Changes of Autumn

Autumn is a time of change and preparation in Grand Teton National Park. The days are shorter and cooler. Frequent rain and snow showers interrupt the last of the warmth of the summer sun. Visitors begin to make their way home and the park quiets down before the long chill of winter.

Jenny Lake Renewal

The multi-million dollar renewal project at Jenny Lake is making headway—2017 marks the fourth season of major construction. Work continues around the visitor center, general store, restrooms, and boat dock. Backcountry work concluded at Hidden Falls and is underway at Inspiration Point.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Trails—current info at visitor centers. Trails to Hidden Falls and a scenic viewpoint below Inspiration Point are open. Access Cascade Canyon via north horse trail.

Visitor Center—temporary facility with visitor information and bookstore sales.

General Store—sells camping and hiking supplies, groceries, gifts, books, postcards, and snacks.

Jenny Lake Campground—Open, tents only.

Multi-use Pathway—unaffected by construction. Due to congestion, please begin from another location.

Bears in Fall

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Backcountry & River Information 307-739-3602
Climbing Information 307-739-3604
Camping Information 307-739-3603
TTY/TDD Emergency Calls Only 307-739-3301

Lost & Found go.nps.gov/grtelost

Accessibility

Accessibility information available at visitor centers and on the Grand Teton website: go.nps.gov/accessibility.

Looking for a map? A tour of the park? Today’s events and ranger programs? We have an app for that. Download from the app stores, search NPS Grand Teton.

As you tour through the park, notice some of the changes taking place. Often the most obvious change is the color of the leaves. All the deciduous trees—aspen, cottonwood, willow—lose the vibrant green of summer and transform into the golds, oranges, and reds of fall. Cottonwoods line the Snake River, aspens dominate Oxbow Bend, and willows take root near the mouth of the Buffalo Fork.

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DISCOVER THE MAGNIFICENT LANDSCAPE AND WILD COMMUNITIES OF GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK, where the Teton Range rises abruptly from the high mountain valley known as Jackson Hole. From lush meadows and sage-covered floodplains to bare alpine rocks, the park is home to bald eagles, grizzly bears, river otters, and bison.

If you have two hours or more...

Love to hike? Grab a map and enjoy a short day hike or lakeshore walk. Get the Day Hikes and Lakeshore Maps bulletin for more information and options.

Want to see wildlife? Go for a drive or hike to a popular wildlife viewing spot. See page 4 for suggested places to catch a glimpse.

Prefer a road tour? Discover the vistas from Jenny Lake Scenic Drive or the wildlife along the Moose-Wilson Road.

Attracted to water? Paddle a canoe, kayak or paddleboard on a lake (boat permit required) or rent a boat.

Like bicycling? Ride your bicycle on the multi-use pathway. You can walk, run, or rollerblade too. No dogs on the multi-use pathway.

If you have a day...

Love to hike? Grab a map and enjoy a day hike or take a longer trek. Join a ranger for a hike to Phelps Lake, Taggart Lake, or to Moose Ponds. Check for hiking programs on pages 7-10 or Get the Day Hikes and Lakeshore Maps bulletin for more information and options.

Attracted to water? Paddle String Lake and portage to Leigh Lake for solitude and spectacular views of Mount Moran. Try camping on Leigh Lake (permit required).

Feel lucky? Try your luck fishing one of the world famous lakes or streams in the park (WY license required) or hire a fishing guide.

Want to go on a drive? Discover the vistas from the park's turnouts along the Teton Park Road and outer highway. Ask for a driving tour brochure at the visitor center.

Attracted to water? Take a float trip on the Snake River or a scenic cruise on Jackson or Jenny lakes.

Seeking adventure? Obtain a backcountry permit for backpacking trip.

Want to climb a mountain? Hire a professional mountaineer or guide to take a climbing class.

GET OUTSIDE WITH YOUR FAMILY! Explore what Grand Teton has to offer the whole family. Look for special ranger programs for kids, bikes, drives, and adventures you can enjoy.

CHECKOUT A BACKPACK Learn about nature’s wonders as you explore the park. Backpacks have supplies to track, sketch, and journal about the natural world. Check out a backpack at the Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center or Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve.

CUNNINGHAM CABIN Explore the early life of a homesteader. Visit the oldest standing cabin in the valley located on Highway 89, between Elk Ranch Flats and Triangle X Ranch.

PICNIC Dine al fresco at one of the park picnic areas.

GO TO THE TOP OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN Stand on top of a mountain! Drive the highest road in the park, to 7,727 feet, Signal Mountain Summit Road. Take in the spectacular views of the surrounding mountains and Jackson Hole.

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Entrance Fees

Entry Grand Teton: 7 days
$30 per vehicle, $12 per motorcycle, $15 per person for single hiker or bicyclist.

Entry Grand Teton & Yellowstone: 7 days
$50 per vehicle, $40 per motorcycle, $20 per person for single hiker or bicyclist.

Annual Grand Teton
$60 allows entrance to Grand Teton National Park for 12 months from date of purchase.

America the Beautiful Pass

Covers entrance and standard amenity recreation fees on public lands managed by the Department of the Interior agencies and the Department of Agriculture’s U.S. Forest Service. The pass is good at all-vehicle-based entry sites for all occupants in a single, non-commercial vehicle.

Annual Pass: $80

Military Annual Pass: Free
For active duty U.S. military personnel and dependents.

Senior Lifetime Pass: $80
Senior Annual Pass: $20
U.S. citizens 62 or older.

Access Lifetime Pass: $30
A lifetime pass for U.S. citizens with permanent disabilities.

