
CAMP ALBORZ



BURNING MAN 2025
TOMORROW TODAY





WELCOME (BACK) TO CAMP ALBORZ

Whether it's your first year or your fifth, we're so excited for you to join! Grab yourself a drink, get comfy, and dive into this gui it's full of answers to your burning questions (and probably some you didn't know you had.) Keep an eye on it for updates, and we'll shout out any big news in the WhatsApp group!



MISSION STATEMENT

Camp Alborz is a collective of like-minded individuals looking to facilitate a shared experience at Burning Man which cultivates deeper understanding, openness, and gratitude.

For this purpose, we adhere to the 10 Burning Man principles as closely as we can.

**Please note that this is not a plug-and-play or service camp. Everyone is volunteering; no one is getting paid.*

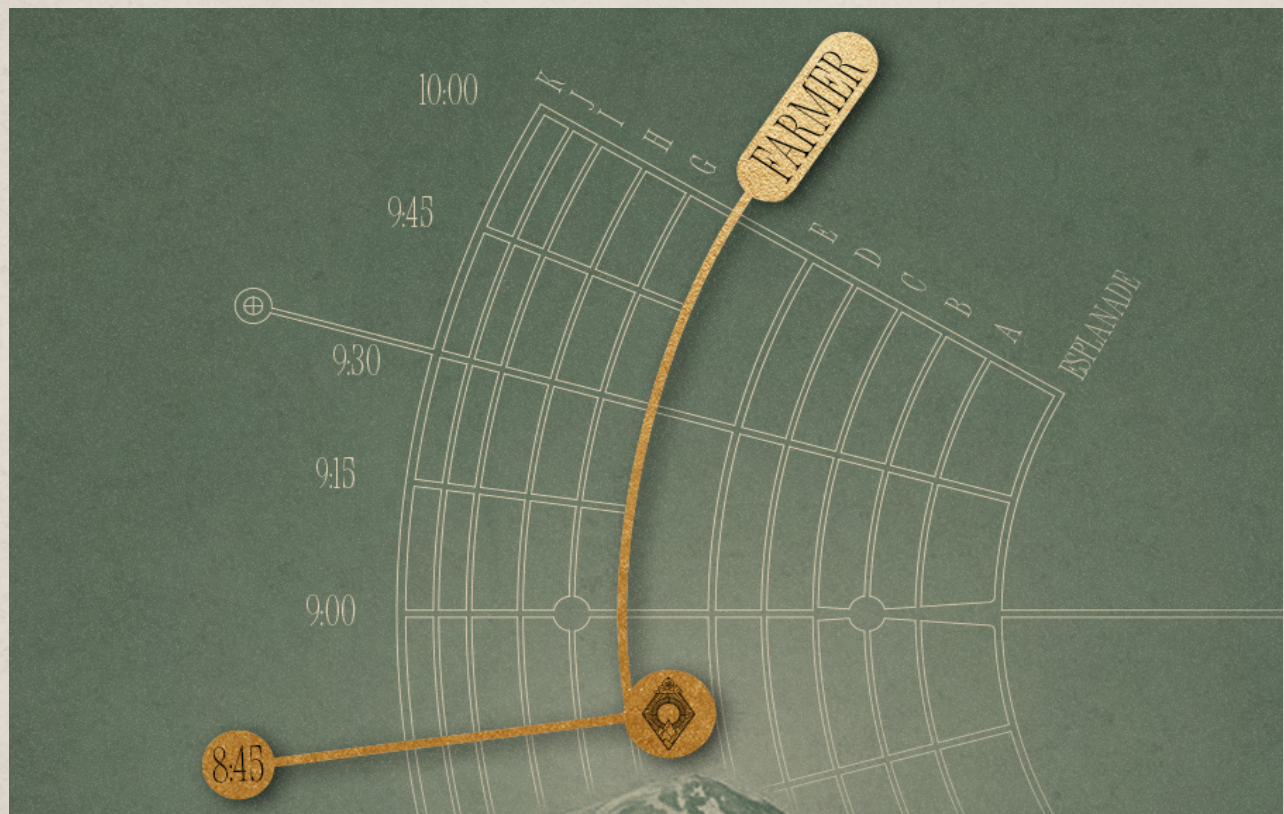
We're all part of Alborz and are responsible for making it a comfortable home base to recharge before exploring and creating unforgettable moments. If something falls short, take it as an opportunity to fix it and sprinkle a little magic for your fellow Alborzians. Let's all take part in achieving the goal of bringing legendary hospitality and unique sounds and vibes to the Playa.

