

Fact Sheet

K'esugi Ken Campground Public Use Cabins Denali State Park



These beautiful log cabins were Alaskan-built in 2016 as part of the first phase of the South Denali Project. Future plans propose to include a visitor center on Curry Ridge.

Getting There – K'esugi Ken Campground is located at MP 135.4 George Parks Highway. Follow the highway signs to the entrance road. K'esugi Ken Road is two miles long up a curvy hill. All-wheel drive vehicles are recommended during winter months. The cabins are located within the Tent Campground loop.

GPS Coordinates (NAD83): W150° 13.807 N62° 35.464

Important Information

- Winter in Denali country is great for snow recreation, but storms can create hazardous conditions. <u>Be</u> <u>prepared in case snow-bound occurs as road clearing</u> <u>make take a few days.</u> Check into weather conditions prior to driving to the park. Bring extra food.
- Most cell phones work at the cabins.
- Cabins may only be used by those who paid the rental fee in advance, and only on the days specified on the receipt. You must have a <u>printed receipt/permit</u> with you during your stay.
- Cabins may not be used for commercial activities.
- For condition updates call the phone number below or visit our website: http://www.alaskastateparks.org.

About the Cabins

The <u>Hunter and Tokosha Public Use Cabins</u> are identical, measure 16'x20' and located at campsites #1 and #2. They include tent pads, fire rings, picnic table and food lockers (reserved for renters). Four double-sized (43"x78") plywood bunk platforms can sleep up to 8 people, 4-6 comfortably, plus a small table and benches. The 16'x10' loft is accessed by spiral stairs and is extra space for sleeping on the floor or gear storage.

The <u>Denali Public Use Cabin</u> measures 20'x30' and is located near the campground entrance. It includes an outside fire ring and picnic table, plus a table and benches inside. The cabin has limited electricity for lights and small accessories (electric heaters or hotplates will not work). Bringing alternate lighting is recommended, power outages are frequent. A small bedroom has one 60"x80" wood sleeping platform. The 20'x12' loft is accessed by spiral stairs and is extra space for sleeping on the floor or gear. The cabin sleeps up to 12 people and may only be available during winter months (see reservation calendar).

All cabins are equipped with covered decks, wood stoves, table, benches, broom and snow shovel. A combination lock provides security on one door (combination provided upon reservation). Vaulted toilets are nearby. State Parks cannot guarantee the condition and/or presence of the items mentioned, please report any deficiencies.

Suggested supplies to bring include:

- □ Sleeping bag and pad or air mattress
 □ Food, cookware, dishes, utensils
 □ Cooking stove and fuel
 □ Matches, lighters, paper fire starter
 □ First aid items, mosquito repellant
- □ Trash bags□ Containers of water (water available summer only)
- ☐ Flashlights
- ☐ Lantern and fuel (no oil lamps, please)
- ☐ Door lock combination (on cabin receipt)
- ☐ Saw or ax, just in case
- ☐ **Firewood**: Available on site; 16" max length; recommend bringing at least 4 bundles (available at gas stations, etc.) for the first night

A few necessary do's and don'ts:

- Please don't leave food or garbage in the cabin at the end of your visit. It might seem helpful to share food with future users, but it attracts bears & small animals.
- Please pack out everything you packed in.
- Do not leave cookware, sleeping pads, or other items in the cabin at the end of your visit.
- Please leave some cut dry wood for the next visitor.
 Only dead and down trees may be cut.
- Keep the fire in the stove under control.
- Dispose of all waste water in the latrine; water dumped outside the cabin is unsightly, unsanitary and attracts unwanted wildlife; pack out all garbage.
- Discharge of weapons is only allowed for lawful hunting, minimum ½ mile from the campground.
- Do not leave pets unattended inside the cabins.
- Please write comments in the cabin's logbook.

Check-In and Out Time is 12:00 Noon

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Park Rangers: 733-5121 or 495-6210

What to Do

Trails: There are 2 miles of walking/biking trails through the campground area. The newly built 1.2-mile Curry Ridge Trail offers hiking up to the lower bench of Curry Ridge and Lake 1787 (under construction 2016/2017).

Cross-Country Skiing: The walking trails are groomed in winter for skiing, both Nordic and skate-skiing.

Snowmobiling: The groomed winter ski trails are closed to snowmobiles, but areas are open to ride north to Troublesome Creek and beyond. Snowmobiles are allowed for general access to cabins when sufficient snow is available. When the Chulitna River freezes well, crossing it opens vast expanses to riding in the foothills of the Alaska Range, and the groomed snowmobile trails in the Bunco Lake/Peters Hills area. Off-road vehicles are prohibited.



Tokosha Public Use Cabin



Hunter Public Use Cabin



Denali Public Use Cabin

Reservations and Cancellations

Changes or cancellations must be made through Reserve America. Please have your reservation number available when changing a reservation.

Rental Fees are not Refundable

If you were unable to use the facility due to events beyond your control, such as extreme weather, hazardous conditions (as determined by State Parks), or closure of a road, trail, or facility by the State, you may request a refund. Requests for credit must be made within 3 business days of the last date of your reservation. Extreme weather includes minus 20° F for all cabins.

If you cancel at least 48 hours prior to the start of your reservation for reasons not listed above, you may request a refund. If you fail to cancel in a timely manner, or fail to use the facility for reasons other than those listed above, a refund will not be issued. YOU **MUST PRESENT** YOUR **ORIGINAL** RECEIPT/PERMIT. OR **PROVIDE** Α **VALID** RESERVATION NUMBER TO **CHANGE** RESERVATION OR RECEIVE A REFUND. YOU MAY CANCEL VIA RESERVE AMERICA.

Emergency closures

In the event of a natural emergency or sudden campground closure, a refund of the rental fees will be issued.

For more cabin information and photos, go to this website link: K'esugi Ken Cabins.