Every Kid in a Park, 4th Grade Pass: Free
Free to U.S. 4th grade students beginning September 1st the year the student begins 4th grade. Covers entrance fees. Qualifying students must complete an online activity and print off a paper voucher to exchange for the pass.
Visit: everykidinapark.gov for more information.

If you have more than a day...

Love to hike? Grab a map and enjoy an all day hike to Lake Solitude, Surprise Lake, or explore Death Canyon.

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Visitor Centers and Information

Craig Thomas Discovery & Visitor Center
Information, park film, exhibits, permits, bookstore. Open September 2-24 from 8 am-7 pm, September 25-October 31 from 8 am-5 pm. Call 307-739-3624.

Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve Center
Sensory exhibits and orientation to an eight-mile trail network. Open until September 24 from 9 am-5 pm. Call 307-739-3654.

Jenny Lake Visitor Center
Information, bookstore. Open until September 25 from 8 am-5 pm. Call 307-739-3392.

Jenny Lake Ranger Station
Closed for the season. Permits available from the Craig Thomas and Colter Bay visitor centers.

Colter Bay Visitor Center
Information, exhibits, park film, permits, and bookstore. Open until October 9 from 8 am-5 pm. Call 307-739-3594.

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The colors usually peak around the third week in September, but the timing varies. Members of the deer family – elk, moose, and mule deer – look for mates during fall. The elk rut is the most visible and intriguing of the deer family. Bull elk gather a harem of cow elk and establish their dominance through bugling and sparring. Look and listen for evening displays in sagebrush meadows adjacent to the forests such as near Windy Point. Bulls bugle – a high-pitched plaintive cry, culminated by several yelps – to announce their availability and fitness to cows, and to challenge and warn other bulls. Watch as competing bulls spar for dominance... crashing antlers together and wrestling for dominance, but rarely injuring each other. As the rut ends and winter snows begin to deepen, the elk migrate from the park to the National Elk Refuge where a thinner snowpack allows them access to forage throughout the harsh winter.

Would you believe that bears consume up to 20,000 calories a day in the fall? This feeding frenzy is called "hyperphagia." Bears need to gain weight to survive winter hibernation. Hawthorne and chokecherry bushes provide a vital food source for black and grizzly bears. Little if anything will dissuade a bear from food creating potentially dangerous situations for visitors. Extreme consumption is necessary because male black bears lose 15-30 percent of their body weight and nursing sows lose up to 40 percent of their body weight during winter hibernation!

Contemplate the changes taking place around you – colorful leaves, awe-inspiring elk, and gluttonous bears – as all prepare to make the transition from autumn into winter. The park is also transitioning from the buzz of summer to the chill of winter. Return in winter to witness the quiet time.

The Science of Color

During spring and summer, leaves use sunlight to generate food for the plant. Chlorophyll harnesses the sun’s energy to convert carbon dioxide and water into carbohydrates to sustain growth, giving leaves their green color.

In fall, the length of daylight and cooling temperature cause leaves to stop generating food. Chlorophyll breaks down and the green color disappears allowing other pigments to become visible like carotenoids that produce brilliant yellow and orange leaves. Some leaves will generate red pigments, anthocyanins, due to excess water and sugars.

Temperature and moisture control the intensity and duration of the colors. A wet growing season followed by dry, sunny autumn days with crisp, cool (but not freezing) nights seems to yield the best colors.
GRIZZLY AND BLACK BEARS thrive in Grand Teton National Park and the John D. Rockefeller Jr. Memorial Parkway. You may encounter a bear anywhere at anytime. Some of the most popular areas and trails pass through excellent bear habitat. Be Bear Aware!

**Food Storage**
- Store anything with an odor in a hard-sided vehicle (windows closed), or in a bear box or canister.
- Unattended food and stuff will be confiscated and you may be fined.
- Never let a bear consume human food. They will often become aggressive and must be killed.
- Never store food, garbage or toiletries in tents.
- Dispose of garbage in bear-resistant dumpsters.

**Safe Hiking Practices**
- Keep your pack with you! Never leave it unattended.
- Make noise—bears will often move away. Call out and clap your hands. Bear bells are not sufficient. The use of portable audio devices is strongly discouraged.
- Hike in groups of three or more people and stay together.

**Bear Interactions**
- Do not approach a bear. All bears are wild, dangerous, and unpredictable.
- Avoid hiking at dawn, dusk, or night. Trail running is strongly discouraged.
- Never approach a bear. All bears are wild, dangerous, and unpredictable.
- Do not drop your pack! It may protect your back.
- Do not climb trees. Most bears can climb trees.
- Do not surprise a bear. This may provoke a charge or attack. Most bear attacks result from surprise encounters when a bear is defending cubs or food.
- If you see a bear, and it has not acted aggressively, slowly back away. Talk in a quiet, calm voice.
- If a bear approaches, back away slowly, watch the bear, and prepare your bear spray.
- If a bear charges, stand still until the bear stops and then back away slowly. A startled bear will often bluff by charging, then weering off or stopping abruptly.
- If a bear attacks, lie flat on your stomach. Spread your legs slightly and clasp your hands behind your neck. Do not move until you are sure the bear has left the area.
- If you suspect a predatory attack, fight back. Bears that attack at night or after stalking people view you as food.

**Carry Bear Spray**
- Bear spray (1-2% capsaicin) is an effective deterrent.
- Keep the canister immediately available, not in your pack.
- Follow the manufacturer’s instructions—know how to use the spray, its limitations, and the expiration date.
- Do not test the spray or apply to people, tents, or backpacks—bear spray is not a repellent.
- Under no circumstances should bear spray serve as a substitute for standard safety precautions in bear country.

