

Wallowa Lake Lodge

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Lead Cook/Chef - Wallowa Lake Lodge

The historic Wallowa Lake Lodge, located at the head of Wallowa Lake in Northeast Oregon is looking for an innovative and experienced lead cook or chef to join our company during the 2020 season. You'll be responsible for preparing, cooking, and presenting food to our guests and customers. You will need to be creative, develop new dishes, determine specials of the day, and put together a menu that feels fresh and exciting to our guests.

Chef/Lead Cook Job Duties and Responsibilities

- Coordinating the work responsibilities of the kitchen
- Manage and train kitchen staff
- Oversee vendor sourcing and ordering of all food, beverages, and kitchen supplies
- Standardize recipes, cooking techniques, and plating
- Follow, create, and cost seasonal and special-event menus and recipes
- Preparing cold foods
- Frying, grilling, and sautéing foods
- Keeping stations cleaned and organized
- Maintaining excellent hygiene
- Lifting heavy pots and kitchen equipment

Requirements and Qualifications

- At least a year's worth of experience working in kitchen and restaurant settings.
- Willingness to work hard and operate in a team structure
- Associate's degree or culinary degree preferred; past experience considered
- Knowledge of how to use a wide variety of kitchen equipment
- Refined palate
- Great culinary imagination
- Leadership skills such as leading a team of cooks, teaching line cooks each new recipe and managing a kitchen staff
- Attention to detail

The Wallowa Lake Lodge is a historic lodge that was built in the 1920s. It was included in a book written by Christine Barnes titled Great Lodges of the National Parks and a Public Broadcasting Service documentary by the same title, even though it is not in a natural park. In 2016 the lodge was bought by a group of investors for the purpose of preserving this magnificent historic building.

The Wallowa Lake Lodge is situated on 9.3 acres at the head of Wallowa Lake in an area that the Nez Perce once called home. It is immediately adjacent to the majestic

Wallowa Mountains and Eagle Cap Wilderness. Wallowa Lake was formed by glaciers tens of thousands of years ago and is bordered on three sides by nearly perfect examples of glacial moraines. The Wallowa Mountains have has been referred to as the little Switzerland of Oregon. Trailheads of several trails lead into the Eagle Cap Wilderness area or onto the east moraine that are within walking distance of the lodge. Recreational activities include hiking, swimming, boating, fishing, and other outdoor activities.

The lodge typically serves breakfast and dinner daily but may also serve lunch for special events.

The lodge is a seasonal business with the season extending from Memorial Day weekend through the last weekend in September. The hourly wage for this position is \$17.00 per hour. Subsidized housing will be available on a first come first served basis.



