Welcome to Grand Teton National Park

Whether you watch wildlife, take a scenic drive, hike the trails or scale the peaks, this spectacular landscape inspires us all. The scenery, wildlife and local culture are timeless, and park staff work hard to protect these resources for you and generations to come. We hope you enjoy your visit and return often to this and other national parks. For any return visitors, you will likely notice some changes this year.

On March 1st, all federal agencies, including the National Park Service, were affected by an action known as sequestration. National parks were directed to take an across-the-board five percent reduction in their budgets in the last half of the fiscal year. In spite of these cuts, we will continue to strive to ensure visitor safety and protect park resources.

Please visit the Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center or Colter Bay Visitor Center to better plan your time and learn how to keep yourself safe in this wild landscape. The Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve Center, Jenny Lake Visitor Center and Jenny Lake Ranger Station will remain open this summer thanks to private financial support from park partners and friends. We are very grateful for their support.

Closing this summer include: the Flagg Ranch Information Station; all campsites and restrooms along the Grassy Lake Road; and the roads and restrooms for Spalding Bay, Schwabachers Landing and Two Ocean Lake. See page 3 for more information on sequestration impacts.

Although some facilities and services are not available this summer, we are committed to helping you make life long memories during your visit. Enjoy your time spent in the shadow of the Teton Range, be safe, and please help us preserve the many treasures of Grand Teton National Park during this and future visits.

Mary Gibson Scott
Superintendent
Grand Teton National Park
John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Parkway

Bears in the Fall

Would you believe that bears consume up to 20,000 calories a day in the fall? This feeding-frenzy is called “hyperphagia.” Bears put on weight in fall to survive winter hibernation. Hawthorne and chokecherry bushes line the Moose-Wilson Road providing prime habitat for both black and grizzly bears. Park rangers will close this road if necessary due to bear activity.

As you travel through the park, please “Be Bear Aware.”

• Both black and grizzly bears may be dangerous.
• Stay at least 100 yards from bears and wolves.
• Remain in your vehicle if bears are present.
• Hike in groups, make noise and carry bear spray.
• Keep a clean camp and always store any product with an odor properly.

Contact Information

Grand Teton National Park Website
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www.nps.gov/grte/
www.facebook.com/GrandTetonNPS
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Park Dispatch .......................................................... (307) 733-3301
Visitor Information .............................................. (307) 733-3300
Weather ............................................................................................. (307) 733-3611
Road Construction Hotline ................................. (307) 733-3614
Backcountry & River Information ....................... (307) 733-3602
Climbing Information .............................................. (307) 733-3604
Camping Information ................................................ (307) 733-3603
Lost and Found ................................................................. (307) 733-3350
TTY/TDD Emergency Calls Only ........................... (307) 733-3301

International Visitors

Des renseignements en Français sont disponibles aux centres des visiteurs dans le parc.
Sie können Informationen auf Deutsch in den Besucherzentren bekommen.
Se puede conseguir información en Español en el Centro del Visitante.


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FEW LANDSCAPES IN THE WORLD are as striking and memorable as that of Grand Teton National Park. Rising abruptly from the valley floor, the Tetons offer a testament to the power and complexity of nature. The mountains, valleys, lakes, rivers and skies are home to diverse and abundant plants and animals.

People have been living in the shadow of the Teton Range for more than 11,000 years. The human history of this area is extensive, beginning with prehistoric American Indians, to the early Euro-American explorers, and the more recent frontier settlers. Today, more than 300 historic structures remain in the park.

This spectacular mountain range and the desire to protect it resulted in the establishment of Grand Teton National Park in 1929. Through the vision and generous philanthropy of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., additional lands were added, creating the present day park in 1958.

Grand Teton National Park is truly a special and unique place. With thoughtful use and careful management, it can remain so for generations to come. As with other sites in the National Park System, Grand Teton preserves a piece of the natural and cultural heritage of America for the benefit and enjoyment of future generations.

While you are here, take a moment to put your cares aside, stroll through a sagebrush meadow, bike a park trail, sit on a quiet lakeshore, and lose yourself to the power of the Tetons. You will be refreshed and restored during your visit, and stay connected to this magnificent landscape long after you have returned home.

Craig Thomas Discovery & Visitor Center
Located in Moose, ½ mile west of Moose Junction. (307) 739-3399.
May 1-June 2 8 am to 5 pm
June 3-Sept. 2 8 am to 7 pm
Sept. 3-Nov. 3 8 am to 5 pm
Opening made possible by support from the Grand Teton Association.

Jenny Lake Visitor Center
Located 8 miles north of Moose Junction on the Teton Park Road.
Open Daily. (307) 739-3392.
June 1-Sept. 23 8 am to 5 pm
Opening made possible by support from the Grand Teton Association.

Jenny Lake Ranger Station
Located 8 miles north of Moose Junction on the Teton Park Road.
Open Daily. (307) 739-3343.
June 8-Sept. 8 8 am to 5 pm
Opening made possible by support from PSAR and the Grand Teton Association.

Colter Bay Visitor Center
Located 1 mile west of Colter Bay Junction off Highway 89/191/287.
Open Daily. (307) 739-3594.
June 3-Sept. 2 8 am to 7 pm
Sept. 3-29 8 am to 5 pm
Sept. 30-Oct. 14 9 am to 5 pm
Opening made possible by support from Jackson Hole Preserve, Inc.

Flagg Ranch Information Station
Will be closed this summer due to budget reductions from sequestration.

Laurence S. Rockefeller Preserve Center
June 1-Sept. 22 10 am to 6 pm
Opening made possible by support from Jackson Hole Preserve, Inc.

