

Lake Mead

National Recreation Area

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Discover...

Lake Mead National Recreation Area from the East

If you are exploring Lake Mead National Recreation Area by way of Arizona here are some special places to discover.

Campgrounds

Bring the RV or a tent to camp out at Temple Bar. There is also plenty of backcountry camping including a primitive campground with restrooms at Pearce Ferry.

Temple Bar Loop Trail

An easy walk from the ranger station parking lot takes you on an interpretive trail with 12 stops. Be sure to pick up the guide and learn about the land, plants, animals and history of the area.

Temple Bar Marina

In addition to a full-service marina, Temple Bar offers lakeside lodging and a convenient RV park with full hook-ups, coin laundry and easy access to the convenience store, gift shop, cafe and launch ramp.

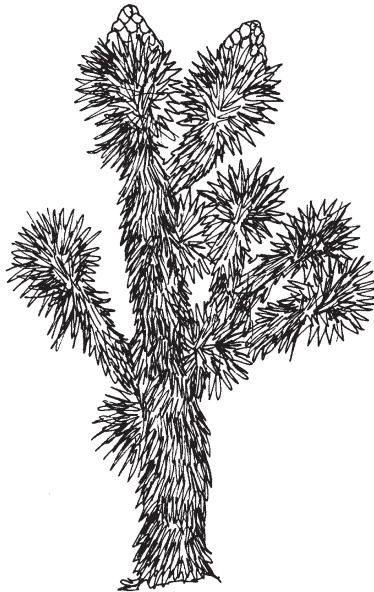
Bonelli Landing

This remote area off of Temple Bar Road was the original location of a ferry service to cross the Colorado River before Hoover Dam was built. The beach opens up to the secluded Virgin Basin and Bonelli Bay. Restrooms are available.

Joshua Tree Forest

Located on and around Grapevine Mesa near Meadview, Arizona, is one of the largest and densest Joshua tree forests of its kind in the world.

The forest is designated as an *Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC)*. Hiking offers the greatest opportunity for bird and wildlife observation. Stay on the roads to protect the soil and also it will make it easier to spot a rattlesnake.



Take generous amounts of water, snacks and a cell phone; take only photos and leave only footprints. You are not an intruder on foot – you are part of the scene.

South Cove

South Cove is the farthest east you can launch a boat in the recreation area. Parking, restrooms, emergency call box and a launchramp are available. Pay close attention to fluctuating water as reefs and sand bars can appear without warning.

Backcountry Roads

Grab extra water, a picnic lunch, a spare tire and a camera and go discover the backcountry around east Lake Mead. Discover Gregg's Hideout, Burro Spring, Hualapai Bay and Salt Spring. Please only drive on approved backcountry roads that are marked with yellow arrow signs. Backcountry travel is not recommended in the summer due to high temperatures.

Please practice these safety tips while discovering Lake Mead National Recreation Area:

- Carry and drink water
- Take a buddy
- Leave an itinerary
- Protect yourself from sun, thorns and wildlife
- Wear sturdy shoes
- Don't rely on cell service
- Don't hike in the summer

