Outdoor Guide
2020-2021

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.
# What’s Inside

Camping and Outdoor Program ................................................................. 3
   Day Camps, Mini Camps, and Camporees ............................................. 3
   Resident Camp .................................................................................... 3
   Troop/Group Camping ........................................................................ 3
   Camp Training in Our Council ............................................................. 4
Outdoor Progression ............................................................................. 5
Adventure Program on Land ................................................................. 6
   Adventure Playgrounds, Teams Course, and High Ropes ..................... 6
   Archery ............................................................................................... 7
   Slingshots ......................................................................................... 7
   Backpacking/Wilderness Travel .......................................................... 7
   Bouldering, Indoor Climbing Wall, and Rock Climbing ......................... 7
   Caving at Camp Stem ......................................................................... 7
   Letterboxing, Geocaching, and Orienteering ......................................... 7
Aquatic Adventures ............................................................................. 8
   Swimming .......................................................................................... 8
   Canoes and Funyaks ......................................................................... 8
   Kayaks .............................................................................................. 8
   Canoe/Kayak Availability ................................................................... 8
   Sailboats and Windsurfers ................................................................. 8
   Certified and Council-Credentialed Instructors .................................... 8
Camp Property Reservations ............................................................... 9
   Reserving a Campsite at a Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana Property ............. 9
   What Kind of Reservation Can I Make? .............................................. 9
   What Are the Camps Facilities? ......................................................... 9
   How Soon Can a Site Be Reserved? .................................................... 9
   After You Decide Where You Want to Camp ....................................... 9
   Additional Requirements For Camping More Than Two Nights .......... 9
   Refunds/Cancellations .................................................................... 9
Camp Map ............................................................................................ 10
Camp Facilities Checklist .................................................................... 11
Camp Barren Ridge ............................................................................... 13
Bear Creek Aquatic Camp .................................................................... 15
Houchens Program Center .................................................................... 17
Camp Pennyroyal .................................................................................. 19
Camp Shantituck .................................................................................. 22
Camp Whippoorwill ............................................................................. 25
Girl Scout camping offers girls the opportunity to learn to live comfortably in the out-of-doors, to develop their awareness of the world around them, to become more self-reliant, and to be a contributing member of the group. Girls may attend camp with girls in their own troops, in their neighborhood, or as individuals. Camping offers the opportunities to gain knowledge and skills.

**How can you get started?** Look for programs offered at our various GSK camps that you and your girls can attend. Watch for locally planned weekend camps or summer day camps. These are wonderful ways to try outdoor experiences with others who are leading the planning and preparation.

**Day Camps, Mini Camps, and Camporees**

Day camps and camporees are great volunteer-led opportunities for outdoor fun. They are held throughout the council in parks, on private land, and at council-owned camps. They are staffed by trained adults, often all volunteers. Areas or service units decide what locations will best serve the girls in their locale, who will serve on their staff, and plan the program for the camp. Council staff trains the camp’s hub staff, supports them in their planning and program development, and sometimes provides specialty staffing. Day camps are typically four or five days long with one overnight. Mini Camps and Camporees are one to three days long with girls staying every night. Depending on the event, girls either attend as individuals/buddies or as part of a troop/group with accompanying troop/group adults.

Usually volunteer hub staffs—directors, business manager, and leaders—are recruited to plan and carry out the program with the campers. Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors serve as teen mentors to assist the campers with their program. Day camps and camporees offer girls the opportunity to expand their camping skills beyond their troop with adults and older girls that they may already know through other local events.

**Resident Camp**

Summer resident camp is a more extended and intensive camp experience. It gives girls the opportunity to develop outdoor skills, gain self-esteem, try new experiences, and build self-reliance by spending several days away from home under the guidance of trained counselors. At resident camp, girls may stay from three to 10 days at Bear Creek Aquatic Camp and Camp Pennyroyal.

Usually girls register for resident camp as individuals, but sometimes campers like to sign up with friends in their troop. The resident camp brochure contains complete information about the programs offered.

**Troop/Group Camping**

Troops and other Girl Scout groups can plan day outings, an overnight at a camp building, an overnight at established tent units, tent camping at a local campground, a local state park, or elsewhere. These outings can create memories of a lifetime and can be highlights of your troop year!

When you and your troop are ready to get outside, GSK is ready to support you. Because camping is typically a riskier activity than your troop meeting, GSUSA requires specific outdoor training. One or more adults who are leading the planning and accompanying your troop must be appropriately trained. A trained adult is necessary for a day outing that includes a hike and roasted marshmallows, as well as for more extensive camping. Trained adults do not need to be part of the troop leadership team, but all attending the event, including girls and all adults, must be willing to abide by the directions of the trained adult.
Council permission is required for troop camping. Permission to camp on a site other than one of our Girl Scout properties is obtained by using the Travel Application. Council permission is granted when you have obtained an approved reservation at one of our campsites.

When a Girl Scout group goes camping, it’s possible to take along men and boys, too. Boys who are children of volunteers sometimes need to go along. There are some guidelines that must be followed which include separate sleeping quarters for them and separate restroom facilities. This might include a tent for the guys or a separate room within a building. You’ll want to look at various facilities and what is offered there if men are accompanying your group. Additionally, they must stay with the Girl Scout group while at a council property rather than exploring on their own.

**Camp Training in Our Council**

Our array of camping classes focuses on safety, on age-appropriate outdoor experiences, and on progressing from simple one day excursions for our beginners to complex outings loved by our more experienced girls.

Begin your camp training with a class called **Camp In**. It qualifies you to take girls out for the day, to build fires, to use charcoal, and/or stay overnight in a building. Sometimes this class is offered in two parts, A and B. Both parts are required to be approved for camping.

After you have taken Camp In, build your camping credentials by taking **Camp Out**. Then you will be qualified to camp in tents at established locations with toilets or latrines and with approved water supply. Plus, you’ll add skills to your repertoire and experience several types of camp cooking.

Ready to go beyond Camp Out, but not quite ready for Wilderness Travel? Want to be able to camp way beyond established campsites and practice some traditional Girl Scout camping skills? **Camp Way Out** is the class for you! It is geared toward leaders preparing to lead Cadettes and Seniors through the camp badges: Primitive Camper and Adventure Camper. Come learn camp skills such as lashing, improvised shelters, how to protect your food from critters, and other advanced camping skills. You’ll cook two meals, pitch tents, learn how to use a hatchet and ax safely, and practice lots of other great camping skills.

For leaders of older girls who are ready to take the next step, **Wilderness Travel** is the class that builds on Camp Out knowledge. It qualifies you to camp in remote locations where it is necessary to treat/filter water, dispose of human waste in the woods, and deal with non-perishable food.

Visit the Training section of our website for more information and to register for a class.
Outdoor Progression

Progression allows girls to learn the skills they need to become competent in the outdoors, including how to plan and organize outdoor activities. Acknowledge a girl’s mastery of an outdoor skill and invite her to challenge herself further by taking that next step up and out! Outdoor fun can be endless when girls lead.

