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COWBOY
COUNTRY

Dream Catalog





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We call it “Cowboy Country” but it is so much more than that.

It is a place where powerful jets and majestic bald eagles cross the sky over some of the richest gold mines on earth; where blazing casino lights give way to an astonishing pantheon of stars in two minutes’ driving time; where twenty minutes’ driving time can take you from bone-dry desert to green alpine splendor.

A place where you can snow ski and water ski in the same season, where long emerald fairways invite the duffer and felt emerald tables beckon the gamer; where the lonesome train whistle and the clacking of the tracks still are heard, and still inspire. A place where you can dream as big as you like, even as you gaze at the awesome curvature of the earth, and feel as small as you ever will.

And, oh yes, it’s Cowboy Country.

One of the last cattle empires left in the West, where lariats still fly, horses still run free, and hot brands burn with the pride of heritage.

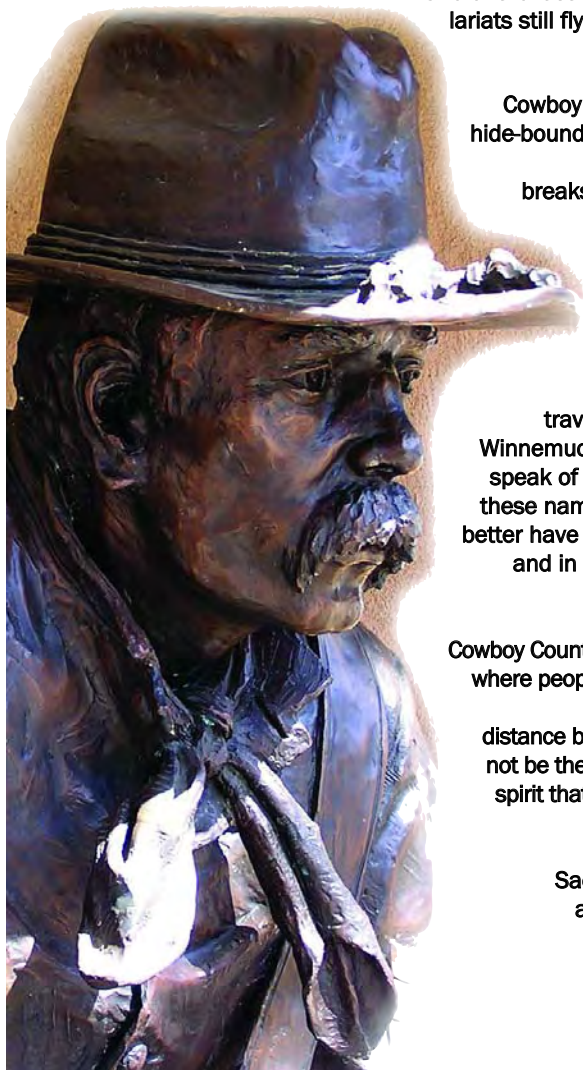
Cowboy Country is all about tradition, but not hide-bound by it. It welcomes invention, rewards risk and sometimes breaks the rules. Just a few hours highway time from metropolises to the north, south, east, and west, it is a free Country, mingled with just enough City to keep things interesting.

The names are enough to inspire the traveler. Elko, Battle Mountain, Lovelock, Winnemucca, Jackpot, and more monikers that speak of the lore of the west. If you put one of these names on a sign just outside town, you’d better have the history to go along with it. In this, and in so many other ways, Cowboy Country doesn’t disappoint.

Cowboy Country is a work always in progress, a place where people’s faith in themselves is as strong as the coffee they drink, a vast distance broken by cities and towns which would not be there at all if it weren’t for an indomitable spirit that made them happen, and keeps them happening every day of the year.

Saddle up for a tour of Cowboy Country, a uniquely American adventure where the past enriches the present, and the future is as unlimited as the horizon.

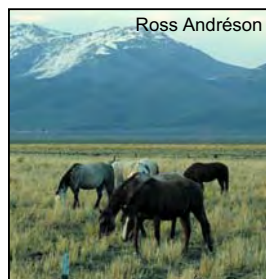
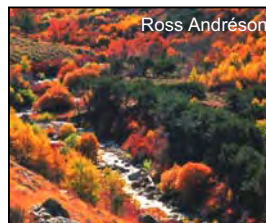
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Nevada Cowboy Country Dream Catalog

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Covering the communities of:

Lovelock, Winnemucca,
Battle Mountain, Carlin,
Elko, Wells, Jackpot and
Wendover, Nevada



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LOVELOCK

Lovelock has a secret, a secret that can be shared with anyone interested in hidden treasures. Once the welcome respite for the weary emigrants headed for the gold fields of California, the Big Meadows, as explorers and early travelers named this high desert valley, would take its place in history.

In Lovelock, the county seat, much of early history is apparent in its buildings. The round courthouse, completed in 1921 after Pershing County came into existence by



Legislative action in March 1919, is an example. Frederick DeLongchamps, advisor and builder for the state, was the architect for the building which is now listed in National Register of Historic Places, the only round courthouse still active as a legal edifice.

In the park surrounding the courthouse is the pavilion where you may lock your love on the chains in Loverslock Plaza. Locks may be purchased at the Lovelock/Pershing Chamber of Commerce where a visitor is given the story of locking ones love. Locks may also be purchased at participating business around town.

Seen from the steps of the dominant courthouse is the United States post office also listed in the National Register of Historic Places. On the left wall as you enter the front door is the mural, a copy of which is displayed in the Smithsonian National Museum of American Art. Painted by Ejnar Hansen, the mural is considered a fine example of western American art.



Lovelock Highlights



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The Pershing County Museum complex exhibits of local history include the fully furnished Marzen House, the Coeur Rochester building housing early century fire engines and a deluxe ambulance. A scale model on early Rochester, as well as mineral exhibits are also in this building.

Outside displays of early farm machinery and vintage mining equipment, including a unique two stamp mill, show how it was in the late 1800 and early 1900 centuries. The Marzen House acts as an information center for trips to the famous Lovelock Cave, where ancient artifacts were uncovered and are now displayed at the Smithsonian and the Nevada Museum in Carson City.

Pershing County is one of the richest mineral areas in the nation if not the world. Her silver and gold mines in the Humboldt Range brought a stampede of miners. The mineral wealth is not limited to gold and silver, for economically productive deposits of iron, quicksilver, tungsten, sulfur, and other metals are mined here.

Ghost towns are scattered among the remote hills where only decaying remains attest to the early heady days of the bonanza. Unionville, the first county seat of Humboldt County and the one time home of Mark Twain, is a short distance from Lovelock and is more than worth the short trip to this beautiful canyon settlement.

Information on this and other mining camps may be found at the Lovelock/Pershing County Chamber of Commerce and the Pershing County Museum.

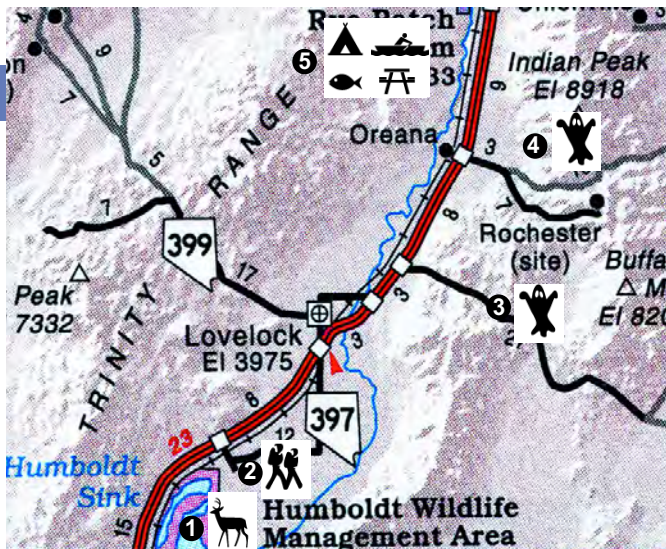


The fertility of Lovelock valley drew many early settlers to farm the wide acres. Their efforts were more than profitable, but water from the Humboldt River was an absolute necessity. Thus Rye Patch Dam was built and completed in 1934. Today the reservoir is a state park with good fishing, boating, and swimming. Bird watchers and rock hounds will find the hills and valleys worth their attention. Wild life is plentiful in the high hills throughout the county.

Now you know the secrets. Check with the Chamber of Commerce, and as a word of caution, before you head out into the hills, let someone know just where you intend to go and when you intend to get back. The vastness can be daunting.

LOVELOCK LEGEND

- 1) Humboldt Wildlife Management Area
- 2) Lovelock Caves
- 3) Rochester
- 4) Unionville
- 5) Rye Patch State Recreation Area





WINNEMUCCA

Winnemucca — More than meets the eye



Over a century ago, the town of Winnemucca was little more than a stopover point for weary travelers. With the Humboldt

River twisting about, it offered water and supplies to the thousands who would wend their way through the treacherous routes of the Great Basin.

Today, Winnemucca continues to be a gateway of sorts to the Great Basin. But with 24-hour gaming, a multitude of recreational opportunities, a rich and still-enduring history, and agricultural, mining and other industrial centers, Winnemucca is no longer simply a stopover point. No, truly in Winnemucca—there's more than meets the eye.

Winnemucca has five major casinos with exciting 24-hour gaming action, including slots, table games, live keno and sportsbooks. Over 1,150 rooms accommodate any kind of traveler, and a full menu of restaurants appease any appetite, including five that serve up traditional Basque fare.

Nestled between mountains to the south and sand dunes to the north, Winnemucca offers great recreational opportunities. It's just a short trip to some of the West's best mountain biking, including the 36-mile "Bloody Shins Trail." Good hunting abounds throughout Humboldt County. Deer, chukar, sagehen, duck, geese, quail, dove, pheasant and antelope are all plentiful. Numerous fishing grounds are stocked with trout, catfish, crappie and walleye.

