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Evergreen Lodge offers new Yosemite cabins

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For those who didn't make the cut in the Camp Mather lottery, or who may be ready for a few more creature comforts and a little less "Kumbaya," Evergreen Lodge has got your number. Located adjacent to Camp Mather and a mile from the Hetch Hetchy entrance to Yosemite, Evergreen has undergone a complete makeover in the past few years, transforming from a tavern with a handful of rustic wood cabins (built in 1921 to house dam workers) to a full-service mountain resort.

Construction was completed in May on 90 simply but

tastefully furnished cedar cottages that dot a 22-acre area around the original tavern, augmented by a gourmet restaurant with an inviting outdoor beer garden, a well-equipped kids' rec room, a toddler play area with teepees, a theater and a sun deck perfect for wine-sipping and unforced socializing. There's even a massage cabana and at night, s'mores round the fire (no singing required).

Details: Cabins from \$99-\$299 a night; custom tents \$50-\$90. Highway 120 to Evergreen Road, (209) 379-2606, www.evergreenlodge.com.

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