

APPROVED!!!

LLAMA RENDEZVOUS AT THE BEACH



The revival of the Llama Rendezvous at the Beach (2006 - 2013) on **September 27 - 29, 2019** will launch a *new camping venue* while retaining the previous unique experience with your llama – the beach, the dunes, the sun, historic sites and a ferry ride. Carolina Beach State Park has approved having llamas at eight (8) campsites. Llamas are limited to a maximum of **two per campsite** and **MUST** be secured at all times (corralled, tethered, inside a trailer, or on a lead). This very limited *experimental* first year will test this concept of actually camping near the beach. Lessons learned will dictate future events.

What we do:

1. Introduce your llama to the Atlantic Ocean.
2. Do the beach thing – the sun and the water. At the 2009 Rendezvous we created **Llamas' Games at the Beach**.
3. Practice packing – let the llamas carry your picnic and drinks to the beach.
4. Hike a two-mile salt **marsh forest trail** leading to the ocean. Bring your binoculars to watch the marsh and ocean birds and animals. Find the location of the “home” of the Fort Fisher Hermit who spent 17 years under the stars and scrub oaks of Fort Fisher.
5. Take your llamas on a **ferry ride** from/to Ft Fisher State Park to Southport.
6. Wander with your llama through **Brunswick Town**, a colonial ghost town located beside the Cape Fear River. Brunswick Town was the first settlement in the Cape Fear region. A major pre-Revolutionary port on North Carolina’s Cape Fear River, Brunswick was razed by British troops in 1776 and was never rebuilt. During the Civil War, Fort Anderson was constructed atop the old village site, and served as part of the Cape Fear River defenses below Wilmington before the fall of the Confederacy. Today, it is one of North Carolina’s state historic sites and a working archaeological site.
7. Cart drive your llamas (we have two carts to share). If you don’t have a carting llama, you have the opportunity to drive one of ours.
8. Visit the historic **Civil War Fort Fisher** and museum.
9. Six miles of trails wind through a variety of distinct habitats at Carolina Beach State Park. Relatively flat and easy to walk, the trails offer an opportunity to observe the diversity of plant and animal life in the park. Bikes are not allowed on the park trails.
10. Fish from the river bank, or the wheelchair accessible fishing deck. Flounder, spot, sheepshead and speckled trout are waiting. A North Carolina Coastal Recreational Fishing License is required to fish in the park.
11. Eat **FRESH** seafood. The park is close (almost walking distance) to abundant restaurants.
12. Be prepared to do **Public Relations** -- we draw attention -- if you can imagine that. You never know what we'll end up getting into. Over the years, we've coincidentally been involved in two different weddings, a photo shoot and definitely the newspaper.



Got an idea? We can try that, too!

THE DETAILS

CAMP SITES.

- Only eight (8) tent/trailer campsites have been approved for llamas. Reservations, along with full payment, is strictly limited by filling out the attached registration form and mailed to Vicki Sundberg
5550 Mills Trail SE
Bolivia, NC 28422
- Any registration+check received after the first eight will be returned.
- Maximum capacity per site is six (6) people, two (2) tents, two (2) llamas. RVs (motorhome, tagalong, fifth wheels) are limited by size. Details are on the registration form. NOTE the length limitations apply to the length of your vehicle/trailer.
 - An adult 18 years of age or older must occupy the site.
 - No electrical hook-ups at these sites. Generators and unnecessary noises are not allowed between 11:00 PM and 7:00 AM.
 - Two water spigots are located for these eight sites.
 - A bathhouse is available for camper's use.
 - All vehicles must be registered and display a green vehicle pass. No more than two (2) vehicles are allowed per site. Vehicles/trailers that don't fit in the camp site must park them at the marina or visitor center parking lot.
 - Parking is prohibited along road shoulders, in the woods and on unoccupied campsites.
 - Llamas are not allowed to forage. These delicate sandy sites have very limited growth for grazing.
 - While not on a lead, llamas must be securely corralled, tethered, or in a trailer. Bring your own corral panels - none available locally. Bring your own hay and feed. Park rangers expressed concern about the llamas causing damage to their campsites. They were assured that when we left, they would not be able to detect the presence of llamas and minimal impact of humans. (**Please**)
 - Raccoons and other wildlife are present. They may carry or transmit rabies. Rabies may be contracted through touching rabid wildlife or items they may have chewed upon.
 - More "fun" facts: Venomous snakes are common to this region. Deer live in the park. Poison ivy, poison oak, and poison sumac are abundant in the park. Ticks and chiggers are also found in the park. Take precautions before arriving and bring appropriate insecticide for you and your llamas.
 - Carolina Beach State Park is located on the Cape Fear River side of Pleasure Island. Swimming or wading in adjacent park waters is prohibited due to dangerous currents and sharp drop offs.
 - Please don't transport firewood into our state parks because you could unknowingly spread dangerous insects and diseases—such as the emerald ash borer—which can harm the forest. Buy firewood locally at the marina, or buy heat-treated firewood.
 - The front gate is closed and locked at posted closing times (7 PM - 7 AM) for your protection. There will be no exiting or entering the gate between these times and the combination will NOT be given out. If you leave the park and do not return before closing time, you will not be able to re-enter. If you have an emergency, see camp host. Please notify camp hosts for emergencies only.