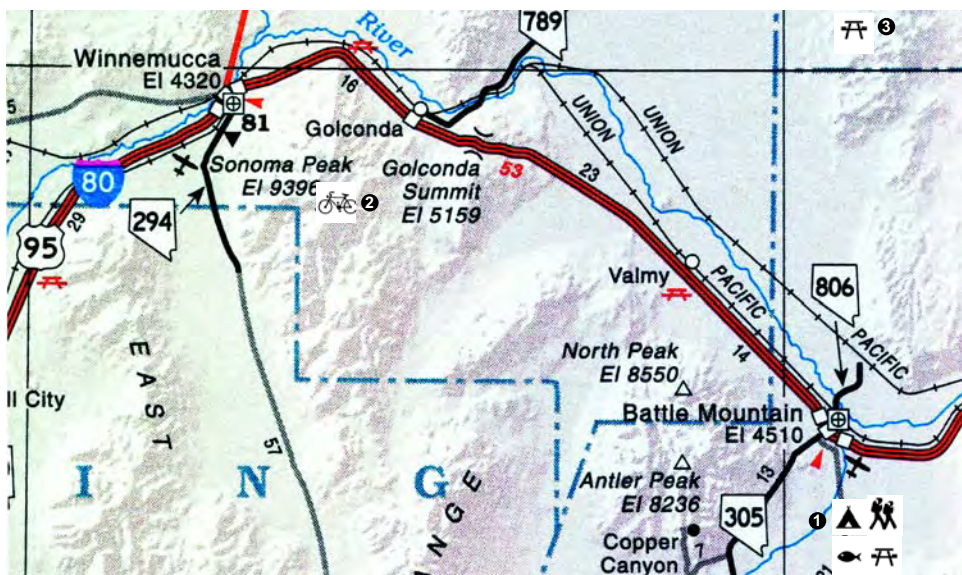
Rockhounds appreciate the local mines and mineral resources, including the Royal Peacock Opal Mines near Denio, and locals and visitors alike enjoy the sand dunes, trap shooting, boating, water skiing, archery, hiking, horseback riding, camping, ice skating, roller skating, bowling and miniature golf.

Winnemucca maintains four city parks, two lighted tennis courts, seven basketball courts, volleyball courts, a skateboard park, and indoor and outdoor swimming pools. A 9-hole golf course is also open to the public year-round. In addition, Winnemucca is just a short drive from Rye Patch State Recreation Area, Giant Tufa Park, Kingston Canyon and northern Nevada's best natural hot springs.

Winnemucca is filled with remembrances of

WINNEMUCCA and BATTLE MOUNTAIN LEGEND

- 1) Mill Creek Recreation Area
- 2) Bloody Shins Mountain Biking
- 3) Willow Creek Reservoir





its past as well. The Humboldt Museum offers a fascinating look at the Humboldt County of yesteryear through many standing exhibits, including one on Sarah Winnemucca, the daughter of the Paiute Chief for whom the town of Winnemucca is named.

Downtown, the Buckaroo Hall of Fame and Western Heritage Museum remembers the buckaroos who settled this area, while the newly expanded Humboldt County Visitors Center rewards visitors with displays and exhibits on everything from the Old Pioneer Trail to the world's third largest gold producing region, located in Humboldt County's backyard.

Winnemucca is also home to many historic buildings, including the town's first hotel, the Winnemucca Hotel, where Basque meals are still served family-style. The beautiful Humboldt County Courthouse, built in 1919, has been likened to Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, and the site of Butch Cassidy's infamous robbery of the First National Bank of Winnemucca in 1900 still stands at the corner of Fourth and Bridge streets. Just outside Winnemucca, wagon wheel ruts

Winnemucca Highlights



HUMBOLDT COUNTY

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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can still be seen near the Humboldt River, and a surprising number of ghost towns recall the past, including the still-thriving Paradise Valley to the north, the quaint Midas to the east, and Unionville to the west, once home to Mark Twain.

Today, Winnemucca remains an oasis in the high desert for travelers, ranchers, miners and visitors alike. With 24-hour gaming action, recreational opportunities, a rich history, and agricultural, mining and other industrial centers, plus an overall friendly atmosphere, in Winnemucca, there really is more than meets the eye!

Amenities

Municipal Golf Course (9-hole Course) Mizpah Street (Next to City Park) 775-623-9920

Water Canyon Located southeast of the city via Hanson St., open April through November. (775) 623-1500.

Bloody Shins Bike Trails Shinskinning is worth it, when trails are this spectacular! Beginner and intermediate trails offer endless views of near and distant mountain ranges. Current trail conditions: (775) 625-BIKE.

Self-Guided Historical Tour Enjoy Winnemucca history at your own pace. Historic houses, hotels, and other sites give a glimpse into a world gone by. Get your map at the Winnemucca Convention Center or the Humboldt Museum. For information: (775) 623-5071.

Royal Peacock Opal Mines Drive north from Winnemucca to Denio, 127 miles, on the Nevada - Oregon border, to join the hunt for the fabled Black Fire Opal. You'll find a friendly rock shop, RV hookups, showers and a laundry

room. Travelers with tents or campers may also stay for a small fee. Reservations are recommended. (775) 941-0374.

Humboldt Museum An entertaining showcase of all things Winnemucca, from Native American lore to antique automobiles. Located at Jungo Road and Maple Avenue, Open year-round, except major holidays. Hours: Monday - Friday 10am - noon and 1pm - 4pm; Saturdays 1pm - 4pm. A donation is always appreciated. (775) 623-2912



McDERMITT

Like most of Cowboy Country's towns, the still-unincorporated McDermitt enjoyed its share of mining success. Gold, silver and mercury all have been pulled from its soil, but ranching always has been its mainstay, and sprawling cattle operations abound in the vicinity.

Located on U.S. 95, at the tip of the Silver State and near the confluence of Nevada, Oregon and Idaho, McDermitt began its life as an outpost -a cavalry station during a time of turmoil between settlers and Native Americans. The town was named for Colonel McDermitt, the commander of the fort, who lost his life in a scuffle with the indigenous residents.



Both the town and a nearby reservation bear McDermitt's name, and the place is a unique combination of cowboy culture and Indian lore. It's quite appropriate that two of McDermitt's biggest annual

events are the Indian Rodeo in June, and the Ranch Hand Rodeo in July.

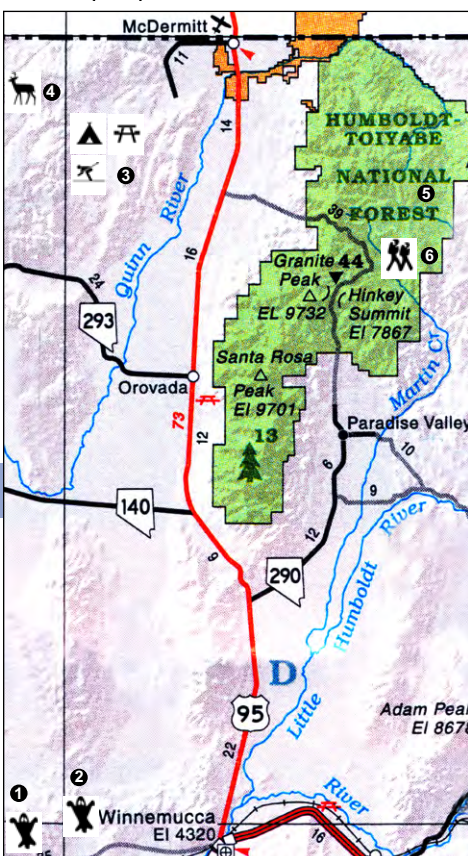
For most of the year, however, McDermitt enjoys a peaceful serenity punctuated by quiet events at the McDermitt Community Hall – and residents like it that way. Some of them liken their place to "a modern ghost town," with the present represented by the 24-hour Say When Casino, two motels, and watering holes like the Desert Inn and the Orovida. The past is all around – particularly on the nearby reservation, where one original Fort McDermitt building survives, and still is used for occasional get-togethers.

Unique, friendly, steeped in community, McDermitt is a tiny jewel at the very top of Cowboy Country's crown.

For more information contact Josephine Reeves (775) 532-8742.

McDERMITT LEGEND

- 1) Sulphur
- 2) Jungo
- 3) Pine Forest Rec. Area
- 4) Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge
- 5) Humboldt National Forest
- 6) Fort McDermitt





BATTLE MOUNTAIN

Whether your taste for adventure demands a visit to the rodeo, a walk back through time, or the high-speed thrills of human power or motor sports, Battle Mountain has it all.

Located in the heart of northern Nevada, midway between Winnemucca and Elko, this small community offers a variety of special events as well as year-round access to public land.

If it's the heritage of the American Old West that tempts you, plan your visit to coincide with the annual rodeos hosted by the Battle Mountain High School Rodeo Club and Junior Rodeo Club. Battle Mountain's young riders are regularly among the top finishers in state and national competitions, and they'll give you a good show.

If you like your history a little less on the rootin'-tootin' side, you might enjoy a walking tour around Battle Mountain's historic buildings. Or hike to Carters Monument, a 4-foot-high, 2-mile-long rock wall built by one man in 1879 as a memorial to the California-bound pioneers. Pick up your walking tour guide at the Battle Mountain Chamber of Commerce office. Another historic building you might want to take a look at while touring the town is the old 25 Ranch cookhouse, which was donated by the ranch and moved to its present site to be restored and serve as a museum. Money is now being raised for its restoration.

Mountain bikers will find plenty of trails near Battle Mountain, with the Copper Basin Mountain Bike trail system, with trails appealing to both novice and advanced riders.

You're also invited to Battle Mountain's annual old-fashioned celebration of the Fourth of July and the Lander County Fair.

Every other Saturday night all summer long, motor sports enthusiasts can find the thrills they're seeking at the Battle Mountain Raceway. Local drivers and drivers from around the region compete.



For once-a-year motor sports thrills, plan to visit Battle Mountain during the annual running of the Pony Express 100. State Highway 305 closes to regular traffic as racers vie to see who can travel the fastest and who can do the best job of running the route at a designated average speed.

Highway 305 is becoming the place to race. It has brought Battle Mountain international fame. The record for the fastest human on earth propelled by his own power in the most efficient vehicle ever designed was set here in October, 2001, by Canadian Sam Whittingham, 80.55 mph. The World Human Powered Speed Challenge is held in early October.

