Ferry reservations

Washington State Ferries accepts reservations for the San Juan Island routes. Reservation information can be found on their website: http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Ferries/TakeaFerry

Things to remember

- Summer hours 6:30 a.m. to dusk.
- Winter schedule Although most parks are open year round, some parks or portions of parks are closed during the winter. For a winter schedule and information about seasonal closures, visit www.parks.state.wa.us or call the information center at (360) 902-8844.
- Wildlife, plants and all park buildings, signs, tables and other structures are protected; removal or damage of any kind is prohibited. Hunting, feeding of wildlife and gathering firewood on state park property is prohibited.
- · One camping party is allowed per site. Maximum of eight people per campsite.
- · Campsites may not be held for other parties.
- · Camping check-in time is 2:30 p.m., and check-out time is 1 p.m.
- Extra vehicle overnight \$10 per night in designated area for each vehicle in excess of the one allowed per site. Does not apply to vehicle towed by a recreational vehicle.
- Pets must be on leash and under physical control at all times. This includes trail areas and campsites. Pet owners must clean up after pets on all state park lands.
- · Quiet hours are 10 p.m. to 6:30 a.m.
- Engine-driven electric generators may be operated only between the hours of 8 a.m. and 9 p.m.

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Spencer Spit

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Overnight accommodations

Spencer Spit State Park has 37 tent spaces, one dump station, and two restrooms. Seven hiker/biker sites are available, as well as Cascadia Marine Trail sites. There are no showers or hookups. Most of the park's tent sites are large and private, though seven walk-in beach sites have limited privacy. Campers may enter the grounds until 10 p.m.

The park also provides three group camps: G1 is for tent camping only and accommodates up to 24 guests and has three walk-in sites, one of which is an Adirondack (three-sided) shelter with eight bunks.

G2 is for tent camping only and accommodates up to 50 guests. The campsite has 10 walk-in sites and a grassy common area.

G3 is for tent camping only and accommodates up to 24 guests. The site includes a kitchen shelter with electrical outlet, water spigot and three picnic tables. There is a pedestal barbeque and a fire pit. This site accommodates a kitchen trailer, six tents and four vehicles.

Park history

Spencer Spit State Park sits on the traditional territory of the Central Coast Salish peoples, specifically the Samish tribe, which originally hunted and fished in the area and used the abundant cedar wood for clothing, shelter and canoes.

The spit was originally homesteaded in the 1870s by Katherine and Franklin Troxell. The Spencer family acquired the area in the late 1800s. Spencer Spit was sold to the state of Washington by the Spencer family in 1967. The log cabin on the point was built between 1913 and 1920. The cabin was patterned after the pioneer cabins used by early settlers. In 1976, it was removed due to extensive rot, and rebuilt then and again in 2009. It now serves as a picnic shelter with tables and interpretive panels.

Park amenities and facilities

Spencer Spit State Park offers several amenities and facilities to make your visit more enjoyable and comfortable, including:

- Restroom
- Three picnic shelters without electricity; one shelter is reservable and includes four picnic tables, the other two have picnic tables
- Barbecue grills
- Fire pit
- Nature center
- Playground

Spencer Spit sits on Lopez Island and is one of the few state parks in the San Juan Island chain to be accessible by car. This 130-acre camping park affords dramatic, east-facing views of Decatur and Blakely Island and features a rare sand spit enclosed by a calm salt-chuck lagoon.

Spencer Spit State Park offers crabbing, clamming, saltwater fishing, swimming, diving, bird and wildlife viewing and 2 miles of hiking trails.

A Junior Ranger interpretive program, which runs from July 5 through Labor Day, makes this park particularly kid-friendly.

As part of the Cascadia Marine Trail, the park caters to boaters off all kinds. Amenities include bike and kayak rentals and moorage for those who prefer to sleep in the comfort of their vessels, rather than camp in their tents.