Jackson Hole/Greater Yellowstone Visitor Center
Located in Jackson at 532 N. Cache, visitor information for the greater Jackson Hole area. Open Daily.
**What is sequestration?**

How does sequestration affect Grand Teton National Park?

Sequestration requires Grand Teton National Park to take a permanent five percent cut, a loss of about $700,000 in the last half of the fiscal year and during peak visitor season.

Is a 5 percent cut such a big deal?

Between 2009 and 2012, the park’s inflation-adjusted budget declined about eight percent. The park has already cut seasonal staff and taken other steps in response to this decline. The additional five percent cut under sequestration equates to nearly a 14 percent total decline in the park’s budget since 2009.

Why did the park close Schwabachers Landing, Spalding Bay, and Two Ocean Lake Road and Grassy Lake Road Campsites?

Decisions to close areas and facilities were not made lightly. In order to reduce the number of seasonal custodial staff we had to reduce the amount of custodial work required. The only feasible way to do this was to close facilities requiring that work. We chose less visited, more remote areas so we could focus limited resources on the areas with the greatest visitor use.

Couldn’t the park have locked the restrooms and removed the trash cans but left the road open?

We have found that when toilets and trash are unavailable, people will still dispose of their waste. This situation creates unsightly and unsanitary conditions that eventually require more time and money to clean up and restore. Additionally, all closed facilities are near sensitive wetlands so that behavior would create an unacceptable impact on important habitat.

How was the park able to open the Laurance S. Rockefeller (LSR) Preserve Center?

Jackson Hole Preserve, Inc., trustees for Laurance S. Rockefeller, established a one-time grant to fund the LSR Preserve Center this summer. Funds came from an endowment established to address essential capital needs at the LSR Preserve, not for operating costs. Future grants for operations will not be made.

How was the park able to open the Jenny Lake Visitor Center?

Jenny Lake Visitor Center will open through a collaboration with our park partner, the Grand Teton Association (GTA). For this season only, GTA has agreed to help fund operations of this visitor center through revenue from book sales.

How was the park able to open the Jenny Lake Ranger Station?

Generous one-time private donations to the 2013 Preventative Search and Rescue Program (PSAR) allowed the park to open the Jenny Lake Ranger Station.

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**Go Digital**

**WIRELESS INTERNET**

Free wireless internet access is available for the public at the Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center in Moose.

**MULTIMEDIA PRESENTATIONS**

The Grand Teton National Park website offers a variety of audio, video and digital image products: www.nps.gov/grte/ photosmultimedia/multimedia.htm.

**VIDEO PODCASTS**

Plan your trip, view wildlife, learn about safety in bear country, understand the powerful forces that shaped these mountains, and learn about the Murie family who helped preserve this landscape from the multimedia page.

**GRAND TETON iPHONE APP**

The Official App for Grand Teton National Park produced for the Grand Teton Association includes the essential information you need to plan your trip or experience the park before leaving home. Download to your iPhone: tetonapp.com

**TravelStoriesGPS iPHONE APP**

This free app from the Grand Teton National Park Foundation shares vivid and engaging audio stories about the history, geology, animals and activities in the park. Drive the Tetons Park Road from Moose to Jackson Lake Lodge and learn about this magnificent park. www.gtnpf.org/ TravelStoriesGPS.php

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**Write on our Wall**

Like us on Facebook to get park updates, or share photos and your thoughts with our friends: www.facebook.com/ GrandTetonNPS.

Follow us on Twitter: twitter.com/ GrandTetonNPS.

**Learn & Discover**

Visit our fun and educational website: Discover Grand Teton! The website highlights the park’s history, geology, wildlife, communities and Junior Ranger program.

Go to: www.discovergrandteton.org

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**Campgrounds**

The campsites along Grassy Lake Road will be closed this summer.

**GROUP CAMPING**

Advanced reservations are required for group camping at Colter Bay and Gros Ventre campgrounds. The sites range in capacity from 10 to 100 people. Call the Grand Teton Lodge Company at (800) 628-9988 or (307) 543-3100 for reservations.

**PUBLIC SHOWER**

The only public shower facility in the park is located at the Colter Bay Village Laundromat.

**RECYCLING CENTERS**

Park concessioners Grand Teton Lodge Company and Signal Mountain Lodge collectively recycle more than 170 tons of material annually. When you stay in a park campground, please use the recycling containers to help keep Grand Teton National Park clean and pleasant for other campers and conserve resources.

**REDUCE YOUR USE OF DISPOSABLE PLASTIC BOTTLES**

Park concessioners are joining Grand Teton National Park to reduce the sale and use of disposable plastic bottles by selling reusable containers. Save money, energy and reduce waste by using reusable bottles for water.

