

# Short and Long Term Camping

*The goal of this section is to introduce new opportunities for Scouts to hike, camp, go horseback riding, canoe, go cycling, or participate in other fun Scouting activities. Below, you will find information about other Council Scout Camps, State and National Parks, and private recreational areas in Georgia and in surrounding areas. Please help us to maintain updated information in this section by submitting camps using the submission form located in the back of this guide.*

## Other Councils' Scout Camps

*Across the Southeast, councils own and service camps for on and off-season use. To take full advantage of these opportunities you will need to contact the individual Council Program Center.*

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### **Camp Frank G. Lumpkin :: Chattahoochee Council, GA**

Located in LaGrange, Georgia Camp Lumpkin is a relatively new camp which opened in 1999. The Camp features 1000 acres of property in a pine wood peninsula covering twenty miles of shoreline and an Olympic sized pool. Summer Camp runs five weeks beginning in mid-June. 35 Merit Badges are offered. Their first year camper program runs all day long and Project C.O.P.E. and mountain biking are available. Conservation projects and outpost camping is available to all units. Unique to Camp Lumpkin is the Trail to Eagle courses which advise Eagle Scout candidates on projects and general scouting knowledge.

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### **Camp Sidney Dew :: Northwest Georgia Council, GA**

Camp Sidney Dew of Armuchee, Georgia rests on 550 acres and contains 10 campsites. Private Lake Goodyear allows swimming and boating in addition to rolling trout streams. A pool is also available on site. Summer Camp runs four weeks beginning in mid-June. 29 Merit Badges are offered. The Spike Buck First Year program offers an opportunity in the morning or afternoon for first year campers to earn First Aid, Swimming, and one other Merit Badge. Camp activities include a fishing and casting clinic, Chuck Wagon, and visits to the Mountain Man area. Older boys may participate in Project C.O.P.E. or earn the climbing Merit Badge. Boys 15 and older are given a high adventure opportunity, which combines one day of C.O.P.E., a 3-day, 26 mile backpacking trek on the Appalachian Trail, and a one day Whitewater rafting trip.

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### **Camp Thunder :: Flint River Council, GA**

Along the Pine Mountain range, you are sure to find Camp Thunder of Molena, Georgia. 12 Campsites sit atop 2200 acres of this beautiful and impressive camp. Lake In-I-To, a major Aquatics Base, is located on the larger of two rivers on the property. Summer camp operates 8 weeks every summer beginning in June. 39 Merit Badges are offered. The Buckskin first year camper program offers the First Aid and Swimming Merit Badges and the 5-mile hike required for the Tenderfoot rank. Camp activities include outpost overnights, a Hunter Safety course, Duck Day, and Wilderness hikes. The Trail to Eagle Program offers help on Eagle Required Merit Badges and workshops on projects, leadership, and paperwork. Project C.O.P.E. and a mountain biking program are available for older boys, as are High Adventure opportunities out of the Gerald I. Lawhorn Canoe Base.

### **Camp Rainy Mountain :: Northeast Georgia Council, GA**

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Sitting on 500 acres in Clayton, Georgia, Camp Rainy Mountain features 21 campsites and a private lake. Summer camp is conducted over 8 weeks beginning in mid-June. 42 Merit Badges are offered in addition to a first year program called TNT. Project C.O.P.E., Mountain biking, and Whitewater kayak crew trips are available. Venture Scouts are welcome.

### **Camp Osborn :: Southwest Georgia Council, GA**

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Located in Sylvester, Georgia, Camp Osborn sits on 859 Acres and has 7 campsites. Osborn features a private lake for its boating program and a swimming pool for swimming sports. Two weeks of summer camp are offered beginning in mid-June. 31 Merit Badges are offered. Project C.O.P.E., Trailblazers for first year campers, and High Adventure Canoe trips on the Flint River are available.

### **Camp Tolochee :: Okefenokee Area Council, GA**

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Just twenty minutes from St. Simons and Jekyll Island beaches, Camp Tolochee is home to 11 campsites. Boating is offered on a private lake, and swimming sports use a pool. Summer camp runs for three weeks beginning in mid-June. 33 Merit Badges are offered. A First Class Emphasis program, troop swim/shoot/canoe, climbing, and an overnight kayaking trip to St. Simons Island and Sound are available.

### **Robert E. Knox Scout Reservation :: Georgia-Carolina Council, GA-SC**

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Robert E. Knox Scout Reservation sits on 550 acres in Augusta, Georgia with 7 miles of beautiful Clarks Hill Lake shoreline. Knox is open for two weeks in June every summer. A relatively new reservation, Knox has new program facilities and boasts being a “traditional camp,” where Scouts cook their own food in their patrols and sleep in dome tents. The Jimmie Dyess Program is designed for first year campers and teaches them the essential Scout Skills necessary to earn the first three ranks. The Trail To Eagle Program offers Eagle-Required Merit Badges to Scouts with First Class Rank or above. Training is offered for adult leaders.

### **Camp Old Indian :: Blue Ridge Council, SC**

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Located in Traveler’s Rest, South Carolina, Camp Old Indian sits atop 1200 acres in the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains and contains 15 campsites. Swimming and boating are offered on two separate lakes. Scouts are housed in cabins or Adirondacks. Summer camp runs for seven weeks beginning in mid-June. 41 Merit Badges are offered. The pathfinder program operates for first year campers and includes an overnight. A Ranger Program, consisting of whitewater rafting, canoeing, rappelling, rock climbing, and team building, is offered to Scouts at least 14 years-old. High Adventure opportunities include a 54-mile hike in Western South Carolina.