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**WHAT KIND OF BEAR DID YOU SEE?**
Both grizzly bears and black bears live in the park and parkway. Color is misleading - both species vary from blonde to black.

- **Black Bear**
  - Color ranges from blonde to black
  - No distinctive shoulder hump
  - Face profile appears dished in from the nose to the tip of the ears
  - Ears are tall and pointed
  - Front claws are longer and more curved (1-2” long)

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

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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 turnout or not on the roadway. Remember animals are adapted to live in this environment. Please do not interfere.

**OXBOW BEND**
One mile east of Jackson Lake Junction. Slow-moving water provides habitat for fish such as suckers and trout that become food for river otters, ospreys, bald eagles, American white pelicans and common mergansers. Look for beavers and muskrats swimming past. Moose browse on abundant willows at the water’s edge. Elk occasionally graze in open aspen groves to the east, while grizzly bears occasionally look for prey.

**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.

**ELK RANCH FLATS**
Stop at the Elk Ranch turnout on U.S. 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 U.S. 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 AND MORMON ROW**
East of U.S. Highway 26/89/191, one mile north of Moose Junction. Bison and pronghorn may be seen grazing. Watch for coyotes, Northern barriers and American kestrels hunting mice, Upta ground squirrels and grasshoppers. Sage grous, sage thrashers and sparrows also frequent the area.
SAFE WILDLIFE VIEWING is everyone’s responsibility. Wildlife draw many to this beautiful place seeking out the smallest calliope hummingbird or the largest grizzly bear.

Roadside viewing is popular, but please keep the road clear. Use pullouts or pull completely off the roadway to the right of the white line.

Always maintain a distance of at least 100 yards from bears and wolves, and 25 yards from other wildlife. Use binoculars or a spotting scope for a good view. Never position yourself between a female and offspring—mothers are very protective. Let wildlife thrive undisturbed. If your actions cause an animal to flee, you are too close.

It is illegal to feed any wildlife—birds, ground squirrels, bears, or foxes. Wildlife start to depend on people resulting in poor nutrition. If fed, any animal may become unhealthy, bite you, and expose you to rabies.

We hope you enjoy your time here—watching wildlife, hiking, or relaxing—and remember your connection to this place long after you return home.

25 yards (23 m) 100 yards (91 m)

GET ON THE WATER and enjoy unparalleled views of wildlife and mountains, world-class fishing, and fun around every bend. The Snake River flows through the heart of the park and features fly fishing, great wildlife viewing, and mild rapids depending on time of year. Many of the more accessible lakes are open for a variety of activities. Motorboats are permitted on Jenny Lake (10 horsepower maximum) and Jackson Lake. Human-powered vessels are permitted on Jackson, Jenny, Phelps, Emma Matilda, Two Ocean, Taggart, Bradley, Bearpaw, Leigh, and String lakes.

Boat permits are required for all motorized or non-motorized watercraft including kayaks, canoes, rafts, and stand-up paddle (SUP) boards, inflatable or hard-sided. Permits may be purchased at the visitor centers in Moose, Jenny Lake (cash only) or Colter Bay. Get a boating or fishing brochure from a park visitor center for more information or go.nps.gov/pwboating.

Drain, Clean, Dry! Help protect park waterways and native fish from the spread of aquatic invasive species. Drain, clean, and dry all equipment including boats, boots, 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 AIS decal and have vessels inspected prior to launch.

A Wyoming fishing license is required 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. For more information pick up a Fishing Brochure. Fishing in Yellowstone National Park requires a separate permit.

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

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

Only human-powered vessels are allowed on the Snake River within the park and parkway. A permit is required, see “Boat Permits” section. The Snake River has constantly shifting channels and logjams that may present risks for boaters. Read the launch site bulletin boards for current river conditions.

Launching, landing, or operating an unmanned aircraft, such as a drone, within Grand Teton National Park is prohibited.

Pets must be restrained on a leash (6 feet or less) and stay within 30 feet of roadways. Owners must properly dispose of feces. Pets are not allowed in visitor centers, on ranger-led activities, on the multi-use pathway, or on park hiking trails. Pets are ONLY allowed in boats on Jackson Lake—no other waterways. Service animals must assist with a disability and must be trained to perform tasks to aid with the disability. Dogs whose sole function is providing comfort or emotional support do not qualify as service animals under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Leave what you find. Keep items in their natural setting for others to enjoy. Picking wildflowers or collecting historic objects, archaeological artifacts, natural features, or items such as antlers is prohibited.

Campfires are allowed at designated campgrounds and picnic areas within metal fire grates, unless fire restrictions are in effect. A permit may be obtained for campfires below the high water line on the west shoreline of Jackson Lake at the Colter Bay Visitor Center. Fees are prohibited in other areas.

Fireworks and other pyrotechnic devices are prohibited at all times.

Wyoming state firearm 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.

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 using other wheeled vehicles in the backcountry is prohibited. Roadway shoulders are narrow—use caution.

Only use non-motorized forms of transportation on the multi-use pathway. Persons with physical disabilities may use battery-operated transportation. Do not access the pathway from dusk to dawn for your safety and wildlife’s safety. Please do not walk your dog on the pathway. Service animals may travel on the pathway.

Loaing in pools where thermal waters originate is prohibited to protect resources. Soaking in adjacent run-off streams is allowed, provided they do not contain an originating water source. These waters may harbor organisms that cause disease.

Hikers should stay on trails. Short-cutting is prohibited and damages fragile vegetation promoting erosion. Know your limitations. For your safety, leave your itinerary with a responsible party. Solo travel is not advised. Permits are not required for day hikes. Trailhead parking areas fill in July and August. During early summer, trails may be snow-covered and require an ice axe for safe travel. Visitor centers sell topographic maps and trail guides.