**PARK CAMPGROUNDS**

Colter Bay Campground*
350 individual, 9 walk-in, 11 group
Open: May 23 to Sept. 22
$21 per night, (800) 628-9988
Filling Time: evening

Colter Bay RV Park
112 RV sites
Open: May 23 to Sept. 22
$60 per night pull through site, (800) 628-9988
Filling Time: call for information

Gros Ventre Campground*
350 individual sites, 5 group
Open: May 3 to Oct. 4
$21 per night, (800) 628-9988
Filling Time: rarely fills

Headwaters Campground & RV Sites at Flagg Ranch
175 individual sites
June 1 to Sept. 30
$64 RV’s, $35 tents. (800) 443-2311
Filling Time: call for information

* dump station available

Jenny Lake Campground
(tents only)
49 individual sites, 10 walk-in sites
Open: May 10 to Sept. 29
$21 per night, $8 per person for hiker/biker campers without vehicles, (800) 628-9988
Filling Time: 9 am

Signal Mountain Campground*
81 individual sites, including:
* 56 no hookups ($21)
* 24 electric hookup sites ($45)
Discounts for Seniors/Access
* 1 full hookup site ($55)
* Hiker/biker $5 per person for campers without vehicles
Open: May 10 to Oct. 13
(800) 672-6012
Filling Time: noon or earlier
30 foot vehicle max

**Filling Time:**

- Rarely fills
- Evening
- Noon or earlier

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**eHike String Lake**

Explore the elements in a virtual hike around String Lake—earth, wind, water and fire. Discover this often overlooked gem in the park: www.nps.gov/grte/photosmultimedia/virtualltour.htm

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Safety & Regulations

FIREARMS Wyoming state regulations apply. Carrying or possessing firearms is prohibited in buildings where notice is posted. Firearms may not be discharged in a national park, except by permitted individuals during legal hunting seasons.

FIREWORKS Fireworks and other pyrotechnic devices are prohibited at all times in the park.

CAMPFIRES Campfires are allowed without a permit at designated campgrounds and picnic areas within metal fire grates, unless fire restrictions are in effect. Lakeshore backcountry sites with fire grates include: Leigh, Bearpaw and Trapper lakes. A permit may be obtained for campfires below the high water line of Jackson Lake at the Colter Bay Visitor Center. Campfires are prohibited in all other areas.

PLANTS & ANIMALS All plants and animals are part of natural processes and are protected within the park and parkway. Leave plants and animals in their natural setting for others to enjoy.

PETS Pets must be restrained on a leash (6 feet or less) at all times and must stay within 10 feet of roadways. Pets are not allowed in visitor centers, on the multi-use pathways, on park trails or in the backcountry, in boats on the Snake River or lakes other than Jackson Lake. Pets are not allowed on ranger-led activities. Kennels are available in Jackson. Properly dispose of pet feces.

BIKING Bicycles are permitted on public roadways, the multi-use pathway and on the Colter Bay Marina breakwater. Ride single-file on the right side of the road and wear a helmet. Riding bicycles or other wheeled vehicles in the backcountry is prohibited. Roadway shoulders are narrow—use caution.

MULTI-USE PATHWAY Only NON-MOTORIZED MODES of transportation are permitted on the multi-use pathway. Persons with physical disabilities may use electric and battery operated transportation. The multi-use pathway is closed from dusk to dawn for wildlife and public safety.

Fishing guide — used for the sole purpose of aiding a person with physical disability — may travel on the pathway. Ask at a visitor center for suggestions on where to exercise your pet.

AQUATIC NUISANCE SPECIES Help protect park waterways and native fish by learning how you can prevent the spread of aquatic species. Leave clean and dry all equipment including boots, boats and waders before entering a new body of water. Never empty containers of bait, fish, plants or animals into park waters. Wyoming state law requires boaters to purchase an Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) sticker, see “Boat Permit” section for more information.

PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES (PFDs) All vessels must carry a USCG approved personal flotation device (PFD) of the appropriate size for each person on board. PFDs must be accessible and in good working condition. PFDs should be worn while boating. All passengers under 13 years old must wear a PFD whenever a vessel is underway or be within an enclosed cabin.

BOATING Motorboats are permitted on Jenny (10 horsepower maximum) and Jackson lakes. Human-powered vessels are permitted on Jackson, Jenny, Phelps, Emma Matilda, Two Ocean, Taggart, Bradley, Bearpaw, Leigh and String lakes. Sailboats, water skis and windsurfers are allowed only on Jackson Lake. Jet skis are prohibited in the park.

REQUIRED BOAT PERMITS • Park permit — motorized craft $20 for 7 days or $40 for 1 year; non-motorized craft $10 for 7 days or $20 for 1 year. May be purchased at Craig Thomas (Moose), Jenny Lake or Colter Bay visitor centers. The park permit is also valid in Yellowstone National Park.

Fishing guide — used for the sole purpose of aiding a person with physical disability — may travel on the pathway. Ask at a visitor center for suggestions on where to exercise your pet.

FLOATING THE SNAKE RIVER Only human-powered rafts, canoes, dories and kayaks are allowed on the Snake River within the park and parkway. A permit is required for non-motorized vessels, see “Boat Permits” section above. The Snake River is a complex river to float. Constantly shifting channels and logjams present risks for boaters. Read the launch site bulletin boards for current river conditions and use caution. Accidents are common. For information on Snake River flows visit: waterdata.usgs.gov/wy/nwis/ current/?type=flow.

FISHING Cutthroat, lake and brown trout, and whitefish inhabit lakes and rivers of the park and parkway. A Wyoming fishing license is required to fish in the park and parkway and may be purchased at Signal Mountain Lodge front desk, Colter Bay Marina, Colter Bay Village Store, Snake River Anglers at Dornans and the Headwaters Lodge. Fishing in Yellowstone National Park requires a separate permit (fee charged); purchase permits at Yellowstone visitor centers and ranger stations. The use of non-native baitfish is prohibited.

JACKSON LAKE Contact visitor centers for information on the availability of services at Leek’s, Signal Mountain and Colter Bay parks. Low water levels will increase the risk of boats striking submerged objects and landforms that are normally well beneath the surface.

SWIMMING Swimming is permitted in all lakes. There is a designated swimming beach at Colter Bay with picnic facilities; however, there are no life guards. The Snake River is a swift, cold river presenting numerous dangers, swimming is not recommended.