If you have any major allergies, disabilities, illnesses, or specific requirements, please reach out to us directly so that we can make proper arrangements for your health.



ALBORZ PROVIDES

You'll have a specific location to park your form of lodging (RV, tent, etc.) Once you arrive, check in with the Onborzing committee. Look for folks holding an Alborz clipboard upon arrival. They'll help you find where to place your tent/shiftpod/RV!



We are pooling resources with another camp as HUBS to share some of our facilities!

1. The Gs: The Gs will be bringing their daytime programming sharing our camp bathrooms and showers.



ELECTRICITY

Will Alborz have power?

Yes, we'll have power!

That said, we're exploring ways to reduce our overall power usage and contract, as BMORG flagged it as an area of concern. Thanks in advance for helping us be mindful with energy this year.

How do I get power?

If you plan to run an AC in your tent or RV, there's an additional grid fee per unit. If you haven't already let us know, please do so ASAP so we can plan accordingly and keep things cool

Why?

Our goal is to reduce our carbon footprint. Alborz's main cost since 2022 has been electricity.

How can I help?

If you have experience with large generator grids or want to jump in and contribute in a big way, let us know! We'd love to explore bringing our own power setup to help cut costs and reduce our reliance on the contracted grid.

Ok, I opted to get a grid connection, can I keep my AC on all week?

Remember to turn off your AC/power when you leave your RV or tent! Basic comfort, luxury, is the name of the game. Let's all do our best to keep our carbon footprint. Thank you!



MEALS

Will there be food all week?

Camp meals officially kick off on Monday, so if you're planning on arriving earlier, please make sure you pack some food!

When are the meals?

Breakfast: Every morning, we will have a self-serve breakfast bar and kitchen area to help make your own breakfast with coffee and tea. This year we want to encourage you to wander out to find breakfast as many of our neighboring camps offer this as their gift.

Dinner: Dinner is where Chef Bobby works his magic! Menu and serving times will be shared closer to our arrival.

What if I have dietary restrictions?

Please let us know ASAP!

We will be providing plenty of vegan, gluten-free, and low-carb options.

So I don't need to pack any food?

Please bring enough food for a minimum one meal/day. There will be times when you're hungry and the kitchen is not operating, or unexpected things happen. Please plan for things NOT to go according to plan.

DINING AREA & COMMUNAL KITCHEN

Where can I eat?

We will have a shaded dining area with picnic table-style seating.

Can I use the kitchen?

The communal area will be stocked with a microwave, coffee maker, toaster, and basic appliances to whip up quick meals without making big messes or holding up the main kitchen.

We also have a shared refrigerator for your leftovers, milk, and other essentials.



Please reserve the main kitchen for Chef Bobby and food shifts volunteers.



WATER

Will the camp have water?

Alborz will be providing drinkable water in the form of one 1000 gallon water tank that is planned to be refilled daily. We are using the same vendor as previous years - Sierra Site Services. It is recommended you bring your own drinking water as this water has a bit of a plastic taste.

Showers use non-potable water, so please don't drink the shower water!

What is this water for?

This water will be used for camp gifts, showers, and dishwashing. There will be secondary water jugs/tanks, so not everyone is using the pumps connected to the large tanks to help avoid any issues.

So I don't have to bring my own water?

It's required to bring at least a gallon of drinking water per day

While the camp will have water, this is Burning Man! We need to be prepared for anything.

Plus, some folks aren't fans of the camp waters taste. Better safe than thirsty!

Additional water can be gifted at the camp for our cold water jugs that are available during parties and other activities.

BATHROOMS

Can I use the bathrooms?

We have contracted with ecozoic again this year and will have 4 stalls shared with the G's.
Happy eco-friendly bathrooming!

Who cleans the bathrooms?

