



## Fact Sheet

### China Poot Lake Public Use Cabin Kachemak Bay State Park



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China Poot Lake Public Use Cabin is located on the shores of scenic China Poot Lake. Built in 1998, the cabin is the fifth in the Kachemak Bay State Park cabin system. The cabin is constructed of local beetle-killed logs. The lake is a popular destination for visitors to the park, with fishing for rainbow trout an attraction. Common loons nest along the lake and are a frequent sight and sound. Moose and black bears are often in the general area. Several hiking trails are available from the cabin, with Poot Peak, Moose Valley, or the Wosnesenski River Trails being popular routes.

#### **Access:**

China Poot Lake Public Use Cabin is located on the East shore of China Poot Lake, approximately 13 air miles from Homer and approximately 2.4 trail miles from Halibut Cove Lagoon trailheads. Air taxis are available for fly-ins directly to the cabin and water taxis are available for marine trailhead access. There is no dock facility at the cabin. A short 300-foot trail connects the cabin to the China Poot Lake Trail 0.2 miles north of the China Poot Lake Campsite. The cabin trail is signed at the junction.

If using a private boat, please use the caution necessary in coastal Alaskan water with respect to tides, weather and your party's abilities and experience; the waters of Kachemak Bay are often rough. Entering and exiting the Lagoon at HIGH TIDE ONLY is recommended. The new dock located adjacent to the Ranger Station is available for boats up to 26 feet long. Boats larger than 26 feet in length should be anchored.

#### **Accommodations:**

The China Poot Lake Cabin is 16' x 16' with 2 double bunk beds, sleeping 6. The bunks are provided with 1-inch thick closed cell foam padding. The cabin is supplied with a wood stove for heat, and has a table, small sink, benches and counter for food preparation. Firewood is available in the area, and must be dead and down on the ground to use. A hand saw and splitting axe are provided. A fireplace is available for outdoor fires.

Fresh water may be obtained from the lake, or the nearby Moose Valley Creek. **Please boil or treat all surface water before drinking!**

#### ***What should I take?***

- Bug Repellent
- Cooking stove & fuel
- Dishes, cookware, and utensils
- Extra clothes & rain gear
- First aid kit
- Lantern / Flashlight
- Lantern fuel (white gasoline)
- Sleeping bags
- Toilet paper
- Waterproof matches

#### ***Miscellaneous Information:***

There are no public boats available at the lake. If on the water, please provide personal flotation devices for all occupants. Winds on the lake can be very strong at times coming from the south off the Harding Icefields. Breaking waves are not uncommon.

#### ***Reservations:***

Reservations can be made on line at [www.alaskastateparks.org](http://www.alaskastateparks.org), in person at our Public Information Center offices located in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau or at the nearest State Park office. Alaska residents can make reservations 7 months to the day in advance of the first night stay and non-residents 6 months to the day in advance, Monday through Friday beginning at 10:00 a.m. Alaska time. Advance reservations cannot be made on weekends or State holidays, but can be made the next business day. All other cabin reservations can be made 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Reservation requests can also be mailed or faxed. Credit cards (MasterCard/Visa/Discover) are accepted for payment when making reservations on line, mailing or faxing reservation requests or when paying in person at our Anchorage, Fairbanks or Juneau offices.

Reservations are not accepted over the phone. However, changes or cancellation can be done by phone or in person. A change to or cancellation of a

reservation for a Public Use Cabin must be done at least 48 hours in advance of the start of the reservation in order for the customer to receive a credit. If making a change or cancellation by phone, the cabin reservation number must be provided. If done in person, the original reservation must be presented. If the cancellation or change of a cabin reservation is due to a family emergency or severe weather conditions, the 48 hour notification requirement may be waived. Otherwise, without the 48 hour notification, a reservation cannot be cancelled or changed and a credit issued. Cabin credits are good for one year from date of issue. Refunds are not issued.

The cabin rental fee is \$70 per night. Stay limit is seven nights per month. **Check-in/Check out is 12:00 noon.** No tent camping is permitted near the cabin. Tent campers may camp in a designated campsite located approximately 0.2 miles south of the cabin along the China Pool Lake Trail. Campsites are available on a "first-come, first-served" basis.

**Pets:**

While pets are allowed in the park, they must remain on a leash while in developed areas. Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up after their animals. **CAUTION:** Pets off leash on trails are not recommended due to bears and other hikers.

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