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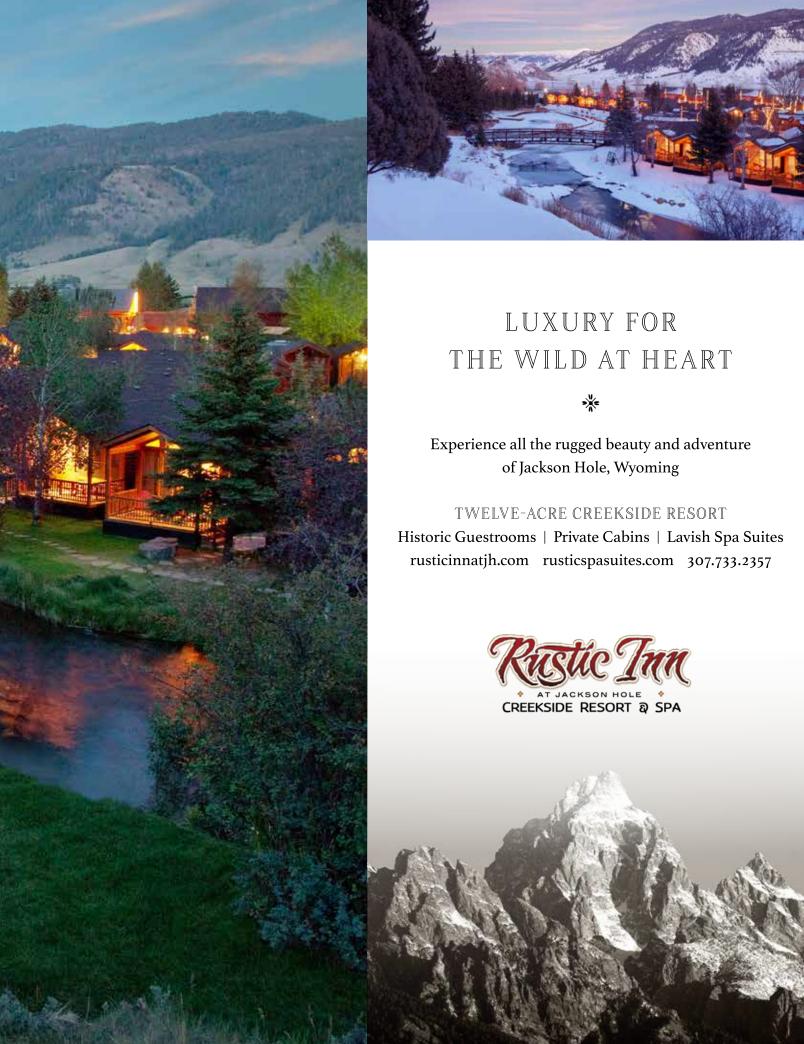


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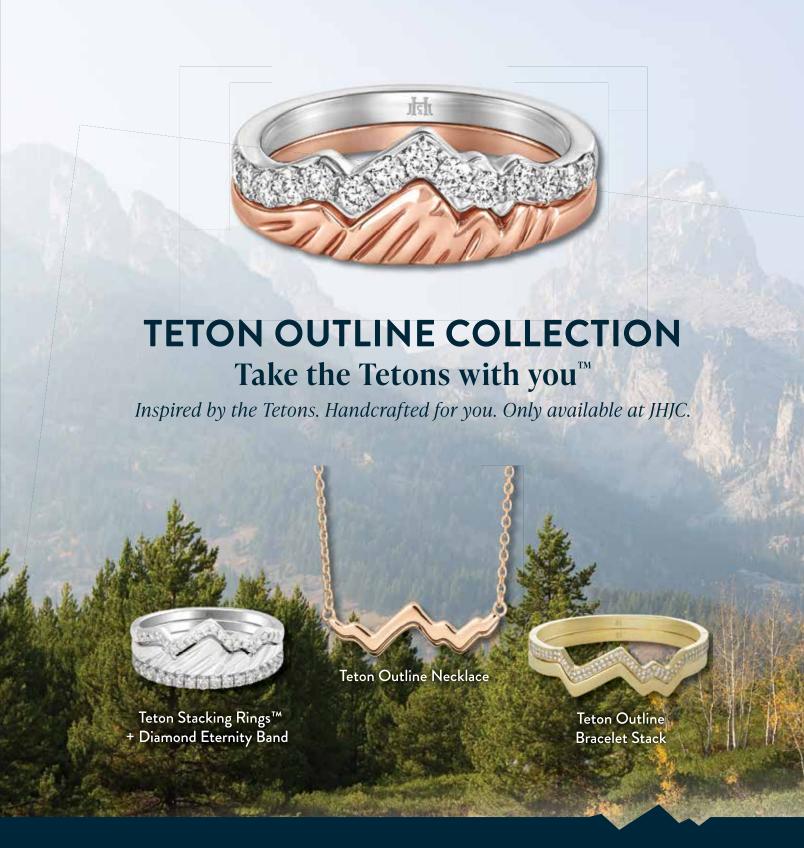


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The Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem is one of the great and wild jewels of North America. This region of over 40 million acres stretching between the states of Wyoming, Montana and Idaho is a rich and glittering landscape marked by the vast herds of historic megafauna, glacier-studded mountain peaks, unpolluted rivers and dark starry skies that have been hallmarks for our American landscape for thousands of years. The protected landscapes in Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks offer a window into the pre-settlement history of the West, and into the future of conservation, nature appreciation, and outdoor adventure.

