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Glamping is luxury and so much s'more



A private cabin at Orenda, which aims to merge camping in backcountry with comfort for mostly urban guests.

A fusion of glamor and camping, glamping has been popular in Europe and the western United States for years. Glamping properties vary, but at their core, they are full-service lodging options with fine cuisine, thick duvets, and fully featured sleeping quarters. Some glamping facilities house guests in tepees, others in treehouses. Semipermanent canvas tent cabins are another popular structure, inside which fresh flowers and plush throw rugs round out the luxurious atmosphere. This is what Camp Orenda in New York's Adirondack Park offers its guests.

Orenda is the first glamping property to open in the East. It's in its third year of operation and sits in Johnsburg, west of Lake George and amid some of the Adirondack's best outdoor recreation opportunities. An all-inclusive experience, Orenda spoils its guests by night and leads exploration into the surrounding wilderness by day. You can ride horseback or hike, kayak or fly fish, then settle into your cabin for a glass of wine and — yes — a massage. Glamping offers a luscious set of comforts at which even the most hardened backcountry enthusiast would have trouble turning up a nose.

