Accessibility

Grand Teton National Park and the John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Memorial Parkway offer a variety of services and accessible facilities to allow people of all abilities to experience what the park has to offer. This handout provides a brief overview. For more information, contact the park:
- Phone: 307-739-3300, TTY 307-739-3301
- Email: grte_info@nps.gov
- Website: go.nps.gov/grteaccessibility

Access Pass

- Free, lifetime interagency pass to over 2,000 federal recreation sites including national parks.
- For U.S. citizens or permanent residents with permanent disabilities. Applicants must provide documentation of qualifications.
- Get a pass in person at a federal recreation site, or mail your application ($10 processing fee) using a form available at go.nps.gov/passes.
- May provide a discount on some expanded amenity fees such as camping. The pass does not generally cover or reduce special recreation permit fees or fees charged by concessioners.
NPS Grand Teton App

The free NPS Grand Teton app is available on the Apple App Store and on Google Play. The app has self-guided tours, an interactive map, an events calendar, and a number of accessibility features:

• Audio descriptions of wayside exhibits, viewpoints, and visitor centers
• Alternative text for images
• Accessibility information for facilities and trails.

Cellular phone service is poor or nonexistent in much of the park; download the app before you arrive to take advantage of all the features.

Service Animals

Service animals are allowed throughout the park, and in all park facilities. For the definition of a service animal, please visit go.nps.gov/serviceanimals. Service animals in training, and animals whose sole function is to provide comfort or emotional support do not qualify as service animals under NPS policy.

The park does not recommend taking service animals into the backcountry. Having a service animal on trails puts you and the animal at a greater risk for wildlife confrontations. If you intend to take a service animal into the backcountry, please stop by a permits office or visitor center to fill out a Service Animal Acknowledgement form.

Concession Facilities

Many park concession facilities can accommodate people with differing abilities. Be sure to call in advance to discuss your needs and determine what services may be available.
Grand Teton Lodge Company 307-543-2811; gtlc.com
- **Jackson Lake Lodge:** 20 accessible guest rooms (four with roll-in showers). Parking, registration, main lobby, decks, and restrooms are accessible. A portable strobe and a TTY kit are available. The Mural Room Restaurant, Blue Heron Lounge, and Pioneer Grill are accessible.
- **Jenny Lake Lodge:** Two accessible guest rooms, but no roll-in showers. The lobby, registration area, restaurant, and restrooms are accessible.
- **Colter Bay Village:** The Colter Bay Cabins have two accessible units. Stores, laundromat, showers, marina, and restaurants are also accessible.
- **Headwaters Lodge & Cabins at Flagg Ranch** 307-543-2861
  One fully accessible room with a roll-in shower, and four accessible rooms without roll-in showers.

Signal Mountain Lodge 307-543-2831; signalmountainlodge.com
- **Signal Mountain Lodge:** Two units are fully accessible with roll-in showers. The general store, gift shop, restaurant and registration building are accessible.
- **Leek’s Restaurant:** The restaurant and restroom are accessible.

Triangle X Ranch 307-733-2183; trianglex.com
One cabin is fully accessible with a roll-in shower; the main house has a ramp, and an accessible restroom in a separate building.

Jenny Lake Boating 307-734-9227; jennylakeboating.com
The bridge, shuttle boats, and both boat docks are accessible to wheelchairs. Accessible loading dock for canoe and kayak rentals. The slope to the dock becomes steeper with low lake water levels.
Visitor Centers and Ranger Programs

All visitor centers have designated parking, accessible restrooms, and a wheelchair to borrow except the Flagg Ranch Information Station. Many ranger talks and evening programs are held in wheelchair-accessible locations; ask at a visitor center, check go.nps.gov/grteprograms, or the App for details. Allow two weeks’ advance notice for American Sign Language interpretation. An FM headset system is available for ranger programs and guided hikes. Please request in advance.

Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center
The information desk, bookstore, and all tactile exhibits are wheelchair accessible. All exhibits with audio are open-captioned, or have text equivalents available. The park film is shown throughout the day and is open-captioned; amplifiers and audio descriptions for the film are available. The auditorium also has an induction loop system for use with hearing aids with a T-Coil or similar receiver.