Backpacking Grand Teton National Park and the John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Parkway have more than 240 miles of trails. Obtain a backcountry permit for all overnight trips in the park or parkway at the Craig Thomas Discovery or Colter Bay visitor centers and the Jenny Lake Ranger Station. One-third of backcountry campsites in high use areas may be reserved in advance from January 5–May 15; a $25 fee is charged for each successful reservation. Pets are not allowed park trails or in the backcountry. Park approved bear resistant canisters are required. Ask at a visitor center for more details. Check out a free canister for use in the park when securing your permit.

CLIMBING There are many risks and hazards associated with climbing and mountain travel. Experience and good judgment are essential. The Jenny Lake Ranger Station is staffed from late May to September by climbing rangers who can provide up-to-date weather and route conditions. Also check: www.tetonclimbing.blogspot.com. Registration is not required for day climbs or cross-country hiking. Backcountry permits are required for all overnight climbs. The park DOES NOT check to see that you get safely out of the backcountry. Leave an agenda with friends or family. Solo travel is not advised.

Teton Weather

In September the high temperature in the valley averages 69°F, but the temperatures drop as fall progresses. The nighttime temperatures often drop below freezing, and warm sunny days may alternate with rainy days and occasional snow showers.

Dress in layers and always take rain gear when recreating and be prepared for changing conditions. Afternoon thunderstorms occur frequently during the summer, but are rare in fall. Since 1999, there have been 30 injuries and two fatalities in the park due to lightning.

In the spring and early summer, thundersnows are possible. These snow storms develop in the afternoon from towering cumulus clouds. These storms are often brief, but may bring a half inch of snow to elevations below 10,000 feet.

When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors! Follow these guidelines to avoid lightning-related injuries.

• Afternoon storms are common in summer, get to a safe place before storms hit.
• Avoid mountain tops, ridges, open areas and lone trees; forested areas with trees of similar height are safer.
• Do not stand on tree roots.
• If boating, get off the water.
• Thermal water can harbor organisms that cause a fatal meningitis infection and Legionnaires’ disease. Exposing your head to thermal water by immersion, splashing, touching your face, or inhaling steam increases your risk of infection.

Flaming Springs The thermal water can harbor organisms that cause a fatal meningitis infection and Legionnaires’ disease.
GRIZZLY AND BLACK BEARS can be anywhere in the park at any time. Odors attract bears into campgrounds and picnic areas. Regulations require that all food, garbage, toiletries, pet food, coolers and food containers (empty or full), and cookware (clean or dirty) be stored in a hard-sided vehicle with the windows rolled up or bear-resistant food locker when not in immediate use, day or night. Failure to follow regulations is a violation of federal law and may result in a citation.

• Never leave your backpack unattended!
• Never allow a bear to get human food.
• If approached by a bear while eating, put food away and retreat to a safe distance.

Keep a Clean Camp
Improperly stored or unattended food will be confiscated and you could be fined.
• Treat odorous products such as soap, toothpaste, fuel products, suntan lotion, and bug repellent in the same manner as food.
• Never store food, garbage or toiletries in tents.
• Place all trash in bear-resistant garbage dumpsters.
• Immediately report careless campers and all bear sightings to the campground kiosk or nearest ranger.
• Bears that receive human food often become aggressive and must be killed.

Make Noise in Bear Country
Grizzly and black bears live in the park and parkway. Bears will usually move out of the way if they hear people approaching, so make noise. Don’t surprise bears! Calling out and clapping your hands at regular intervals are the best ways to make your presence known. Bear bells are not sufficient. Be particularly careful when vegetation or terrain limits line of sight. The use of portable audio devices is strongly discouraged.

Hike in Groups
If possible, hike in groups of three or more people. Typically, larger groups of people make more noise and appear more formidable to bears. Keep your group together and make sure your children are close at all times. Avoid hiking when bears are more active; early in the morning, late in the day or when it is dark. Trail running is strongly discouraged; you may startle a bear.

Never Approach a Bear
All bears are wild and dangerous. Each bear will react differently and their behavior cannot be predicted.

If You Encounter a Bear
Do not run! Bears can easily outrun you. Running may cause an otherwise non-aggressive bear to attack.
• If the bear is unaware of you, or if the bear is aware of you but has not acted aggressively, slowly back away:
• Do not drop your pack! This teaches bears how to obtain human food and often results in the death of a bear.
• Do not climb trees. All black bears, all grizzly cubs and some adult grizzlies can climb trees.

If a Bear Approaches or Charges You
Do not run! Most bear attacks result from surprise encounters when the bear is defending their young or a food source, such as a carcass. Some bears will bluff their way out of a threatening situation by charging, then veering off or stopping abruptly. Bear experts generally recommend standing still until the bear stops and then slowly backing away.

If you are attacked, lie on the ground completely flat on your stomach. Spread your legs slightly and clasp your hands over the back of your neck. Do not move until you are certain the bear has left.

In rare cases, bears have attacked at night or after stalking people. These types of attacks may mean the bear views you as prey. If you are attacked at night or if you feel you have been stalked and attacked as prey, fight back. Do whatever it takes to let the bear know you are not easy prey.

If You Carry Bear Spray
• Bear spray has been shown to be extremely effective in deterring bear attacks.
• Use only bear spray. Personal self-defense pepper spray is not effective.
• Keep the canister immediately available, not in your pack.
• Follow the manufacturer’s instructions, know how to use the spray, and be aware of its limitations, including the expiration date.
• Bear spray is not a repellent! Do not spray it on people, tents or backpacks.
• Under no circumstances should bear spray serve as a substitute for standard safety precautions in bear country.