YOU! Please help keep the bathrooms clean - don't throw anything weird down the toilet or overstay your welcome. Please avoid leaving trash and damaging the system.

Are these public bathrooms?

No. Combination locks will be installed and the code will be shared by your Onborzing Committee.
PLEASE remember to lock the bathrooms after each use.

We want to keep the bathrooms open and available for everyone, but when they're left unlocked, they can get dirty and overfilled fast. Please help us keep them clean and usable by locking up when you're done!





SHOWERS

How often can I shower?

Each camp member is allocated one shower every other day due to grey water and other restrictions. Like last year, we're striving for efficiency and have indoor shower stalls!

So how do I take a shower?

1. Sign-in sheet: Sign in when you shower every other day
2. Daily shower window: 10am - 2pm
3. Quick showers: 2 minutes of water for each person

Water is expensive! And hauling dirty water costs more. One quick shower costs around \$20-30 to the camp

Here are some tips:

1. Turn the water on briefly to wet yourself.
2. Turn the water off while you lather up with shampoo and body wash.
3. Turn the water back on to rinse off quickly.
4. Turn the water off once you're clean.

Alborz is a large camp and everyone here is part of this community that only functions when we all come together and do our part. Embrace Burning Man & Civic Responsibility; by respecting public spaces and being mindful of your impact:

1. Sign up for shower times, respect the schedule, and conserve water.
2. Use personal shampoos, conditioners, soap, etc.
3. Don't put or leave anything in the shower (e.g., feminine products, toilet paper, clothing, razors)
4. Please wipe down the shower after each use. There will be some earth-friendly cleaning agents!

SHADE

How many shade structures?

Two! (well technically 4.. Read below!) Both structures will be around 80'x40'. The first one will cover our stage and the primary hangout area, complete with tables and rugs. It's also where you'll find morning programming (ie., yoga, sound healing, etc.)

Do I need a shade structure for my tent?

No, the second structure will be used to cover tents.

What's #3 and 4?



The Lotus Belle Mahal is our air-conditioned Chill Zone that's perfect for napping, relaxing, or just escaping the heat. It also serves as a backup spot for daytime programming when it's too under the main shade. Check in to see if the Gs have anything scheduled!

SOUND SYSTEM

This year we are bringing the Camp's flagship soundsystem back to the stage. This is a custom speaker system handcrafted by our magical duo Cam and Kris from Lantern Sound Design.

Stay tuned for an awesome music schedule, coming soon!



A SOFT LAUNCH (LITERALLY)

Burning Man is full of welded steel, fire, and fury but what if something soft rolled through instead? Something gentle in the middle of the chaos? In 2025, something warm and unexpected might drift through Camp Alborz like a quiet ghost in the dust.

When it's time, we'll need four people per shift to help guide it:

One driver

Two spotters

One float

It moves at night. Stay tuned and sign up if you're curious. (Work shift schedule coming soon)

WHAT ARE THE CAMP GIFTS?

We're dedicated to giving back to the community. While the main details of our gifts and camp activities are below, remember that the greatest gift we can give is to fully and openly participate in the experience ahead of us.

LIVING ROOM STAGE/SUNSET PARTIES

Get ready to dance!

We'll be hosting a few music-filled gatherings and who knows, maybe even a performance or surprise or two. Got ideas or want to join the fun? Let us know.



INTERACTIVE OFFERINGS/MORNING PROGRAMMING

We have committed to hosting programming such as meditation, yoga, sound healing and other low volume activities. This will primarily be managed by our hub camps, the Gs, but if you have a talent to share, please don't hesitate to let your creative juices flow and sign up to participate. These schedules are taking shape now. Please see the "Other Interactive Offerings" tab at [this link](#) to sign up.



LOTUS BELL TENT

The tent will be a cool oasis for offerings like live acoustic performances, reiki, and meditation.



7 SPRINGS VIRGIN COCKTAIL BAR (TBA)

Every day from 3-5 pm we will be serving a new, traditional Persian cold mocktail. These are ancient recipes or new concoctions and will be served before and into our daily party.