Use experience and good judgment when climbing or traveling in the mountains. The Jenny Lake Ranger Station is staffed from early June to early September by climbing rangers who provide weather and route conditions, or check www.tetonclimbingblogspot.com. Registration is not required for day climbs. Backcountry permits are required for all overnight stays. In the fall pick up an permit involving climbing at the Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center. Leave your itinerary with a responsible party. Solo travel is not advised.

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Things to Know

For a safe and enjoyable visit, please know these park regulations and safety advisories. For additional information find a ranger or visit www.nps.gov/grandtet

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Green Your Visit

Grand Teton can be a healthy and sustainable place for you and future generations with your help.

Recycle. Bear-resistant trash and recycle containers are available throughout the park. Plastic bottles, glass, and aluminum recycling are found in most visitor use areas. Additional items can be recycled, including propane canisters, and bear spray. You can help Grand Teton reach its goal to be the first zero-landfill national park.

Reuse. Use one of our many refilling stations to refill your reusable water bottle. Nothing tastes better than fresh Grand Teton water. For coffee or other beverages bring an insulated mug. Reusable bottles and mugs are also available for purchase throughout the park.

Keep the Air Clean. Don’t idle your car. Idling more than 10 seconds uses more fuel than restarting your car. Leave the car behind. Walking, hiking, and biking are low impact and have immense benefits. The park has 16 miles of multi-use pathways to get around the park plus connections to Jackson. So bring (or rent) your bike, to slow down and enjoy the view.

Enjoy locally grown and produced food. Visit any park dining facility to enjoy a healthy and sustainable meal. Our concessionaires work hard to buy local and sustainable food to provide the perfect meal for your park adventure.

Camping is a great way to immerse yourself in the stunning scenery of Grand Teton National Park.

There are many options for camping. If you are feeling adventurous and searching for solitude, get a permit to pitch a tent in the backcountry. Looking for a few more comforts? You can tent camp or park and plug in your recreational vehicle at over 1,000 campsites at seven park campgrounds.

CAMPING

Most sites offer standard amenities including modern comfort stations, potable water, metal fire grates, picnic tables, and bear boxes.

The maximum length of stay is seven days per person at Jenny Lake and 14 days at all other campgrounds—no more than 30 days in the park per year (14 days at Jenny Lake).

For camping ground status contact entrance stations or visitor centers. Camping is not permitted within the park along roadsides, at overlooks, or parking areas. Doubling up in campsites is prohibited and there are no overflow facilities.

Grassy Lake Road in the John D. Rockefeller, Jr Parkway has 20 dispersed campsites with vault toilets and bear boxes, but no potable water. These sites are free of charge and available first-come, first-served beginning June 1.

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Backpacking

Obtain a backcountry permit for all overnight trips in the park or parkway at the Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center or Colter Bay Visitor Center and the Jenny Lake Ranger Station (summers only). One-third of backcountry campsites can be reserved in advance ($35 fee) from early January until May 15. The fee for a walk-in permit is $25. Park approved bear-resistant food storage canisters are required. Canisters are available for free check out.
**Visit Moose**

Enjoy a variety of trails, activities, scenic drives and ranger programs as well as historic districts and iconic views of the Teton Range.

**Things to See**

**CRAIG THOMAS DISCOVERY & VISITOR CENTER**
Visit the Discovery Center for trip planning, weather, permits, and camping information. Experience the exhibits or view the park film in the auditorium. Shop at the Grand Teton Association bookstore for gifts, educational books, and postcards. The visitor center is open September 5-24 from 8 am-7 pm, September 25-October 31 from 8 am-5 pm.

**MENORS FERRY HISTORIC DISTRICT**
Take a self-guided tour around this historic district and learn about Jackson Hole history through pictorial displays at the Maud Noble Cabin. Visit the General Store (open daily until September 24, 10 am-4:30 pm) and purchase turn-of-the-century-themed goods.

**THE MURIE RANCH**
Learn about the Murie family wilderness conservation legacy by taking this self-guided one mile roundtrip walk. Ask a ranger for directions to access the ranch and view historic buildings where landmark wilderness legislation was drafted.

**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, school, and swimming hole.

**Moose Ranger Programs**

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**Things to Do**

**HIKING**
Great hiking opportunities abound in the Moose area. Ask at a visitor center for trail suggestions. Weather may change abruptly, afternoon thunderstorms are common, bring extra clothing, and plenty of water. Dehydration can lead to serious illness, and has been the cause for many rescues in the park.

**TAGGART LAKE TRAILHEAD**
Drive 3.5 miles northwest of Moose Junction to enjoy a spectacular view of the Teton Range. Enjoy a 3-mile roundtrip hike to Taggart Lake or detour for a longer hike with great views of Bradley Lake and Garnet Canyon. A vault toilet, trailhead information, and brochures are available.

**MULTI-USE PATHWAY**
Bike, walk, skateboard, or rollerblade on the multi-use pathway. Access the pathway from Moose or Taggart Lake Trailhead. The pathway extends from South Jenny Lake to Jackson. Bike rentals are available at Dornans near Moose, or in Jackson or Teton Village.
Explore Jenny Lake

Jenny Lake provides convenient access to glacially-formed lakes and invigorating hikes while enjoying dramatic mountain scenery.

Things to See

PARKING

**Warning** Parking at South Jenny Lake is highly congested and often full from 9 am-4 pm. Plan accordingly. Watch for pedestrians.

