Horses and other stock have been historically used in the park and parkway. “Stock” is defined as horses, burros, mules, and llamas. Goats are not permitted due to the sensitivity of the local bighorn sheep population. Stock users share trails with hikers—please be considerate of other trail users.

Many trails are rocky and traverse steep terrain. High country trails may remain blocked by snow and impassable to stock until late July. Please refrain from accessing trails that are overly muddy. Check with the park permits office 307-739-3309 prior to setting out. Many horse travelers camp in the adjoining national forest land and take day rides in the park. The primary trailheads for day use are:

- String Lake and Leigh Lake trailheads
- Poker Flats Trailhead
- Taggart Lake Trailhead

**Camping**

Backcountry Camping with Stock

Backcountry camping with stock is allowed only at the five designated stock sites in the park. Fees are not allowed and a backcountry camping permit is required. The sites may be reserved in advance from early-January to mid-May through www.recreation.gov; the reservation fee is $35. The fee for walk-in permits, available up to one day in advance, is $25. All backcountry stock camps are signed and hitch rails are provided.

Backcountry stock camp locations:
- North Fork of Granite Canyon
- Death Canyon
- South Fork of Cascade Canyon
- Paintbrush Canyon below Holly Lake
- Berry Creek near Hechtman Creek

**Regulations**

**General Regulations**

- No party may have more than 12 head of stock for day use or 12 people or 10 head of stock for overnight trips.
- Grazing is prohibited. Processed feed must be packed in and used for all overnight trips; no hay may be packed in. Where allowed, all hay used in the park must be certified as weed free in compliance with Teton County standards.
- The construction of corrals, picketing, hobbling or tying stock to natural features such as trees is prohibited. If hitch rails are not available, tie a rope between two trees away from water sources.
- Llama trekkers should yield the right of way to other stock. Give a verbal warning regarding the presence of llamas to those on horseback as soon as the riders are in hearing range. Llama trekkers should leave the trail and remain stationary until horses have passed.
- For safety reasons, only well-broken, properly shod (except llamas), gentle stock in good condition may be used.
- Keep stock animals at a slow walk when passing near people on foot or bicycle.
- Stock animals have the right-of-way. Hikers should step off the trail and remain quiet while stock animals pass.

**Prohibited Actions**

- The use of animals other than those designated as stock
- The use of stock animals outside of trails, routes or areas designated for their use.
- The use of stock animals on a park road, except where travel is necessary to access designated trails, areas of private property where no alternative trails or routes have been designated; or when the road has been closed to motor vehicles.
Be Bear Aware

- Black and grizzly bears live throughout the park and may be active any time of the day or night.
- Proper food storage is required by federal law. Do not allow bears or other wildlife to obtain human or stock food. Refer to the park’s Backcountry brochure for proper food storage while camping in the backcountry.