

Wilderness Trail Names and Quotas for Inyo National Forest

- This list is alphabetical
- Quota is the number of people that can start at the listed location each day.
- You must start on trail and entry date reserved. Permit is not valid for any other date.
- (JMT) or (PCT) indicates trail connects to the John Muir Trail or Pacific Crest Trail.
- Information about quotas, commercial use, wilderness permit requirements on page 3.
- For help identifying what quota applies for a trip, contact our wilderness permit office.

| Trail Name | Trail Code | Total Quota | Reserved Quota | Walk-in Quota | Commercial Quota – Notes* |
|--|------------|---|----------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| Baker Lakes | JM22 | 8 | 5 | 3 | Special Approval |
| Baxter Pass (JMT) | JM29 | 8 | 5 | 3 | Special Approval |
| Beck Lake | AA12 | 15 | 9 | 6 | * |
| Big Pine Creek North Fork | JM23 | 25 | 15 | 10 | 15 (PO); 8 (O/G) |
| Big Pine Creek South Fork | JM24 | 12 | 7 | 5 | * |
| Birch Lake | JM25 | 8 | 5 | 3 | Special Approval |
| Bishop Pass (JMT) | JM21 | 36 | 22 | 14 | 15 |
| Blackrock | GT66 | Non Quota--Unlimited | | | |
| Bloody Canyon | AA03 | 8 | 5 | 3 | Special Approval |
| Convict Creek | JM04 | 10 | 6 | 4 | * |
| Cottonwood Lakes | JM39 | 60 | 36 | 24 | 15 |
| Cottonwood Pass (PCT) | GT60 | 40 | 24 | 16 | Non-quota |
| Deer Lakes | JM0 | 10 | 6 | 4 | * |
| Duck Pass (JMT) | JM01 | 30 | 18 | 12 | 15 |
| Fern Lake | AA13 | 10 | 6 | 4 | * |
| Fish Creek | AA14 | 15 | 9 | 6 | 15 |
| Gable Lakes | JM12 | 8 | 5 | 3 | Special Approval |
| George Creek - Mt. Williamson | JM33 | 8 | 5 | 3 | Special Approval |
| George Lake | JM18 | 10 | 6 | 4 | * |
| Gibbs Lake | AA02 | 8 | 5 | 3 | * |
| Glacier Canyon | AA01 | 8 | 5 | 3 | * |
| Golden Trout Lakes (Onion Valley) | JM30 | 10 | 6 | 4 | Special Approval |
| Haiwee Pass (PCT) | SS64 | Non Quota--Unlimited | | | |
| High Trail –PCT (JMT) | AA09 | 20 | 12 | 8 | 15 |
| Hilton Lakes | JM06 | 15 | 9 | 6 | 15 |
| Horton Lakes | JM13 | 10 | 6 | 4 | * |
| Italy Pass (Pine Creek) | JM10 | 8 | 5 | 3 | Special Approval |
| John Muir Trail North of Devils Postpile (JMT) | AA10 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 10 |
| John Muir Trail South of Devils Postpile (JMT) | AA15 | 10 | 6 | 4 | * |
| Kearsarge Pass (JMT) | JM31 | 60 | 36 | 24 | 15 |
| Kennedy Meadows South (PCT) | SS65 | Non Quota--Unlimited | | | |
| Lakes Canyon | HH02 | Non Quota – Commercial services limited | | | |