LEAVE NO TRACE PRINCIPLES:
- Plan Ahead & Prepare
- Leave What You Find
- Respect Wildlife
- Minimize Campfire Impacts
- Dispose of Waste Properly
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors
- Travel & Camp on Durable Surfaces
- Minimize Campfire Impacts
- Dispose of Waste Properly
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors

Look Out
Share past experiences in the outdoors.
Talk about favorite outdoor places and why they’re special.
Wonder what else can be seen in the outdoors.

Meet Out
Step outside to look, listen, feel, and smell.
Share what was observed.
Learn more about what was discovered.

Move Out
Plan and take a short walk outside.
Discuss being prepared for the weather.
Do activities to explore nature.
Plan and carry out an indoor sleepover.

Explore Out
Plan and take a short and easy hike.
Discuss what to take in a day pack.
Dress for the weather.
Plan a healthy snack or lunch.
Learn how to stay safe in the outdoors.

Cook Out
Plan and cook a simple meal outdoors.
Make a list of gear and food supplies needed.
Learn and practice skills needed to cook a meal.
Review outdoor cooking safety.
Practice hand and dish sanitation.
Create a Kaper Chart for the cookout.

Sleep Out
Plan and carry out an overnight in a cabin/ backyard.
Discuss what to pack for the sleep out.
Learn to use and care for camping gear.
Learn and practice new outdoor skills.
Plan a menu with a new cooking skill.
Discuss campsite organization.
Plan time for fun activities.

Camp Out
Plan and take a 1- to 2-night camping trip.
Take more responsibility for planning.
Learn and practice a new outdoor skill.
Learn a new outdoor cooking skill.
Plan a food budget, then buy and pack food.
Practice campsite set up.
Plan an agenda that includes fun activities.
Explore/protect the surrounding environment.

Adventure Out
Plan and take an outdoor trip for several days.
Learn and practice a new outdoor skill.
Learn a new outdoor cooking skill.
Develop first-aid skills and use safety check points.
Budget, schedule, and make arrangements.
Participate in an environmental service project.
Teach and inspire others about the outdoors.
Imagine new experiences to be had outdoors.
Practice all Leave No Trace principles.
Adventure Program on Land

From simple games to challenging high ropes course, the Adventure Program provides girls and adults activities that are fun, active, engaging, and challenging. Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana’s Adventure Program consists of adventure playgrounds, teams courses, high ropes courses, bouldering, indoor climbing walls, rock climbing, letterboxing, geocaching, orienteering, archery, and caving. All the activities are experiential and educational. Whether climbing a rock face or helping a troop member through the teams course, each participant will learn something new about themselves and others. There is something in the Adventure Program for all ages and abilities.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Location</th>
<th>Archery</th>
<th>Canoes/ Kayaks</th>
<th>Waterfront Lakes</th>
<th>Sailing/ Windsurfing</th>
<th>Swimming Pool</th>
<th>High Ropes</th>
<th>Teams Course</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Barren Ridge</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bear Creek</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Houchens</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pennyroyal</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Shantituck</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Off site</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stem</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Off site</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Whippoorwill</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Adventure Playgrounds, Teams Course, and High Ropes**

This progression of program lets girls test their courage and confidence from a few inches off the ground to high in the trees!

**Adventure Playground:** These playgrounds are most popular for Daisies and Brownies but are designed for anyone to use. The playground is a series of obstacles just inches off the ground. A typical obstacle would be walking across a log or crawling through a concrete tunnel. Adult supervision is required, but no training or reservation is necessary. GSK has adventure playgrounds at Houchens, Shantituck, Stem, and Whippoorwill.

**Teams Course:** The teams course is a series of challenges built with wooden beams, cables, and ropes to create an obstacle. Teams explore risk-taking, leadership, communication, and problem solving in order to get through the obstacles. The teams course is advised for Juniors and older. Trained adult leadership is required. Adults who would like to lead girls through the team’s course must attend a council training. We have teams courses at Barren Ridge, Bear Creek, Houchens, Pennyroyal, Shantituck, and Stem.

**High Ropes:** High ropes courses (located at Pennyroyal and Stem) are similar to the teams course except 20 to 40 feet above the ground! Although girls perceive that being high up in the trees as high risk, the actual risk is low. The participants who climb use harnesses, helmets, and ropes for safety. Some girls might not want to go up, but they participate on the ground in supporting roles of holding the ropes and encouraging others. The high ropes course is rich with discoveries and helps participants develop a new level of self-confidence. Participants must be Cadettes or older. Extensively trained adults lead this program. Opportunities to participate in high ropes are found through the Activities List.
Archery
There are a variety of styles and sizes of bows and arrows, but they’re all used for one purpose: to hit a target. Girls will develop skills based on proper procedures and form, handling equipment, getting the right stance, sighting, and observing safety practices. Archery is not permitted for Daisies. Bows and arrows should be appropriate to the age, size, strength, and ability of the girls. GSK provided equipment includes both compound and recurve bows. Our compound bows are not appropriately sized for Brownies. Our ranges offer experience in long bows and compound bows. Archery is available at Bear Creek, Houchens, Pennyroyal, Shantituck, Stem, and Whippoorwill. An appropriately credentialed archery instructor is required.

Slingshots
For Girl Scouts, slingshots serve as a progression step for target range activities like archery by teaching the girls about following range rules and commands as well as helping them to build aim, target skills, and hand-eye coordination. Daisies may participate in using slingshots. GSK offers a Slingshots In Action course for certification and participants may purchase a kit to use with their troop. To use your kit on a GSK Property, please talk to the site’s ranger about the location and ammunition.

Backpacking/Wilderness Travel
For girls experienced in the more tame realms of camping who are ready to venture into wilder places, backpacking can be an awesome experience. They’ll stretch not only their legs but also their courage, confidence, and character! GSK has packs, tents, stoves, and some other specific equipment available to groups with appropriately credentialed leadership. Other forms of Wilderness travel, such as canoe tripping, use the same camping skills and require the same types of training. Look for Wilderness Travel and Wilderness First Aid trainings.

Bouldering, Indoor Climbing Wall, and Rock Climbing
Bouldering, indoor climbing, and rock climbing are great Girl Scout programs. Climbing builds strength, balance, flexibility, and self-esteem. The Louisville Program and Learning Center has a bouldering wall and an artificial climbing wall. Camp Houchens has a bouldering wall. The climbing wall requires a certified adult.

Caving at Camp Stem
Camp Stem has a cave that provides an excellent “natural teams course.” It is a wild cave, meaning no lights, no paved walkways, and no park ranger. The cave is approximately 100 yards deep, involving mostly crawling and squatting, and is very muddy! Kids of all ages love it, even the 40 year-old ones! The cave is for Juniors and older. A GSK credentialed caving facilitator and helmets are required.

Letterboxing, Geocaching, and Orienteering
Brownies can earn the Letterboxing badge and Juniors can earn the Geocaching badge; however, these are great programs for all ages! In letterboxing, girls will look for letterboxes using clues, riddles, and compass points. In geocaching, girls will look for caches using GPS coordinates. Letterboxes and caches are being developed at each of our camp properties. Orienteering is the challenging sport of navigating with a map and compass while trying to beat the clock. An Orienteering course is available at Bear Creek and Stem.
Swimming
There are swimming opportunities at Shantituck’s pool, Pennyroyal’s swim crib and lake, Bear Creek’s beach, and Barren River’s beach. Groups must provide their own lifeguards whose credentials meet Safety Activity Checkpoints standards. Reservations are required. Be sure to consult Safety Activity Checkpoints for swimming at ANY location, public or private, to ensure that you are following Girl Scout requirements.