### **Camp Ho Non Wah :: Coastal Carolina Council, SC**

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Camp Ho Non Wah rests on 140 acres of Wadmalaw Island, South Carolina and contains 8 campsites. Historic Charlestown and Aircraft Carrier Yorktown are located nearby for day trips. Private Lake McGee is used for boating and a 25-meter pool is available for swimming. Summer Camp runs for 5 weeks starting in late June. 38 Merit Badges are offered. The tribe program serves first year campers and is coupled with a 5-mile hike and an overnigher. In-camp activities include campfires, camp-wide games, sports night, and open waterfront Aquatics Night. A Hunters Safety course, island camping, canoeing, water skiing, and Project C.O.P.E. are available for older Scouts, as is the Blue Water Sailing Program which takes crews on a 5-day cruise on the Carolina coast during which they practice skills such as seamanship, day and night navigation skills, snorkeling, swimming, and fishing.

### **Camp Coker :: Pee Dee Area Council, SC**

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Camp Coker lies on 500 acres of Society Hill, South Carolina and contains 10 campsites. The camp property contains sandy rolling hills and a dense pine forest. The private 35-acre Lake West Wood hosts aquatics activities. Summer Camp runs for 8 weeks beginning in June. 35 Merit Badges are offered. The Trailblazer program teaches basic outdoor skills, and includes an overnight and a 5-mile hike. Camp activities include in-line skating, nature trail hikes, cooking demos, campfires, troop shoot/swim/boat, and a canoe outpost overnight. Older Scouts can take motor boating, water skiing, and cycling Merit Badges, and participate in Project C.O.P.E. The River Ranger, 5-day canoe trek on Little Pee Dee is also available.

### **Camp Jackson Venture Camp :: Greater Alabama Council, AL**

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Scottsboro, Alabama is home to this premier camp for older boys. Camp Jackson consists of 500 acres along the Tennessee River at the base of Sand Mountain. Summer camp dates are not currently available, but four different exciting adventures will be offered. Activities will include survival cooking, wilderness camping, island camping, fishing, swimming, and caving. Off-season boating is available to units with trained leaders.

### **Camp Comer :: Greater Alabama Council, AL**

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Beautiful Camp Comer sits atop 1067 pristine acres of Lookout Mountain in Mentone, Alabama and contains 13 campsites. Tent and Adirondack group camping sites are available. Lake Republic serves all aquatics activities. Summer Camp runs for six weeks starting in June. 29 Merit Badges are offered. The Trailblazer first year camper program includes an overnight outpost camping experience. Older Scout programs include sailing, advanced rifle, motor boating, Project C.O.P.E., rappelling, climbing, and whitewater rafting.

### **Camp Tukabatchee :: Tukabatchee Area Council, AL**

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Located in Prattville, Alabama, Camp Tukabatchee rests on 1000 acres and contains 12 campsites. A sixty-acre lake serves all aquatic wants. Hot water and bathhouses are located in every campsite. Excellent first year camper opportunities, a Hi-Low C.O.P.E. course, and on site horsemanship are available. Mountain and trail biking, and white water opportunities are offered for older Scouts. 5-day out-of-camp treks include whitewater rafting, tubing, rock climbing, rappelling, caving, and a visit to Space Camp for Boy Scouts, Venturers, and Explorers over 14.

### **Camp Davy Crockett :: Sequoia Council, TN**

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Camp Davy Crockett lies on 8 miles of Cherokee Lake shoreline just outside Whitesburg, Tennessee. The camp boasts 1800 acres of rolling hills full of fun, adventure and exploration and contains 16 campsites. Summer Camp runs for six weeks every summer. 35 Merit Badges are offered. First year campers can participate in the Eagle Bound Program, which includes an overnigher. Native American camp operates Monday through Thursday. In this exciting program, scouts canoe to a remote part of camp in the afternoon and return the next morning in time for regular program. Older scouts can participate in Project C.O.P.E. High Adventure opportunities include 3 days on the Appalachian Trail or on Cherokee lake followed by two days' float and whitewater on the Nolichucky River.

### **Camp Buck Toms :: Great Smoky Mountain Council, TN**

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Camp Buck Toms lies on 12 miles of shoreline on Watts Bar Lake in Tennessee. Summer camp operates for 6 weeks. 43 Merit Badges are offered. First Year campers can join the Dan Beard program, form patrols, visit all the program areas, and earn two Merit Badges. Troop activities include a canoe overnight and perimeter trail hike and the climbing/rappelling tower and traverse wall is open to all scouts. Older boys may take a week-long Project C.O.P.E. course. Mountain Man begins with one day of Project C.O.P.E./climbing. For the next four days, older boys can go on a backpacking trip on the Appalachian Trail and end the week with whitewater rafting.

### **Skymont Scout Reservation :: Cherokee Area Council, TN**

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Skymont Scout Reservation lies in the Cumberland Mountains about 80 miles southeast of Nashville, in Altamont, Tennessee. Skymont is comprised of 2460 acres, 15 campsites, and 4 lakes. Summer camp runs for six weeks every summer. The Polaris First Year Program teaches basic Scouting skills for rank advancement including a 5-mile hike. The Adventure Area boasts a 55-foot climbing tower and rappelling for all ages, and a 300-foot zip line. Mountain bikes are available to all Scouts. Whitewater trips run all day on Fridays. The Cumberland Adventure program offers wet caving, snorkeling, swimming at the falls, hiking, and rock climbing for scouts over 13. Older Scouts can participate in blacksmithing, and Project C.O.P.E. High Adventure opportunities include whitewater rafting, canoeing, kayaking, Appalachian Trail hiking, climbing/rappelling, cross-country biking, and the Skymont Perimeter Trail hike.