Battle Mountain also is at the heart of one of the world's richest gold-producing regions.

Battle Mountain Highlights



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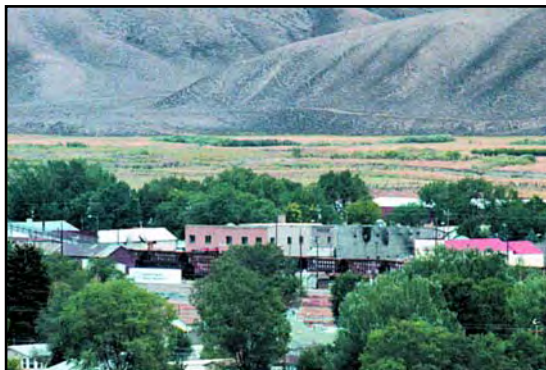
CARLIN

Where the Train Stops — and the Gold Rush Begins

Carlin is located at the bottom of Emigrant Pass on Interstate 80. We're the half way point between Salt Lake City and Reno, NV. Easy freeway access makes it the perfect stop for fuel, a bite to eat, or a good night's sleep.

Carlinites like to call their community "Where the Train Stops and the Gold Rush Begins," celebrating its two predominant industries. Born during the great Western railroad expansion, its high school teams still proudly display "Railroaders" on their bright red uniforms. Carlin is gateway to the Carlin Trend, a rich vein of ore where millions of ounces of microscopic gold are mined yearly. These mines provide employment for thousands of miners and mine support personnel.

The University Of Nevada Fire Science Academy is located just east of Carlin. It is billed as one of the best and most versatile fire training sites in the world. It trains hun-



dreds of people each year in the latest safety techniques.

Carlin maintains that small town atmosphere. With the addition of our new Equestrian Center, our parks system can accommo-

date all types of events. Our Skate Park is one of the finest in Elko County. Soccer, football, baseball, softball, and a friendly game of horseshoes can be enjoyed by all. "Skate Nights" and "Movies in the Park" highlight most summer weekends. Carlin's 4th of July celebration can't be beat. Our Show 'N' Shine Car Show & Art in the Park Event are the highlights of August.

A visit to Carlin's Chinese Gardens Wildlife Study Area will delight you. The railroad that created Carlin was built in part by Chinese immigrant laborers. Some of them settled here and grew extensive vegetable gardens. The City has developed the area into a park, with winding trails and a large fishing pond. This is a great place for a picnic.

Carlin Highlights



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East of Carlin is the Carlin Canyon Historical Wayside. The wayside marks the significance of Carlin Canyon as a travel route for Native Americans, Mountain Men, emigrants, the Central Pacific Railroad and finally motorists when the route was designated U.S. Route 40. Carlin Canyon also offers access to the Humboldt River. Its unique geologic formations are unforgettable.



As the largest city in Cowboy Country, Elko is a hub of western activity. Home to a wide variety of settlers - from mining executives to cowboy poets - Elko's population has grown to nearly 37,000 residents (including those who have settled just over the summit in the bedroom community of Spring Creek).

The gold mining boom of the late 1980's brought a substantial number of mining companies into the area as well as representatives from the national and international press. The diversity of the Elko community has been featured in articles appearing in the Los Angeles Times, Newsweek and USA Today, just to mention a few of the major publications. Buckaroo bards from the National Cowboy Poetry Gathering held each winter voiced the praises of Elko on the Tonight Show. In 1992, Elko was named the Best Small Town in America. Very few small towns have as much culture and variety to explore as Elko.

To find out information on Elko, stop by the visitors center at the Sherman Station located on north Idaho Street. The chamber offices are located inside. This massive, log-hewn building served as a local ranch house for decades before being transported into Elko piece by piece and transformed into this wonderful historical site.

Located directly east of Sherman Station on



Idaho Street is the Northeastern Nevada Museum, home of the Wanamaker Wildlife Exhibit. This two-storied wing features the life long work of Jack Wanamaker, an international hunter. Big game animals from all over the world are displayed in a replica of their natural habitat. Other exhibits focus on the Native Americans of Northern Nevada, pioneer settlers and ranching life, Basque culture,

local artisans and mammoth remains from a local archeological site.

Elko's state-of-the-art 50,000 square - foot Convention Center is clearly visible just north of the museum. This modern facility hosts many special events year-round including the annual Elko Mining Expo and the National Cowboy Poetry Gathering. Contact the Elko Convention & Visitors Authority which operates the convention center for the latest visitors guides and information.

The only Cowboy Poetry Gathering sanctioned by the U.S. Congress, Elko's world famous event is planned in the heart of downtown Elko at the Western Folklife Center. Quartered in the historic Pioneer Hotel building, the Folklife Center's art gallery gives a peek at western lore and the adjacent gift shop is the perfect place to find one-of-a-kind gift items for all the buckaroos on your list.

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Elko is also a prime cultural center for the Basque community - groups of settlers originating in the Pyrenees of Europe who brought their unique, sheepherder's way of life to this region. Any visit to Elko would not be complete without experiencing

There is Basque family-style dining at the Star, Toki Ona, Biltoki or the Nevada Dinner House. Every July, Elko hosts a Running of the Bulls along with the Basque Festival in downtown Elko. Exploring this culture is like getting a taste of an entirely different world, nestled in the heart of Cowboy Country.

All this culture is just barely tapping the surface of the amenities that Elko has to offer. Take the time to visit the historic county courthouse, golf on one of the two local emerald courses or hike up Lamoille Canyon.

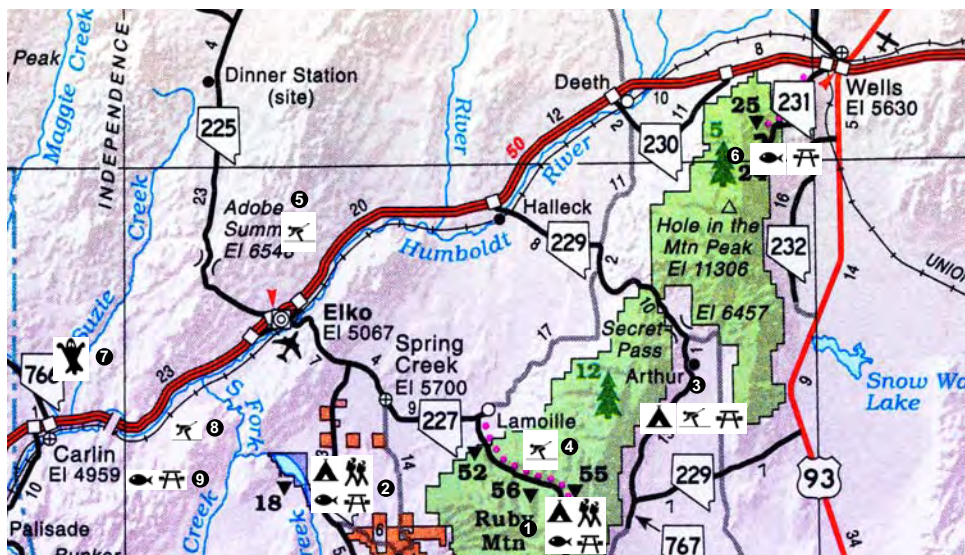
The Scenic Byway through Lamoille Canyon winds through the Ruby Range, often called the Alps of Nevada. This gorgeous canyon, formed by slow-moving glaciers, offers many inviting trails to explore and an abundance of wildlife viewing. Dotted along the Ruby Crest National Recreation Trail are several alpine lakes with fabulous photo opportunities for the nature lover.

All throughout the Elko area, the outdoor enthusiast can find prime hunting, fishing, boating and camping places. Stop by the Nevada Department of Wildlife offices on Mountain City Highway, next to the Elko Regional Airport, for the latest information on this sportsmen's paradise.

Each February over Presidents Day Week, Elko host the Snowmobile Rendezvous which includes trail rides hosted by the Elko Convention & Visitors Authority, RMSHA Hill

ELKO, CARLIN & WELLS LEGEND

- 1) Ruby Marshes
- 2) South Fork Reservoir
- 3) Lamoille Canyon
- 4) Ruby Mountain Heli-Ski
- 5) Snobowl Ski Area
- 6) Angel Lake
- 7) Leeville
- 8) Carlin Canyon
- 9) Chinese Gardens



Cross Races and the Snowmobile Hill Climbing event. Elko was voted by Super Trax International Magazine as one of the top ten adventure destinations in the world.

Come to Elko and explore our new Gem of Nevada recreation trail system featuring Merritt Mountain/Sunflower Flats, Spruce Mountain, and Hamilton/Bullion, all trails are well marked and G.P.S friendly. See why Elko truly is "Nevada with Altitude." Jeep Jamboree U.S.A., Elko Hummer Round Up, and KTM Adventure Tours — to name a few — all have experienced our recreational trail system.



Rich cultural heritage, mining stockpiles and steady growth make Elko one of the most fascinating and unique towns in the American West. A true vacation and recreation destination, Elko has a little something to offer every traveler.

Elko Highlights

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Elko Convention & Visitors Authority

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Western Folklife Center

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JACKPOT

Jackpot is one of those towns which probably had to be invented. It also is one of the most unique communities in all of the West - a destination resort town on U.S. 93, just south of the Idaho border.

Jackpot was born in the 1950s, and ever since has provided a logical outlet for gaming-hungry Gem Staters anxious for a taste of the razzle-dazzle of Nevada. They're still hungry, and Jackpot still feeds 'em.

New-Vegas gaming mixes with Old-Vegas atmosphere in Jackpot, a town which acquired an international reputation through the efforts of the late Carl Hayden, an irascible publicist for Cactus Pete's Casino. Hayden's witty dispatches - a mix of Mark Twain and Walter Winchell, with a bit of P.T. Barnum thrown in - attracted world-wide attention and drew folks from all over who couldn't wait to see if Jackpot was really the way Hayden described it.