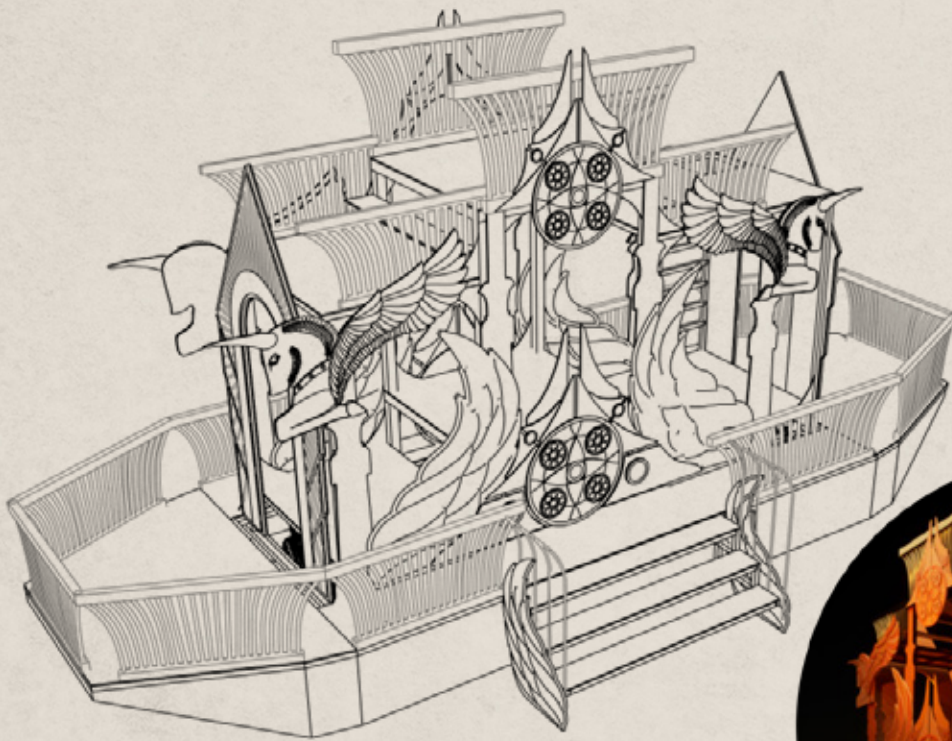
Tea and Hookah We will have hot tea and hookah available whenever the correct mood strikes.

** We know many of you have your own unique gifts and ideas that aren't listed here. If there's something you'd love to bring or a way you'd like to help out, let us know. We'll make sure you have a chance to contribute however you'd like.

ART CARS

DAMAVAND

This year we started working to completely revamp and redesign Damavand. Unfortunately she will not be ready for 2025 but we will complete some demolition work and have done quite a bit of the design phase.



We are working with the legendary LMD team (Mayan Warrior, Maxa) on this redesign and want to get everything right for the new debut!

HOMA

In 2023, Homa soared into Burning Man like a phoenix reborn. Homa proved to be a lifesaver, conquering the mud with ease and making a memorable debut on the Playa. In 2024, Homa upgraded with custom speakers from Lantern Sound Design, bringing even more magic (and bass) to its already enchanting presence.



Homa is currently looking for financial sponsorship to help bring it back to the Playa in 2025. Please contact the team if you are interested!

HEALTH ASSISTANCE

Will there be a First Aid Kit?

We are fortunate to have some caring medical professionals at our camp. We will have things like bandaids, liquid stitches and bacitracin if you need.

What if there is an emergency?

The nearby medical tent is at 9:00 and C. Reach out to a fellow Alborzian if you need any help. Your well-being is our top priority.

WHAT ARE YOU RESPONSIBLE FOR?

Camp Dues

Thank you for submitting your fees! Your dues/fees go directly toward covering essential services and infrastructures required to keep the camp up and running. No one is getting paid. Payment information is here. We're so grateful to those who go above and beyond the base camp dues to help bring this all to life. If you're in a position to contribute more, it'll go directly toward ongoing projects that still need support.

Please reach out. Since 2024 ALBORZ has been a 501c3 Non-Profit organization. This means your donations above the Camp Dues are now officially tax deductible. For some folks, there is also an employer match by your employee which can really help stretch your contribution by 2x and 3x! You can find more information here:

<https://www.campalborz.org/support>

WHAT ARE YOU RESPONSIBLE FOR?