Park visitor centers offer bear safety programs and can recycle your bear spray. Come visit for more information.

WHAT KIND OF BEAR DID YOU SEE? Both grizzly bears and black bears live in the park and parkway.

Black Bear
- Color ranges from blonde to black
- No distinctive shoulder hump
- Face profile is straight from nose to tip of ears
- Ears are tall and pointed
- Front claws are short and curved (1-2” long)

Grizzly Bear
- Color ranges from blonde to black
- Distinctive shoulder hump
- Face profile appears dished in the back of the head
- Ears are short and rounded
- Front claws are long and less curved (2-4” long)

Let’s Get Moving in Grand Teton
Let’s Move Outside encourages kids, families and all park visitors to engage in outdoor activity that gets hearts pumping and bodies moving. Part of First Lady Michelle Obama’s national Let’s Move campaign to end childhood obesity within a generation, the program is now underway in national parks all over the country. Look for Let’s Move Outside ranger programs in Grand Teton this summer. From biking and hiking, to swimming, paddling, and horseback riding, Grand Teton National Park provides ways for everyone to have fun and get healthy!

Shuttle Bus to the Park
Alltrans, Inc. operates a daily shuttle service from the town of Jackson to Grand Teton National Park. Note: schedule may vary due to construction. Please contact Alltrans for the most current schedule.
Cost to ride the shuttle is $14 per person, per day for an unlimited number of rides (park entrance fees not included). Riders may get on and off the shuttle at any stop. Drivers accept payment by cash, Visa, or MasterCard.
Season passes are also available; price depends on month purchased. For more information, call Alltrans, Inc. 1-800-443-6133, or visit their website, www.alltransparkshuttle.com.

Fall Elk Reduction
The Jackson elk herd is the largest in the world ranging from southern Yellowstone National Park, to Grand Teton National Park, the Gros Ventre River drainage, and the Teton and Gros Ventre wilderness areas. Currently the herd numbers over 11,000 animals with 2,000 elk summering in Grand Teton National Park.

When Grand Teton National Park expanded in 1950, Congress authorized an elk reduction program to continue management of the herd. Today the reduction program runs from early-October through early-December in the eastern portion of Grand Teton National Park and in the John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Parkway. Please stop by a visitor center for additional information.

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Visit Moose

Moose is located 12 miles north of Jackson, Wyoming. Please see the park map on page 12 to help you plan your trip to Moose. Enjoy a variety of trails, activities, scenic drives and ranger programs as well as historic districts and iconic views of the Teton Range.

Moose Ranger Programs

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<td>Map Chat</td>
<td>From park geology to the variety of wildlife that call this park home, this program will give you insight into the stories behind the scenery.</td>
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<td>Sept. 3-22</td>
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<td>Autumn Stroll</td>
<td>Hike with a ranger to the scenic Taggart Lake, along the trail a variety of stories unfold. Topics vary: Bring water, binoculars, camera, sunscreen and rain gear.</td>
<td>Taggart Lake Trailhead</td>
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<td>Wildlife Caravan</td>
<td>Travel with a ranger to see wildlife during the best time of day for viewing. Ceremony is open to all ages and will last about an hour. Wear sturdy shoes and bring binoculars or spotting scopes. Limited to 10 vehicles.</td>
<td>Craig Thomas Discovery &amp; VC flagpole</td>
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Explore Jenny Lake

Jenny Lake is located 8 miles north of Moose. Please see the park map on page 12 to help you plan your trip to Jenny Lake. Explore Jenny Lake for convenient access to glacially-formed lakes and invigorating hikes while enjoying dramatic mountain scenery.

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<td>Lakeshore Talk</td>
<td>Join a ranger for an easy walk to the shore of Jenny Lake and a talk on a park topic. Topics will vary depending on the ranger leading the program and the audiences interests.</td>
<td>Jenny Lake Visitor Center flagpole</td>
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<td>Bear Safety</td>
<td>Discover techniques that will help you stay safe while traveling and camping in bear country. Includes instruction in the use of bear pepper spray.</td>
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When you make a purchase at an Association bookstore, you are supporting the educational, interpretive, and scientific programs in Grand Teton National Park. Your purchase also supports the publication of this newspaper, books and the free educational handouts available at visitor centers and entrance stations.

MORMON ROW

Take a self-guided tour around the remaining buildings of this once vibrant community. Pick up a brochure near the “Pink House.” Originally called Grovont, “Mormon Row” was a community of homesteads, a church and school. Members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints settled this area around the turn of the last century.

Jenny Lake area includes a general store, restrooms, trailhead access, boat launch, the Exum Mountain Guide office and a ranger station. The Jenny Lake Ranger Station provides backcountry and climbing information and overnight permits. The ranger station is open May 26–September 8 from 8 am to 5 pm.

Take a shuttle boat across Jenny Lake to the mouth of Cascade Canyon. (Roundtrip/One-way: adult $12/$7, child (2-11) $6/$5, under 2 years, over 80 free) or a scenic cruise ($16 adults/$10 children).

North Jenny Lake

Swim in the seasonally warm waters of String Lake and then enjoy a picnic at the String Lake picnic area. Flush and pit restrooms available. Park at the String Lake Trailhead and hike across a rustic wooden bridge through a burned area and view the regeneration of a forest. Launch your canoe or kayak from the canoe launch, look for the launch area sign just past the String Lake Trailhead parking lot (permit required). Or enjoy lunch at the Jenny Lake Lodge located just past the North Jenny Lake Junction on the scenic one-way road.
Enjoy lunch on the lakeshore at the picnic area or take a hike on one of the area trails for great opportunities to see wildlife. You will also find an RV park, cabins, restaurant, general store, laundromat, service station and showers.