**JENNY LAKE VISITOR CENTER**

This fall a temporary building will house the Jenny Lake Visitor Center as the visitor complex is rehabilitated. Park rangers will provide information and hiking maps, or you may shop for gifts, educational books, and postcards. The visitor center is open daily until September 25 from 8 am-5 pm.

**The South Jenny Lake area includes a general store, restrooms, trailhead access, boat launch, and the Exum Mountain Guide office.**

Take a shuttle boat across Jenny Lake until September 30, open 8 am-4 pm. Roundtrip/One-way: adult $15/$9, seniors (62+) $12, child (2-11) $8/$6, under 2 years, over 80 free. Enjoy a scenic cruise ($19 adults/$17 seniors/$11 child).

**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 vault toilets available. Parking lots fill early, only park in designated spaces. Launch your canoe, kayak, or paddle board from the canoe launch (boat permit required). Or enjoy lunch at the Jenny Lake Lodge located just past the North Jenny Lake Junction on the scenic one-way road.

**Bears frequent the String Lake area, food storage is required. Keep coolers and anything that smells locked up.**

**Jenny Lake Ranger Programs**

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

**Moose Ponds Hike**

- Hike with a ranger along the south shore of Jenny Lake to Moose Ponds with a stunning view of Mount Teewinot. Topics vary, depending on the ranger, and may include wildlife, geology or fall ecology. Bring water, binoculars, camera, sunscreen and rain gear. Roundtrip: 3 miles (1 ½ miles guided). Difficulty: Moderate uphill. Meet a ranger on the Jenny Lake Visitor Center Deck. 2 ½ hours.

**Bear Safety**

- Discover techniques that will help you stay safe while traveling and camping in bear country. Includes instruction on use of bear spray. Meet a ranger on the Jenny Lake Visitor Center Deck. Wheelchair Accessible. 30 minutes.

**Discover Grand Teton**

- Explore the natural world of Grand Teton by joining a ranger for a short talk or demonstration. Topics vary and may be on history, wildlife or geology. Difficulty: Easy. Meet a ranger on the Jenny Lake Visitor Center Deck. 30 minutes.

**Things to Do**

**TRAIL CLOSURE**

Check at a visitor center for up-to-date information. Closures and detours will change.

**HIKING**

Outstanding hikes begin in the Jenny Lake area featuring stunning views of the Teton Range, lakes, and streams. Weather may change abruptly, afternoon thunderstorms are common, bring extra clothing, and plenty of water. Dehydration can lead to serious illness and has been the cause for many rescues in the park.

**BOATING**

Rent a canoe or kayaks from Jenny Lake Boating and tour Jenny Lake at your own pace. Or take the shuttle boat for quick access to Cascade Canyon. If you have your own non-motorized boat, spend time on String and Leigh lakes (permit required) to enjoy unparalleled views of Mt. Moran.

**BIKING**

The multi-use pathway extends from the town of Jackson to South Jenny Lake—across from the visitor center. Due to limited parking, please begin your bike ride at another location.

**BACKCOUNTRY CAMPING**

The area around Jenny Lake provides a wide range of backcountry camping opportunities whether you are planning to climb the Grand Teton or simply want to spend an evening beside a pristine lake with your family. Ask at the visitor center for suggestions (permits required for all overnight stays).

**SCENIC DRIVES**

At North Jenny Lake Junction turn left (west) and enjoy the scenic one-way loop back to South Jenny Lake. Enjoy lake views and watch for elk and black bears.
Discover Colter Bay

Colter Bay provides some of the best wildlife viewing opportunities in the park as well as a wide range of visitor services, lake access, and trails.

**Things to See**

**COLTER BAY**

Colter Bay Visitor Center sits above the shore of Jackson Lake across from Mt. Moran. Rangers provide trip information, trail maps and backcountry permits. The building features an exhibit of American Indian art from the David T. Vernon Collection and Laine Thom Collection. Enjoy the on-going American Indian Guest Artist Program. Shop at the Grand Teton Association bookstore for gifts, educational books, and postcards. The visitor center is open daily until October 9 from 8 am-5 pm.

Enjoy lunch at the picnic area on the lakeshore, or take a hike on one of the area trails for great opportunities to see wildlife. You will also find a campground, 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. For more information 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 Tetons. Wildlife such as black and grizzly bears, elk and moose are frequently seen from the lodge. Access trails, a corral, gift stores, and restaurants.

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### Colter Bay Ranger Programs

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**Wildlife at Willow Flats** • Join a ranger at this scenic turnout to discover the adaptations and habitats of the park’s diverse wildlife. Meet a ranger at Willow Flats Overlook. 30 minutes.

**Explore the Shore** • Join a ranger for a cool morning stroll along the scenic shoreline of Jackson Lake and learn about the rich natural history of Grand Teton. Distance: 1 mile. Difficulty: Easy. Meet at flagpole in front of Colter Bay Visitor Center. 1 hour.

**Teton Highlights** • How should you spend your time in Grand Teton? Join a ranger for suggestions to best experience your park. Meet a ranger in the Colter Bay Visitor Center auditorium. 30 minutes.

**Bear Safety** • Discover techniques that will help you stay safe while traveling and camping in bear country. Includes instruction in the use of bear spray. Meet a ranger at the Colter Bay Visitor Center back deck. 30 minutes.

**Oxbow Bend Wildlife Watch** • Join a ranger at the Oxbow Bend Turnout for an evening wildlife watch with classic views. Learn about the birds and mammals that inhabit this area. Meet at the Oxbow Bend Turnout. 1 ½ hours.