Across the street from Cactus Pete's is the Horseshu, a row of faux Old West buildings that immediately grabs the imagination of every visitor. Barton's Club 93, the Four Jacks, and the Pony Express Casino inside the Holiday Inn Express complete the itinerary, offering the fun, food, and excitement that Nevada is famous for.

Jackpot also is crazy for aircraft, hosting fly-ins of every sort all year long at its well-



equipped airport, and its 18-hole golf course keeps the duffers happy - even in winter, when more than a few die-hard golfers play a round with a brightly-colored, snow-defeating, ball.

If golf isn't your game, the extensive Jackpot Recreation Center offers year-round swimming and other fitness activities.

The town of Jackpot exists for only one reason: Fun. And as a result, it does fun very, very well.

Jackpot Visitors Information
(775) 755-2653
www.jackpotnevada.com

WELLS, JACKPOT and WENDOVER LEGEND

- 1) Pilot Peak
- 2) The California Trail
- 3) Crittenden Reservoir
- 4) O'Neil Basin
- 5) Salmon Falls Reservoir
- 6) Wilkins
- 7) Tabor Creek





WEST WENDOVER

Discover the allure of West Wendover, Nevada. You'll find an exciting combination of towering first-class resorts, fast-paced casino action, superstar entertainment and an abundance of recreational opportunities. This quaint resort community sits on the Nevada/Utah border approximately 120 miles west of Salt Lake City, Utah on I-80.

Join us for some well-deserved playtime and relaxation. Whether your morning begins with a tee time or a brisk mountain hike, you're sure to find the perfect outdoor activity to start your day. Try some Nevada-style entertainment or experience a spectacular massage treatment from a professional masseuse.



Say hello to Wendover Will, the largest neon cowboy in America!

Our luxurious rooms and suites have become West Wendover's trademark. With just over 2,000 oversized hotel rooms, including Jacuzzi suites, and all the extra amenities to make your night special.

Once you have spent some time in this wonderland of natural beauty, it will be clear why West Wendover is more than a weekend getaway... it's your escape!

Off-Road Adventures

We have countless backcountry roads and trails for all skill levels. Most are suitable for mountain bike and 2-wheel drive. You will find trails that test your 4-wheel driving abilities and ATV skills, too. Encountering breath-taking scenic mountains, picturesque valleys and the seeming changing color within rock formation, this can only

After a full day of activities, enjoy an exquisite dinner in one of our many fine-dining restaurants. There's something for every taste and desire.

When you're ready to call it a night, relax in one of five Casino Resorts.



Toana Vista Golf Course is an 18-hole Championship Course, and offers private lessons, a full-service bar, snack counter and gift shop.

enhance your trail-riding experience. When you have covered all of the established trails, you have only scratched the surface of this magnificent and unique area.

West Wendover Highlights



BONNEVILLE SALT FLATS

Here, world land speed records have been set for nearly a century. The spectacular scenery and racing conditions at Bonneville make it one of the most popular areas in the nation for speed. There are no grandstands, so chairs are required. Spectators are allowed to walk through the pits, view the vehicles and talk to the drivers and crew members. Don't forget a camera with lots of film!

Come join the fun — it will be the adventure of a lifetime.

HISTORIC WENDOVER AIRFIELD MUSEUM

Tour the former World War II bomber-training base where 21 Heavy Bomber Groups trained to prepare for deployment overseas, including the 509th Composite Group (Enola Gay and Bock's Car) which trained for the first and to date only atomic bombardment of one nation against another. See and touch part of history by taking the self-guided tour through this historic airfield.

**For more information contact the West Wendover Tourism and Convention Bureau
1-866-299-2489.**



JARBIDGE



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Jarbridge is the last mining boomtown in Nevada and well worth the trip.

Lying in an awe-inspiring canyon in a premier wilderness area, its colorful history began early with the leg-

end of Tsawhawbitts; a giant Indian who caught people, put them in his basket, and ate them. Gold was discovered in 1909 and a tent city sprang up overnight. Wild it was with the last stagecoach robbery in the US and the first time a bloody handprint was admitted as evidence in a court of law.

Today, Jarbridge is a mecca for outdoor recreation. In the summer, the town is visited by outdoor enthusiasts with ATV's, fishermen, hikers, and mountain bikers. In the fall hunters inhabit the mountains and winter sees groups of snowmobilers sledding across meadows and summits. If that's a bit much for you, a car ride will take you from 6200'-8000' with panoramic views of the Jarbridge Peaks and Copper Basin.

Services are available year round with a motel, hostel, B&B, restaurant, bar, gas station, market, RV Park, and gift shop. If camping is more your style, secluded campsites are located along the Jarbridge River. EMS and Life Flight are available.

Come to Cowboy Church every 2nd Sunday of the month. Rev. Bo Lowe and his wife Cathy conduct services in the historic Jarbridge Community Hall. Eat at high noon, followed by a nondenominational, bible-believing Sunday Service where everyone is welcome.

To reach Jarbridge from Rogerson, ID on Hwy. 93, take Three Creek Road all the way to

JARBIDGE and WILDHORSE LEGEND

- 1) Jarbridge
- 2) Wildhorse Reservoir
- 3) Wildhorse Crossing

Jarbridge Highlights

JARBIDGE COMMUNITY HALL

Built in 1910, this historic building contains a pictorial display of the history of Jarbridge from a tent city to the town one sees today. Don't miss the painted curtain showing advertisements of the businesses during Jarbridge's heyday.

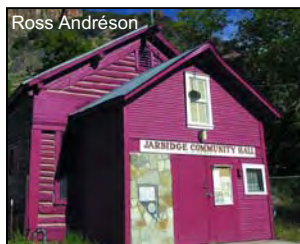
THE ISLANDS

Drive northeast out of Jarbridge into an ATVer's paradise. The Islands are round-ed mountains completely surrounded by creeks. View old abandoned ranch houses, aspen forests, rushing creeks and look hundreds of miles into Idaho.

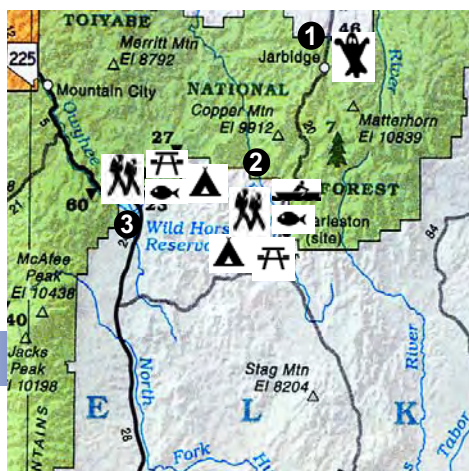
SOUTH CANYON ROAD

Drive south up the Canyon along the beautiful Jarbridge River. Visit the Bluster Mill where gold bearing ore was processed.

Jarbridge. The last 16 miles are unpaved. (OPEN ALL YEAR) From Elko drive north on Hwy. 225. Between Elko and Mountain City, turn east on the Charleston/Jarbridge Road. There's 47 miles of unpaved road. (Summer and Fall only unless snowmobiling - Expert Trail.)



Ross Andréson





The state's second biggest annual car show and Old Town Street Dance combine to preserve a period feel in this town that's proud of its past, airport, nine-hole golf course, casinos, and restaurants.



Above, Wells in the old days. Cow town on the Transcontinental RR and hub for freight wagons & stagecoaches bound for the mines. Below, Old Town Wells today. Buildings date back to the 1800's and still stand virtually unchanged.



Hub for regional ranchers and California Trail sites, Wells is undergoing a revival to breathe life into its authentic 1800's wild west commercial district where trains still rumble by stirring up dust and ghosts in the old buildings. Originally a resting-place on the California Trail known as Humboldt Wells, the Central Pacific Railroad founded the town in 1869. Wells connected Spruce Mountain and White Pine County mines to the railhead and packed Front Street saloons with gamblers, railroaders, ranchers and bullwhackers. The Visitors Center & Emigrant Trail Interpretive Center at 6th & Lake Avenue tells the California Trail, Wells, and Metropolis Ghost Town story and offers free Old Town Walking Tour booklets.

Twelve miles south of Wells is Angel Lake, a popular fishing, hiking and camping destination.

Attention hunters! Deer, antelope, and other abundant big game populate the surrounding outback and game birds are plentiful. Anglers will enjoy outstanding lakes, reservoirs, creeks and streams. Angel Lake, tucked into the East Humboldt mountain range, is a particular favorite for its fish and striking 8,400 foot scenery.

Wells Highlights



WELLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

395 6th Street

(775) 752-3540

Toll free: 1-866-866-7015

www.wellsnevada.com

ANGEL CREEK

Go 8 miles south on State Route 231. Open May-October. Beautiful setting for camping excursion and reservations are available (877) 444-6777.

ANGEL LAKE ROAD/ANGEL LAKE

Take State Route 231 for a spectacular climb to 8400 feet and beautiful country! Picnic and camping facilities available. Hike three miles further to Winchell Lake.

TABOR CREEK CAMPGROUND

Only 30 miles north of Wells via maintained unpaved road once rode by cattle kings and the Wild Bunch. Overnight camping with fire pits and picnic tables. Information (775) 753-0200.

DUDE RANCHES/BACKPACKING

Experience cowboy life. Click onto www.nevadaoutfitters.org

Old Town Front Street Walking Tour Brochures available at Visitor's Center (775) 752-3540.

EMIGRANT TRAIL INTERPRETIVE CENTER

See what life on the California Trail was like, then visit nearby trail ruts.