Canoes and Funyaks
Canoeing is available at Barren Ridge, Bear Creek, Houchens, and Pennyroyal. Additionally there are canoes housed at Shantituck and Stem and that are transported off-site for use. Funyaks (individual sit-on-top kayaks) are found at Pennyroyal. They are very easy to use and a delight to the youngest camper as well as to adults. Refer to the canoeing Safety Activity Checkpoint.

Kayaks
Kayaking is available at Barren Ridge, Bear Creek and off-site from Stem. Refer to the kayaking Safety Activity Checkpoint.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Canoe/Kayak Availability</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Choose Your Boat</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Canoes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>– Camp Shantituck (McNeely Lake)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>– Houchens Program Center</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>– Camp Bear Creek</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sea Kayaks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(over 14 ft. long)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>– Camp Barren Ridge</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>– Camp Bear Creek</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>– Indian or Celina Lake (in Southern Indiana)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Funyaks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(under 14 ft. long)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Sailboats and Windsurfers
Small boats (one to two people) and larger boats (up to eight) are available at Bear Creek for sailing on Kentucky Lake. Windsurfers are also available at Bear Creek. To use the boats, a group must have a sailing facilitator who has U.S. Sailing certification or its equivalent AND be knowledgeable of the class of boats that is reserved.

Certified and Council-Credentialled Instructors
We are looking for more certified instructors for all of our Adventure Programs. In some cases, credentials are issued by another organization recognized by Girl Scouts. In others, our council may offer training to obtain council-approved credentials. If your troop does not have a certified instructor, we can also help find one for you. For more information or questions, contact Volunteer Care at 888-771-5170.
Camp Property Reservations

Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana has seven camp properties throughout the council. There is a camp property within two hours of all members of our council, and most members are significantly closer. Some of the camps are groomed and “tamed” while some are more wild and natural. Properties in the council range from a 12-acre park-like facility to a 1,400-acre wooded wilderness, and each provides a unique experience for the camper.

While some of the most popular sites are heavily reserved, normally there are campsites available at one camp or another. Be adventurous and try out a camp that is new to you! Challenge your troop to visit each of Kentuckiana’s properties during their Girl Scout years. You may also use sites at state parks, forests, etc.

Reserving a Campsite at a Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana Property

Reservations are taken online for all camps. Property reservations are completed on the council website at www.gskentuckiana.org under Camp Reservations at the top of the page.

Reservations are required for entrance to camp. Leaders may make arrangements through the camp registrar to preview a camp facility prior to making a reservation or prior to a confirmed camping date.

What Kind of Reservations Can I Make?

- Day Use - Check-in is at 8:00 a.m. and check-out is at 4:00 p.m.
- Overnight Use - Check-in is at 4:00 p.m. and check-out is at 1:00 p.m.

What Are the Camps Facilities?

Please refer to the Camp Facilities Checklist on pages 11-12 and the individual camp pages at the end of this guide for detailed information on each site. The checklist will tell you information such as capacity, type of heating, and showers. The camp pages will tell you additional information about the camp.

- Cabin and tent units that have no seating capacity are made up of multiple small units. The sleeping capacity is typically four per cabin/tent. An exception is Acorn Valley A-Frames that have a capacity of six per cabin.

How Soon Can a Site Be Reserved?

Reservations are accepted no earlier than seven months prior to your reservation date. The seven month window is a “rolling” window. Each day of the month opens another day for reservations seven months in advance.

After You Decide Where You Want to Camp

Review information sent to you with your confirmation and take paperwork with you to camp.

Additional Requirements For Camping More Than Two Nights

GSUSA requires that troops and groups have accident insurance for all trips lasting longer than two nights. The insurance will cover the entire trip, including the first two nights. There is a $5.00 minimum fee. Refer to the Application for Optional Insurance for additional information.

Refunds/Cancellations

Please reference the Cancellation and Refund Standards resource for detailed information.
Camp Barren Ridge
399 Girl Scout Road
Glasgow, KY 42141
Camp: 270-646-3020
Site Manager: Hank Rogalinski (not on site)
Contact: 270-703-3152

Camp Houchens
4520 Barren River Road
Bowling Green, KY 42101
Camp: 270-781-1135
Ranger: Rich O'Rourke (not on site)
270-782-2764

Camp Stem
2665 Crosier Road SE
Laconia, IN 47135
Camp: 812-737-2787
Ranger: Pam Barnes (not on site)
Contact: 502-552-6632

Camp Whippoorwill
3022 East Geyman Hill Road
Madison, IN 47250
Camp: 812-265-2019
Ranger: Kim Pettit (not on site)
Contact: 812-265-2436

Camp Bear Creek
4736 Barge Island Road
Benton, KY 42025
Camp: 270-354-6557
Site Manager: Hank Rogalinski
Contact: 270-703-3152

Camp Pennyroyal
3095 Girl Scout Road
Utica, KY 42376
Camp: 270-275-4517
Site Manager: Lisa Leonard
Contact: 270-993-4900

Camp Shantituck
3920 East Hebron Lane
Shepherdsville, KY 40165
Camp: 502-957-3920
Site Manager: Thomas Schleg
Contact: 502-744-8466
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Camp Facilities Checklist</th>
<th>Sleeping Capacity</th>
<th>Season</th>
<th>Fireplaces</th>
<th>Water Available</th>
<th>Location of Electricity</th>
<th>Security Light</th>
<th>Washers Available</th>
<th>Showers</th>
<th>Toilets</th>
<th>Latrines</th>
<th>Fire Circle</th>
<th>Campsite Details</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Barren Ridge</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>40 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Margaret Ely Lodge</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>4/15-10/15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>28 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Garrett Tent Unit</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>24 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bear Creek</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>80 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Honeybee Lodge</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>16 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Penguin Palace Cabin</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>4/15-10/15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>20 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Coke Top Cabins</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>28 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hickory Hollow Cabins</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>24 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cardinal Hill</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>24 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Green peace tent area</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>32 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lakeview Pavilion</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>16 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lodge</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>80 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jody Austin Pavilion</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>n/a Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pennyroyal</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>200 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Beckley Lodge</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>40 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Helen's Haven</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>40 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The Loft Cabin</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>38 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Happening House</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>48 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Acorn Valley A-Frames</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>24 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Elderview Tent Unit</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>28 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Shady Lane Cabins</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>26 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sleepy Hollow Tents</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>28 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Timberwood Cabins</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>28 Year-round</td>
<td>Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For use in selecting a campsite for your camping trip —
* Seasonal: April 15 through October 15
* Barren Ridge showers: These are solar showers and may not be very warm.
***Flush toilets are available April 15 through October 15.

