



Foothills Nature Preserve's Towle Camp Reservation Information

We are pleased that you have chosen to camp with us in Foothills Nature Preserve . To assist you in planning your camping trip and ensure that you and your party have a safe and enjoyable time, please note the information below. For more information please call the rangers at 650-329-2423 or visit <http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/openspace>.

ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE

- Check-in time is 2:00 p.m. Check-out time is 12:00 noon.
- Responsible party must arrive at least **2 hours** before park closure. See our website or call the rangers for closing times.
- All campers must enter the preserve before the entrance gate is locked, which is one-half hour before park closure.
- **Check in procedure on weekdays is self guided**, campers will report to the Foothills Interpretive Center to pick up their parking passes and sign their camping contract agreement. These can be found next to the teller window inside the Interpretive Center.
- On weekends and holidays, check in will take place at the Gate House.
- All guests not camping overnight must exit the park before park closure. See our website or call the rangers for closing times.
- The gate to Wild Horse Valley Fire Road shall be kept closed at all times.

VEHICLES AND PARKING

- Parking for two (2) cars per site is permitted for campsites 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 8. Four (4) cars per site are permitted for campsites 1 and 5. Additional guests may not park at Towle Camp.
- All vehicles must display valid parking pass at all times within the preserve.
- Driving through the park after hours is prohibited.
- Campers, motor homes and other recreational vehicles are not permitted in Towle Camp at any time.
- **There is a 10 MPH speed limit on Wild Horse Valley Fire Road.**

FIRES, BARBECUES, AND GAS STOVES

- Tabletop camp stoves and backpacking stoves are allowed, fuel canisters can not have more than 2lbs of fuel.
- **There are no wood or charcoal fires allowed at Towle Camp.**
- Candles, torches, open flame lanterns, heaters, pizza ovens, standalone barbecues are prohibited.
- Smoking or vaping within park boundaries is prohibited.

DOGS

- Dogs are not permitted in Foothills Nature Preserve on weekends or city holidays. Therefore, dogs are not permitted in the campground on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, or the night before a holiday.
- Dogs must be leashed and under physical control at all times.
- Dogs must be inside of your tent with you when camping overnight. Dogs are not permitted outside of the campground after the preserve closes for the night

AGE LIMITS

- The person making the camping reservation must be an Adult 21 years or older. This person must remain overnight with the campers.

CANCELLATIONS

- Cancellations must be made in writing and received two weeks before the event. A cancellation fee (1/2 of total charges) is non-refundable unless the city cancels the permit, wherein a full refund will be made. No refund is given if cancellation is less than two weeks.

PRESERVE HOURS

- Foothills Nature Preserve is open every day at 8AM. and closes at a specific time based on sunset. See our website or call the rangers for closing times.
- Last entry to the park for all campers is one half hour before preserve closing time.
- All guests not camping overnight must exit the preserve before closing time.
- Those hiking, biking, and /or driving through the preserve after closing may be cited.
- Quiet Hours are 9PM to 7AM.
- No Reservation shall be made for more then seven consecutive nights, and no more then 14 days within a month.

LARGE GROUP BOOKINGS OF ENTIRE CAMP

- Total camper capacity is 80 individuals.
- Total vehicle capacity is 20 vehicles at any time.
- Extra vehicles must park at the Orchard Glen Picnic Area, and are prohibited from staying in the preserve overnight.
- Quiet Hours still apply to groups.

DOGS AND CITY HOLIDAYS

Dogs may not enter Foothills Park on weekends or city holidays.

New Year's Day, January 1

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, 3rd Monday in January

President's Day, 3rd Monday in February

Memorial Day, last Monday in May

Independence Day, July 4

Labor Day, first Monday in September

Columbus Day, 2nd Monday in October

Veteran's Day, November 11

Thanksgiving, 4th Thursday and Friday in November

Christmas, December 25

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