

Shawnee Island Camping Experience FAQ's



Is everyone camping in the same area?

The "Shawnee Island Camping Experience" offers a communal setting. With the ability to set-up seven tents in the campsite, there may be several families and/or individuals camping on the island at the same time. Tents are set-up in close proximity to each other (probably 10 – 12 feet between tents). It really isn't as

intimidating as it sounds, as a matter of fact it can be lots of fun and a terrific opportunity to meet other people and share experiences. If you are a light sleeper or have a habit of picking fights with other people, a communal setting may not be your "cup of tea". We try our best to keep the environment cheerful and as engaging as possible.

Here are several tips to assist in navigating a communal setting:

Leave your phone on vibrate. If you're going to answer it, walk to the edge of the campsite. It may be important to you, but no one else wants their socializing (or sleep) interrupted.

Be respectful. Respect people. Respect their culture. Respect their space. Respect their belongings.

Introduce yourself. A polite greeting and introduction go a long way to creating a fun environment.

Be quiet. Just use your common sense here. Plus be considerate of people who may be trying to sleep.

What are the check-in and check-out times?

At the present time, the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience" is not come and go as you please. Because of the nature of its location, the arrival and departure from the campsites are itinerary driven. Please go to the front desk and check-in. The Shawnee "Island Camping Experience" begins at 7:00pm through August, 6:30pm through September, and 6:00pm through the end of the season near mid-October. Dinner is not included in the package and guests should arrange to enjoy a meal prior to the listed departure time. Guests arriving late for departure may be unable to camp on the island, however, we will do our best to accommodate. Guests will be escorted back to the Inn grounds (mainland) around 11:00am. Since the campsite is located on an island and is accessed by boat, we come and go as a group and the itinerary is set.

What should I bring?

Due to the nature of the arrival experience and the limited space available at the campsite, we recommend that each guest pack lightly. Bring clothes appropriate for the weather, as well as a change of clothes, sneakers (that may get wet) or water shoes, hiking boots, sunglasses, sunscreen, bug spray, and a hat. Optional items include a camera, flashlight, binoculars, swim suit, and swim towel, and an outdoor adventurous attitude. <u>Click here for a complete list of suggested items to bring</u>.

How do I get to my tent for camping?

Guests will depart from the North Lawn of the resort and arrive at the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience" by canoe.

What if I want to go there during the day?

At the present time, the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience" is not come and go as you please. Because of the nature of its location, the arrival and departure from the campsite is itinerary driven.

Can guests bring outside food?

For the safety of the guest and other fellow campers, outside food cannot be brought to the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience" campsite. No private coolers will be allowed at the campsite. Any food brought will be left at the resort to pick up upon departure.

Can guest bring alcohol?

Outside alcoholic beverages cannot be brought to the camping site. No private coolers will be allowed at the campsite.

Does each tent have their own campfire or do they share them?

The "Shawnee Island Camping Experience" has communal fire sites tended by our recreation/outdoor staff.

Can guests smoke?

Smoking is not permitted in our tents, bathroom facilities, dining areas, or fire pit areas. Our recreation staff will designate a smoking area for the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience". We recommend that all guests refrain from smoking while on the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience".

Can guests bring pets?

Because this is a communal experience, pets are not permitted.

Is there electric available at the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience"?

No electricity is available for the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience".

What happens in the case of inclement weather?

Being outdoors means that sometimes we are at the mercy of Mother Nature. If there is rain, the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience" will continue as planned. If there is severe weather (thunder, lightning, and high winds), travel on the river will be cancelled. Guests may reschedule or if accommodations are available within the resort, guests may move into those spaces.



What is the appropriate age of children for the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience"?

An introduction to the outdoors, and especially an overnight stay, is an experience that no child will forget. Because both campsites are reached by canoe, children must be four years of age and weigh over 40 lbs. Please make sure you let our reservations staff know the age and number of children in your party.

What are the meals that will be served?

The meals served for this outdoor experiences will be hearty and give our guests fuel for their outdoor adventure. For the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience", s'mores will be served around the campfire in the evening. A breakfast will be served in the morning.

Are the bathroom facilities available for the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience"?

The bathroom facilities available for the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience" are a separate men's and women's toilet that are enclosed by a small tented enclosure. These are similar to outhouses and will have hand sanitizer for washing.



Are there showers available for the Shawnee "Island Camping Experience"?

There are no showers available for the Shawnee "Island Camping Experience". Showers will be made available in our men's and women's locker rooms for your use when you arrive back at the Inn property. Towels, soap, and shampoo will be provided.

Can I go to my tent during the day?

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What are the rates for the "Shawnee Island Camping Experience"?

The "Shawnee Island Camping Experience" rates are per person and based upon double occupancy.

What is the minimum number of people I may have in my party when booking?

Single guests must pay a single supplement fee in the event they are traveling alone. A child staying with an adult will pay the adult rate as the second person in the tent. A single supplement will be charged. Each of the camping experiences require a minimum of two occupied tents. Guests will be notified 72 hours in advance if the two tent minimum has not been met and will be given an option to move into other resort accommodations or reschedule their stay.

Is there any discount for groups?

Group rates and pricing are available. Please call our group sales office at 570-424-4050 x1405 or email them at <u>sales@shawneeinn.com</u>.

What are the camping risks and rewards?

On any outdoor adventure you may encounter situations that are precarious and can be dangerous. During each camping experience you will be on the river in a canoe. This experience is magical, but may also result in falling in the water, getting your feet muddy or wet, getting items of clothing or bags wet, etc... Our staff will do its best to ensure safe, dry transport. You will also be in the outdoors. You may encounter spiders, mosquitoes, ticks, and other insects. Please plan to bring bug spray to help ward off any of natures friends. Our staff will provide items to assist keeping bugs away, but remember, you are in nature. You may face animal encounters. This area of Pennsylvania frequently sees deer, river otters, raccoons, squirrels, fox, coyote, bears, and others of Mother Nature's kingdom. We strongly believe that these animals want nothing to do with you, just as much as you want nothing to do with them. Safety first. Do not paddle alone. Do not go on a hike alone. Take a lantern or flashlight with you in the dark. Please do not try to touch or feed the animals.

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