

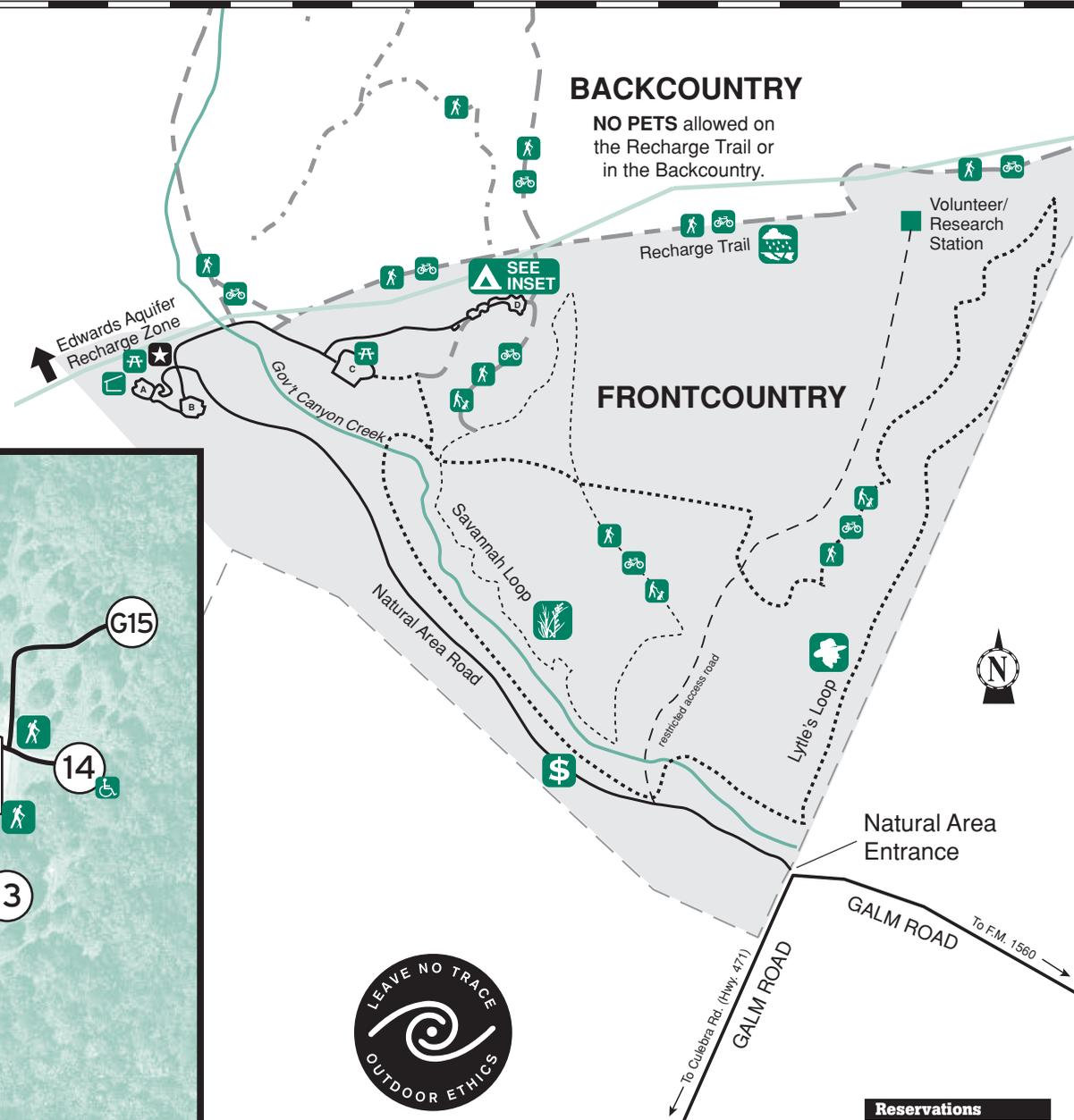
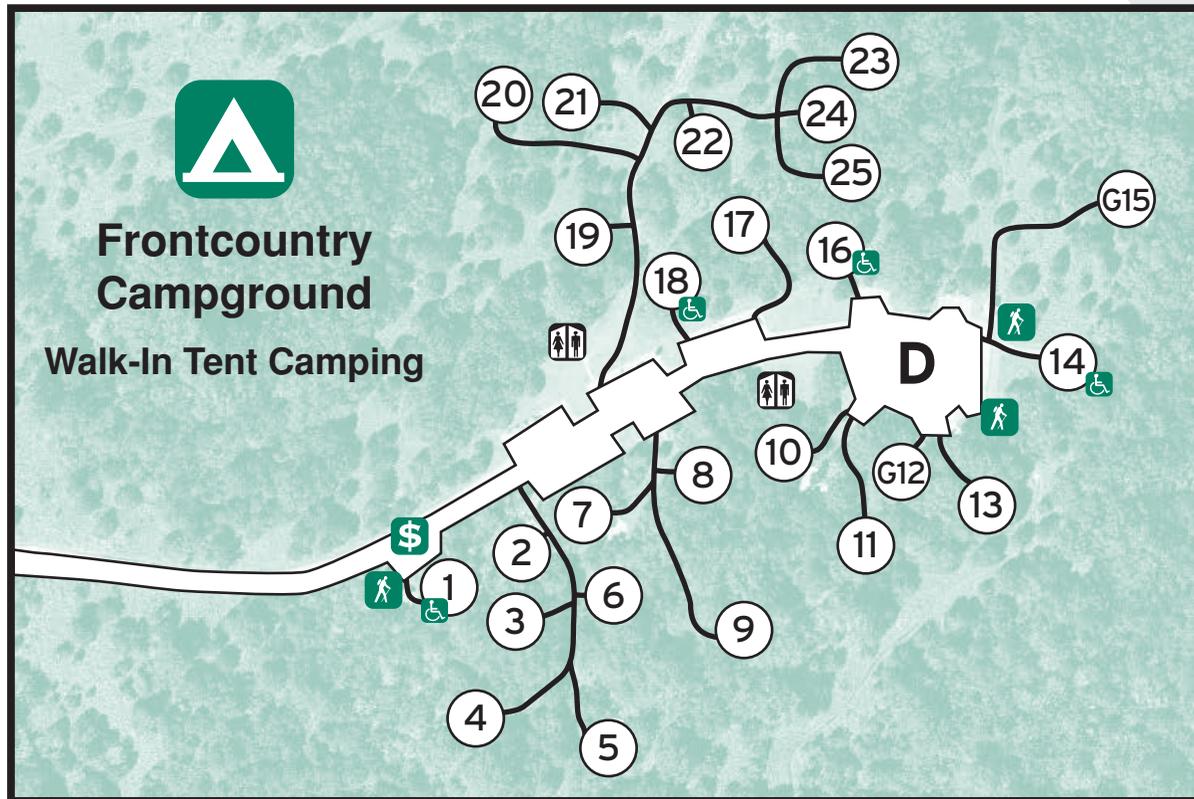