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### Things to Do

**HIKING**

Great hiking and wildlife viewing opportunities abound around Colter Bay. Enjoy hiking through a variety of natural communities with dramatic views of the northern Teton Range.

**BOATING**

Rent a canoe, kayak, or motorboat from the Colter Bay Marina or launch your own boat in Jackson Lake (permit required). Pets are allowed in boats on Jackson Lake; all other lakes, trails and rivers are closed to pets.

**WILDLIFE VIEWING**

Excellent wildlife viewing opportunities are found along the road from Moran Junction to Colter Bay, especially at Willow Flats Overlook and the Oxbow Bend Turnout. Dawn and dusk offer the best opportunities.

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### Shoshone Days, September 6-7

Learn about Shoshonean history and culture at the Colter Bay Visitor Center. The Shoshonean peoples of the Eastern Great Basin and Western Plains hunted seasonally in what is now Grand Teton National Park and left a sizable archaeological record. Their modern-day descendants still live in the region and maintain their languages and cultural practices. Cultural speakers, video presentations, and exhibits of traditional and modern Shoshonean arts will explain the present-day influence of Shoshone peoples. Shoshone artist Clyde Hall will be the guest artist during the event.
Experience the Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve

The Preserve Center offers unique sensory exhibits and trails leading to Phelps Lake, providing extraordinary views of the Teton Range.

Things to See

LAURANCE S. ROCKEFELLER PRESERVE CENTER
Visit the Center to discover Mr. Rockefeller’s vision for the Preserve and his legacy of conservation stewardship. Orient yourself to the area through visual, auditory, and tactile exhibits of the Preserve’s plants and wildlife. Learn about the innovative design techniques and features making the Center a model for energy and environmental design.

Open daily until September 24 from 9 am - 5 pm. The Preserve adheres to “Leave No Trace”—plan to pack out your trash. The Preserve Center sells bear spray (credit cards only), but does not issue boat or backcountry permits. Due to the narrow road, trailers and vehicles over 23.3 feet are prohibited on the Moose-Wilson Road.

PARKING
The parking lot is open 24 hours a day—no overnight parking. The lot often fills by 9 am and remains full past 4 pm. Wait times for parking can be more than one hour after the lot fills. Consider carpooling or biking to help alleviate congestion and reduce our environmental footprint.

Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve Ranger Programs

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*Please allow extra travel time as parking lot is typically full during this part of the day. Accessible program

Nature Explorer’s Backpacks

Become a Nature Explorer! Check out a backpack from the Preserve Center between 9 am-4 pm. It’s loaded with all the tools of a naturalist including field guides, binoculars, colored pencils, a magnifying glass and a special journal that is yours to keep. Discover the wonders of the natural world as you hike to Phelps Lake as a family. The activities are recommended for children ages 6-12. Backpacks are limited, so one per family please. Backpacks need to be returned to the Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve Center by 5 pm.

Hiking Beyond the Preserve

Go the extra mile and hike to Huckleberry Point for a picnic or some quiet time. You'll cross a raised walkway where you might see numerous aquatic insects in the wetlands or perhaps a moose playing in the pond. Bears are often seen in the Huckleberry patches along the way, so don’t set your pack down and leave it. An even bigger adventure will take you all the way around the lake and up Death Canyon or Open Canyon. Both of these beautiful glacially formed canyons provide magnificent vistas, waterfalls, wildflowers, and wildlife viewing.

Rest Areas at Phelps Lake

Explore the secluded rest areas around the shores of Phelps Lake. There are six places with benches or rocks to sit on and easy access to the shallow water near the shore. These are special spots for a picnic or a nap. Be sure to keep your pack within reach as bears do frequent the area. Look for the trails leaving the main trail after you arrive at the lake either along Woodland or Lake Creek. See if you can discover all six!
We have an app for that.

Maps
Interactive official National Park Service map of Grand Teton National Park

Tours
Discover rich natural and cultural resources with self-guided tours

Explore
Learn more about points of interest with visiting information, hours, FAQs, and photos

Events and Ranger Programs
Find out the latest events and programs today and in the future

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Grand Teton Association App
The Grand Teton Association app includes essential information for planning your trip or during your visit.

TravelStorysGPS App
The Grand Teton National Park Foundation app shares engaging audio stories about the history, geology, wildlife, and activities.

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

Living Traditions
Enjoy new Indian Arts exhibits at the Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center and the Colter Bay Visitor Center.

Unlike past exhibits that only showcased historic items, the new exhibits juxtapose the historic with the modern—a link between past and present. The spectacular, colorful works of art span generations while combining two collections. The David T. Vernon collection represents the historic perspective with many items designed over 100 years ago. The contemporary Laine Thom collection has been gathered by the owner over 45 years.

The artifacts in the collections reflect the same themes, patterns, and forms regardless of age. Medium and techniques, however, have changed dramatically.

Traditional use of natural pigments on rock walls and hides has evolved to modern methods. Regardless of the age or materials, a common theme is the link from the work of art to the artists and tribes.

In addition to the three dimensional art exhibit, at the Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center the adjacent gallery wall will feature paintings by contemporary American Indian artists.

The park cares for these collections and what they represent so future visitors may enjoy these beautiful and meaningful works of art.
The 2016 Berry Fire was the biggest wildfire fire since the park was established in 1929. On July 25, 2016 a lightning strike ignited a fire below Forellen Peak. The remote location on the west side of Jackson Lake allowed the fire to remain undetected for several days until a passing aircraft reported a wisp of light gray smoke.

Early Progression
The Berry Fire alternated between slow creeping on moist days, spotting from windblown embers when trees torched, and major crown fire events when it was hot, dry, and windy. Interestingly, areas of forest regrowth after the 1988 Yellowstone fires and more recent fires in the 2000s slowed the fire’s growth but did not stop its spread.