Primitive areas are available year-round at all of our camps. Campers pitch their own tents and bring all of their equipment. The sites do not have established fire circle or latrines.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Camp Facilities Checklist</th>
<th>Sleeping Capacity</th>
<th>Meal Type</th>
<th>Type of Heating</th>
<th>Water Source</th>
<th>Firewood Available</th>
<th>Electricity</th>
<th>Location of Electricity</th>
<th>Security Lights</th>
<th>Washers available</th>
<th>Showers</th>
<th>Toilets</th>
<th>Fire Circle</th>
<th>Latrines</th>
<th>Latrines</th>
<th>Cookstove</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Shantituck</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cardinal Lodge</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>Year-round Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Flush Toilets</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sinawik Cabin</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>Year-round Electric</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Flush Toilets</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Denham House</td>
<td>60</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>Year-round Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Flush Toilets</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pine Lair Cabin</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>Year-round Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Flush Toilets</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cedar Bluff Shelter</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>Year-round Wood stove</td>
<td>Seasonal</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Latrines</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ivy Grove Tents</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Seasonal</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Latrines</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Knobs Tents</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Seasonal</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Latrines</td>
<td>Grill/FC</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pines Tents</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Seasonal</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Latrines</td>
<td>Grill/FC</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cross Creek Tents</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Seasonal</td>
<td>Mp</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Latrines</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Frog Leap Tents</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Seasonal</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>Latrines</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stem</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kernhauser Lodge</td>
<td>76</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>Year-round Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>Flush Toilets</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Honeysuckle Lodge</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>Year-round Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>Flush Toilets</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kendall Shelter/Tents</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>Year-round Wood Stove</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Seasonal</td>
<td>Flush Toilets</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Picnic Pavilion</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>Year-round None</td>
<td>Site</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>Latrines</td>
<td>Both</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lakeview Shelter</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>Year-round None</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Riverview Shelter</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>Year-round None</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>Latrines</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Whippeewill</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wren House</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>Year-round Gas</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>Inside</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>Flush Toilets</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Goldfinch unit</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>April 15/Oct 15</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>At the Site</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes/Seasonal</td>
<td>Latrines</td>
<td>Fire Circle</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hub Area</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For use in selecting a campsite for your camping trip -
*Seasonal: April 15 through October 15
*Barren Ridge showers: These are solar showers and may not be very warm.
**Flush toilets are available April 15 through October 15.

Primitive areas are available year-round at all of our camps. Campers pitch their own tents and bring all of their equipment. The sites do not have established fire circle or latrines.
On a peninsula into Barren River Lake near Glasgow, KY, this 220-acre camp has large wooded areas filled with wildlife, wildflowers, and great views of the lake. Barren Ridge is the council’s most rustic camp. This site is ideal for troop camping for older girls and day camping.

**Emergency Information and Telephone Locations:** Instructions and directions are posted in the lodge and tent unit. In case of emergency, contact the ranger for the Army Corps of Engineers at 270-646-2055 or the Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana at 888-771-5170. Emergency telephone numbers for local volunteers and staff are posted in the lodge and unit. A telephone is located in Margaret Ely Lodge.

**Cars and Parking:** Parking is available near Margaret Ely Lodge.

**Site Manager:** The site manager serves this camp on a part-time basis. He is present at Barren Ridge infrequently on weekends.

**Facilities**

**Cabin Camping:** Do you have an adult who has completed Camp In training? If yes, then this facility is available for your group.

- **Margaret Ely Lodge** sleeps 24 and is available year-round. The lodge is heated by a furnace and a wood stove. Water is available year-round from the frost-free faucet at the corner of the lodge. There is no indoor plumbing but the lodge is served by flush toilets between the dates of April 15 and October 15 and latrines the rest of the year.

**Tent Camping:** Are your girls ready for an overnight in a tent? Do you have an adult who has completed Camp Out training? If yes, this tenting facility is for you!

- **Garrett Tent Unit** sleeps 16 in platform tents and is served by latrines and frost-free faucet. It is available April 15 through October 15.

**Other Facilities:**

- **Solar Showers:** There is a solar shower available for use April 15 through October 15. The shower house is open for use by anyone staying at the camp.
- **Barren River State Park** is only a 10-minute drive away.

**Program Activities**

Outdoor activities are wonderful opportunities to build girls of courage, confidence, and character. Girls can challenge themselves in very different ways, try activities that are different from home and school, work with others to reach goals, build new skills, and just have lots of FUN! Start with simple and easy activities and look forward to more complex program as your girls are older and more experienced!

Be sure to consult [Safety Activity Checkpoints](#) for each program activity and follow the guidelines provided.

- **Swimming:** Barren Ridge is situated on a small cove of the lake where swimming is possible. Lifeguards and advance reservations are required to swim at the camp’s small beach area. Additionally, the Barren River State Park beach is 10 minutes away.
- **Canoeing:** A set of eight canoes, along with life jackets and paddles are available at the camp. A shallow launching area is located on a cove of the lake. GSK credentialed canoe facilitators and advance reservations are required.
- **Star Gazing:** Star gazing in the field is a favorite activity during both summer and winter. The lack of man-made light makes it a great place to watch the stars.
• Hiking
  o **The Bluff Trail**: White markers, approximately one mile (moderate)
  o **The Spring Trail**: Red markers, approximately 0.6 miles
  o **The Lake Trail**: Blue markers, 0.3 miles (moderate uphill)
  o **The Deer Trail**: Green markers, 0.1 miles (easy)
  o **The Cargo Trail**: Yellow markers, 0.1 miles (easy)

**Directions to Barren Ridge**

![Map of Barren Ridge](image)

The camp is located on Girl Scout Road off Finney Road, Hwy 252, which skirts the northern boundary of Barren River Lake. A landmark to watch for is the Henderson Cemetery which is very near the turn off to Girl Scout Road.

- From I-65 at Park City, travel south on Hwy 255 to Hwy 252. Turn right on Hwy 252.
- From I-65 at Bowling Green, take the exit to Cemetery Road, 234. Head east to Hwy 1533, Meador Port Oliver Road. Turn left at the intersection with Hwy 252.

**Introductory Video**

Please watch this introductory video for more information.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGhcAdKUbs0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGhcAdKUbs0)
Located south of Benton, KY, this 183-acre camp sits on the shores of beautiful Kentucky Lake. This lake location makes it perfect for all sorts of boating program plus swimming at the camp beach! Plus, its wooded land creates a great place for all sorts of camp fun that does not include water activity.

Bear Creek has a large lodge, a troop cabin, and picnic shelters that are available year-round. Screened cabin units, a platform tent unit, and primitive camping areas are available from April 15 through October 15.

**Resident Camp:** This site hosts summer resident camp in July.

**Troop Camping:** Troop camping is available beginning in August after resident camp is over until early June when camp staff training begins. Contact the camp registrar in regard to early June and August dates.

**Cars and Parking:** Cars may be parked at Honeybee Lodge in the available designated parking spaces. Elsewhere in camp, parking is limited to one emergency vehicle at your camp unit or building. Park all other vehicles in the main parking lot near the entrance to camp and do not take your cars beyond the designated signs. If there is overflow, additional cars may be parked near the trash bins across the road from Lion’s Den unit.