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|--|------------|--|----------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| Lamarck Lakes | JM16 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 8 |
| Laurel Lakes | JM03 | 8 | 5 | 3 | * |
| Little Lakes Valley | JM09 | 25 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| Lundy Canyon | HH01 | Non Quota - Commercial services limited | | | |
| Mt. Whitney Zone (Day Use- any route) | JM34-35 | 100 | 100 | 0 | Special Approval |
| Mt. Whitney Trail (Overnight) (JMT) | JM35 | 60 | 60 | 0 | Special Approval |
| Mt Whitney -Trail Crest Exit (reserve with entry trail) | - | 25 | 15 | 10 | Special Approval |
| McGee Pass | JM05 | 15 | 9 | 6 | 15 |
| Meysan Lake | JM37 | 10 | 6 | 4 | * |
| Minaret Lake | AA11 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 10 |
| Mono Pass (JMT) (Rock Creek) | JM08 | 20 | 12 | 8 | 15 |
| North Fork Lone Pine Creek | JM34 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 8 |
| Olancha Pass (PCT) | SS63 | Non Quota--Unlimited | | | |
| Parker Lake | AA04 | 10 | 6 | 4 | * |
| Pine Creek Pass (JMT) | JM11 | 15 | 9 | 6 | 15 |
| Piute Pass (North Lake) (JMT) | JM15 | 30 | 18 | 12 | 15 |
| Red Cones - Mammoth Pass (JMT) | AA16 | 15 | 9 | 6 | * |
| Red Lake (Split Mt) | JM26 | 8 | 5 | 3 | Special Approval |
| River Trail (JMT) (Agnew Meadow) | AA08 | 30 | 18 | 12 | 8 |
| Rush Creek (JMT) (Silver Lake) | AA05 | 30 | 18 | 12 | 15 |
| Sabrina Lake | JM17 | 25 | 15 | 10 | 15 |
| Saddlebag Lake | HH04 | Non Quota -- Commercial services limited | | | |
| Sawmill Pass (JMT) | JM28 | 10 | 6 | 4 | * |
| Shadow Creek (JMT) (Agnew Meadow) | AA07 | 30 | 18 | 12 | 15 |
| Shepherd Pass (JMT) | JM32 | 15 | 9 | 6 | * |
| Taboose Pass (JMT) | JM27 | 10 | 6 | 4 | * |
| Tamarack Lakes | JM07 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 8 |
| Trail Pass | GT62 | Non Quota--Unlimited | | | |
| Treasure Lakes - South Lake | JM20 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 8 |
| Tuttle Creek | JM38 | 8 | 5 | 3 | Special Approval |
| Tyee Lakes | JM19 | 10 | 6 | 4 | Special Approval |
| Upper Buttermilk | JM14 | 8 | 5 | 3 | * |
| Valentine Lake | JM02 | 8 | 5 | 3 | Special Approval |
| Warren Fork | HH03 | Non Quota-- Commercial services limited | | | |
| Wildrose | SS65 | Non Quota--Unlimited | | | |
| Yost and Fern Lake (June Lake) | AA06 | 8 | 5 | 3 | |

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Wilderness Permit Requirements

Boundary Peak, Inyo Mountains, Owens River Headwaters, and White Mountains Wildernesses

- Wilderness permit is not required. Campfire permit required for stove use.

Ansel Adams Wilderness - Permits are required year round for all overnight trips.

(Trail code begins with AA) - Reservation and quota period apply May 1 through November 1.

Golden Trout Wilderness - Permits are required year round for all overnight trips.

(Trail code begins with GT) - Reservation and quota period apply Last Friday in June through Sept 15th.

Hoover Wilderness - Permits are required year round for all overnight trips.

(Trail code begins with HH) - Hall Natural Area is Day Use Only. Permit not required for day use.

- Only Yosemite Mountain Guides are permitted to guide Hoover Wilderness.

- Trails are not limited by quotas. No reservations needed.

John Muir Wilderness - Permits are required year round for all overnight trips.

(Trail code begins with JM) - Permits are required year round for Day Use of the Mt. Whitney Zone.

- Reservations and quota period apply May 1 through November 1.

South Sierra Wilderness - Permits are required for trips that go into Golden Trout Wilderness.

(Trail code begins with SS) - Trails are not limited by quotas. No reservation needed.

- Wilderness permit is recommended in South Sierra Wilderness.

Quotas

Quotas limit the number of people who can enter for each location, to help protect areas from overuse. For example, where the quota is 15, this means 15 people can enter at this location each day. 9 of those spaces can be reserved and the remaining space is saved to issue walk-in permits. Walk-in permits cannot be requested more than one day before the trip and must be requested in person (walk in to our visitor center to request a walk in permit).

- Entry quotas apply on the entry day only—not for every night you spend in the wilderness.

- Exit quota for ending a trip via Trail Crest applies to the day that you are leaving the wilderness. Trips that start on the Mt. Whitney trail are exempt from the exit quota.

- Day Use Quota cannot be used as part of an overnight trip. Day hike must be completed on one calendar date.

Commercial Use Information

If you are planning a trip that includes any service from a commercial guide or pack station, call the commercial operator directly to reserve the trip. For many trails, commercial operators have a separate quota. Making your own non-commercial reservation does not guarantee space will be available for a trip using commercial services. An asterisk* in the table above designates a single quota, meaning commercial use and general public share the same quota space. Where a commercial quota is listed, commercial use is limited to the commercial quota. Special Approval indicates each commercial trip to this area requires individual trip approval. Allow extra time to process a trip request for commercial use when using these locations for entry or exit points.

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