



Hikes

The National Park Service is presenting guided hikes and programs throughout the Lake Mead National Recreation Area during the months of January and February. For information and reservations call the Lake Mead Visitor Center at 702-293-8990, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. **Reservations are required on all hikes.** For safety reasons please leave dogs at home.

Sunday, Jan. 1 **Hamblin Mountain Hike**
Join us for a rugged cross-country hike through spectacular geologic patterns of brightly colored rocks. Enjoy the fabulous views of Boulder Narrows, Pinto Valley Wilderness and beyond. This is a strenuous six-mile loop that requires some rock scrambling.

Saturday, Jan. 7 **Full Moon Hike**—Go on an easy moonlight stroll and learn more about the nightlife and history of Lake Mead NRA. Remember to bring your flashlight for this easy two-mile walk.

Sunday, Jan. 8 **Cholla Forrest**
Hike up an alluvial fan to an interesting community of un-huggable teddy bear chollas. Learn how this cholla forest grows on this moderate five-mile hike.

Tuesday, Jan. 10 **Voyage of Discovery**
John Wesley Powell's 1868 trip down the Colorado River was full of risk and adventure. Join Ranger Michelle to learn more about this fascinating man and his epic journey. Boulder City Library, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 14 **Bowl of Fire**
Hike across a desert flat to the spectacularly shaped Bowl of Fire. The wide variety of sculpted, colorful sandstone provides ample room for exploration and easy access to dramatic views. This is a moderate five-mile hike.

Saturday, Jan. 21 **Evening with the Stars**
Explore the wonders of the night sky. Learn the major constellations and the stories that go with them. Remember to bring a flashlight. Meet at Boulder Beach campground amphitheater at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 21 **Bluffs Trail Nature Walk**—Hike into a wash community and explore the abundant natural history of the area. Bring a camera and or binoculars to catch a glimpse of the wildlife in the area. This is an easy two-mile hike.

Saturday, Jan. 21 **Pinto Valley loop**
Hike over a variety of saddles and through geologically striking washes on the way to a commanding view of scenic Pinto Valley. Keep an eye out for wildlife at the backcountry Cottonwood Spring. This is a moderately strenuous eight-mile hike.

Sunday, Jan. 22 **Historic Railroad Tunnel Trail**—Follow the route of the old Hoover Dam supply train through five railroad tunnels. Along the way, you will learn about the lives, hardships and accomplishments of the workers who tamed the Colorado River. This is a moderate five-mile hike.

Monday, Jan. 23 **Arizona Hot Springs**
Come with us to explore the scenic White Rock Canyon which leads directly to the Colorado River below Hoover Dam and a well-known hot-spring on the Arizona side of the river. This is a six-mile hike.

Saturday, Jan. 28 **Liberty Bell Arch**
Traverse a narrow wash through ancient river beds past the remains of a World War II era mine. On the way to Black Canyon view a natural arch created by wind and water. This is a moderate six-mile hike.

Saturday, Feb. 4 **Full Moon Hike**
Go on an easy moonlight stroll and learn more about the nightlife and history of Lake Mead NRA. Remember to bring your flashlight for this easy two-mile walk.

Tuesday, Feb. 7 **Fortification Hill**
Fortification Hill is an imposing mountain with multicolored, 2,000-foot-high cliffs that dominate the Boulder Basin of Lake Mead. Commanding views of the surrounding area reward those who participate in this hike. This is a very strenuous four-mile hike that requires some rock scrambling.

Saturday, Feb. 11 **Bowl of Fire**
Hike across a desert flat to the spectacularly shaped Bowl of Fire. The wide variety of sculpted, colorful sandstone provides

ample room for exploration and easy access to dramatic views. This is a moderate five-mile hike.

Tuesday, Feb. 14 **O'Sullivan: A View from the Past** - In 1871 photographer Timothy O'Sullivan created some of the earliest photographs of the Colorado River Region. Join Ranger Megan and follow the journey through his photographs. Learn about the hardships of early photography and river exploration. Boulder City Library, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 18 **Pinto Valley**—Hike over a variety of saddles and geologically striking washes on the way to a commanding view of scenic Pinto Valley. Keep an eye out for wildlife at the backcountry Cottonwood Spring. This is a strenuous eleven-mile hike.

Saturday, Feb. 18 **White Owl Canyon**
This intriguing hike begins near the water's edge and winds into a narrow canyon where birds of prey have been spotted. Explore a twisting wash with multiple signs of life. This is a moderate three-mile hike.

Saturday, Feb. 18 **Evening with the Stars**
Explore the wonders of the night sky with us. Learn the major constellations and the stories that go with them. Remember to bring a flashlight. Meet at the Water Safety Center at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 25 **St. Thomas**
Stroll Walk back in time to the days before the waters of Lake Mead covered this small farming community. Share the memories and explore the lifestyle of an earlier time. This is a moderate three-mile hike.

Sunday, Feb. 26 **Cholla Forrest**
Hike up an alluvial fan to an interesting community of un-huggable teddy bear chollas. Learn how this cholla forest grows on this moderate five-mile hike.