Jenny Lake Visitor Center
The information desk, bookstore, and all tactile exhibits are accessible from a wheelchair. There are no audio exhibits. The outdoor bronze relief maps, plaza, and paths to the lakeshore are wheelchair accessible. One spot on the lakeshore path allows visitors to roll a wheelchair to the water’s edge.

Colter Bay Visitor Center
The information desk, bookstore, and all tactile exhibits are accessible from a wheelchair. There are no audio exhibits. Films are
shown throughout the day; some are open-captioned, while others are not.

**Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve Center**
Access to the Preserve Center is via a 250-yard poly-pave path that meets ADA standards. The information desk and all tactile exhibits are accessible from a wheelchair. All exhibits with audio are open-captioned or have text equivalents available.

**Flagg Ranch Information Station**
The information and bookstore desk is not wheelchair accessible. Access is via a standard door without a push-button opener.

**Campgrounds and RV Parks**

**Colter Bay, Gros Ventre, Jenny Lake, and Signal Mountain campgrounds** have a number of fully accessible campsites and flush toilets. Some accessible campsites at Gros Ventre, Colter Bay, and Signal Mountain have electric hookups. The Colter Bay amphitheater is fully accessible. The Gros Ventre and Signal Mountain amphitheaters are reached via sloping, sometimes uneven gravel paths.

Eight campsites along **Grassy Lake Road** provide easy access by vehicle and accessible vault toilets.

**Colter Bay RV Park** (full hookups) has a number of fully accessible RV sites and flush toilets.

**Accessible showers** are available at Jenny Lake, Colter Bay Village, and Signal Mountain.
Picnic Areas

All picnic areas have designated parking available.

- **String Lake Picnic Area** has fully accessible paths, picnic tables, and vault toilets.

- **Lakeview, Jackson Lake Dam, and Two Ocean Trailhead Picnic Areas** have partially accessible paths and picnic tables, and fully or partially accessible vault toilets.

- **Cottonwood Creek and Colter Bay Swim Beach Picnic Areas** have partially accessible paths and picnic tables, but lack accessible toilets (accessible flush toilets are available at the Colter Bay Visitor Center).

- **Catholic Bay and Pacific Creek Landing Picnic Areas** have partially accessible vault toilets, but lack accessible picnic tables.

Trails

**Fully Accessible Trails** (all have designated parking available at the trailhead).

- **Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve**: 0.25 mile one-way, firm gravel trail, ending in an overlook of Lake Creek and an area where a wheelchair can roll up to a waterfall.

- **Jenny Lake Shore Trails**: Network of paved trails connecting the Jenny Lake Visitor Center to the lakeshore and east boat dock, including a viewpoint where a wheelchair can roll up to the edge of Jenny Lake. Beach wheelchair available to borrow at the visitor center.

- **Multi-Use Pathway**: 16-mile paved pathway connects Jackson to the South Jenny Lake area. Parking and access points to the pathway include the South Park Entrance Turnout, Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center, Windy Point Turnout, Taggart Lake Trailhead, Teton Glacier Turnout, and Jenny Lake Visitor Center.
Partially Accessible Trails (all have designated parking available at the trailhead, but the surfaces and grades may pose challenges).

- **Colter Bay:** Paved path follows the shore of Jackson Lake for 0.3 miles, beginning at the marina. Access is through the amphitheater.
- **Jackson Lake Dam:** Paved 0.2-mile path begins at the southwest end of the dam, offering spectacular lake and mountain views. The path has slopes up to eight percent with steep dropoffs toward the lake.
- **Menor’s Ferry Historic District:** Uneven, compacted gravel/paved 0.3-mile loop winds around historic buildings. Parts are too narrow to meet ADA standards. No ramps are available to access Menors General Store or Maud Noble’s cabin.
- **String Lake Shore Trail:** Compacted dirt trail runs 0.5 miles along the shore of String Lake south from the picnic area.

Other Facilities

- The **Chapel of the Transfiguration** and the **Chapel of the Sacred Heart** are accessible to wheelchairs (both have standard doors without push-button openers).
- **All overlooks and pull-outs** have curb cuts and wheelchair-accessible information.
- The historic buildings at **Mormon Row** are reached by level but uneven gravel and dirt paths. Fully accessible vault toilets available.
- **String Lake Canoe Launch** is reached by a compacted dirt path.