Crossing the Highway
The fire experienced two major growth days when the forces of high winds, dry air, and hot temperatures combined with optimal fuels. On August 22, the fire pushed five miles—crossing Jackson Lake and the highway, and entering the Bridger-Teton National Forest. Rangers closed the road, and firefighters cleared the burning trees and stopped the fire along the highway corridor.

After the Burn
A big fire can only operate on the landscape freely when certain conditions are met. It takes careful risk assessment, hard work, and a balanced approach, including the ability to suppress the fire. Under these conditions a powerful natural process can act on this landscape, mostly unhindered, as it has done for thousands of years.

What will park staff do in 2017?
• Trail crews will clear fallen trees from trails and improve drainage in burn areas.
• Interpretive staff will tell the story of fire ecology.
• Vegetation crews will eradicate weeds that colonize burned areas along the highway.
• Fire-effects crews will study plant regrowth.
• Rangers and wildlife biologists will monitor ungulates and bears using the burned area.

Fire’s Role in the 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.

How We Manage Fires
Comprehensive plans guide fire managers. Sometimes crews monitor fires closely but take minimal action so a fire can take its natural course. This allows fire-adapted plants to re-sprout from roots or open cones for seed dispersal. Fire opens areas so native plants can re-colonize. When appropriate, firefighters suppress all or portions of a fire to reduce risk to life and property.

Occasionally firefighters apply fire to the landscape to help maintain a healthy and safe forest. These planned ignitions create a mosaic of diverse habitats.

Your Role in Fire Prevention
Summer is fire season, and you may see smoke. Help prevent human-caused fires by following these basic safety rules.
• Build campfires only in designated areas and closely monitor them. Make sure they are properly extinguished and cool to the touch before leaving the campsite. Campfires may be banned during times of high fire danger.
• Smoke safely. Grind out smoking materials, then dispose of them in the proper receptacle. While in vehicles, smokers should use ashtrays.
• Fireworks or other pyrotechnic devices are prohibited at all times in the park.

Report any fires immediately. Call Teton Interagency Fire Dispatch Center at 307-739-3630 or notify a park employee. For local fire information or seasonal fire job postings, visit www.tetonfires.com.

Celebrating 80 Years of Service, 1937-2017

The Grand Teton Association was established in 1937 as the park’s partner to increase public understanding, appreciation, and enjoyment of Grand Teton National Park and the Greater Yellowstone area. The association has long been an important bridge between visitor and environment in the Teton. We work to increase public understanding, appreciation, and enjoyment of Grand Teton National Park and the surrounding public lands.

In December of 1936, the Grand Teton Superintendent met with a group of Jackson Hole businessmen to discuss ways and means of forming an association of interested individuals to provide written educational materials to the visitors of Grand Teton National Park. The Jackson Hole Museum and Historical Association was created in 1937. At that meeting, Bruce Porter, the local druggist, donated $50 to begin the purchase of publications. The board selected an advisory committee consisting of, among others, Dr. Fritzof Fryxell, S.N. Leek, Harrison R. Crandall, and Olaus J. Murie. The original Jackson Hole Museum and Historical Association’s name changed in 1956 to Grand Teton Natural History Association.

The Mission of the Grand Teton Association is to increase public understanding, appreciation, and enjoyment of Grand Teton National Park and the surrounding public lands, through aid to the interpretive, educational and research programs of these partners.

In 2007 Grand Teton Natural History Association changed its name to Grand Teton Association. Since 1937 the staff, our nine-member volunteer board of directors, and the National Park Service have been involved in a broad range of activities including operating interpretive sales areas in visitor centers throughout Grand Teton National Park and other federal agencies. These include the Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center, the Menors Ferry Historic District, Jackson Hole Airport, Jenny Lake Visitor Center, Colter Bay Visitor Center, District Offices on the Bridger-Teton National Forest, The Jackson Hole and Greater Yellowstone Visitor Center, and the Miller House historic site on the National Elk Refuge.

When you make a purchase or donation at an association store, you are supporting the educational, interpretive, and scientific programs in the park including Snow Desk, the NPS Academy, the Boyd Evison Graduate Research Scholarship, and the Jenny Lake Ranger Fund. Your purchase also supports the publication of this newspaper, books, trail guides, and the free educational handouts available at visitor centers and entrance stations.

The last of our 80th Anniversary programs are listed below. For other events and programs check our website grandtetonpark.org or follow us on social media.
GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK FOUNDATION celebrates 20 successful years of partnership with Grand Teton National Park in 2017. From our flagship venture—Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center—to preserving 640 acres of prime habitat on Antelope Flats, Grand Teton National Park Foundation has devoted two decades to partnering with individuals and organizations to fund projects in Grand Teton National Park. These gifts solve challenges, provide meaningful experiences, and assure this world-class landscape continues to be one of the most fascinating outdoor destinations in America. It has been an interesting, fun, and gratifying 20 years. Thank you to all of our partners, supporters, and community for believing in the work we do!