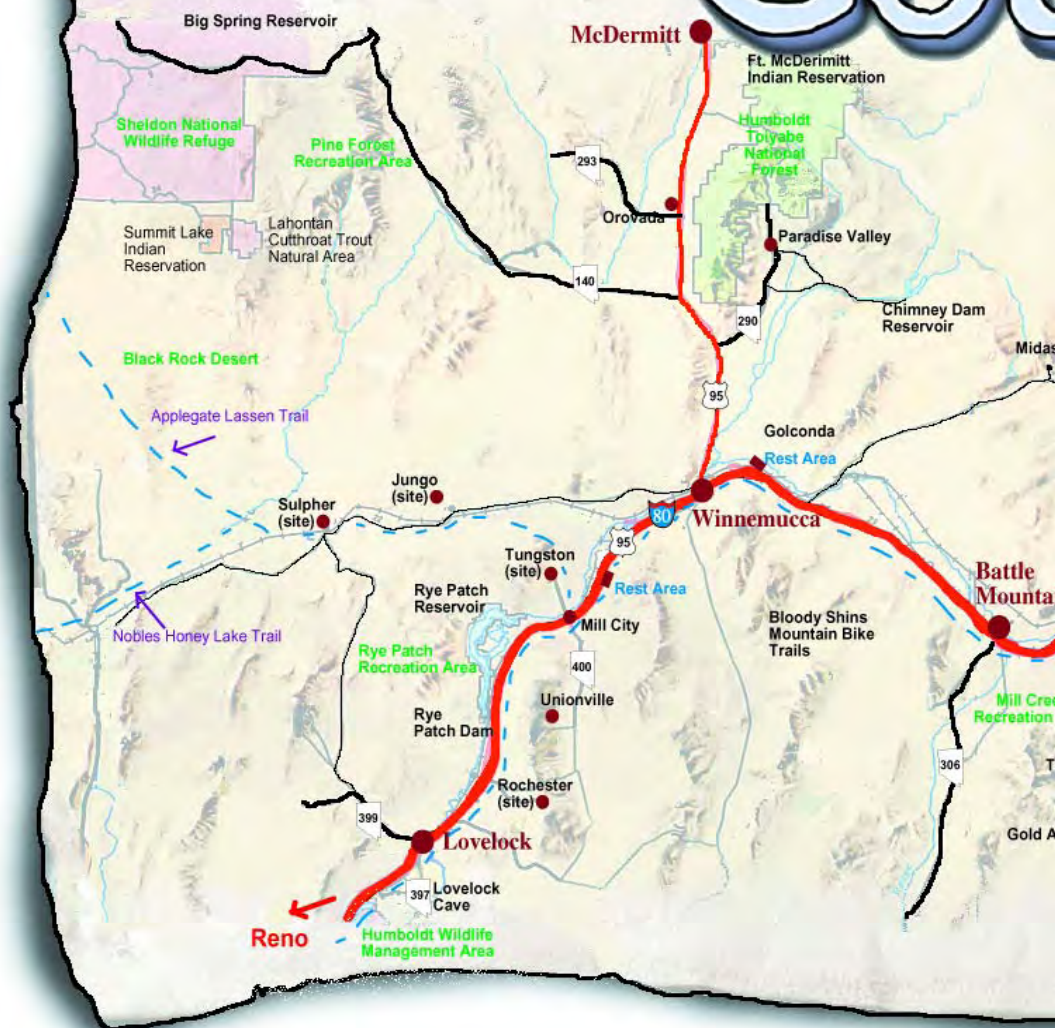
METROPOLIS GHOST TOWN

Just a few miles northwest of Wells; info at Visitor's Center.

GEM OF NEVADA TRAILS

For ATV, 4-Wheeler & mountain biking adventures, Spruce Mountain is your destination. Go 37 miles south on U.S. Highway 93. Enjoy aspen groves and remnants of old gold mining camps.

COWBOY COUNTRY



GOING OFF THE BEATEN PATH?

Be aware of the following:

ROAD CONDITIONS

Before going out into the country, check with local authorities about the conditions of the road you wish to travel, and whether it is advisable to take a two wheel drive vehicle. this is especially true during the winter months.

OLD MINES

Nevada is full of old mining camps that are interesting to visit, but be aware that where there are old mining camps there are old mines, which often means open, unmarked mine shafts. **DO NOT GO INTO OLD MINES!** Not only is there a danger of cave ins, but they often have bad air and hidden vertical drops that you can not see in the dark.

NEVADA

COUNTRY

Road Conditions: (877) 687-6237
United States Forest Service: (800) 764-3359
Bureau of Land Management: (775) 753-0200
Nevada State Parks: (775) 687-4384
BLM Winnemucca: (775) 623-1500
www.nv.blm.gov/winnemucca



WEATHER

Here in the high desert, weather conditions can change very rapidly, and the temperature variations between day and night can vary be as much as 50 degrees. It is advisable to check the local weather forecast and be sure to take adequate clothing and plenty of water just in case.

ARTIFACTS AND PETROGLYPHS

Please respect any artifacts and petroglyphs that you may encounter - these are priceless national treasures that need to be protected for future generations. It is illegal to collect arrowheads and other Native American artifacts.



CALENDAR

~ JANUARY ~

ELKO	National Cowboy Poetry Gathering
SPRING CREEK	Ranch Hand Rodeo
BATTLE MOUNTAIN	Basque Club Winter Fest

~ FEBRUARY ~

BATTLE MOUNTAIN	Arts Presenters Crab Feed
Elko	Snowmobile Rendezvous
LOVELOCK	Eagle's Crab Feed Lover's Aloft Balloon Races Big Meadows Upland Game Bird Championship

~ MARCH ~

WINNEMUCCA	Shooting the West Pick of Remuda Cow Horse Sale Ranch Hand Rodeo
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~ APRIL ~

CARLIN	John Gift Memorial 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament
LOVELOCK	Community Singers Spring Concert

~ MAY ~

ELKO	ATV Jamboree
LOVELOCK	I.D.E.S. Portuguese Festival & Parade
WELLS	Senior Pro Rodeo
WENDOVER	Seniors Classic Golf Tournament Air Races-Wendover Airport Raceway Cinco de Mayo Senior Pro Rodeo Run-A-Mucca
WINNEMUCCA	
JARBIDGE	Memorial Day celebration with BBQ and live music

~ JUNE ~

ELKO	Elko Motorcycle Jamboree Stock Car Races Elko Mining Expo California Trails Day Jeep Jamboree USA
LOVELOCK	Lovelock Street Fever Car Club Show & Shine
WENDOVER	Harley Davidson Ride for Life

WINNEMUCCA

Bonneville 100 Road Race
Classic Car Show

Pari-mutuel Races & Mule Show
Aviation in Winnemucca
Basque Festival
Koyote Cruiser's Car Show
NV State High School Finals Rodeo
Paradise Valley Father's Day Barbecue and craft show
Street Drags

~ JULY ~

BATTLE MOUNTAIN	Community 4th of July Celebration Bluegrass Music Festival
CARLIN	Carlin "Old Fashioned" 4th Skate Nights Movies in the Park
ELKO	National Basque Festival Running of the Bulls Art in the Park Silver State Stampede
JARBIDGE	Fourth of July celebration (July 7), parade, games, BBQ Jarbridge Legacy - Storytelling and Chili Campfire with Richard Elloyan
McDERMITT	Ranch Hand Rodeo
WELLS	Angel Lake Kids Fishing Derby Fun Run Car Show

WINNEMUCCA	Family Fourth of July Celebration Superior Livestock Auction 44-Hour Softball Tournament Fifties Fever & Street Drags
LOVELOCK	Frontier Days
WENDOVER	Fourth of July Celebration Run and Ride

~ AUGUST ~

WENDOVER	Speed Week
ELKO	Elko County Fair
CARLIN	Friend of the Library Softball Tournament Show 'N' Shine Car Show
BATTLE MOUNTAIN	Basque Picnic

	Pony Express Open Road Race	ELKO	Elko Temoak Pow Wow Hunter Jumpers Classic
JARBIDGE	Jarbridge Days Craft Fair and Yard Sale, Town Tour, Kid's Crafts, Concert in the Park A Time Before Now - Elko Art Club presents paintings of Jarbridge, Ice Cream Social, Entertainment	WINNEMUCCA	Harvest Wine Tasting
		WENDOVER	World Speed Finals RACING
		JARBIDGE	Pig Roast, Vol. FD Raffle, Bake Auction, Costume Contest and Party
WINNEMUCCA	USTRC N. W. Regional Team Roping Finals America West 4D Barrel Racing	CARLIN	Chinese Gardens Spook Walk
— NOVEMBER —			
		BATTLE MOUNTAIN	Chukar Tournament and Feed
— SEPTEMBER —			
ELKO	Morrodors Car Show Great Basin Festival of Arts Ruby Mountain Balloon Festival October Fest	ELKO	Holiday Craft Bazaar Festival of Trees
		WINNEMUCCA	National Finals Senior Pro Rodeo
WINNEMUCCA	Paradise Valley Beef Rib & Chili Cook-off Tri-County Fair & Stampede	WELLS	Chariot Races
— DECEMBER —			
		BATTLE MOUNTAIN	Christmas Parade
WELLS	Race to the Angel	ELKO	Christmas in the Nighttime Skies Nurses Bazaar Gift and Craft Show
WENDOVER	World of Speed		
JARBIDGE	Labor Day Celebration -Corn Feed, Live Music, Bingo Harvest Dance with the Comestock Lode	CARLIN	Christmas Village
		LOVELOCK	Parade of Lights
— OCTOBER —			
BATTLE MOUNTAIN	World Human Powered Speed Challenge	WENDOVER	Christmas Festival
		WINNEMUCCA	Christmas Parade



GOLD MINING

Miners like to say, "Everything Begins with Mining", and nowhere is that truer than in Cowboy Country, where the hunt for precious metals that created towns and cities in the 19th century is just as fevered as we enter the 21st.

Mining, however, is a vastly different business now than it was in the days of the prospector. Today, high-tech machinery, massive vehicles and computer savvy are the materials of gold seekers. And their quarry is likely to be smaller than the human eye can see.

The recovery of microscopic particles of



gold really hit its stride in the 1980s, making boom towns of already substantial cities like Elko and Winnemucca.

Cowboy Country is now the largest gold producer in North America, and thousands of its residents are employed in

mining and its related businesses.

Two of the largest mines in the world, Barrick and Newmont, offer regular tours of their extensive, world-class facilities, where you can see for yourself how gold is mined and processed in the digital age.

