Wagonhammer RV Park and Campground

Walk on the wild side in central Idaho's Salmon River Valley



At North Fork, Idaho's Wagonhammer RV Park and Campground, in the shadow of the Bitteroot Mountains, it's not uncommon to spot bald eagles wheeling overhead or elk and deer ambling across the rugged Salmon River Valley.

Owners Shirley and Abner Schultz make sure guests at the family-friendly Good Sam Park never feel like they're roughing it. Whether you're frying up a steak at the outdoor barbecue, browsing the large selection of goods at the campground store or learning how to make Indian jewelry in the rec room, you'll feel pampered in the resort setting. The attentive staff will even help you make restaurant reservations in the nearby town of Salmon.

The Shultzes are proud of their 18-acre park and its 8/10*/10 Trailer Life Directory rating, but don't let the high marks for cleanliness dissuade you from getting dirty. After all, you can wash up after your outdoor adventures in the park's modern restrooms and showers and give your clothes a spin at the coin-operated laundry.

The Salmon River flows right next to the park, and fishermen can use the campground's launch to take out drift boats. Staff members record big catches on the campground's blog, blog.wagonhammercampground.com

Guests who prefer riding the rapids to reeling in steelhead and trout can book a seat on one of the guided



float trips that navigate fast-moving stretches of the Salmon. You can also rent canoes, kayaks and inflatable rafts from local outfitters or explore the nearby Challis National Forest and Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness Area on foot, horseback and ATVs.

Don't feel like straying too far from home base? Take your dogs hiking around the park in the footsteps of Lewis and Clark (pets are welcome at Wagonhammer), and don't forget your binoculars. Bird watchers can spot up to 40 unique species in this part of Idaho.

Guests can spend a good portion of a visit simply browsing Wagonhammer's store, stocked with Western and wildlife art, sterling silver jewelry, clothing and wines made in Idaho. This is also the place to stock up on RV supplies.

Good Sam chapters are welcome at the park and may conduct meetings in the rec hall. "We have a following of Good Sam groups that return every year," confirms Shirley Schultz.

Wi-FI is free at Wagonhammer's 52 RV campsites, and pull-throughs are available. Visit wagonhammercampground.com to find out more about this top-rated Good Sam Park.



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