Participation and Ownership

Once camp is up and running, there's still plenty to do each day to keep things smooth and leave no trace. Daily tasks include ice runs, greeting visitors, kitchen help, and light engineering support.

Active participation from everyone is what makes Camp Alborz truly special. We're lucky to have such an amazing crew of volunteers, so let's keep the momentum going and share the load. Work shift sign-up coming soon.

What do I do if I see Alborzian(s) busy working or running errands? If you have some extra time on your hands, feel free to offer assistance, or dive right in. Burning Man and Camp Alborz thrives thanks to the contribution of people who create an amazing experience. And YOU are an integral part of this!

Shifts!

Every Alborzian must contribute to keeping our camp magical. Each person is expected to sign up for at least 2 shifts—we'll have a sign-up doc going around soon.

Here are some of the tasks you might sign up for:

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Ice Runs – Grab those blocks of ice to keep us cool and hydrated.

Shower Duty – Keep our shower area fresh and functional. A clean rinse = a happy camper!

Kitchen Help – Assist with cooking, prep, or plating. Good vibes only—music welcome

Camp Cleanup – Help tidy up communal areas so we all stay sane.

Recycling & Trash – Sort, haul, and manage our MOOP. Be the hero we deserve.

Lodging

You are responsible for your own lodging.

Let us know if you're bringing a tent or RV and their sizes, so we can plan and include you in our layout. Notify us of any special considerations, like RV grouping preferences. Don't forget about bedding, etc!

Personal Water

Plan to bring at least 1 gallon per day of drinking water. (more info here)

Personal Food Recommendations

You are responsible for ONE MEAL PER DAY!

The camp is planning to provide two meals a day. (more info here)

Don't forget snacks, protein bars, and other things you may want for your daily adventures. This is Burning Man! Assume the unexpected. "I'll just skip 'that' one meal a day" is not a good idea and just not the right attitude in terms of self-sufficiency.

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Alcohol and Other Drinks

You are responsible for your own liquor. The camp will not be providing alcohol or any other type of inebriant for the collective. Although typically everyone brings a bunch to share with one another, we have not committed to doing so as a camp. Don't forget your favorite mixers.

BYOB (bring your own bike)

You're responsible for bringing your own bike and taking it back with you at the end of the week.

We simply don't have the space to haul bikes on the trucks. Make sure to bring a lock and use it every. single. time. you park. We had some bikes stolen last year, so please don't take the risk. And remember: no parking in the service lanes!

We'll have a designated area for charging e-bikes, please use it! Do not plug your e-bike into the grid set up for your tent or RV. Trust us, you don't want to be the reason the AC goes out for the whole camp.

Lights

You are responsible for bringing personal lights. Burning Man is extremely dark at night. This includes bike lighting, lights for your Tent/RV/personal space, and for yourself.

Trash disposal

Camp Alborz has a garbage dumpster, but please use it only for camp waste, not personal trash! On top of being responsible for your own personal trash, each vehicle will be responsible for taking two bags of Camp garbage with them when leaving. The best way to minimize trash is to bring less with us. Pro Tip: remove unnecessary packaging from anything you buy and dispose of it prior to heading out from Reno/Fernley.

What is moop? (READ THIS!)

I know what moop is! (READ THIS!)

RV Pump Outs / Water Refills

If you have an RV you will be responsible to have your tanks pumped out and water filled up.

STRIKE

We need EVERYONE's help to break down and pack up our beautiful camp that we enjoyed all week. If you know you have to leave early, please take some time before departing to pick up trash, tidy up, and assist with camp breakdown. For more details about strike, read this.



GETTING PREPPED: PACKING LIST & CHECKLIST

Alborz Packing List Final Checklist

Some comprehensive packing lists:

One

Two

Three

If you have additional questions, concerns, inquiries please send messages to Dad, aka Amir at amirhjalali@gmail.com, or +1 267 664 2238. You can also reach out to the member who you were in touch with for your camp dues, Shilla, Bitu, or Ace. This doc is a WIP (work in progress)
We'll try to incorporate more into this document as time goes by.