Many visitors come to the Greater Yellowstone area specifically to see its robust wildlife populations. The ability to see wildlife in person, and not in captivity, is a potent and memorable experience. Using high-quality optics such as binoculars and telescopes allows us to have a present and intimate interaction with the landscapes in front of us without intruding. We can study birds with their intricate, colorful feathers, their ornate and fascinating nests and even their unique personalities and behaviors. We can watch grizzly bears foraging for flowers and digging for ground squirrels, bison wallowing in

vast sage fields with huge clouds of dust visible for miles, and bull elk bugling their desires into cool autumn mornings. We can observe otters fishing, osprey diving, beavers constructing dens, and moose browsing on willows. We can hear the gray wolf howling in the National Elk Refuge, only minutes from the town of Jackson, and know that its pack is gathering for a hunt. We see the National Parks as an intact ecosystem, and we are able to tell its story through vision and experience.

The joy of wildlife guiding lies in the history of its near impossibility. In the last 150 years of Western expansion, many animals were targeted for use in the fur trade and eradication of predators for the purpose of expanding ranching and agriculture. Huge populations of deer, otters, martens, swans and beavers, notable for their specific ecosystem creations that allow for hundreds of other species to thrive, were brought to near extinction by lack of consideration and care. Our predators have suffered worse, as vast numbers of gray wolves, grizzly bears, lynx, mountain lions and coyotes have found themselves the targets of destruction, an ongoing act with disastrous consequences. The limited development allowed within the National Parks has created prime rehabilitation habitats for America's wildlife, and an opportunity for us humans to learn from, and enjoy, their presence.

For this reason, Jackson Hole has long been an enclave of wildlife enthusiasts and nature lovers. Wildlife Guides build on this tradition of attention and passion, and offer a complex skill set of outdoor education and immersive experiences to present day visitors. These Wildlife Guides are well-rounded, highly charged, intellectual and personable folk who connect the story of the GYE and its unique history to their guests. They manifest once-in-a-lifetime wildlife sightings and create wild experiences that amaze and inspire. What was a nascent industry only 20 years ago, has now become one of the most rewarding ways to experience our National Parks.

The best guides are people that pursue knowledge and experience every single day. They count the bird species they saw, everything from bald eagles to songbirds. They listen for the call of a marmot from a scree field, knowing a cougar or a fox will be close. They know how to track elk through a lodgepole forest, smelling their musk, and listening for the cracking of twigs. They know when a grizzly might raid a field of wild camas flowers for a special, spring feast. They are as in love with the Jackson Hole Valley and its wildlife as anyone ever has been. They are people with senses attuned to this landscape. These are the guides of Jackson Hole Wildlife Safaris.

Safari is a word that means "journey" in Swahili, a language spoken in the part of the world where wildlife expeditions first became a tourist draw (Kenya and Tanzania). For us, the journey is in exploring this wild landscape together, leaving the modernized world behind for a moment, and trusting the experience to a professional who can transform the smallest details into a meaningful understanding of the world around us. We partake in the great legacy of guiding because we want our guests to see the world as we do; ancient and new, exciting and disarming, curious and inspiring and awesome.

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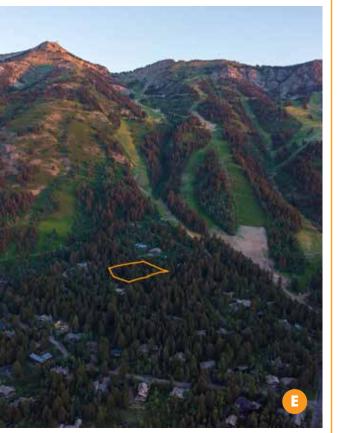
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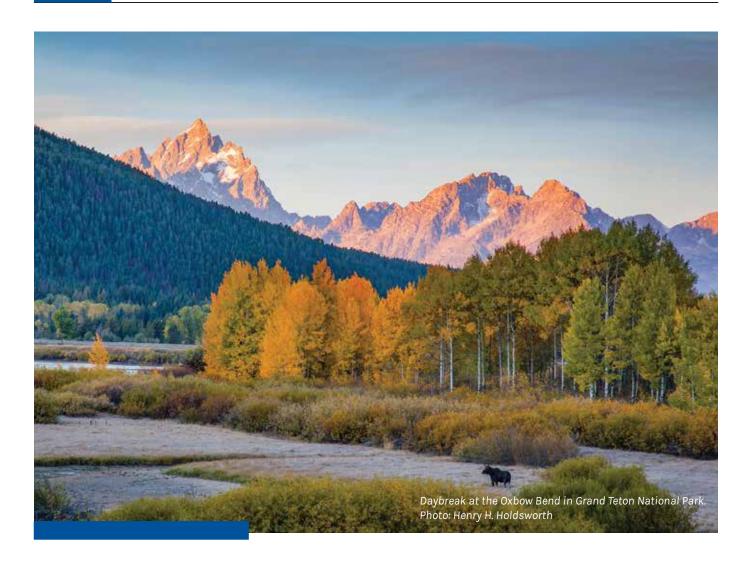
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You Made It!