Web Site: <https://www.ncparks.gov/carolina-beach-state-park>

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Reservation Form for 2019 Llama Rendezvous at the Beach

Fill out a separate form for each site you are going to use for your party.

So that you have realistic expectations, the following are the options. Most likely either your vehicle or trailer will need to be parked in the park office parking lot due to the limits. **Circle** preferred site, if any.

Two pull throughs:

- 67 Driveway length 76', Max vehicle length 40'
- 69 Driveway length 60', Max vehicle length 48'

Six Back ins:

- 62 Driveway length 48', Max vehicle length 48'
- 63 Driveway length 57', Max vehicle length 40'
- 64 Driveway length 45', Max vehicle length 40'
- 65 Driveway length 53', Max vehicle length 45'
- 66 Driveway length 40', Max vehicle length 30'
- 68 Driveway length 48', Max vehicle length 48'

Each site has a tent pad.

Your request for a specific site will be noted, however, to best accommodate the most people, specific site assignments will be made once all eight people make reservations.

Name (18yr old or greater for the site):

Phone(s):

Address:

Email(s)

Vehicle Length: _____ft Trailer Length _____ft Total: _____ft

Is the vehicle or trailer an RV? Yes No Describe your trailer: _____

What are your plans for sleeping (in tent, in car/truck, in RV, etc)?

What are your plans for securing your llamas overnight?

Can you back your combined rig into a lane or will you require a pull through lane?

\$80.00

Cost covers two nights (Friday and Saturday) at camp site, transaction fees, use fees, and special permit fees for Carolina Beach State Park and Ft Fisher State Park. This does not cover ferry toll, entrance fees, food, etc.

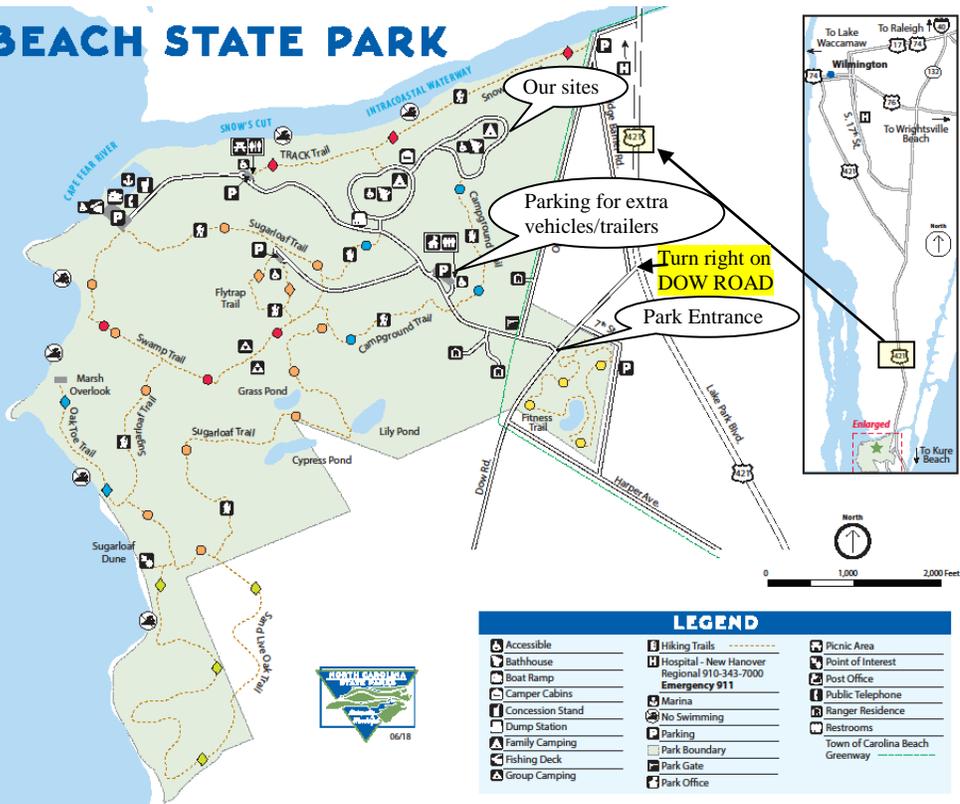
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CAROLINA BEACH STATE PARK

