



Sly Guard Cabin

Eldorado National Forest

Placerville Ranger District



The Sly Guard Cabin is located in the beautiful Eldorado National Forest. Boating, kayaking, hiking, swimming, picnicking, gold panning, fishing and camping fill the spring, summer and fall months in the Eldorado National Forest. The cabin was constructed in the early 1940's by the Forest Service as living quarters for the Sly Park Rangers or "guards".

The cabin is close to many attractions including Sly Park Reservoir (Jenkinson Lake), Apple Hill, Historic Downtown Placerville, the historic mining town of Coloma and many wineries. For more information visit <http://www.visit-eldorado.com> , <http://jenkinsonlake.com> or call 1-800-457-6279 and ask for a free visitor's guide.

Location and Access

From Placerville, take Highway 50 and travel 16 miles east to Pollock Pines. Take Exit 60 (Sly Park Road) and travel south approximately 6.2 miles. Arrive at 5561 Sly Park Road on the left. Drive through the Cedar Park Trailhead parking lot then through the gate. You will need a combination (issued with your permit) to unlock the gate and cabin front door key storage lock. See the map for detailed directions.

Amenities

The Sly Guard Cabin is 600 sq. ft., sleeps four people and has rustic charm with a kitchen, living room, bathroom and one bedroom. The cabin has electricity, water, wood stove and propane wall heater. There is a phone in the kitchen and a TV and DVD player in the living room. Sleeping accommodations include two single beds in the bedroom and a full size futon in the living room. The bathroom has a flush toilet and a tub/shower combination.

The Sly Guard Cabin grounds are enclosed by a split cedar fence and is large enough to accommodate two tents, one RV/trailer/camper and two boats, vehicles should be limited to three cars (including tow vehicles) and only park on gravel areas and not on vegetation (see map).

Rental of the cabin and grounds are limited to 12 people total. There is a horseshoe pit, clothesline, picnic table, food preparation table and fire ring on the grounds. Cleaning supplies are stored in the mud room. You will need to pack out your own garbage.

Check-In

You must pick up your permit and combination for locks in person at the **Placerville Ranger Station** at 4260 Eight Mile Road, Camino, CA 95709.

- ◆ **Ranger Station is not open on weekends.** You can only pick up your permit at the Placerville Ranger Station on weekdays from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Call the Ranger Station if you need to make other arrangements for the permit and lock combination.

Directions: Travel 8 miles east of Placerville on Highway 50 and take exit 54 (Cedar Grove). Turn right on Eight Mile Road, then another immediate right to the Ranger station.

- ◆ Please return the condition report attached to your permit within 5 days of your visit. The condition report helps us improve the recreation rental experience.
- ◆ For further information, call (530) 644-2324.

Cooking

The kitchen has a four person table, double sink, hot and cold running water, microwave, electric stove , coffee pot, and refrigerator and a basic assortment of pots, pans, dishes and utensils (if you are not sure bring your own). No open flames or backpacking stoves are permitted inside the building. A charcoal type barbecue is in the mudroom for use outside the building. The cabin grounds include a picnic table, food preparation table and group fire ring.

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Other Items

- ◆ **Pets** are not allowed in the building. Pets need to be on a leash at all times while at the Sly Guard Cabin and grounds. As a courtesy to others please clean up after your pet.
- ◆ **Sly Park Environmental Education School** is located across the street. Guided daily nature walks are conducted on the trail adjacent to the cabin. **Please respect this authorized use.**
- ◆ **Sly Park Resort Store** is at the entrance to Jenkinson Lake (approximately 2 miles from cabin) and includes a small store, restaurant/bar, pay phone, gas and fishing supplies.
- ◆ **Smoking** is not allowed in the cabin. Please properly dispose of all smoking litter.
- ◆ **Phone** is located in the cabin kitchen and is for local and emergency calls only.
- ◆ **Off Highway Vehicles** cannot be operated at the Sly Guard Cabin grounds and should remain in their trailers. OHVs are allowed on designated Forest System roads and trails only. Please contact the Ranger Station for further information and maps.
- ◆ **Trash:** Pack It Out.
- ◆ **Campfires:** small campfires are allowed in the provided fire ring when restrictions are not in effect. Ask for current fire restrictions when you pick up your permit.
- ◆ **RV/Trailers:** There is no water, septic or electric hookups on the Sly Guard grounds. The closest RV dump station is at Jenkinson Lake entrance.

Things to Take With You

- ✓ Sleeping bag/bedding (tents if sleeping on grounds)
- ✓ Food containers
- ✓ Garbage bags for packing out garbage
- ✓ Your copy of Special Use Permit
- ✓ Combination to gate and front door key shackle
- ✓ Outdoor chairs/ sunscreen/ beach towels
- ✓ Clothes pins for clothesline
- ✓ Flashlights
- ✓ Toilet paper and paper towels
- ✓ Toilet articles
- ✓ Firewood and matches
- ✓ Camera
- ✓ Specialty cooking utensils
- ✓ DVDs/games/books/magazines
- ✓ Mountain bicycles
- ✓ Electric appliances

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Reservation Service



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- Reservations for use of the cabin and grounds may be made by anyone 18 years or older.
- Reservations can be made from 7 days to 6 months in advance of your first nights stay. **Reservations for the cabin can only be obtained through the reservation system not from private parties or by subletting.**
- **The cabin sleeps four people and the grounds can accommodate an additional 8 people for a maximum of 12 people.**
- Availability is from early June to mid-October.
- Fee: \$65.00 per night up to 12 people (see sleeping accommodations under amenities). Fees may change at any time.
- Expect to pay a reservation and cancellation fee when appropriate.
- The fee is deposited in a cooperative account and used to maintain the facility.
- Check-out time is 1:00 pm, and check-in time is 2:00 pm.
- The cabin is NOT reservable on Monday nights for cleaning.