**Emergency Instructions and Telephone Locations:** Instructions and directions are posted in each unit and building in camp. Telephones are located in the Honeybee Lodge, Penguin Palace, and at the waterfront. There are also phones in Rabbit’s Run and the Wise Owl’s Roost, two facilities that are used during resident camp.

**Site Manager:** The site manager lives on site in the house at the main entrance to camp.

**Facilities**

**Cabin Camping:** Do you have an adult who has completed Camp In training? If yes, then these facilities are available for your group.

- **Honeybee Lodge** has a troop house area that has a capacity to sleep 40 in bunks and on mattresses on the floor Girl Scout style and is available throughout the troop year. It has gas heat and modern toilet facilities with showers and a troop kitchen. Separate sleeping areas and restrooms for men are available. A commercial kitchen is available for large groups. The basement of this lodge is a storm shelter which will hold everyone in camp.

- **Penguin Palace** (sleeps 17) is also available throughout the troop year. It has gas heat and a wood burning stove along with a flush toilet and shower. Picnic tables and a fire circle are nearby.

- **Coke Top** (sleeps 28), **Hickory Hollow** (sleeps 20), and **Lion’s Den** (sleeps 28) are unheated cabin units with fire circles, picnic shelters, and covered charcoal grills. Because the water supply is seasonal, these units are available from April 15 through October 15. The toilet facilities are seasonal flush toilets. **You must store your perishable foods in ice chests.**

**Tent Camping:** Are your girls ready for an overnight in a tent? Do you have an adult who has completed Camp Out training? If yes, these tenting facilities are for you!

- **Cardinal Hill** (sleeps 28) is a platform tent unit with a picnic shelter. Both a fire circle and covered charcoal grill are provided in the unit. Because the water supply is seasonal, this unit is available from April 15 through October 15. The toilet facility is a pit latrine.

- **Bayview Pavilion** is a shelter designed for hammock camping. If interested, ask the site manager if camp-owned hammocks are available or whether you need to provide your own.

- **Pitch your own tent!** There are plenty of places around camp where you can pitch your own tent.

**Other facilities:**

- **Central Shower House:** Available April 15 through October 15.
- **Craft Shed** is available year-round.
• Rabbits Run, the Wise Owl’s Roost, and the CIT Cabin are used during resident camp and normally are not available for troop or group use.

**Program Activities**

Outdoor activities are wonderful opportunities to build girls of courage, confidence, and character. Girls can challenge themselves in very different ways, try activities that are different from home and school, work with others to reach goals, build new skills, and just have lots of FUN! Start with simple and easy activities and look forward to more complex program as your girls are older and more experienced!

Be sure to consult Safety Activity Checkpoints for each program activity and follow the guidelines provided.

• **Teams Course:** The teams course is a fun challenge for girls who are Juniors and older. Its use requires a GSK trained teams course facilitator.

• **Swimming:** The camp is situated on a cove Kentucky Lake where swimming is possible at the camp beach. Lifeguards and advance reservations are required for the waterfront.

• **Archery:** There is an archery range at Camp Bear Creek. Archery equipment is available. A credentialed archery instructor is required. Camp’s archery equipment is appropriate for girls who are Juniors and older.

• **Boating and Paddle Sports:** Camp Bear Creek has canoes, kayaks, a pontoon boat, and sailboats along with other paddle sports equipment. GSK credentialed facilitators are required along with advance reservations.

• **Climbing Wall:** The chimney of Honeybee Lodge is built to accommodate climbing, and climbing equipment is on site. GSK credentialed facilitators are required.

• **Hiking:**
  o The Boundary Trail: Yellow markers, one mile (easy)
  o The Fossil Point Trail: White markers, half a mile (easy)

**Directions to Bear Creek**

Camp Bear Creek is located on the west side of Kentucky Lake not far from Fairdealing, KY.

• Travel to Fairdealing, KY on Hwy 68
• Turn east toward the lake onto Barge Island Road (Hwy 962).
• Go approximately five miles to Camp Bear Creek.
• The entrance is on the right side of the road.

**Introductory Video**

Please watch this introductory video for more information.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iHSoP4naebg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iHSoP4naebg)
Located on the Barren River near Bowling Green, KY, this 12-acre site has plenty of open space for sports, games, nature study, and learning outdoor skills.

Houchens has a year round lodge, two picnic pavilions, and primitive camping sites, all in a park-like setting. The lodge porch overlooks the river and provides an excellent place for cookouts, relaxation, and arts and crafts. This site is good for both new and experienced campers of all ages.

**Emergency Information and Telephone Locations:** Instructions and directions are posted in the lodge. A telephone is located in the lodge.

**Cars and Parking:** Parking is available in a gravel lot near the lodge.

**Ranger:** The part-time ranger does not live on the site but is available by telephone. He is approximately 10 minutes from camp and can respond in an emergency.

**Facilities**

**Cabin Camping:** Do you have an adult who has completed Camp In training? If yes, then this facility is available for your group.
- **The Lodge** sleeps 24 and seats as many as 80 and is available year-round. It has gas heat and bathrooms with toilets and a shower.

**Tent Camping:** Are your girls ready for an overnight in a tent? Do you have an adult who has completed Camp Out training? If yes, you can pitch your own tents in the park-like grassy areas all over this camp.

**Other Facilities:**
- **Jody Austin Picnic Pavilion:** This large picnic shelter has a fireplace where you can cook if it’s raining. A smaller picnic shelter with no fireplace is also on site.
- **Water:** Water is available for year-round outdoor activities inside the lodge and at the frost-free faucet next to the Jody Austin Pavilion between April 15 and October 15.
- **The Cemetery:** The cemetery next to the camp belongs to our neighbor. Please remind all girls and adults in your troop or group to be respectful when you visit.

**Program Activities**

Outdoor activities are wonderful opportunities to build girls of courage, confidence, and character. Girls can challenge themselves in very different ways, try activities that are different from home and school, work with others to reach goals, build new skills, and just have lots of FUN! Start with simple and easy activities and look forward to more complex program as your girls are older and more experienced!

Be sure to consult [Safety Activity Checkpoints](#) for each program activity and follow the guidelines provided.
- **Playground:** Unique to Houchens are the delightful playground and tree house. The tree house was built through the hard work of volunteers from the Caveland area.
- **Teams Course:** The teams course is a fun challenge for girls who are Juniors and older. Its use requires a GSK trained teams course facilitator.
- **Archery:** There is space for an archery range at Houchens. Archery equipment is available. A credentialed archery instructor is required. Camp’s archery equipment is appropriate for girls who are Juniors and older.
- **Canoeing:** Camp Houchens is located on Barren River and has canoes available at the property. The river current varies with changes in water levels, etc. and so assessing river conditions is important before going out. A GSK credentialed canoeing facilitator is required along with advance reservations.
- **Disc golf course:** There is a three hole disc golf course, equipment is available at camp.
- **Adventure Playground:** Complete with a bouldering wall.
• **Shuffleboard**: Shuffleboard equipment is available in the lodge, and a shuffleboard court is located on the covered porch at the lodge.