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, JR. MEMORIAL PARKWAY
The Parkway commemorates John D. Rockefeller, Jr.'s significant contributions to national parks. Mr. Rockefeller had a special interest in this area helping develop Yellowstone and establish Grand Teton national parks. To learn more about the Rockefeller family's philanthropy ask for the "Rockefeller Legacy" brochure at any visitor center.

JACKSON LAKE LODGE
Even if you are not staying overnight at the Jackson Lake Lodge, the historic building is worth a visit. Large mural windows showcase views of Jackson Lake and the northern Teton Range. Wildlife such as black and grizzly bears, elk and moose are frequently seen from the lodge. Access trails, a corral, gift stores and restaurants.

Experience the Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve

Located four miles south of Moose on the Moose-Wilson Road, the Preserve Center offers unique sensory exhibits and trails leading to Phelps Lake, providing extraordinary views of the Teton Range. *Due to the narrow road, trailers and oversized vehicles are not permitted on the Moose-Wilson Road.

LAURANCE S. ROCKEFELLER PRESERVE CENTER
Visit the Center to learn more about Mr. Rockefeller's vision for the Preserve and his legacy of conservation stewardship. The Center will orient you to the area with unique sensory exhibits highlighting the visual, auditory and tactile qualities of the Preserve's plants and wildlife. Learn about the innovative design techniques and features that make the Center a model for energy and environmental design. Open daily June 1-September 22 from 10 am to 6 pm. The Preserve adheres to the principles of "Leave No Trace"—plan to pack out your trash. The Preserve Center sells bear spray, but does not issue permits.

PRESERVE TRAILS
The Preserve offers an 8-mile trail network that provides access to extraordinary views of Phelps Lake and the Teton Range, as well as other scenic and ecological features. Immerse yourself by quietly walking the trails and opening your senses to the sights, smells, sounds and textures of the various natural communities found within the Preserve. The trails will lead you along Lake Creek, Phelps Lake and adjacent ridges; and through aspen and conifer forests, wetlands and sagebrush meadows. Watch for deer, elk, moose, black and grizzly bears. Composting toilets and benches are available at Phelps Lake.

RANGER PROGRAMS
Join a ranger for a deeper understanding of Laurance S. Rockefeller's vision and gift. Program times are listed below.

PARKING
Parking lot often fills from 10 am to 3 pm—consider carpooling or biking (note: the roadway is quite narrow) to help alleviate congestion and reduce our environmental footprint.

Colter Bay Ranger Programs

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<td>Children discover the wonders of the natural world using the tools provided in the Nature Explorer’s Backpack. After a brief orientation by a ranger, each child receives a journal full of activities to guide them as they explore the Preserve trails with their family. The backpacks are available for checkout at the Preserve Center desk every day starting at 10:00 am and need to be returned by 5:00 pm that day. Recommended for children ages 6-12. Backpacks are limited, one per family please.</td>
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Special Ranger Programs

Additional ranger-led programs may be offered during the fall. Please check at visitor centers for more information.

SHOSHONEAN DAYS, Sept. 5th & 6th
Colter Bay Visitor Center. Learn about the Shoshone culture: includes presentations by Shoshone tribe members and video presentations & art demonstrations. Check at visitor centers for details.

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Where to Look for Wildlife

ALL ANIMALS REQUIRE FOOD, WATER AND SHELTER. Each species also has particular living space or habitat requirements. To learn more about wildlife habitats and behavior, attend ranger-led activities. While observing wildlife, please park in designated turnouts, not on the roadway.

WILLOW FLATS

North of the Jackson Lake Dam moose browse on willow shrubs. At dawn and dusk, elk graze on grasses growing among willows. Predators such as wolves and grizzly bears pursue elk calves in early summer. Beavers create ponds by damming streams that also harbor muskrats and waterfowl.

Always maintain a distance of at least 100 yards from wolves and bears and 25 yards from all other wildlife. Do not feed or harass wildlife of any kind.

ELK RANCH FLATS

Stop at the Elk Ranch turnout on highway 26/89/191 just north of Cunningham Cabin. Here you may see pronghorn, bison, elk and even domestic animals using a grazing permit. The open grasses here attract a variety of animals.

SNAKE RIVER

Jackson Lake Dam south to Moose. Elk and bison graze in grassy meadows along the river. Bison also eat grasses on the sagebrush benches above the river. Bald eagles, ospreys and great blue herons build large stick nests within sight of the river. Beavers and moose eat willows lining the waterway.

BLACKTAIL PONDS

Half-mile north of Moose on Highway 26/89/191. Old beaver ponds have filled with sediment and now support grassy meadows where elk graze during the cooler parts of the day. Several species of ducks feed in the side channels of the Snake River while moose browse on willows.

TIMBERED ISLAND

A forested ridge southeast of Jenny Lake. Small bands of pronghorn, the fastest North American land mammal, forage on nearby sagebrush throughout the day. Elk leave the shade of Timbered Island at dawn and dusk to eat grasses growing among the surrounding sagebrush.

ANTELOPE FLATS & MORMON ROW

East of Highway 26/89/191, one mile north of Moose Junction. Bison and pronghorn may be seen grazing. Watch for coyotes, Northern harriers and American kestrels hunting mice, Uinta ground squirrels and grasshoppers. Sage grouse, sage thrashers and sparrows also frequent the area.