Love your park? Support your park. Grand Teton’s future depends on you.

www.gtnpf.org/20years

Teton Science Schools Celebrates 50th Anniversary this Summer

Teton Science Schools (TSS) is an educational non-profit with a mission of inspiring curiosity, engagement, and leadership through transformative place-based education. The organization was founded in 1967 by Ted Major, a local science teacher, and his wife Joan, who wanted to take students outside the classroom and into the field to teach them about science and nature. Over the past 50 years Teton Science Schools has grown into a multifaceted institution with numerous local and regional partners including Grand Teton National Park. Today Teton Science Schools serves more than 15,000 participants annually, with four campuses in and around Jackson Hole, two within Grand Teton National Park (The Kelly Campus and The Murie Ranch). Programmatic offerings range from multi-day field science experiences for visiting student groups, to half-day wildlife tours, educator development workshops in place-based education, as well as two independent day schools for local students.

www.tetonscience.org

Murie Ranch of Teton Science Schools Programs Fall 2017

Mardy’s Front Porch Conversations, 2017 Theme: The Power of Public Lands • The Murie Ranch of Teton Science Schools invites you to hear experts in the field share their work from the Murie’s front porch, and encourages dialogue surrounding the key themes. Refreshments start at 5:45 pm with conversations from 6–7 pm.

Sept 13
Stresses and Strategies in Managing Public Lands

Henry H. Holdsworth Photography Workshops • Explore and capture the essence of beauty in Grand Teton National Park with nationally renowned photographer Henry H. Holdsworth and the Murie Ranch of Teton Science Schools. Over the course of a long weekend, participants will learn how to capture the wildness and wildlife of Jackson Hole, Wyoming. September 20–23

Road Scholar Hiking the Tetons: Celebrating the Legacy of Conservation Amid the pristine landscapes and imposing peaks of Wyoming’s Grand Teton National Park, celebrate the achievements of the National Park Service by learning how the Tetons and other great American parks and wilderness areas are preserved. Enjoy exclusive access to museums that detail the park’s colorful history, and stay at The Murie Center of Teton Science Schools, the heart and soul of the early conservation movement. September 24–29

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Grand Teton National Park Foundation
PO Box 249
Moose, WY 83012
307-732-0629
www.gtnpf.org

Teton Science Schools
700 Coyote Canyon Rd.
Jackson, WY 83001
307-733-1313
www.tetonscience.org

The Murie Center of the Teton Science Schools
PO Box 399
Moose, WY 83012
307-739-2246
www.muriecenter.org

University of Wyoming/NPS Research Station
Dept. 3166
1000 E. University Ave.
Laramie, WY 82071
www.uwyo.edu
**Services and Facilities**

### North Jenny Lake
- **Lodging**
  - **Services**
    - Medical emergencies Year-round
  - **Number** 307-733-2415
  - **Website** gtlc.com
  - **Specialties** Western fare. Breakfast 7–11 am, lunch 12–2 pm, dinner 5–9 pm. 1:30 pm–4 pm 7 days per week.

- **Food Service**
  - **Services** Groceries. Deli open May–Sept.
  - **Number** 307-733-2415
  - **Website** trianglex.com
  - **Specialties** Groceries. Deli open May–Sept.

- **Store/Gift Shop**
  - **Services** Book rentals, lake fishing trips, gas, and courtesy docks.
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- **Lodging**
  - **Services** Modified American Plan. Cabins. Breakfast 7:30–9 am. Lunch 12–1:30 pm. Dinner 6–8:45 pm. Reservations required for all meals. Sport coat recommended for dinner.
  - **Number** 307-733-2415
  - **Website** gtlc.com

- **Supermarket**
  - **Services** Touchless motors, fuel island. Pay at pump, 24-hour with credit card.
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  - **Website** trianglex.com
  - **Specialties** Touchless motors, fuel island. Pay at pump, 24-hour with credit card.

- **Showers and Laundry**
  - **Services** South Fork Jet Boat, bike, and canoe rentals and sales. 8 am–8 pm.
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  - **Specialties** South Fork Jet Boat, bike, and canoe rentals and sales. 8 am–8 pm.

- **Medical Services**
  - **Services** Western fare. Breakfast 7–11 am, lunch 12–2 pm, dinner 5–9 pm.
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  - **Website** gtlc.com
  - **Specialties** Western fare. Breakfast 7–11 am, lunch 12–2 pm, dinner 5–9 pm.
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Yellowstone Road Construction
go.nps.gov/yellroads
South Entrance to West Thumb
30-minute delays possible from August 22 through early October (excluding Labor Day weekend).
Norris to Mammoth
Expect 30-minute delays between Roaring Mountain and the Indian Creek Campground. Between June 11 and September 10, this section of road will be closed nightly from 10 pm to 7 am (excluding Saturday nights)
From September 10 (10 pm) to October 6 (7 am), this section of road will be closed to all traffic (day and night). During the closures, visitors will be able to detour over Dunraven Pass (between Tower Fall and Canyon). Norris and Indian Creek campgrounds will remain open during the season.

Fall Elk Reduction
The Jackson elk herd is the largest in the world ranging from southern Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks, to the Teton and Gros Ventre wilderness areas. Currently the herd numbers over 11,000 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. This year the elk reduction program runs from October 28 to December 15 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.

The Teton Range
CONSTRUCTION DELAYS
Expect minor maintenance delays throughout the season. For up-to-date road construction information call: 307-739-3682

Go 45 at Night to Save a Life
Night Time Speed Limit Saves Lives
The night time speed limit on US Highway 26/89/191 is 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 reduced speed only adds six minutes to your trip!

In 2016, vehicle collisions killed over 150 large animals in the park! Almost 75 percent of wildlife fatalities occur on this section of highway. Throughout the park, more than half the fatalities occur at night. If you do hit an animal, report the accident—call 911. Please obey posted speed limits to help us improve safety and protect wildlife.

For Emergencies
DIAL 911

Launching, landing or operating an unmanned aircraft, such as a drone, within Grand Teton National Park is prohibited.

Park Watch
Report Suspicious Activity to 307-739-3677.
Protect Your Grand Teton National Park