

TONTO National Forest



Recreation
Opportunity
Guide

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CAMPING AND PICNICKING

CHOLLA RECREATION SITE

RANGER DISTRICT

Tonto Basin Ranger Station
HC02 Box 4800
Roosevelt, AZ 85545
Phone: (928) 467-3200 Fax: (928) 467-3239

RELATED OPPORTUNITIES

Boating, fishing, hiking, water recreation and wildlife-viewing

SEASON OF USE

All year

ELEVATION

2200 feet

FACILITIES

206 camp units (tent-only, single, and double) with shade ramadas, fire rings with grills, picnic tables, and water hydrants. Toilets and showers are located throughout the camp loops. There are also playgrounds. Nearby are a paved boat launch ramp and fish-cleaning station.

BARRIER-FREE ACCESSIBILITY

The area offers access to visitors using wheelchairs with proficient mobility. Camp units and trails have compacted gravel surfaces. Toilets, showers and picnic tables are fully accessible.

FEES AND CAPACITIES

Day-use and camping fees apply

Single or tent site maximum: (\$10.00 per night)
10 people, 2 vehicles and 1 watercraft.

Double site maximum: (\$15.00 per night) 20
people, 4 vehicles, and 2 watercraft.

NEAREST COMMERCIAL SERVICES

Roosevelt or Punkin Center: Compressed air, food, gas, lodging, marine services, public pay phone and propane

Globe or Payson: All services

LOCATION AND ACCESS

This site is 5 miles north of Roosevelt Dam

From Mesa: Take State Hwy. 87/Beeline Highway north for about 60 miles to its junction with State Hwy. 188. Turn right and follow State Hwy. 188 south for 28 miles to the site.

From the Globe area: Take State Hwy. 188 north for 30 miles to its junction with State Hwy. 188. Continue on State Hwy. 188 across the bridge for 6 miles to the site.

ATTRACTIONS

- This is the largest all-solar powered campground in the United States. The Forest Service constructed it in cooperation with the Bureau of Reclamation.
- Cholla Recreation Site is located on Theodore Roosevelt Lake, central Arizona's largest lake.
- Interpretive programs are available upon request. Contact Roosevelt Lake Visitor Center for additional information.

CONSIDERATIONS

- Sewage dump facilities (no fee) are located across from the entrance to Cholla Recreation Site.
- Rules and regulations are posted at all fee station areas. Please read and observe.
- Please use trash receptacles, when available, or **PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT!!**
- Camp host volunteers are usually available during the fall and winter months.

RELATED INFORMATION SOURCES

For Roosevelt Lake water-level information, contact Salt River Project's (SRP) recorded message line at (602) 236-3929 or www.srpnet.com