

Emma Lake Cabin



Description

A historic 12' x 12' foot rustic log cabin built around the turn of the century. This cabin was built as a mining cabin and later used by early trappers and hunters.

Facilities

Two bunk beds, table with benches, wood stove, broom, shovel, water bucket, fire extinguisher, established campfire ring, and outhouse. Maximum occupancy: 6. **NOT included:** running water, electricity, mattress or bedding, cooking utensils, or cut firewood.

Location

The cabin is located on the east shore of Emma Lake in the Kenai Wilderness area. Primary access to the cabin is by boat from the Kasilof River Landing, via the Kasilof River and Tustumena Lake to the north shore of Tustumena Lake and then by hiking the 3.5 mile Emma Lake trail. Emma Lake Trail gains 940 feet of elevation. Note: **Emma Lake is closed to public aircraft operations.** Refer to USGS map Kenai A-2. GPS: Latitude 60°07.422, Longitude 150°33.428. NAD 83 or WGS 84, Degree, Decimal, Minutes.

Terrain/Vegetation

During the summer/fall of 2004, the Glacier Creek Fire burned areas along the Emma Lake Trail. The trail traverses both mature forests and heavily burned areas. Vegetation re-growth will be ongoing. Cabin is in an upland site 100 yards from the lake and at approx. 1,050 ft. over looking Emma Lake and surrounded by scattered trees, shrubs, grasses, and wildflowers.

Reservations

No permit required. First come-first serve. No fee per night per party. [Register at the cabin.](#)

Recreation Opportunities

This cabin offers seclusion, and a wilderness destination. Emma Lake offers fair fishing for Dolly Varden trout and the surrounding area has sightseeing, wildlife viewing and exploring. From the cabin there are trail/routes to access remote "high country" areas. This cabin is also popular for an overnight stop over for hunters and hikers in the fall. Review Alaska Department of Fish and Game hunting and fishing regulations.

Special Considerations

Emma Lake is closed to public aircraft operation. The seclusion of this cabin necessitates being prepared to handle any emergency situation. Inclement weather may cause an unexpected extension of the trip. Boats must be left unattended at Emma Lake Trailhead along the Tustumena Lake shore. Boats should be pulled completely out of the water or otherwise secured when unattended. Bringing a personal cooking stove is recommended. Carry in potable water or boil surface water 5 minutes before drinking. Remember to pack out your trash. Enjoy, but help protect this historical building.

Contact the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge for more information.

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