



**LOCATION**  
Lake James, NC

**CLIENT**  
Camp Lake James, LLC  
Crescent Resources

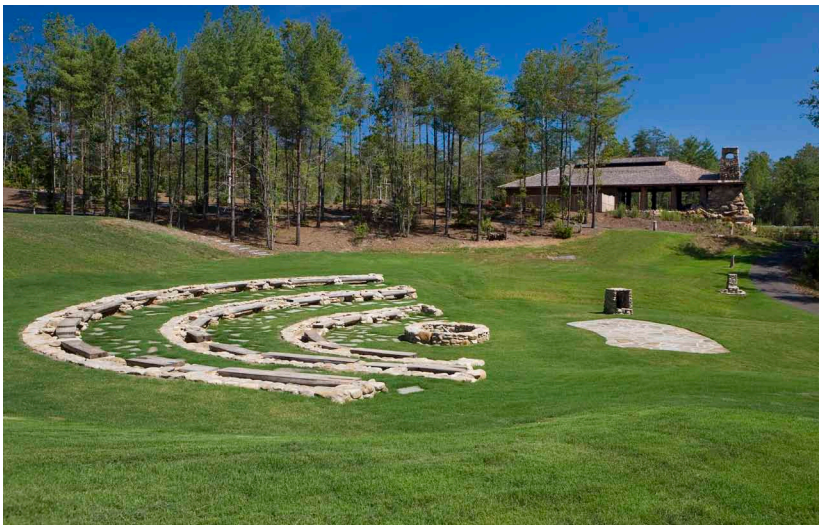
**MARKET**  
Recreation/Park Facility

## CAMP LAKE JAMES

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With a lakeside location surrounded by breathtaking mountain views, Camp Lake James is the activity center for 1780, Old Wildlife Club, and future Crescent Resources communities on Lake James, providing recreational opportunities such as swimming, boating, kayaking, and fishing. The camp includes a social hall, expedition center, amphitheater, pool and spa area, natural beach, docks, butterfly garden, and two tennis courts. LandDesign prepared the conceptual plan through construction documents for this project.

The landscape and hardscape design expresses the rich historical character of a rural mountain retreat, with natural materials, hand-crafted details, and native plants. Ramps, steps, and walls are worked into the terrain to make effortless elevation transitions. Overlooking the bioretention area and lake, the outdoor amphitheater features a stage and fire-ring for marshmallow roasts and dusk story-telling. Nestled behind a buffer of existing trees, the structures of Camp Lake James are barely visible from the lake, supporting the client's guidelines for buildings that nestle into the landscape and are subordinate to nature.



*Camp Lake James is a recipient of multiple awards including the NC Chapter Award of Merit, American Society of Landscape Architects (2009), American Society of Irrigation Consultants Excellence in Irrigation Award (2009) and American Institute of Architects NC Chapter Award of Merit (2008).*