• **Games/Crafts**: As a service to those who come to camp, the site team provides board games, balls, and some craft materials at the site. They can be found in the bench boxes inside the lodge.

• **Program Boxes**: Several box programs are available at camp. Examples are the tracks program and the bird watching program.

• **Hiking**:
  - **Brownie Trail**: Red markers, 0.3 miles (easy)
  - **Border Trail**: Blue markers, 0.4 miles (easy to moderate, not accessible during high water)
  - **Eagle Rock Trail**: Green markers, 0.3 miles (easy)

**Directions to Houchens**

![Map of Houchens Program Center](image)

From Bowling Green:

- As 6th Street leaves Bowling Green to the northwest, it becomes Hwy 80/Veteran’s Memorial Lane.
- From Hwy 80 / Veteran’s Memorial Ln, turn north on Barren River Road (Hwy 1435)
- Go two miles to camp and turn right at the camp entrance.
Located about 15 miles south of Owensboro, KY, this 180 acre rolling-woodland site includes an eight-acre lake, three year-round buildings, platform tents, picnic shelters, screened cabins and primitive camping areas. It is an excellent camp for all age groups.

**Resident Camp:** This site hosts summer resident camp from early June through early July.

**Troop Camp:** Troop camping is available beginning in August after resident camp is over until early June when camp staff training begins. Contact the camp registrar in regard to early June and August dates.

**Cars and Parking:** Parking varies depending on the site. There are several parking places near Beckley Lodge, the Happening House, and the Loft. In tent and cabin units you may be limited to one vehicle nearby. A large main parking lot is near the entrance to camp.

**Emergency Information and Telephone Locations:** Instructions and directions are posted in each unit and building in camp. Telephones are located in The Loft, Happening House, and Beckley Lodge.

**Site Manager:** The site manager lives in the house at the entrance to camp.

## Facilities

**Cabin Camping:** Do you have an adult who has completed Camp In training? If yes, then these facilities are available for your group.

- **Beckley Lodge** is an excellent meeting and dining site. It has a fully equipped large group kitchen. It will seat up to 150 people. Beckley is not used as a sleeping facility. However, a wing of the lodge, known as Helen’s Haven, is an overnight facility. The lodge has a large basement that serves as a storm shelter for the entire camp.
- **Helen’s Haven Troop House** sleeps 40, is heated, and has bathrooms, showers, and kitchen facilities. Separate sleeping areas and restrooms for men are available.
- **Happening House** is also available throughout the troop year. It sleeps 24, has heat, kitchen facilities, and restrooms with toilets and showers.

**Tent Camping and Unheated Cabins:** Do you have an adult who has completed Camp Out training? If yes, these tenting facilities and unheated cabin units, open April 15 through October 15, are for you!

Acorn Valley (sleeps 24) and Timberwood (sleeps 28) are unheated cabin units with fire circles and picnic shelters nearby. Because the water supply is seasonal, these units are available from April 15 through October 15. Acorn Valley has seasonal flush toilets and Timberwood has a latrine. You must store your perishable foods in ice chests.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Unit</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Capacity</th>
<th>Toilets</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sleepy Hollow</td>
<td>Tents</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>Seasonal flush</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Shady Lane</td>
<td>Tents</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>Seasonal flush</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Elderview</td>
<td>Tents</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>Latrines</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Other Facilities:**

- **Central Shower House:** Open from April 15 through October 15
- **The Nook:** Arts and crafts cabin used primarily during resident camp.
Program Activities

Outdoor activities are wonderful opportunities to build girls of courage, confidence, and character. Girls can challenge themselves in very different ways, try activities that are different from home and school, work with others to reach goals, build new skills, and just have lots of FUN! Start with simple and easy activities and look forward to more complex program as your girls are older and more experienced!

Be sure to consult Safety Activity Checkpoints for each program activity and follow the guidelines provided.

- **Boating:** Pennyroyal’s little lake is a perfect place to introduce girls to kayaks and canoes. Funyaks (individual sit-on-top kayaks) are available at Camp Pennyroyal. They are very easy to use and a delight to the youngest camper as well as to adults. In addition, the camp has a set of canoes on site. A GSK canoeing facilitator is required along with advance reservations.
- **Swimming:** There is a lake swimming area and swim crib available for rental. A certified lifeguard, advance reservations, and confirmation are required.
- **Archery:** The archery range is located close to Sleepy Hollow unit. Archery equipment is available. A credentialed archery instructor is required. Camp’s archery equipment is appropriate for girls who are Juniors and older.
- **Teams Course:** The teams course is a series of challenges built with wooden beams, cables, and ropes to create an obstacle. Teams explore risk-taking, leadership, communication, and problem solving in order to get through the obstacles. The teams course is a great activity for girls who are Juniors and older. Its use requires a GSK trained teams course facilitator.
- **High Ropes:** High ropes courses are similar to the teams course except 20 to 40 feet above the ground! Participants must be Cadettes or older. A GSK credentialed high ropes facilitator, advance reservations, and confirmation are required.
- **Bird Watching:** Pennyroyal has a great bird blind and a bird watching program box for troop use.
- **Bike Trail Program:** A bike trail introduction program is available for Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors. The camp has eight bikes and bike helmets for all participants. The 1.25 mile trail includes a variety of terrain as it loops through various parts of camp. Contact the site manager in advance of your coming to camp if your girls want to try this program.
- **Orienteering:** An orienteering course and program boxes are available for use at camp.
- **Hiking:**
  - **Trefoil Trail:** Yellow markers, 0.7 miles (easy)
  - **Nature Trail:** Green markers, 0.7 miles (easy)
  - **Boundary Trail:** Red markers, four miles (difficult)
  - **Lake Trail:** 0.6 miles (easy to moderate)
Directions to Pennyroyal

Approaching Camp Pennyroyal from Owensboro, Kentucky:

- Take Hwy 60 bypass to Hwy 231.
- Follow Hwy 231 south toward Beaver Dam.
- Go 11.8 miles to Girl Scout Road.
- Turn right and go one mile to the camp.

Approaching Camp Pennyroyal from points south of Owensboro/Daviess County:

- Take the Natcher Pkwy to the Hartford exit #48.
- Turn right (west) onto Hwy 69.
- Go approximately one mile.
- Turn right (north) onto Hwy 231.
- Stay on 231 for approximately ten miles.
- Approximately 1/4 mile past the Daviess County sign turn left onto Girl Scout Road and go one mile to the camp.

Introductory Video

Please watch this introductory video for more information.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IngKqXdWX4Q
Located on Cedar Creek near Shepherdsville, KY, this 112-acre site offers a varied camping experience for troops and groups. Four year-round buildings, platform tent sites, picnic shelters, and primitive camping are available. A swimming pool is available from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

**Day Camps:** Between June 1 and August 15, Shantituck is used for day camps and summer camporees and may not be available for troop camping when a day camp is on site.

**Troop Camping:** Troop camping is available from late summer when day camps close until early June when day camps begin.

**Cars and Parking:** Parking is limited to one vehicle at your camp unit or building. Park all other vehicles in the main parking lot near the entrance to camp.