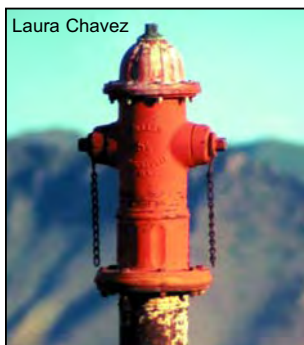
Phone Newmont at (775) 778-4068, to make arrangements for your tour, April through October.



SEASONAL RECREATION



Cynthia A. Delaney



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Welcome to a land of adventure capable of stretching the limits of your experience. From the raw majesty of the Ruby Mountains to rugged canyon streams, Cowboy Country visitors discover the unspoiled drama of the West. The area abounds with recreational opportunities, whatever the sport or the season.

HIKING

Santa Rosa Mountains - Wildflowers abound here in season, and mule deer, bighorn sheep and mountain lions can occasionally be seen. Located 35 miles north of Winnemucca on Highway 95.

Ruby Crest National Recreation Trail (South Trailhead) - Situated along the spine of the Ruby Mountains, 42 miles from Elko, this well-maintained trail has many hikes to choose from ranging from 2 - 37 miles in length.

Upper Lamoille Canyon (North Trailhead) - Located at the end of the paved highway through Lamoille Canyon, 25 miles from Elko, this unique canyon offers a wide variety of trail hiking possibilities. Hike to several mountain lakes including Lamoille, Island, Dollar, Liberty, Favre and Castle.

Winchell Lake - Trail located on Angel Lake Road is 4 miles long, contouring the East Humboldt Mountains. Early in the season the trail, about 10 miles from Wells, is enhanced by ample displays of wildflowers in bloom.

Jarbidge- Jarbidge Wilderness Area. Hike to Mary's River, Jarbidge Lake, and Emerald Lake in the Jarbidge Mountains.

Soldier Basin - This trail accesses a beautiful high elevation basin with several lakes and spectacular scenery. Located 36 miles from Elko, the trail can be reached from two sides of the Ruby Mountains.

MOUNTAIN BIKING

Bloody Shins - Biking area near Winnemucca offers beginner, intermediate and advanced trails. Take Highland Drive to Kluncy Canyon Road and the trailhead.

Jarbidge - Bike spectacular Jarbidge Wilderness Area and miles of old mining and hunting roads through the mountains.

Tuscarora - Quaint town 54 miles from Elko, with deep mining industry roots and rich history. The area does not provide established trails, but plenty of scenic riding is available.

Harrison Pass - This portion of the Humboldt National Forest, 42 miles from Elko, rises to over 7,000 feet in elevation. See beautiful views of Huntington Valley from the top of the ridge.

Big Bend/Sunflower Flat - Variety of routes for beginner to advanced bikers including Point of Rocks, Tennessee Mountain and Martin Creek. Convenient to Mountain City and Wildhorse Resort.

Hamilton Stage Road Loop - Just outside Elko city limits, this historic trail follows the Hamilton Stage Road on which

the ill-fated Donner Party traveled. Side trails to the south lead to Four Mile Canyon and Southfork State Recreation Area.

Angel Lake - Site of the Annual Race to the Angel, held in September.

ROCK CLIMBING

Lamoille Canyon - Top roping and rappelling here. All types of rocks and slopes leave the route selection to the individual climber's skill level.

Adobe Range - Possibilities for both traditional and sport routes exist throughout this rock face for experienced climbers to investigate. Just north of Elko.

HORSEBACK RIDING

Ruby Crest National Recreation Trail - This rugged 37-mile trail is dotted with alpine lakes and glaciated canyons. Pack trips can be planned to last a few hours or up to four days.

Jarbridge - Ride the Jarbridge Wilderness Area and experience weeklong trail riding trips with Lowell Prunty.

Overland Lake - There's a gorgeous alpine lake at the end of this challenging trail in the Ruby Mountains. Top elevation of over 10,000 feet requires at least a three hour ride each way (14 miles round trip).

Secret Pass/Starr Trail - Adventurous mountain riding through prime ranching country, 40 miles from Elko. A rejuvenating and scenic day trip for any rider.

South Fork State Recreation Area - Plenty of scenic rides along the water and in South Fork Canyon. Ideal for a beginning rider.

Soldier Basin - Ten miles out of Elko, this trail leads to several pristine alpine lakes -- Robinson, Hidden and Soldier. Elevation rises 2,000 feet over length of trail with unspoiled views of the Rubies from the rim of Soldier Basin.

Mary's River Basin Trail - This challenging trail, 100 miles from Elko, leads you through rambling high desert wilderness.

CAMPING

Rye Patch State Recreation Area - Just a mile west of I-80 at Exit 129 near Lovelock, Rye Patch provides a popular western Nevada camping site.

Jarbridge Recreation Area - Camp in one of Nevada's most beautiful areas. Located 100 miles northeast of Elko via State Route 225 and unpaved road. Camp in isolated sites along the breathtaking Jarbridge River. Spaces with full hook-ups can be found at

the Jarbridge RV Park.

Lamoille Canyon - Thomas Canyon Campground, 25 miles from Elko, has 42 overnight sites, mainly for RVs and trucks. Lamoille Terraces, a little higher, has nine walk-in tent sites.

South Fork State Recreation Area - 16 miles from Elko, features a developed campground offering 25 campsites.

Angel Lake - 13 miles from Wells, Angel Lake is the only alpine lake accessible by paved road in the area. Campground has 26 overnight camping sites with 18 sites at Angel Creek.

Wildhorse State Recreation Area - 70 miles north of Elko, this area offers beautiful views of the Independence Range. Many campground areas to choose from.

Wilson Reservoir Recreation Area - You'll find good facilities at this popular site for outdoor fun. Located 83 miles north-northwest of Elko, via State Route 225 and county roads.

South Ruby Lake Campground - 37,632-acre national refuge at Ruby Lake features a fresh water bulrush marsh, open ponds and grassy uplands. Overnight camping is available close to the refuge.

WILDLIFE VIEWING

Silver Island Mountain Byway - You'll find some great photo opportunities off the beaten path here. The drive partially follows the Donner Party Trail. Take Exit 4 off Interstate 80.

Goshute Mountain Watchable Wildlife Area - Wildlife abound in this area, located 20 minutes south of Wendover via alternate U.S. Highway 93.

Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge - 65 miles from Elko, a fresh-water bulrush marsh, open ponds and grassy uplands are home to an amazing variety of birds, fish and animals.

Chinese Garden - Located in Carlin City Limits this unique nature study area offers a nice diversion from the high desert landscape. Wildlife abounds and fishing is allowed.

Lamoille Canyon - Lamoille Canyon Road runs 12 miles through this canyon that is home to Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, mountain goats, mule deer and birds.

Angel Lake - Depending upon the season, a visitor can view bighorn sheep, deer, mountain goat and many types of alpine birds from this scenic lake, tucked into the East Humboldt Range.



SEASONAL RECREATION



BOATING & LAKE FISHING

Rye Patch State Recreation Area - Full boat launch facilities, fishing, camping and a picnic area make this a favorite of Lovelock-area residents and visitors. Just a mile west of I-80 at Exit 129.

Blue Lake - Located 125 miles north of Winnemucca, the lake is accessed by taking Highway 95 to its junction with Highway 140; the intrepid angler must hike to the lake. Those a little less adventurous might try nearby Onion Reservoir.

South Fork State Recreation Area - The park, 16 miles from Elko, is best known for trout and bass fishing - with some catfish also caught. Facilities include a boat launch, campground and picnic area.

Wildhorse State Recreation Area - This 120-acre state park is centered on the northeast shore of Wildhorse Reservoir, 70 miles from Elko. Trout, bass, yellow perch and catfish can all be caught from the shore or by boat.

Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge - Anglers will find prime large mouth bass fishing here. Fly or spin fishing is also available, as well as the possibility of hooking a real trophy trout. Motorized boats are permitted seasonally with a 10 hp limit.

Angel Lake - This beautiful alpine lake is accessible by paved road from Wells and offers plenty of mountain trout and memorable fly fishing. Motorized boats are prohibited.

Wilson Reservoir - 90 miles from Elko, Wilson is remote, but offers great trout and large mouth bass fishing. Motorized boats are restricted to 10 hp.



STREAM FISHING

Knott Creek - 125 miles north of Winnemucca, Knott Creek is accessed by taking Highway 95 to Highway 140, and turning on the Knott Creek Road.

Lye Creek - 55 miles north of Winnemucca, offers the fisherman 13 developed camping units. Travel north on Highway 95, and east on State Route 290, to the Hinkey Summit Road.

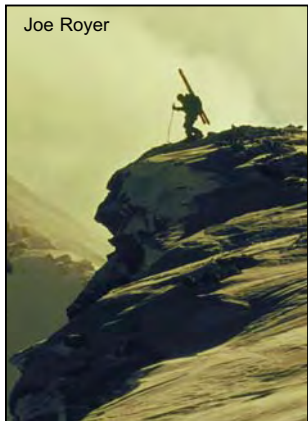
Jarbridge River - Located 103 miles north of Elko off Hwy. 225 on the Charleston/Jarbridge Road. Pan-sized trout can be caught in abundance.

Salmon Falls Creek - Located just two miles southwest of Jackpot, Salmon Falls offers kayaking and canoeing in addition to fishing. There is a boat launch on-site.

South Fork of the Humboldt River - Habitat for plenty of trophy trout. The limit is one, and only artificial lures with a single barbless hook may be used. Below South Fork Reservoir, both trout and bass may be caught.

Lamoille Canyon - Lamoille Creek winds throughout this scenic glaciated canyon and includes several beaver ponds and open, winding stretches of water. Fly fishing for trout is available.

Owyhee River - Just below Wild Horse Reservoir, it is pos-



Joe Royer

sible to catch large trout in the Owyhee.

Bruneau River - This remote area, 75 miles from Elko, boasts of plenty of fast fishing for rainbow trout.

Tabor Creek - This small stream, 30 miles north of Wells, offers both rainbow and brook trout in abundance.

ICE FISHING

Wilson Reservoir - Great trout fishing, 90 miles from Elko. The improved gravel road may be closed by weather, so call ahead.

