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 McLaren Lodge, Golden Gate Park  
 San Francisco, CA 94117

# CAMP MATHER



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## CALL OF THE HIGH SIERRA

Choose your favorite summer recreation and you will find it at Camp Mather in the High Sierra. In a setting unparalleled in the West, your family can take advantage of the many activities available at San Francisco's own vacation land.

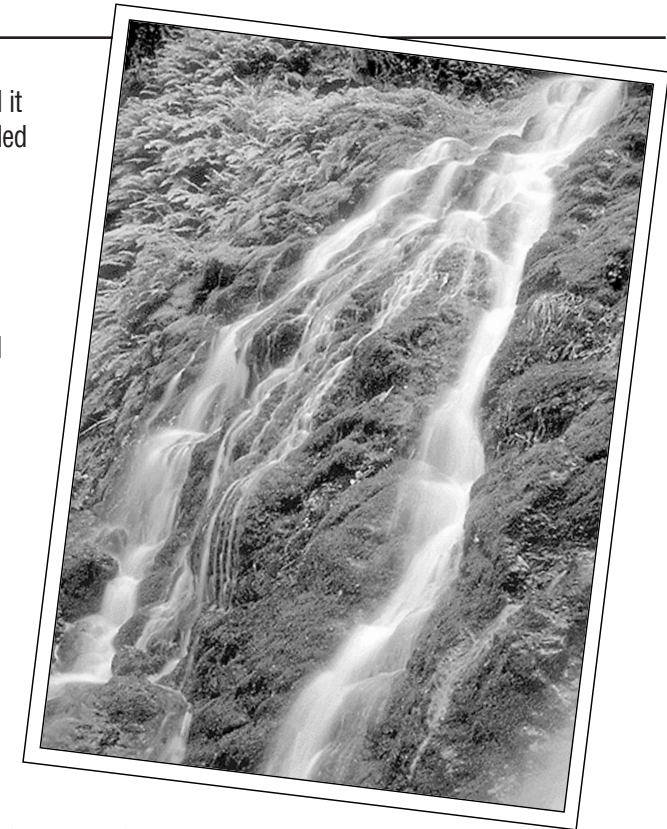
You'll enjoy all your favorite outdoor activities in this locale of spectacular beauty. Crystal clear lakes, surging streams and quiet mountain forests surround Mather and offer unlimited recreation to visitors.

Water sports abound with swimming at Birch Lake and Pool. Fishing is plentiful in any of the nearby mountain streams and lakes. There are miles of hiking and horseback riding trails, all at their scenic best within these tranquil surroundings.

Fun-filled days are capped with entertaining nights of dances, campfire songs, skits and games.

From dusk to dawn, an air of relaxation prevails throughout the Camp slowing down the quickened pace of modern life.

An experience in dining awaits you as hearty home cooked meals are prepared and served to you three times daily, cafeteria style.



Sport activities - campfire entertainment - supervised recreation programs for children - fine dining - all are yours at very reasonable rates at Camp Mather, operated by the Recreation and Park Department of the City and County of San Francisco.

Located approximately 180 miles east of San Francisco, Mather is situated on the rim of the Tuolumne River gorge at an elevation of 4520 feet.

# FUN & EXCITING ACTIVITIES!

## Swimming

Birch Lake and pool, both in camp, have trained lifeguards. A spacious lawn area for sun bathing adjoins the lake and pool. (Swimming only when lifeguards are on duty.)

## Recreation Activities

Experienced recreation personnel lead group games, organize tournaments, arrange dances and serve many other recreational interests, including regular campfire programs, talent shows and nature hikes.

## Hiking and Biking

Numerous mountain trails bring the vacationer to the beauty of the High Sierra. Sunrise Peak and Inspiration Point are favorite spots for breathtaking views of Hetch Hetchy Valley, O'Shaughnessy Dam and the deep Tuolumne River gorge. Bring your bike to explore old fire roads or take you to "Inspiration Point".

## Games

Facilities are available for tennis, badminton, ping-pong, horseshoes, volleyball and softball. Please bring your own tennis racquets and softball gloves. Badminton racquets and ping-pong paddles, basketballs and volleyballs are available for use.