**Emergency Information and Telephone Locations:** Instructions and directions are posted in each unit and building in camp. Telephones are located in Cardinal Lodge, Pine Lair, Sinawik, and Denham House. The camp land line number rings simultaneously in all those buildings.

**Site Manager:** The site manager lives in the yellow house to the left as you enter camp.

**Facilities**

**Cabin Camping:** Do you have an adult who has completed Camp In training? If yes, then these facilities are available for your group.

- **Cardinal Lodge** sleeps 50 and is available year round. It has restroom facilities with showers. Cardinal Lodge has two kitchens—a commercial-style kitchen for larger groups and a residential kitchen for smaller groups. Men can be easily accommodated in its separate room with a bath. Due to demand, Cardinal Lodge is only available for overnight reservations.
- **Denham House** sleeps 40 and is available year round. It has a kitchen, heat, and two restrooms with toilets and showers.
- **Pine Lair Cabin** sleeps 16, is available year round, and has gas heat. It has a galley kitchen and a restroom with one toilet. Hot shower seasonally at pool shower house.
- **Sinawik Cabin** sleeps 12, is available year round, and has electric heat. It is equipped with a kitchen and restroom with one toilet. Hot shower seasonally at pool shower house.
- **Cedar Bluff Shelter** sleeps 18, has electricity, a range, and refrigerator. Heat is available with a wood stove and toilet facilities are pit latrines. Water is available April 15 – October 15. Hot shower seasonally at pool shower house.
Tent Camping: Are your girls ready for an overnight in a tent? Do you have an adult who has completed Camp Out training? If yes, these tenting facilities are for you!

- Ivy Grove, Pines, Knobs, Cross Creek and Frog Leap are units with clusters of platform tents. Water is available at those units seasonally (April 15- Oct. 15). Toilet facilities are pit latrines. Showers are available at the Pool Shower house.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Unit</th>
<th>Sleeps</th>
<th>Cooking</th>
<th>Other</th>
<th>Hot Shower</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ivy Grove</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>Fire circle</td>
<td>Tent with ramp</td>
<td>Pool shower house</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pines</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>Two fire circles Charcoal grill</td>
<td>Picnic shelter with electricity</td>
<td>Pool shower house</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Knobs</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Fire circle Charcoal grill</td>
<td>Picnic shelter with electricity</td>
<td>Pool shower house</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Frog Leap</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Fire circle Charcoal grill</td>
<td>Picnic shelter with electricity</td>
<td>Pool shower house</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cross Creek</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>Fire circle Indoor hearth</td>
<td>Shelter house, cold-water shower No electricity</td>
<td>Pool shower house</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Pitch your own tents! The Meadow across the creek includes a fire circle and seasonal water supply. Nearby grassy area is lovely for tenting.

Other Facilities:
- **Shower house**: Hot showers are available at the pool shower house from April 15–October 15.
- **Pool**: Lifeguards and advance reservations are required.
- **Group fire circle and stage**: Located behind the pool, this fire circle is a great area for campfires and skits. Seating on multiple benches.
- **The Depot**: The Depot is a picnic shelter near the caboose that is available for use by troops and groups who come to camp just to hike or picnic. It has a covered charcoal grill.
- **The Caboose**: There is a red caboose on the site for play and photo opportunities. For safety, adult supervision is required.

**Program Activities**

Outdoor activities are wonderful opportunities to build girls of courage, confidence, and character. Girls can challenge themselves in very different ways, try activities that are different from home and school, work with others to reach goals, build new skills, and just have lots of FUN! Start with simple and easy activities and look forward to more complex program as your girls are older and more experienced!

Be sure to consult [Safety Activity Checkpoints](#) for each program activity and follow the guidelines provided.

- **Adventure Playground**: Even the youngest camper loves the Adventure Playground. For safety, adult supervision is required.
- **Creek Walking**: Shallow areas of both Cedar Creek and Horse Run are inviting places to explore natural waters. Girls can investigate the various species of living things that make our creeks their homes. Appropriate footwear is required.
- **Hiking**: The terrain at Shantituck is hilly! It is easy take a walk at camp by following the road around the top of the main camp hill, but nearly everywhere else you go will take you up and down hills.
  - The Nature Trail: Yellow markers, less than one mile (moderate)
  - The Red Trail: Red markers, 1.4 miles (moderate)
  - Frog Leap Trail: White markers, one mile (moderate)
- **Archery**: The archery range is located in the meadow across the creek. Archery equipment is available. A certified US Archery (or NASP) Instructor and advance reservations are required.
- **Teams Course**: This course is a step beyond the Adventure Playground and requires a GSK trained teams course facilitator. The teams course is advised for girls who are Juniors and older.
• **Canoeing:** Eight canoes, with life jackets and paddles, reside at Camp Shantituck. McNeely Lake in southern Jefferson County is considered the local lake for camp. A canoe instructor with appropriate council credentials is required along with advance reservations.

• **Swimming:** There is a pool for swimming available for rent between Memorial Day and Labor Day. A certified lifeguard, advance reservations, and confirmation are required.

**Directions to Shantituck**

[Map of Shantituck]

Please note the map above does not show the recent reconstruction of Hwy 61. It is a divided highway located approximately 0.1 mile west of the shown Hwy 61.

• Take I-65 to the Brooks Road exit (Exit 121).
• Exit and turn east at the top of the ramp on to John Harper Hwy (1526).
• Go to the third stoplight (Old Preston Hwy) and turn right.
• Go one block to East Hebron Lane at the traffic light.
• Turn left onto Hebron Lane and follow the road until it ends at the camp parking lot.

**Introductory Video**

Please watch this introductory video for more information.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=97_f1g1DV8s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=97_f1g1DV8s)
Stem Adventure Center
2665 Crosier Road SE, Laconia, IN
47135 Camp Phone: 812-737-2787
Ranger, Pam Barnes: 502-552-6632

The largest of our camps, Stem is a leased property with more than 1,400 acres. It is located on the Ohio River near Laconia, IN and has two year-round buildings, platform tents, a primitive cabin, and a picnic shelter. Backpack-style camping is also available in Adirondack shelters on site.

**Cars and Parking:** Several cars can be parked near Kornhauser Lodge and Honeysuckle Lodge in the spaces available. Other cars should be parked in the main parking lot near the large picnic shelter.

**Emergency Information and Telephone Locations:** Instructions and directions are posted in each unit and building in camp. Telephones are located in Kornhauser Lodge and Honeysuckle Lodge.

**Camp Ranger:** The camp ranger may be staying on site in the ranger’s log cabin when you are there.

**Our neighbors:** LG&E and Cedar Farm trucks will drive through camp from time to time. Stem also is used for underground storage of natural gas by LG&E. You will see piping and clear-cut areas where the gas lines are. *No fires near gas lines!*

**Facilities**

**Cabin Camping:** Do you have an adult who has completed Camp In training? If yes, then these facilities are available for your group.

- **Kornhauser Lodge** sleeps 30 has a full kitchen, heat, and modern bathrooms. It is available year-round. Kornhauser has extensive covered porch areas, great for large group activities.
- **Honeysuckle Lodge** sleeps 24, has a kitchen, heat, showers, and toilets. It is also available year round.
- **May Kendall Shelter** is a wooden cabin with large sliding doors that open to make the cabin more like an open shelter. It is equipped with a wood stove and is available year round but has seasonal water and pit latrines. You can get water in cold weather from a frost-free faucet near Kornhauser Lodge.

