6

View Legend  
"A" marks avail. dates  
A 99 ← Avail. Status Sites Avail.  
● marks your dates

Reservation Window: Wed Aug 01 2012 – Wed Jan 30 2013

Arrival date:  Length of stay:  Departure date:   
Check-in: 12:00 pm Nights: Check-out: 12:00 pm

**Price Rate:\*** \$0.00 Per Night  
(\*Rate is based on arrival date and may vary across dates; displayed rates do not include incremental charges for additional occupants, vehicles, discounts, fees or taxes)

**Site Details:**

- Site Type: GROUP TENT ONLY AREA NONELECTRIC
- Site Reserve Type: Non Site-Specific

**WARNING:** This site is only accessible by boat

Additional Information:

The site map of Tomales Bay (below) on recreation.gov does not accurately represent the physical layout of Tomales Bay or the beaches open to camping. Please download the [Tomales Bay Boat-in Campsites map](#) for a more accurate depiction of the location of beaches where camping is available.

The screenshot displays the recreation.gov search results for Tomales Bay. On the left, a search filter panel is visible with the following fields: Location (Tomales Bay), Site #, Looking for (Any type of site), Arrival date (Thu Aug 16 2012), Not Flexible, Length of stay (1), and checkboxes for Accessibility needs and Pets allowed. The top navigation bar includes tabs for Facility Details, Facility Map, Site List, and Date Range Availability. The main content area shows search results for 1-5 of 5 sites, with a legend for 'Available online' (blue square) and 'Unavailable online' (brown square). The map displays Tomales Bay with various sites marked by blue and brown icons. Labels on the map include McClures Beach, Kehoe Beach, Abbotts Lagoon, Walker Creek, Tomales Bay, and Marshall. A white star icon is placed on the map near Tomales Bay. The bottom of the page shows 'Site Search Results: 1-5 of 5' with navigation arrows.