South Fork State Recreation Area - This 1,650 acre reservoir is accessible by paved road and freezes late in the season. Large trout provide fast action.

Wildhorse State Recreation Area - Very popular ice fishing spot featuring trout and yellow perch in abundance.

SNOWMOBILING

Lamoille Canyon - Gorgeous scenery throughout this rugged glaciated canyon. Paved road winds to unloading spot at snow line. Scattered wilderness areas where snowmobiling is prohibited.

Adobe Summit, Swales Mountain, Lone Mountain - Vast, open meadows across this Forest Service land make for great snowmobiling. Truck/trailer pull-outs and parking available at the top of Adobe Summit.

Jack Creek & Independence Mountains - Discover this mountainous ranching country with the Independence Range on your right and the Tuscaroras to the left.

North Fork, Charleston and Jarbidge - Up to thirty feet of snow can fall in this rugged winter wilderness, 55 miles north of Elko. Snowmobiling is prohibited in designated wilderness areas.

Wildhorse Reservoir, Gold Creek and Merrit Mountain - Miles of open snowmobiling is available in this area north of Elko.

Jarbidge - Follow the Expert Trail from Wildhorse Reservoir to Jarbidge. If unfamiliar with the terrain, a guide from Elko is suggested. Rated as one of the top 10 snowmobiling areas in the world.

Santa Rosa Mountains - Snowmobiling fun 55 miles north of Winnemucca. Travel north on Highway 95, and east on State Route 290 to Hinky Summit.

ALPINE SKIING/SNOWBOARDING

SnoBowl Ski Area - Northern Nevada's only ski area, just five miles from Elko, with 100 acres of open bowl skiing.

Ruby Mountain Heli-Skiing - The ultimate in alpine skiing. You'll be flown by helicopter

to the top of the Ruby Mountain Range to ski one of the many peaks towering above 9,000 feet. Call in advance for reservations 775-753-7628 or 775-753-6867.

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING

Lamoille Canyon - This rolling canyon provides just enough challenge for skiers of all levels. Paved road access with unloading available seasonally at the snow line.

Harrison Pass - This mountainous area is home to the South Trailhead of Ruby Crest National Recreation Trail.

Wildhorse State Recreation Area - The 120-acre state park surrounding Wild Horse Reservoir offers miles and miles of open cross country skiing areas.

Jack Creek - Trail elevations rise nearly 2,000 feet in the mountains surrounding Jack Creek, 58 miles from Elko.

Angel Lake - This easily accessible alpine lake near Wells offers a variety of skiing possibilities.

Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge - Plenty of rolling space is available on this 37,632 acre refuge for beginners to practice their cross-country skills.

SLEDDING

Adobe Summit - This easily accessible range, 15 miles from Elko, offers plenty of rolling hills for family sledding adventures.

Harrison Pass - For a little further challenge away from other popular snow play areas, take the drive out to Harrison Pass.

SnoBowl Ski Area - Along with alpine skiing, the SnoBowl offers groomed slopes perfect for sledding and playing. Location near Elko makes it ideal for a visit.

Lamoille Canyon - This gorgeous alpine canyon, 25 miles from Elko, is popular with year-round recreation enthusiasts. The paved road offers easy access to the snowline.

HUNTING

Most areas in northeastern Nevada offer supreme hunting opportunities. In fact, hunting adventures are far too numerous to list here. We would refer you to the Nevada Outfitters and Guides annual brochure.

Big game animals living in Cowboy Country include mule deer, antelope, mountain lion and some elk. Upland game birds include sage grouse, chukar partridge, Hungarian partridge, pheasant and blue grouse.



BASQUE CULTURE

“Before God was God and boulders were boulders, the Basques were already Basques.”

There is no shortage of theories that seek to explain the origins of the Basques, western Europe’s mystery people. They range from the incredulous (that Basques are the survivors of the lost people of Atlantis, the fabled land that sank into the sea) the mythical (that Basques are descendants of the mythical Aitor, the first

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Basque man) to the probable (Basques origins are in the Pyrenees mountain range between Spain and France. They call themselves Euskaldunak.)

Always an adventurous people, they were seafaring as early as the Middle

Ages, many Basques crossed the Atlantic to America early in this century to herd sheep, an activity that brought them to northern Nevada, where many stayed on, offering their culture, and their cuisine, to the frontier.

The most visible signs of the Basque influence are the family-style dining houses that proliferate across Cowboy Country, particularly in Winnemucca and Elko. Expertly prepared seafood, steaks, and, of course lamb, are always on the menu, and the food is served in hearty portions in an atmosphere that is always festive.

Winnemucca and Elko also play host to annual summertime Basque festivals, where the music, dancing and colorful costumes of the old country are on display. There, you may find yourself dancing a spirited “jota”, or letting loose with an “irrintzi”, a staccato cross between a whoop and a cry that is the ancient call of the Basque country.

No trip to Cowboy Country is complete without sampling the genuine hospitality of



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the Basque. “Eskerrik Askoi”!

Tradition is very important to the Basques. They came very close to losing their heritage when Gen. Francisco Franco, the fascist dictator who ruled Spain from 1930 to 1975, launched his own private war on the Basques, forbidding them to speak their native language or practice their traditions. Franco did not succeed, and today, the Basques are determined to pass those traditions down to their children. It was during Franco’s reign that a good number of Basques immigrated to America, where they could be free to speak their language and carry on their traditions such as authentic dancing, weight lifting, handball, wood chopping and the “irrintzi” (Basque war cry).

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GHOST TOWNS



TUSCARORA

This historic mining town once rivaled modern-day Elko. In 1878, Tuscarora peaked at 30,000 population. Today there are a handful of residents, including renowned potter Dennis Parks who operates the famous Tuscarora Pottery School. The building where Parks' shop resides is characteristic of the jumbled history of a Nevada boomtown. Built as the Gold Hill Hotel in 1859, the structure was moved to Cornucopia in 1860 and then back to Tuscarora where it was Mrs. Sweifel's Boarding House, the Woods family residence, the post office, a telephone switchboard station and the Justice Court building. The Parks bought the house in 1972. A sign that reads "No Beds Secured Until Paid for" still hangs there. Tuscarora's cemetery is one of the most picturesque around. Other points of interest include the town's remaining historic buildings, a small museum and the pottery school and gallery. From Elko, take the Mountain City Highway (State Route 225) north to the Tuscarora Highway (Hwy. 226) intersection. A gravel road leads to Tuscarora.

METROPOLIS

Soon after cattle king Colonel E.P. Hardesty sold his U7 ranch northwest of Wells the so-called Pacific Reclamation Company bought land and in 1911 advertised what they promised would be a planned community of 7,500. A four-block business district with concrete sidewalks and street lights sprang up and the railroad laid track to the booming town. The grandest three-story hotel between Reno and Salt Lake opened, followed by the brick high school. Pacific Reclamation profited by selling land but water rights were not secured so Metropolis withered. Today sagebrush stands higher than most of the ruins, exceptions being what remains of the high school, the hotel, and a monument to mark the passing of hard-working pioneers doomed to see their dreams evaporate into the high desert air.

Directions to Metropolis:

In Wells, NV, from 6th Street go north on

Lake Avenue and cross tracks to 8th Street, then turn left on 8th Street and continue following road through 90 degree turn north over Humboldt River (only a trickle at this point) and after another 8.5 miles follow road through 90 degree turn west, then after a total of 12.4 miles, cross the cattle guard, take first left, and drive 1.5 miles.

MIDAS

In 1907, more than 2,000 prospectors flooded the Midas area after hearing reports of gold strikes. When the ore turned out to be low grade in terms of quality and quantity, all but 250 people moved on. A cyanide mill caused another boom in 1915 which lasted seven years until the mill burned down. Sporadic mining continued until 1942. Today, a handful of buildings stubbornly remain, including a saloon and cafe which is open to the public. It's said that the town's original settlers wanted to name the place Gold Circle. When they were rebuffed by postal authorities who said Nevada already had enough towns with "gold" in their names, the town was named Midas. Take the Golconda exit from Interstate 80 and travel northeast on Old Highway 40, turn left on State Route 18 and follow the signs.

SULPHUR

A Paiute discovered this site in 1869. He led prospectors to the find, expecting a bronco, saddle and blankets in return; he never received them. By 1880, six tons of sulphur a day were mined here. In 1909, the Western Pacific Railway laid tracks through the area and named the station Sulphur. It was a major receiving and shipping point in the early 1920's. The automobile was Sulphur's major downfall since cars turned business away from the town. Sulphur is located 58 miles west of Winnemucca. Take the Jungo Road turnoff from U.S. Highway 95 and follow the signs.

ROCHESTER

Prospectors from Rochester, New York, started mining what would later become the town of Rochester in the 1860's. However, no major finds were uncovered until 1912. One year later, 2,300 people lived in the town. There were two newspapers, several hotels, saloons, dance halls and other buildings. The Coeur Rochester Mine, which still mines the same ore through old mining shafts, sits on a mountain overlooking the old Rochester Mining District. Some old town sites have been left.



One of the first things Cowboy Country visitors (the ones over 21, that is) notice when they step into a casino is that things sure ain't what they used to be in the days of the "one-armed bandit".

Today's slot machines still have the slot for your coin, of course, but those spinning reels are now likely to be computer-generated images. There's no difference in the way you feel when they line up, however.

Of course, the real fun of the Cowboy Country casino is in playing against a real, live dealer - especially since dealers are some of the most entertaining characters you'll ever meet.

Whatever your game, you'll find something to like in our Cowboy Country casinos. Good Luck!

BLACKJACK (21)

Blackjack is the prototypical Nevada table game. Your goal is to come up with a card combination which equals 21, without going over ("busting"). Following your ante (initial bet), the dealer gives each player two cards and deals two to herself. If she pulls an ace and a face card - 21, with the ace counting as eleven and the face card 10 - the game is over. If she has anything else, play goes around the table, and you are allowed to draw as many cards as you want ("hit") until you're as close to 21 as you dare to get. If you go over 21, surrender your cards and wait for the next round. If you should be dealt a 21 in your first two cards, show them to the dealer: you're a winner! After all players have been dealt their cards, the dealer reveals her hand, and anyone closer to 21 than she is declared a winner. If you tie ("push"), you keep your bet. Aces count as eleven or one (the player decides which), face cards are always 10, and all other cards play at their face value.