**Tent Camping:** Are your girls ready for an overnight in a tent? Do you have an adult who has completed Camp Out training? If yes, these tenting options are for you!

- **The May Kendall platform tent unit** is located at May Kendall Shelter and is available April 15 through October 15.
- **Pitch your own tents!** There is a large field behind Kornhauser Lodge and tent pads in the woods near the picnic shelter where tents can be pitched, plus plenty of other places around camp.

**Program Activities**

Outdoor activities are wonderful opportunities to build girls of courage, confidence, and character. Girls can challenge themselves in very different ways, try activities that are different from home and school, work with others to reach goals, build new skills, and just have lots of FUN! Start with simple and easy activities and look forward to more complex program as your girls are older and more experienced!

Be sure to consult **Safety Activity Checkpoints** for each program activity and follow the guidelines provided.

- **Archery:** An archery range is located just behind Kornhauser Lodge and there is archery equipment on site. Advance reservations and an appropriately credentialed archery facilitator are required.
- **Teams Course:** The teams course is a fun challenge for girls who are Juniors and older. Its use requires a GSK trained teams course facilitator.
- **High Ropes Course:** High ropes courses are similar to the teams course except 20 to 40 feet above the ground! Participants must be Cadettes or older. A GSK credentialed high ropes facilitator, advance reservations, and confirmation are required.
- **Caving:** A wild cave is available for exploration. A GSK credentialed caving facilitator and helmets are required. Helmets can be obtained from the ranger.
- **Orienteering:** Contact the ranger in advance of your coming to camp if your girls want to try this program.
• **Hiking:** Hike plan forms are available in the lodge. Compasses and maps are available through the ranger. Be sure you follow the safety guidelines described in the council’s outdoor education training programs.
  o **Yellow Trail:** Approximately one mile, allow 30 minutes (easy)
  o **Green Trail:** Approximately 1.5 miles, allow 1.5 to two hours (moderate)
  o **Red Trail:** Approximately three miles, allow two to three hours (difficult)
  o **White Trail:** Approximately five miles. At least a five to six hour trip (difficult). Remember to pack a lunch. This trail is good training for the Appalachian Trail.

**Directions to Stem Adventure Center**

![Map of directions](https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/static/1311927061745353965/1311927061745353965/1/1311927061745353965?ie=UTF8&signature=16728777610837870882&extend=1&center=1311927061745353965&cbus=4&ll=39.083316,-85.876964&spn=0.0012,0.0008&zoom=17)

Follow Indiana Hwy 11 to Laconia, Indiana. Hwy 11 turns at the stop sign in Laconia.

- If you are approaching from the north, go straight ahead at the stop sign on Main Street which becomes N. Tobacco Landing Road.
- If you are approaching from the west, turn right at the stop sign on Main Street which becomes N. Tobacco Landing Road.
- Turn left on to Crosier Road SE. Camp is approximately 0.7 miles ahead.

**Introductory Video**

Please watch this introductory video for more information.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pBDLXzvdvlo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pBDLXzvdvlo)
Located near Madison, IN, this 107-acre site provides an exciting experience for campers. A platform tent unit, a year-round lodge, and a field for pitched tents are available. There are hiking trails, fossils, and birds galore. This site is excellent for Brownie and Junior troops. Nearby Madison and Clifty Falls State Park provide a strong historical theme and many points of interest.

**Two Main Entrances:** Whippoorwill has two main gates leading to different sections of the camp. The first entrance takes you to the Wren House Lodge and picnic areas. The second entrance leads to the meadow and the tent unit.

**Emergency Information and Telephone Locations:** Telephones are located in the Wren House, the meadow building, and the hub building.

**Cars and Parking:** Parking is available in a number of locations, including near the entrance to camp, by Wren House, and near other shelters on the property.

**Ranger:** The part-time ranger lives near the second entrance of camp.

### Facilities

**Cabin Camping:** Do you have an adult who has completed Camp In training? If yes, then this facility is available for your group.

- **Wren House** sleeps 22 and is available year round. It has a kitchen, heat, and a bathroom with toilets and a shower.

**Tent Camping:** Are your girls ready for an overnight in a tent? Do you have an adult who has completed Camp Out training? If yes, this tenting facility is for you!

- **Goldfinch Unit** sleeps 20 in the Program Shelter. It has a latrine and cooking shelter. Water is available April 15 through October 15. You may also pitch tents in the field or on the four platforms near the Goldfinch Unit.

**Other Facilities:**

- **Stage:** The stage is available for program use. No advance reservations are required. Latrines serve the camping area and the hub activity area.
- **God's Eye:** A nice platform is available that looks over the creek valley.

### Program Activities

Outdoor activities are wonderful opportunities to build girls of courage, confidence, and character. Girls can challenge themselves in very different ways, try activities that are different from home and school, work with others to reach goals, build new skills, and just have lots of FUN! Start with simple and easy activities and look forward to more complex program as your girls are older and more experienced!

Be sure to consult [Safety Activity Checkpoints](#) for each program activity and follow the guidelines provided.

- **Adventure Playground:** Adult supervision is required.
- **Playground:** Swing-set and tire swing located in the meadow.
- **Geology:** The topography and geology of Whippoorwill make rock study and identification a great activity.
- **Wildflower walks:** There is a wildflower and tree identification guide in the Wren House.
- **Hiking:**
  - **Green Thumb Trail:** Red markers, approximately one mile (easy)
o **Schnapps Creek Trail:** White markers, approximately 2.5 miles (difficult). The trail runs along our property line. It is not unusual to see signs of hunters or all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) on the opposite side of the fence. Please note that ATVs and hunting are prohibited on Girl Scout property.

o **Primitive Trail:** Yellow markers, approximately 1.75 miles and must be done with some of the Schnapps Creek Trail (moderate to difficult)

**Off-site program opportunities:**

o **History:** Madison has several historic homes open to the public, including the Lanier Mansion, a state historic site. Fees required. For more information about the Madison area, consult the city website at [www.visitmadison.com](http://www.visitmadison.com).

o **Clifty Falls State Park:** Approximately 20 minutes from camp, Clifty’s waterfalls and unusual terrain make hiking and exploring a lot of fun. The park has a full time naturalist and year round programming.

o A swimming pool is available at Clifty Falls State Park. Crystal Beach is a municipal swimming pool located in Madison on the riverfront. Both are open from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Fees required.

**Directions to Whippoorwill**

From Madison, Indiana

- Go east at the intersection of Hwys 62 and 421 on Hwy 62.
- Go 1.8 miles and turn right onto Olive Branch Road. (Highway road sign prior to turn)
- Go to Geyman Hill Road and turn right. Look for a small Girl Scout sign on the telephone pole.
- Follow Geyman Hill Road approximately one mile to the camp entrance. The camp entrance is on the right.

**Introductory Video**

Please watch this introductory video for more information.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CvdYJQWrQEQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CvdYJQWrQEQ)