## Horseback Riding

For those who enjoy riding, there are well-trained horses accustomed to mountain trails. A corral concession service provides horses for hire by the hour or the day. Special rides such as breakfast rides, children's rides and pack trips are offered at reasonable rates.

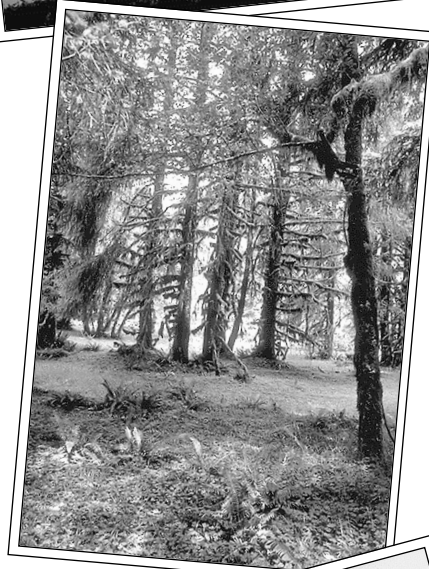
## Fishing

Try your luck in the Tuolumne River, South and Middle Forks of the Tuolumne, Cottonwood Creek and along the shores of Hetch Hetchy. California Trout License required.

## Young Children's Programs

There are special arts and crafts programs, recreation activities and also a play area with play apparatus.

These are just some of the many fun filled activities available at Camp Mather.



## BREATHTAKING SCENIC TRIPS

Camp Mather is the perfect center for sightseeing. Both half day and full day trips to some of the most spectacular scenery in the High Sierra is easily reached by automobile.

### Hetch Hetchy Reservoir

A twenty-minute drive and nine miles away, is the O'Shaughnessy Dam, where one may see San Francisco's gigantic dam and water supply. From there you might wish to take a two-mile hike on marked trails to Wampama Waterfalls.

### Yosemite Valley

The splendor of Yosemite National Park can be found just 27 miles and a 45-minute drive away in the Yosemite Valley. Here within seven square miles are the spectacular Yosemite and Bridal Veil Falls and the sculptured beauty of El Capitan and Half Dome.

### Tuolumne Meadows

A leisurely hour's ride from Mather over the Tioga Pass Road and through the Yosemite High Camps brings one to the exquisite Tuolumne Meadows. A walk through this natural alpine garden, at 8600 feet of elevation, makes a delightful day excursion - an unforgettable odyssey among sparkling streams, glistening lakes and mountain wildflowers.

### Highway 49

The historic gold rush towns of Sonora, Columbia and Angels Camp, home of the Calaveras County Frog Jumping Contest, are within easy driving distance of Mather.



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## Accommodations

Nestled among the tall pines are rustic cabins that can accommodate one to six persons. Furnishings include electric lights, beds, and mattresses. Separate bathroom facilities with hot water and laundry rooms with coin-operated washer dryers are easily accessible.

Items campers should bring include pillows, blankets, linen, a flashlight, extension cord, double socket and plug, padlock, clothes hangers, mosquito repellent, and bike helmets.

Tent Sites - A limited number of tent sites are available for rent, which can accommodate up to 4-6 people on various sites. Tent campers must bring their own tents. For safety reasons, no open fires are allowed in cabins or at tent sites. Please check the rate insert sheet for meal and site rates. No recreational vehicles or trailers are allowed.

No special food preparation is made for infant formulas or special diets. No pets, firearms, or off-road vehicles are allowed.

A concession store that sells sodas, candies and sundries, as well as Camp Mather t-shirts, sweatshirts and souvenir items is open throughout the summer. Visa and Mastercard are accepted.

## Directions

From San Francisco take Bay Bridge to Route #580 - bypass Tracy-Route #580 then becomes Route #120. Bypass Manteca. Continue on Route #120 through Escalon and Oakdale. 26 miles beyond Oakdale, turn right at Yosemite Junction (towards Chinese Camp) and continue on Route #120. 22 miles beyond Groveland watch for Yosemite Gatehouse Lodge, go 1/8 mile further to Evergreen Road, turn left. Stay on Evergreen Road approximately 7 miles to Mather.

For more information, phone (415) 831-2715

