

# General Information

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## Guests Should Bring:

- Pillow and sleeping bag or bedding
- Toiletries, including towels
- Sturdy shoes for rugged terrain
- Layered clothing
- Sunscreen
- Water bottles
- Flashlights
- Insect repellent  
*Insect repellent containing DEET may be harmful to children and people with asthma; consider products with citronella and lemon grass*
- All supplies necessary for your retreat

## Directions: 17606 Harrison Park Rd. Julian, CA 92036

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### From San Diego:

1-8 East

Exit Hwy 79 North to Julian

Make a left turn approximately two miles along the highway to stay on 79N

Turn left on Harrison Park Rd (about 4 miles north of Lake Cuyamaca) and follow signs into Whispering Winds

### From North County:

Hwy 78 East (Ash St.) or Hwy 67 North to Hwy 78 East through Ramona to Julian

Turn right on Main St. in Julian

Turn right on Hwy 79 South

Turn right on Harrison Park Rd. (about 4 miles south of Julian) and follow signs into Whispering Winds

### From West Los Angeles County:

I-5 South to 78 East (follow directions from North County)

### From East Los Angeles County, Riverside:

I-15 or I-215 South to Temecula

Exit Hwy 79 South and turn left

After approximately 60 miles to Santa Ysabel, turn left on to 78 East to Julian (follow directions from N. County)

### From Imperial Valley:

I-8 West to Sunrise Highway

Turn right on Hwy 79 North

Turn left on Harrison Park Rd. and follow signs into Whispering Winds



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## Who We Are

Whispering Winds Catholic Camp and Conference Center is a refuge, a place where people can get away and hear God's voice in the beauty of nature. Nestled in the Cuyamaca Mountains, Whispering Winds is located on 161 acres in the scenic Cleveland National Forest, five miles south of the historic gold-mining town of Julian, and about an hour's drive from San Diego. We are a lay-directed, tax-exempt, nonprofit corporation formed with the goal of providing a Christ-centered camp and conference center for youth, individuals, couples, families, and groups.

## Accommodations:

### **Milner/Juanico Lodges (Deluxe Lodging)**

Each spacious room sleeps 4-6 guests; private bathroom and shower in each room; heat & A/C

### **Village Bunkhouse (Economy Lodging)**

Sleeps up to 48 in 4 rustic rooms of 8-12 guests; adjacent bathroom & shower building; heat & A/C

### **VIP Lodging**

Comfortable room for up to 2 priests or speakers; private bathroom and shower

### **Tent Village**

Rustic hillside tent sites; capacity varies

### **Tipi Village**

Traditional-style Tipis with cement floor and up to 8 cots; seasonal availability

## Indoor/Outdoor Meeting Spaces:

### **Founders Hall**

Meeting hall with foyer and fireplace; heat & A/C; projection screen; padded seating & sound system available; large restrooms with outside access

### **Conference Room A**

Large windows with outdoor views; lounge area with couches and fireplace; heat & A/C; projection screen, big screen TV, DVD player, piano, seating & sound system available; two restrooms

### **Conference Room C**

Comfortable meeting space with grassy lawn; lounge area with couches & TV; heat & A/C; projection screen, big screen TV, DVD player, seating & sound system available; one restroom

### **Meeting Hall**

Large multipurpose tent building, stage & seating available, acoustic only

### **Prayer Chapel**

Pew seating for approximately 50; heat; altar, ambo, and processional cross for prayer services, Mass, adoration, etc.

### **Outdoor Chapel**

Two fire pits, bench seating, adjacent to meadow, availability dependent on weather

### **Mary's Grotto**

Permanent Mass altar, bench seating, Stations of the Cross hike, availability dependent on weather



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## Amenities:

### Included in Overnight / Day-Use Fees

#### *Advanced Reservation Required*

- Basketball/Tennis Court
- Batting Cage
- Camp Store (free Wi-Fi available)
- Children's playgrounds
- Fire pits
- Game Room
- Hiking trails
- Meadow
- Miniature Golf
- Stations of the Cross (Meadow)
- Stations of the Cross (Grotto hike)
- Tree house & slide
- Volleyball Court
- Welcome Center

### Optional – additional charges may apply; subject to availability

#### *Advanced Reservation Required*

- Archery
- Swimming Pool
- Climbing Wall
- Zip Lines
- Low Ropes Challenge Course

## Dining Hall Hours of Operation:

Coffee Available (adults only) 6:00AM

Dining Hall Open - 7:45AM

**Breakfast Served - 8:00AM**

Dining Hall Closed - 9:00AM

Dining Hall Open - 11:45AM

**Lunch Served - 12:00PM**

Dining Hall Closed - 1:00PM

Dining Hall Open - 5:15PM

**Dinner Served - 5:30PM**

Dining Hall Closed - 6:30PM



# Reservation Policies

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The Group Leader is responsible for knowing all of the information within these documents and relaying the information to his/her group. Please contact the Reservations Department by phone (619-464-1479 x10) or email ([office@whisperingwinds.org](mailto:office@whisperingwinds.org)) **at least 10 business days prior to your arrival** to make requests. Requests are subject to approval and will be confirmed with you.

## Final Numbers

A final count is due **at least 5 business days prior to your arrival**. Please keep Reservations informed as your numbers increase, as we cannot guarantee accommodations that were not contracted. Additional guests may be accommodated on a space-available basis and charged accordingly. If the number communicated is higher than the contracted minimum, it becomes the new contracted minimum and charges will apply regardless of actual attendance during your stay.

