2027 National Park Permit & Campground Opening-Day Cheat Sheet

Checked Nov 24, 2026. Every line below was read on the official park, agency or concessioner page on that date. Rules we could not confirm that day are left off, not guessed. Booking rules change: confirm on the official page before you book.

Yellowstone campgrounds move to Recreation.gov on Dec 8, 2026: Madison, Canyon, Bridge Bay, Grant Village, Fishing Bridge RV Park take 2027 reservations on Recreation.gov from that day. First bookable arrival dates and release time: Not published.

1. NEXT OPENING MORNINGS & APPLICATION WINDOWS

OPENS	PARK	CAMPGROUND, LODGE OR PERMIT WINDOW
Nov 16, 2026–Dec 1	Grand Canyon National Park	**Grand Canyon backcountry permit early access lottery** · For April start dates; closes 5 pm MST
Nov 23, 2026–Dec 14	Yosemite National Park	**North Pines Campground early-access lottery**
Dec 1, 2026 10:00 a.m. Eastern	Acadia	**Blackwoods, Seawall and Schoodic Woods campgrounds — advance quota** · Arrivals May 1, 2027 – May 31, 2027
Dec 1, 2026–Dec 30	Katmai National Park and Preserve	**Brooks Lodge lodging lottery** · For 2028 stays
Dec 1, 2026	Denali National Park & Preserve	**Denali green transit buses**
Dec 1, 2026	Denali National Park & Preserve	**Denali reservable campgrounds**
Dec 1, 2026 12:00 a.m. Mountain	Grand Canyon	**Grand Canyon Xanterra South Rim lodges (El Tovar, Bright Angel, Maswik, Kachina, Thunderbird)** · Arrivals Dec 1, 2027 – Dec 31, 2027
Dec 5, 2026 12:00 a.m. Mountain	Yellowstone	**Yellowstone National Park Lodges (Old Faithful Inn, Snow Lodge, Canyon, Lake, Mammoth and other operator lodges)** · Arrivals Dec 1, 2027 – Dec 31, 2027
Dec 8, 2026	Yellowstone	**Five Yellowstone campgrounds move to Recreation.gov** · Dates can be booked up to six months in advance
Dec 15, 2026 7:00 a.m. Pacific	Yosemite	**Upper Pines Campground** · Arrivals Apr 15, 2027 – May 14, 2027
Jan 1, 2027–Jan 20	Zion National Park	**Angels Landing permit (seasonal lottery)** · For hikes March 1 to May 31; opens 8 am MT
Jan 1, 2027 10:00 a.m. Eastern	Acadia	**Blackwoods, Seawall and Schoodic Woods campgrounds — advance quota** · Arrivals Jun 1, 2027 – Jun 30, 2027

Times are shown in the time zone the official page uses. A window listed with two dates is an application period: apply any time inside it.

2. MONTHLY BLOCK RELEASES: UPCOMING OPENING MORNINGS FOR 2027 STAYS

Yosemite: Upper Pines Campground
Opens at 7:00 a.m. Pacific
Dec 15, 2026 → Apr 15 – May 14, 2027
Jan 15, 2027 → May 15 – Jun 14, 2027
Feb 15, 2027 → Jun 15 – Jul 14, 2027
Mar 15, 2027 → Jul 15 – Aug 14, 2027
Apr 15, 2027 → Aug 15 – Sep 14, 2027
May 15, 2027 → Sep 15 – Oct 14, 2027
Jun 15, 2027 → Oct 15 – Nov 14, 2027
Jul 15, 2027 → Nov 15 – Dec 14, 2027
Aug 15, 2027 → Dec 15 – Jan 14, 2028

Acadia: Blackwoods, Seawall and Schoodic Woods campgrounds — advance quota
Opens at 10:00 a.m. Eastern · confirm the operating season
Dec 1, 2026 → May 1 – May 31, 2027
Jan 1, 2027 → Jun 1 – Jun 30, 2027
Feb 1, 2027 → Jul 1 – Jul 31, 2027
Mar 1, 2027 → Aug 1 – Aug 31, 2027
Apr 1, 2027 → Sep 1 – Sep 30, 2027
May 1, 2027 → Oct 1 – Oct 31, 2027

3. PARK QUICK REFERENCE

PARK	CAMPGROUND BOOKING RULE	ENTRY OR PERMIT STATUS
Yosemite	Upper Pines: Monthly block: 5 months ahead, on the 15th of each month, 7:00 a.m. Pacific	
Yellowstone	Mammoth: reservable up to 6 months before arrival	
Zion	Watchman: reservable up to 6 months before arrival	
Grand Canyon	Mather: reservable up to 6 months before arrival	
Rocky Mountain	Moraine Park: reservable up to 6 months before arrival	Rocky Mountain timed entry (Timed Entry / Timed Entry + Bear Lake Road): no 2027 dates on the official page yet
Acadia		Cadillac Summit Road vehicle reservations: no 2027 dates on the official page yet
Grand Teton	Gros Ventre: reservable up to 6 months before arrival	

Official pages read on Nov 24, 2026: grandcanyonlodges.com/lodging/reservation-policies · yellowstonenationalparklodges.com/stay/plan/reservations · nps.gov/yose/planyourvisit/camping.htm · nps.gov/acad/planyourvisit/camping.htm · nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/backcountry-permit.htm · nps.gov/yose/planyourvisit/lottery.htm · katmailand.com/brooks-lodge-lottery · nps.gov/dena/planyourvisit/conditions.htm · yellowstonenationalparklodges.com/stay/camping · nps.gov/zion/planyourvisit/angels-landing-hiking-permits.htm · nps.gov/yell/planyourvisit/campgrounds.htm · nps.gov/zion/planyourvisit/watchman-campground.htm · nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/camping.htm · nps.gov/romo/planyourvisit/camping.htm · nps.gov/romo/planyourvisit/timed-entry-permit-system.htm · nps.gov/acad/planyourvisit/vehicle_reservations.htm · nps.gov/grte/planyourvisit/camping.htm. For every other park and the live calendar, see **thenationalparknews.com/national-park-reservations-2027/**.