Interested in Working in the Park?

HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT SPENDING A SUMMER WORKING IN A NATIONAL PARK? Summer seasonal positions are recruited during the winter months. A wide variety of positions provide unique challenges, and many rewards. Imagine yourself fighting wild fires, maintaining backcountry trails, patrolling the Snake River in a boat, providing guided ranger hikes or assisting a park biologist with wolf research.

To view and apply for vacancies for all federal jobs visit www.usajobs.gov. For a list of available jobs in the Department of Interior, including the National Park Service go to www.doi.gov/public/findajob.cfm. Positions posted for Grand Teton National Park can be found under jobs listed in Moose or Moran, Wyoming. You can also learn about vacancies at www.nps.gov/grte/supportyourpark/employ.htm. For jobs in fire management, log on to www.tetonfires.com and click on the Employment link. Go to www.nps.gov/grte/supportyourpark/upload/OF510-fedres.pdf to learn how to apply for federal jobs.
Fire Plays an Important Role in Grand Teton National Park

Fire has been a part of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem for thousands of years. Its presence is important for wildlife habitat, nutrient cycling, plant diversity and overall landscape health. Grand Teton National Park fire managers seek to strike a balance between restoring and maintaining natural processes associated with fire, and protecting human life and property.

FIRE ECOLOGY IN THE PARK

Fire naturally changes the forest by creating diverse-aged tree stands, recycling nutrients into the soil and stimulating new plant growth. Fire ecology research shows that many plant and animal species benefit from the rejuvenating effects of fire.

Evidence of large fires is prevalent in Grand Teton and Yellowstone national parks. Burned areas provide an opportunity for the forest to regenerate, which is evident in the plants, trees and wildlife present. Previously burned areas include: the 2009 Bearpaw Bay Fire that burned between Leigh Lake and Jackson Lake, the 2000 Teton Complex Fire near Jenny Lake, the 1985 Beaver Creek Fire across from Colter Bay, the 1999 Alder Fire and Jackson Lake, the 2009 Bearpaw Bay Fire that burned between Leigh Lake and Jackson Lake, the 2000 Teton Complex Fire near Jenny Lake, the 1985 Beaver Creek Fire across from Colter Bay, the 1999 Alder Fire and Jackson Lake.

HOW WE MANAGE FIRES

Fire managers at Grand Teton National Park and surrounding agencies are guided by comprehensive fire plans. Sometimes crews monitor fires closely but take minimal action so a fire can take its natural course. This allows fire-adapted plants to resprout from roots or opens serotinous (heat-dependent) cones for seed dispersal. In some cases, fire opens areas so native plants can re-establish. When appropriate, firefighters immediately suppress all or portions of a fire to reduce risk to life and property. Occasionally firefighters apply fire to the landscape under specific conditions to help maintain a healthy and safe forest ecosystem.

These planned ignitions, called prescribed fires, create a mosaic of diverse habitats for plants and animals. Burning accumulated fuels also minimizes risk to developments and cultural resources.

In developed areas, fire crews lower the risk of losing structures to wildfire by thinning trees and removing dead wood and brush from the forest floor. This increases firefighter and public safety in the event of a wildfire. Firefighters pile the slash and let it dry for a year before burning it during wet weather in late spring or fall.

Specialized fire crews monitor burned areas to learn more about fire’s effect on the ecosystem. This data is not only used for fire management decisions, but is also shared with wildlife biologists, vegetation ecologists, historic preservation specialists and other land management agencies to achieve common goals for a healthy ecosystem.

YOUR ROLE IN FIRE PREVENTION

Fire season in the park coincides with the visitor season, which means you may see smoke in the air during your visit. You can do your part to prevent human-caused fires by obeying all fire restrictions and following basic fire safety rules.

- Build campfires only in designated areas, closely monitor them and make sure they are properly extinguished. Drown the fire with water, stir the remains, add more water and stir again. Make sure fire remains are cool to the touch before leaving the campsite. Campfires may be banned during times of high fire danger. Watch for signs and obey the restrictions.
- Smoke safely. Grind out smoking materials, then dispose of them in the proper receptacle. While in vehicles, smokers should use ashtrays, which should never be emptied on the ground.
- Remember fireworks or other pyrotechnic devices are prohibited at all times in the park.
- Report any fires immediately. Call Teton Interagency Fire Dispatch Center at (307) 739-3403 or tell a park employee.

For local fire information or seasonal fire job postings, visit: www.tetonfires.com.

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ARTISTS IN THE ENVIRONMENT

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A Grand Partnership

Donor gifts offer a helping hand to one of America’s favorite outdoor destinations. When you support trail renewal, wildlife, and outdoor education for youth, Grand Teton National Park can deliver unforgettable experiences to visitors and strengthen resources for the future.

We invite you to become a member entitled to a 15% discount on purchases at all GTA visitor center outlets, as well as on catalog and website orders. Many cooperating association stores nationwide offer reciprocal discounts.

- $35 Individual Annual Member with discount privileges and a unique member gift
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- Additional annual memberships: $100 Supporting Member, $250 Sustaining Member, $500 Gold Member with discount privileges and additional gifts
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Park Partners

Grand Teton National Park works closely with a variety of partnership organizations. Partners help accomplish park goals by supporting important projects, programs and visitor services, benefiting visitors and the park.

