

Salmon is a scenic mountain-town located on the outskirts of Idaho's Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness, with rustic origins in mining, lumbering and family ranching. Over the years, it has evolved into a community of adventurers that can only exist in a place that offers this much outdoor recreation.

Our Main Salmon River adventure begins in Salmon, Idaho, where we will meet at the Stagecoach Inn (201 Riverfront Drive, Salmon) at 7:30pm the evening before your launch date. You will need to make hotel reservations or camping arrangements in Salmon for the night before your trip begins. Here are some of the options for campgrounds near Salmon, ID:

**The Village at North Fork** - RV and campsites with all basic amenities 30 minutes north of Salmon at the juncture of the Main Salmon River and the North Fork.  
(208) 865-7001

**Wagonhammer TV & Campground** - RV and campsites 25 minutes north of Salmon along the Salmon River. All basic amenities, pet friendly, WIFI, showers, laundry, and a small shop.  
(208) 865-2477

**Shoup Bridge Recreation Site** - BLM location accommodates RVs and tents about 10 minutes south of Salmon. Popular place for steelhead fishing.  
(208) 756-5400

**Century 2 Campground** - RVs and campsites on the Salmon. It has all basic amenities and is conveniently located in Salmon.  
(208) 756-2063  
<https://century2campground.com/>

**McFarland Campground** - Small BLM campground on the Lemhi River about 10 miles southeast of Salmon.  
(208) 756-5400

**Cougar Point Campground** - 6600-foot elevation. 18 campsites in the Salmon River Mountains. Big game hunting in season. Short trails run north, south and west from the campground. The area is heavily timbered with mixed conifers.  
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/scnf/recarea/?recid=76094>

**Morgan Bar Recreation Site** - Located just 10 minutes north of Salmon this campground has magnificent eastern views of the Beaverhead Mountains.  
<https://www.blm.gov/visit/morgan-bar-recreation-site>

**Forest Service Campground**  
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/>  
**BLM Camping**  
<https://www.blm.gov/>

**William Lake** - Small BLM campground near William's Lake. Great access to Salmon-Challis National Forest and about 35 minutes from Salmon.  
(208) 756-5400

**Twin Creek Campground** - 40 minutes north of Salmon on the North Fork. Primitive camping but includes potable water and vault toilets.  
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/scnf/recarea/?recid=76110>

**Elk Bend** - Located about 30 minutes south of Salmon. Elk Bend is famous for its wildlife, you can see eagles, deer, big horn sheep, and mountain goats around the area and along the river, The river is just across the street and is great for floating and fly fishing. The famous Goldbug Hot Springs Trailhead is 1.3 miles away.  
(208) 894-4549

<https://elkbendrvpark.com/>

In McCall, the outdoors are always open. From Payette Lake in the heart of downtown to the three area ski mountains to the miles of trails for both summer and winter adventures, there is never a shortage of options for outdoor fun. Paired with family-friendly bike tours, the McCall Ale Trail, and loads of live music and entertainment, there is never a dull moment in the mountains.

Our Main Salmon River rafting adventure will finish in McCall, ID. You will be shuttled from the river take-out to McCall at the end of the rafting trip, arriving in McCall in the late afternoon on the 6th (final) day of your river expedition. You will need to arrange lodging or camping in McCall the night after your trip. Camping options in the area range from primitive BLM first come first serve to full amenity and RV hookups. Here are some of the options:

**Ponderosa State Park** - A very large park close to the center of McCall. Has all amenities and is right on Payette Lake.

1-888-922-6743

<https://idahostateparks.reserveamerica.com/campinghome.page>

**Northwest Passage Campground** -

First come first serve camping section of Ponderosa State Park for tents and RVs. Potable water and vault toilets at campground. Located on the north side of Payette Lake and is about 20 minutes from McCall.

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<https://idahostateparks.reserveamerica.com/campinghome.page>

**Lake Fork Campground** - About 40 minutes east of McCall in the beautiful North Fork Lake valley and near Lake Fork trailhead. Each site comes equipped with a picnic table, fire pit, and charcoal grill. There is typically potable water available on site. Campground has vault toilets. Sites are non-reservable.

208-634-0400

**Creekside RV Parks & Campground** -

Located 10 miles west of McCall on Goose Creek. Has all basic amenities and hook ups.

<http://creeksidervparkandcampground.com/>

(208) 315-3080

**City of Donnelly Campground** - Located on the north side of Lake Cascade about 25 minutes from McCall. Has no services except vault toilets. 30 Minutes from McCall.

208-325-8859

**Amanita Campground** - Located next to Lake Cascade among mixed growth conifers and is right on the lake. Has potable water, trash service, and vault toilets. 30 minutes from McCall.

1-877-444-6777

**BLM Camping**

<https://www.blm.gov/>

**Forest Service Camping**

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/>

**Curlew Campground** - A part of Lake Cascade State Park it's located on the north end of the lake. Great access to the lake and trails to Mile High Cantina and Mica Ridge. 30 minutes from McCall.

(208) 382-6544

<https://parksandrecreation.idaho.gov/parks/lake-cascade/>

**Black Bear RV Park** - All amenities including laundry, trash service, and community firepit. This pet friendly facility is just on the south edge of town and close to Riverfront Park.

(208) 634-5165

<https://bbrvparks.com/>

**Tower Rock Recreational Site** - The Lewis & Clark Expedition camped at the Tower Rock site, along the main Salmon River. Today, the site offers prime river access for floaters and steelhead and trout fishermen. Camping and picnic sites are also available, and the area makes a great stopping point for scenic drivers.

<https://www.blm.gov/visit/tower-rock-recreation-site>

208-756-5400