TRAILS

- Flytrap Trail** easy 0.5 mile orange
This wheelchair-accessible trail loops through pocosin wetlands, longleaf pine forests and wiregrass savanna communities. **Venus flytraps can be seen along the edges of the pocosins. Wildflowers bloom along the trail.** Parts of the trail travel along wooden boardwalks.
- Sugarloaf Trail** easy 3.0 miles orange
This trail begins at the marina parking area and offers great birding opportunities. Journey through a coastal evergreen forest, coastal fringe sandhill forest, tidal cypress-gum swamp and longleaf pine savanna on your way to the Sugarloaf Dune, a prominent precolonial geological feature.
- Campground Trail** easy 1.0 mile blue
This trail begins and ends at the visitor center and briefly joins the Sugarloaf Trail. Much of this trail winds through a coastal fringe sandhill forest, dominated by longleaf pines and live oaks.
- Sand Live Oak Trail** easy 1.5 miles yellow-green
This trail guides you along the river and through an ancient sand dune forest, looping around the southern end of the park before connecting back to Sugarloaf Trail. Part of this trail is on U.S. federal property.
- Snow's Cut Trail** easy 0.75 mile red
This trail begins at the picnic area and follows along Snow's Cut through a pine-hardwood forest. Towering trees and scenic views of the Intracoastal Waterway are seen along this trail.
- TRACK Trail** easy 0.25 mile red
This section of the Snow's Cut Trail is designated as a self-guided trail for kids. Activity brochures may be found at the picnic area trailhead and at the family campground trail access near campsite #20.
- Swamp Trail** easy 0.75 mile red
This trail begins and ends along Sugarloaf Trail. It provides access to the group camping area, as well as views of a tidal cypress-gum swamp and brackish marsh.
- Oak Tree Trail** easy 0.25 mile blue
This trail opens off the Sugarloaf Trail and journeys to the Marsh Overlook. It offers views of the Cape Fear River and brackish marsh and sightings of fiddler crab, dwarf palmwren and oak tree lichen.
- Fitness Trail** easy 1.0 mile yellow
This wheelchair-accessible loop has several exercise and activity stations set up along the way. **This trail is located off of 7th Street** with parking at the Carolina Beach Recreation Center.



Wilmington

Our sites

Parking for extra vehicles/trailers

Turn right on DOW ROAD

Park Entrance

LEGEND

- Accessible
- Bathroom
- Boat Ramp
- Camper Cabins
- Concession Stand
- Dump Station
- Family Camping
- Fishing Deck
- Group Camping
- Hiking Trails
- Hospital - New Hanover
Regional 910-343-7000
Emergency 911
- No Swimming
- Parking
- Park Boundary
- Park Gate
- Park Office
- Picnic Area
- Point of Interest
- Post Office
- Public Telephone
- Ranger Residence
- Restrooms
- Town of Carolina Beach
Greenway



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