

## Things to remember

- **Park hours** – 6:30 a.m. to dusk.
- **Winter schedule** – Although most parks are open year round, some parks or portions of parks are closed during the winter. For a winter schedule and information about seasonal closures, visit [www.parks.state.wa.us](http://www.parks.state.wa.us) or call the information center at (360) 902-8844.
- Wildlife, plants and all park buildings, signs, tables and other structures are protected; removal or damage of any kind is prohibited.
- Hunting, feeding of wildlife and gathering firewood on state park property is prohibited.
- Pets must be on leash and under physical control at all times. This includes trail areas and campsites. Pet owners must clean up after pets on all state park lands.



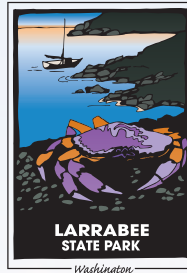
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- Annual pass: \$30
- One-day pass: \$10

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**State Parks information:**  
(360) 902-8844

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Donations are a significant part of the State Parks budget and are needed to keep your parks open and operating. For more information, visit [www.parks.state.wa.us/donations](http://www.parks.state.wa.us/donations)

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## Washington State Parks

# Larrabee State Park





Larrabee State Park is set on the seaward side of Chuckanut Mountain, off the famed Chuckanut Drive, close to Bellingham.

The 2,748-acre park offers 8,100 feet of saltwater shoreline on Samish Bay, with postcard views of the bay and the neighboring San Juan Islands.

Popular activities include boating, fishing, shellfish harvesting in season, diving and beach exploration. Two freshwater lakes, Fragrance and Lost lakes, are known for their excellent bass and trout fishing. Douglas-firs and Salal shrubs provide shaded hiking and mountain biking trails, birding and wildlife viewing. Clayton Beach, accessible by a hiking trail, features rare sandstone cliff formations and tide pools teeming with life.

Group shelters, unsheltered picnic tables and trainspotting are also part of the experience at Larrabee State Park.

### History

On Oct. 23, 1915, Frances P. Larrabee donated 20 acres of land to the state of Washington that would soon become the state's first state park. The donation had been planned with her late husband, Charles X. Larrabee, a wealthy industrialist and philanthropist, and Governor Ernest Lister. The donated land was envisioned as a scenic park/auto campground to complement the Chuckanut Drive section of the nearly completed Pacific Highway.

The park was opened to the public in October of 1915, to coincide with the dedication of Chuckanut Drive.

In November of 1915, the property officially became the first state park in Washington. Originally known as Chuckanut State Park, the name was changed in 1923 to honor the Larrabee family, although Frances insisted her husband would not have wanted such recognition.

Despite its increasing popularity, the park had limited facilities until the 1930s when, during the Great Depression, emergency work relief funding from the Public Works Administration was used to construct Larrabee's first amenities, including a pair of restrooms still in use today. In 1944, a distinctive band shell designed by architect Earl E. MacCannell was built.

Frances and her son Charles later donated another 1,500 acres to increase the size of the park, which now stands at more than 2,500 acres.

# Welcome to Larrabee

## Overnight accommodations

The park features 51 standard campsites, 26 full-utility sites, eight primitive sites and a group camp that accommodates up to 40 people. A working train track runs through the park and west of the campground. To make a reservation, call (888) CAMPOUT or (888) 226-7688 or visit [www.parks.state.wa.us](http://www.parks.state.wa.us). For more information, call (360) 902-8844.

## Amenities and facilities

Larrabee State Park offers several amenities and facilities to make your visit more enjoyable and comfortable, including:

- Restroom
- Hiking trail
- 13 miles of biking trails
- 15 miles of hiking trails
- Boat ramp
- Amphitheater



- Biking
- Hiking
- Boating
- Group camp
- Fishing
- Canoe access
- Camping
- Boat launch
- RV camping
- Welcome station
- Trailer dump
- Park office
- Restroom
- Day-use shelter
- Picnic area
- Parking
- Park boundary