PARK PARTNERS INCLUDE:

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Moose, WY 83012
(307) 739-3403
www.grandtetonpark.org

Grand Teton National Park Foundation
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Moose, WY 83012
(307) 732-0629
www.gtnpf.org

Teton Science Schools
700 Coyote Road
Jackson, WY 83001
(307) 733-1313
www.tetonscience.org

The Murie Center
P.O. Box 399
Moose, WY 83012
(307) 739-2246
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Jana Richman, September 14, 9 am.
## South Jenny Lake
**Location:** AAC Climber’s Ranch
**Dates:** June 18-Sept. 12
**Phone:** (307) 543-2711
**Services:** General store, post office, laundromat, showers, food service, campgrounds.

**Location:** Jenny Lake Boating
**Dates:** May 11-Sept. 15
**Phone:** (800) 346-6277
**Services:** Rent rowboats, canoes, and kayaks.

## North Jenny Lake
**Location:** Jenny Lake Lodge
**Dates:** June 1-Sept. 10
**Phone:** (307) 733-4647 or (800) 628-9988
**Services:** Lodging, food service, gift shop, boat tours.

## Signal Mountain
**Location:** Signal Mountain Campground
**Dates:** June 19-Sept. 10
**Phone:** (307) 733-2871
**Services:** Campground, showers, fire rings, firewood.

## Jackson Lake Lodge
**Location:** Jackson Lake Lodge
**Dates:** June 19-Sept. 10
**Phone:** (307) 733-3699
**Services:** Lodging, food service, gift shop, boat tours.

## Triangle X
**Location:** Triangle X Ranch
**Dates:** May 25-Oct. 25
**Phone:** (307) 733-2183
**Services:** Lodging, food service, gift shop, horseback riding.

## Colter Bay
**Location:** Colter Bay Lodge
**Dates:** May 23-Sept. 22
**Phone:** (307) 543-1100 or (800) 628-9988
**Services:** Lodging, food service, gift shop, horseback riding.

## Leeks Marina
**Location:** Leeks Marina
**Dates:** May 24-Sept. 15
**Phone:** (307) 543-2494
**Services:** Food service, gift shop, marina services.

## Flagg Ranch
**Location:** Flagg Ranch
**Dates:** June 1-Sept. 10
**Phone:** (307) 543-2811
**Services:** Lodging, food service, gift shop, horseback riding.

## Medical Services
**Location:** St. John’s Medical Center
**Dates:** Year-round
**Phone:** (307) 933-6366
**Services:** Medical emergencies, patient care.

## Worship Services
**Location:** St. John’s Medical Center
**Dates:** Year-round
**Phone:** (307) 933-5143
**Services:** Worship services, religious programs.
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ROAD CLOSING DATES 2013

Please check at an entrance station or visitor center for road construction and road closure information.

Tower-Roosevelt to Canyon Village Oct. 15

Beartooth Highway

Remaining roads EXCEPT Mammoth Hot Springs to Cooke City, MT Nov. 4

ROAD CONSTRUCTION DELAYS

Call the 24-hour Current Road Report hotline at (307) 344-2117 for the latest information on conditions affecting roads within the park.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Visitor Information (307) 344-7381

Xanterra Parks & Resorts (307) 344-7331 or (866) 439-7375

Web site www.nps.gov/yell

VISITOR CENTERS

Dates Subject to Change

Albright Visitor Center, Mammoth Hot Springs Open Year-round

Old Faithful Visitor Center April 26 – Nov. 3

Canyon Village May 25 – Oct. 14

Fishing Bridge May 25 – Sept. 30

Grant Visitor Center May 25 – Sept. 30

West Thumb Information Station May 25 – Sept. 30

Museum of the National Park Ranger May 25 – Sept. 22

Norris Information Station May 25 – Sept. 30

Bridge Bay May 24 – Sept. 22

Fishing Bridge RV May 10 – Sept. 22

Grant Village May 3 – Oct. 20

Madison (307) 344-2114

NPS CAMPGROUNDS

First-come, First-served

OPEN SEASON 2013

Indian Creek June 14 – Sept. 9

Lewis Lake June 15 – Nov. 3

Mammoth Year-round

Norris May 17 – Sept. 30

Pebble Creek June 15 – Sept. 30

Slough Creek June 15 – Oct. 31

Tower Fall May 24 – Sept. 30

XANterra CAMPGROUNDS

Reservations – (866) 439-7375

OPEN SEASON 2013

Bridge Bay May 24 – Sept. 2

Canyon May 31 – Sept. 8

Fishing Bridge RV May 10 – Sept. 22

Grant Village May 3 – Oct. 22

Madison May 3 – Oct. 20

Campground & Lodge fill times (307) 344-2114

The Teton Range

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Please obey the new night time speed limit to help us improve safety and protect wildlife.

SAVE A LIFE
45 AT NIGHT

NIGHT TIME SPEED LIMIT SAVES LIVES!
The night time speed limit on US Highway 26/89/191 is now 45 mph from the park’s south boundary to the boundary east of Moran Junction. Night time begins 30 minutes after sunset and lasts until 30 minutes before sunrise. Areas around Gros Ventre Junction and Moran Junction will remain 45 mph at all times. The number of animals killed due to vehicle collisions is rising. In 2010 more than 150 animals were killed on park roads. During the past three years, 64 percent of wildlife fatalities occurred on this section of highway. Throughout the park, 55 percent of fatalities occurred at night. In order to protect the public and to preserve wildlife populations, park officials reduced night time speed limits to give drivers and animals more reaction time. The reduced speed only adds six minutes to your trip along this section of highway.

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For Wyoming road information call 1 (888) WYO-ROAD or 511.