## Payment

Balances are to be paid in full prior to your arrival at camp. Payments are to be sent to the Main Office and will not be accepted at the camp. An invoice for additional guests and any miscellaneous charges will be sent the week following your departure and must be paid within 30 days.

## Check-in/Check-out

Weekend check-in time is no earlier than 3:00pm and check-out time is no later than 12:00pm. Please have all belongings out of your lodging by 9:00am and out of your meeting space by 12:00pm. Please contact the Camp Director or other designated Camp Staff upon your arrival at camp to check-in. The Camp Director will collect waivers, necessary forms, and evaluations.

## Multiple Groups

Due to the variety of lodging and meeting space options, Whispering Winds tends to accommodate multiple groups at a time unless you have reserved exclusive use of the camp (contact Reservations for exclusive use policy and rate information). Each group will have their own meeting space and accommodations, but meals will be shared during the posted Dining Hall hours.

## Amenities and Meeting Spaces

All requests for amenities, meeting spaces, or for use of tables, chairs, sound equipment, video or projection equipment, etc. during your stay should be submitted to Reservations at least 10 business days prior to your arrival and are subject to approval. Meeting spaces are assigned according to group size and cannot be guaranteed, though Whispering Winds will do its best to honor requests.

## Program Schedule

Please send a copy of your Program Schedule (even if tentative) to [office@whisperingwinds.org](mailto:office@whisperingwinds.org) so that the camp staff can properly prepare for your program activities.



# Camp Policies

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Any Guest unwilling to abide by these policies will be asked to leave the camp. The Camp Director has authority enforce these policies and notify appropriate civil authorities if necessary.

## Drugs & Alcohol

The consumption or possession of alcohol by guests under the age of 21 is prohibited. Alcohol is prohibited when minors are present, even if the guest is over age 21. The possession of illegal drugs by any guest is not allowed.

## Illegal Activity

Illegal activity at Whispering Winds is prohibited and will be reported to the proper authorities.

## Safe Environment

Whispering Winds requires compliance with CA Penal Code Article 2.5 – the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act (Section 11164-11174.3). The Camp Director is the mandated reporter, as outlined by Section 11165.7a-6, and reserves the right to report suspected abuse to the proper authorities.

## Damage to Camp Property

Do not use sticky labels or nametags on beds, doors, and walls. Only painter's (blue) tape is allowed to affix posters, decorations, etc. on camp surfaces. Place all candles on holders or other surfaces to avoid spilling wax on floors, carpets, or furniture. Candles may not be used outside, with the exception of liturgical candles. Altar candles should be lit at the beginning of liturgy and extinguished as soon as the liturgy ends. Candle alternatives such as glow sticks, battery-operated candle lights, flashlights, and Christmas lights are permitted. Graffiti is not tolerated and the group will be billed for the entire replacement cost of defaced or damaged property. Additional charges may apply in the case of inadequate clean up before departure; inappropriate use of fire extinguishers; graffiti or carving on bunk beds, walls, or other camp property; wax on carpets, floor, or furniture; broken lights, lampshades, beds, windows, or swings; and food or drink stains.

Any damages or necessary repairs should be reported to the Camp Staff.

## Campfires

Campfires must be scheduled through the Reservation Department prior to camp stay. Group Leader should designate a Fire Master, who must read, sign, and submit the Fire Master form to the Camp Director upon arrival. Group Leader is ultimately responsible for campfire supervision.

## No Smoking

Because of the extreme fire danger, Whispering Winds is a no smoking camp. Smoking is permitted only in the fire ring, which is the designated smoking area; please note signage. Violators may be asked to leave the camp.



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## **Lodging**

Whispering Winds reserves the right to enter lodging during reasonable hours when necessary in order to provide efficient service, repairs, improvements, maintenance, fire safety inspections, or to ensure compliance with the regulations and policies of the camp. Please do not lock lodge room doors. In the case of an emergency, locked doors may be dangerous. Because individual lodging may not be locked, please be respectful toward the lodging and property of others.

## **Food and Wildlife**

Food and beverages should be properly stored to reduce the attraction of rodents and other wildlife. Whispering Winds is home to many different kinds of wildlife such as snakes, mountain lions, coyotes, turkeys, and bees. Do not feed, approach, or tease the wild animals. This is their natural habitat and they should not be disturbed. If you see a potentially dangerous animal, please notify camp staff immediately.

## **Noise Pollution**

Quiet hours are 10:00pm to 7:00am. Amplified sound equipment may be used only in fully enclosed buildings: Founders Hall and Conference Rooms A and C. The Meeting Hall, Outdoor Chapel, and Mary's Grotto are strictly acoustic, barring special permission from the Camp Director.

## **Private Property**

Be respectful of the private property of neighbors, Camp Staff, and other Guests.

## **Vehicles**

Vehicles may be parked in temporary parking areas adjacent to buildings while unloading belongings and supplies. After unloading, all vehicles are to remain in marked parking areas for the duration of your stay. Only Camp Staff vehicles will be permitted to drive on camp property after vehicles have been unloaded and parked. In case of emergency evacuation, please back in to your parking space. The speed limit on camp property is always 5 mph or less. It is our recommendation that buses not advance beyond the parking area adjacent to archery.

## **Please do not bring or allow any of the following:**

- fireworks, matches or lighters
- knives, firearms, ammunition, martial arts equipment or weapons of any kind
- bicycles
- pets

## **Emergency Procedures:**

In case of an emergency, notify camp staff immediately and utilize the emergency numbers located in the Dining Hall, Camp Office, leader binder, and all of the lodge rooms. The Camp Office phone is always available for emergency phone calls.