# Government Canyon

## State Natural Area Campground Map

In case of emergency, call the GCSNA main office at (210) 688-9055.

After hours emergencies, contact San Antonio Police Department at (210) 207-7273, or dial 9-1-1.



### Legend:

- Headquarters
- Visitor Center
- Natural Area Store
- Exhibit Gallery
- Group Picnic Pavilion
- Rest Rooms
- Frontcountry Walk-in Camping Area
- Hiking Trailhead/ Hiking Trail
- Biking Trail
- Dog Walking Trail
- Picnic Area
- Group Picnic Pavilion
- Pay Station

Pets allowed in Frontcountry ONLY

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# Welcome to Government Canyon State Natural Area

## Our Allegiance Is to the Land

You are camping in a State Natural Area, *not a State Park*. Government Canyon is a State Natural Area whose primary focus is resource protection and public education about the Edwards Aquifer. We must restrict recreational activity if it negatively impacts the natural or cultural resources here. **This is how YOU can help:**



### INFO TO KNOW

- Our gates are open from 7 a.m. - 10 p.m.
- Campers will be given a combination to open the main gate before/after hours.
- Campsite check-out time is 2 p.m.
- Our Visitor Center/Store is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Campground parking is in Lot D only. Two cars are allowed per site (there is a charge for additional vehicles).
- Campsites are walk-in tent sites. Campers, pop-ups and RVs are not allowed.
- No open display or public consumption of alcohol.
- Relax, enjoy yourself and have fun!



### VOLUNTEERING

If you would like to volunteer in any way at GCSNA, please call our Visitor Center at (210) 688-9055.

### AT THE SITE

#### GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER – AND PERHAPS YOUR TENT?

Don't invite a skunk, coyote or feral hog to dinner! Dispose of all waste and food scraps in trash cans or dumpsters located in the parking lot.

Store your food in the wooden hutches or lock in your vehicle. Leaving food out in your site while gone during the day or sleeping at night invites problems and teaches critters to associate food with people.

#### NO SPRAWL, Y'ALL

All tents must be within the designated pad site. No tents (or equipment) off pad.

#### HAUL YOUR BUNS (AND GEAR)

Vehicles "camp" in the parking lot only. Gear must be carried to the campsite.

#### SHHHH!

Enjoy the sounds of nature. Quiet hours are from 10 p.m. until 6 a.m. This includes barking dogs. No generators allowed at any time.

#### NO RINSE AND RUN

Do not wash dishes or utensils at water spigots. This WILL attract critters in the night!

#### GET FUNKY!

Sorry, there are no showers on site, and public nudity is against the law! Do NOT use the bathrooms or any other location for showering.

### HELP US REMAIN "NATURAL"

#### CRITTERS NEED MORE WOOD THAN YOU MAY KNOW

Dead and downed wood is someone's home, shelter or cafeteria.

Bringing firewood from home to the place you're camping could put your favorite campsite or natural area in danger. When you bring firewood camping, you risk carrying a tree killing insect or disease. If you brought wood from home, keep it covered, burn everything you bring or take home what you don't burn.

Wood for campfires is for sale.

#### LIGHT UP YOUR LIFE, NOT THE FOREST

Burn only within fire rings. Check to see if a burn ban is in effect. Do not leave a campfire unattended. Put out your campfire with water when you retire. Keep your fire modest; no bonfires, please.



#### WOOF!

Camping with a dog? Dogs are allowed in the Frontcountry only. The Backcountry (immediately north of the campground) is off limits to all domestic animals and pets. Look for signs to Frontcountry trails for your doggy walks!

Scoop the poop! Keep your campground clean and odor free. Don't be "un-poop-ular"!

For your pet's safety and the consideration of others, please keep your pet on a leash at all times.

#### LEAVE NO TRACE ([www.Int.org](http://www.Int.org))

Pack it in! Pack it out!

Avoid scarring and broken limbs - please do not tie hammocks or clotheslines to trees or other vegetation.

Please report any chemical fluid spills (gas, oil, etc.) to the GCSNA staff.

The next campsite occupant should never know you were there!

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