POKER

Whether it's played live or machine-generated, poker is king in Nevada casinos, and new variations of the grand old game seem to arrive daily. At its heart, it's the same old game you've always played, whether stud (five cards only) or draw (where you toss out your unwanted cards and receive new ones from the dealer). Some casinos have poker rooms, where you compete against other

players in the grand Old West tradition, and the past few years have seen an upsurge in variations like Let It Ride and Caribbean Stud, where a dealer presides over the game, and your payoff is based upon the strength of your hand. Rules are posted at all the tables, and the dealer will cheerfully explain anything you may not understand.

CRAPS

Hear all that whooping and hollering around the casino? It's usually coming from the craps table. A numbers game played with dice, with and against your fellow players, craps is complex, but undeniably exciting. Very basically, if you hit seven or eleven on your first roll of the dice, you're a winner, and you continue rolling to establish a "point" - that is, a number you will be attempting to match on subsequent rolls; a two, three or twelve and you lose, although you maintain control of the dice in an attempt to roll your all-important "point." You continue to roll the dice until you roll a seven, at which time the dice moves on to the next player.

ROULETTE

Easy to play, and one of the most exciting games in any casino, this is a favorite pastime for many reasons, chief among them the variety of options available on any whirl of the wheel. You can pick a single number, numerous numbers, a color (red or black) and many other combinations and propositions on every single game. Your dealer will gladly explain the intricacies of roulette to you, but as to the basics: you'll be playing right out of the gate.

KENO

An ancient Asian game, Keno is fun, extremely easy to learn and infinite in its possibilities. You pick up to 20 numbers out of the 80 on your Keno card, and you are paid by virtue of how many come up in the random selection made when the dealer turns on the Keno machine, the plastic numbered balls dance in the jet of air, and 20 winning numbers are selected and posted on a tote board, or television monitors scattered about the casino. Huge payoffs are possible, depending upon how many of your numbers are drawn.



PLACES TO STAY

BEDS AND BREAKFAST

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Soldier Meadows Guest Ranch & Lodge

(530) 233-4881

JARBIDGE

Tsawhawbitts Ranch

(775) 488-2338

PARADISE VALLEY

Stonehouse Country Inn

State Route 290 (775) 578-3530

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Old Pioneer Garden

2805 Unionville Rd. (775) 538-7585

WELLS

Tent Mountain Ranch

Starr Valley Rd. (775) 752-2120

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Soldier Meadows Guest Ranch

150 Miles W on Jungo Rd (775) 849-1666

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BATTLE MOUNTAIN

Colt Service Center

650 West Front St. (775) 635-5424

CARLIN

Desert Gold RV Park

801 Poplar St. (775) 777-1024

Crossties RV Park

1412 Chestnut St. (775) 738-8471

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623 Bush St. (775) 754-6705

ELKO

Cimarron West

1400 Mtn. City Hwy (775) 738-9861

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3730 E. Idaho St. (775) 738-5642

Gold Country RV Park

2050 Idaho St. (775) 738-8421

Iron Horse RV Resort

3400 E. Idaho St. (800) RV2-ELKO

Ryndon Campground

I-80 Exit 314 (775) 738-3448

Valley View RV Park

(775) 753-9200

JACKPOT

Cactus Petes RV Park

1385 US Hwy. 93 (775) 775-2321

Spanish Gardens RV Park

Gurley & Hwy. 93 (775) 755-2333

JARBIDGE

Jarbridge RV Park

Main Street (775) 488-2311

LOVELOCK

Lazy K Campground & RV Park

1550 Cornell Ave. (775) 273-1116

McDERMITT

Mitchell's Stateline RV Park

4112 Stateline Dr. (503) 522-8708

MOUNTAIN CITY

Hilltop RV Park

102 Davidson (775) 763-6621

PARADISE VALLEY

Paradise Valley RV Park

Paradise Valley (775) 578-3531

WELLS

Angel Lake RV Park

I-80 and Humboldt (775) 752-2745

Mountain Shadows RV Park

807 Humboldt (775) 752-3525

Welcome Station

I-80, Exit 343 (775) 752-3808

WENDOVER

KOA Campground

651 N. Camper Dr. (775) 664-3221

Wendover Nugget RV Park

125 First St. (775) 664-2221

WINNEMUCCA

Hi-Desert RV Park

5575 E. WMCA Blvd. (775) 623-4513

Model T RV Park

1130 W. WMCA Blvd. (775) 623-2588

Westerner Trailer Lodge

800 E. Fourth St. (775) 623-2907

Winnemucca RV Park

5255 E. WMCA Blvd. (775) 623-4458

HOTELS & MOTELS

BATTLE MOUNTAIN

Battle Mountain Inn	
650 W. Front St.	(775) 635-5200
Best Western Big Chief Motel	
434 W. Front St.	(775) 635-2416
Comfort Inn	
521 E. Front St.	(775) 635-5880
Owl Club Motel	
155 S. Reese	(775) 635-2444
Super 8	
825 E. Front St.	(775) 635-8808

CARLIN

Comfort Inn	
1018 Fir St.	(775) 754-6110
Cavalier Motel	
10th & Chestnut St.	(775) 754-6311

DENIO

Denio Junction Motel	(775) 941-0371
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ELKO

American Inn	
500 W. Oak St.	(775) 738-7269
Country Hearth Inn	
1930 Idaho St.	(775) 738-8787
Budget Inn	
1349 Idaho St.	(775) 738-7000
Centre Motel	
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2940 Idaho St.	(775) 777-8762
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3320 E. Idaho St.	(775) 777-8000
Economy Inn	
411 10th St.	(775) 738-8018
Elko Inn Express Best Western	
837 Idaho St.	(775) 738-7261
Elko Motel	
1243 Idaho St.	(775) 738-4333
Esquire Motor Motel	
505 Idaho St.	(775) 738-3157
Gold Country Inn and Casino	
2050 Idaho St.	(775) 738-8421
High Desert Inn	
3015 Idaho St.	(775) 738-8425
Hilton Garden Inn	
3650 E. Idaho St.	(775) 777-1200
Holiday Inn Express	
3091 Idaho St.	(775) 777-0990
Key Motel	
650 Idaho St.	(775) 738-8081
Manor Motor Lodge	
185 Idaho St.	(775) 738-3311
Mid-Town Motel	
294 Idaho St.	(775) 738-3515
Motel 6	
3021 Idaho St.	(775) 738-4337

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Oak Tree Inn

95 Spruce Rd.	(775) 777-2222
Red Lion Hotel & Casino	
2065 Idaho St.	(775) 738-2111
Rodeway Inn	
736 Idaho St.	(775) 738-7152
Shilo Inn	
2401 Mountain City Hwy.	(775) 738-5522
Stampede Motel	
129 W. Idaho St.	(775) 738-8471
Stockmen's Hotel & Casino	
340 Commercial St.	(775) 738-5141
Super 8 Motel	
1755 Idaho St.	(775) 738-8848
Thunderbird Motel	
345 Idaho St.	(775) 738-7115
Travelodge	
1785 Idaho St.	(775) 753-7747
Traveler's Motel	
1181 Idaho St.	(775) 738-4048
Western Inn	
132 3rd St.	(775) 753-4977

JACKPOT

Barton's Club 93	
1002 Hwy 93	(775) 755-2341
Cactus Pete's Hotel & Casino	
1385 US Hwy. 93	(775) 755-2321
Covered Wagon Motel	
1602 US Hwy. 93	(775) 755-2241
Four Jacks Hotel & Casino	
1703 US Hwy. 93	(775) 755-2491
West Star Resort	
US Hwy. 93 & Poker St.	(775) 755-2600
Horseshu Hotel Casino	
US Hwy. 93	(775) 755-2321

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Outdoor Inn	
Main St.	(775) 488-2311

LAMOILLE

Pine Lodge Hotel	
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Cadillac Inn	
1395 Cornell Ave.	(775) 273-2798
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945 Dartmouth Ave.	(775) 273-2961
Lovelock Inn	
55 Cornell Ave.	(775) 273-2937
Royal Inn LLC	
1435 Cornell Ave.	(775) 273-2500
Sturgeon's Inn Casino	
1420 Cornell Ave.	(775) 273-2971
Super 10 Motel	
1390 Cornell Ave.	(775) 273-1666

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McDermitt Motel

Hwy. 95 North (775) 532-8588

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MOUNTAIN CITY

Mountain City Motel

525 Davidson (775) 763-6617

OROVADA

Rocky View Inn

US Hwy. 95 N. (775) 272-3337

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Valmy Station

Exit 216, Interstate 80 E. (775) 625-5511

WELLS

Lone Star Motel

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Motel 6

Hwy 40 & Hwy. 93 N (775) 752-2116

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Rest Inn Suite

1509 E. 6th (775) 752-2277

Sharon Motel

633 6th St. (775) 752-3232

Shell Crest Motel

573 6th St. (775) 752-3755

Super 8 Motel

904 6th St. (775) 752-3384

Wagon Wheel Motel

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1035 Wendover Blvd. (775) 664-2900

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Rainbow Hotel Casino

1045 W. Wendover Blvd. (775) 664-4000

Red Gater Hotel & Casino

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State Line Hotel Casino

101 Wendover Blvd. (775) 664-2221

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251 E Winnemucca Blvd. (775) 623-2394

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Days Inn

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1240 E Winnemucca Blvd. (775) 623-2489

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1987 W Winnemucca Blvd. (775) 625-3100

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1130 W Winnemucca Blvd. (775) 623-2588

Motel 6

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Park Motel

740 W Winnemucca Blvd. (775) 623-2810

Pyrenees Motel

714 W Winnemucca Blvd. (775) 623-1116

Red Lion Inn & Casino

741 W Winnemucca Blvd. (775) 623-2565

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