he first humans ventured into the Jackson Hole region approximately 11,000 years ago and, over time, organized themselves into indigenous groups, including the Mountain Shoshone, Eastern Shoshone, Crow, Bannock, Blackfoot, Northern Arapaho, Gros Ventre, and Nez Perce (according to History Jackson Hole). The harsh climate, however, made the region inaccessible during winter, and so they moved on seasonally.

French fur trappers, in search of prized beaver pelts, set up significant trade routes through the valley in the early 19th century — routes that were later followed by the Lewis and Clark Expedition. These mountain men endured the unrelenting environment, often battling weather and wild animals. Then, during summers when the snow receded, they would come together for trade gatherings in the valley called "rendezvous."

David "Davey" Jackson was one such mountain man famed for being the first European to spend a whole winter on the valley floor, his favorite trapping spot. Soon, the region was known as "Jackson's Hole," with "hole" referring to the term trappers used for any high mountain valley.

Today, the Teton region still attracts adventurers willing to endure the climate in trade for what the area offers in way of recreation and natural beauty. Like Davey Jackson, us modernday locals were drawn to the wildness and the feeling of freedom it engenders. So, welcome! We hope Jackson Hole leaves its forever mark on you, too.



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Natural beauty and abundant wildlife surrounds Jackson—the gateway to two of America's most beloved national parks. We welcome you and hope that your visit here is magical. We value our wild land, wild culture, and wildlife. We hope that when you leave you are as compelled as we are to protect and keep this place—and places like it—unique and wild. To learn more about how our community is Keeping Jackson Hole Wild, and how you can participate, visitjacksonhole.com/sustainability

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FRIENDS OF BRIDGER TETON

Friends of the Bridger-Teton is a nonprofit that works to support the 3.4 million acre Bridger-Teton National Forest, which includes many of Jackson's most popular recreation areas. The organization partners with the BTNF to both improve infrastructure and also to promote responsible recreation so that the forest can be enjoyed by its many users now and into the future. *btfriends.org*

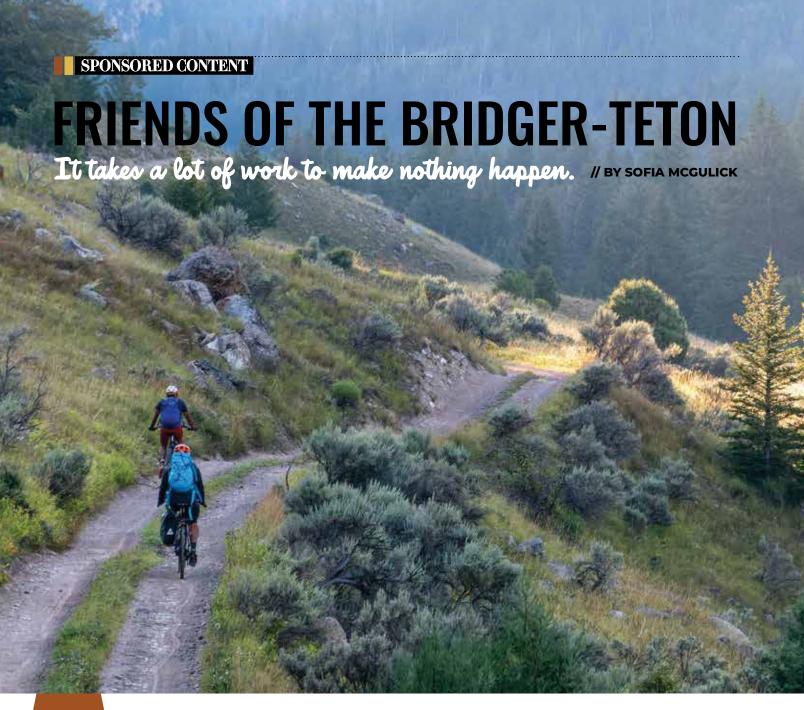
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At 3.4 million acres, the Bridger-Teton National Forest (BTNF)

is the single largest piece of public land in the 15+ million acre Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem (it's bigger than Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks combined!). Many of Jackson Hole's most beloved places are on the BTNF, including Cache Creek, Teton Pass, Curtis Canyon, Snow King, Shadow Mountain, and Jackson Hole Mountain Resort.

Working with dozens of partner organizations, Friends of the Bridger-Teton (FBT) promotes and facilitates responsible recreation on this amazing landscape so that we can all enjoy the Forest's diversity and wealth of resources now and into the future.

Friends of the Bridger-Teton's flagship program is Ambassadors for Responsible Recreation. Over the past several summers, Ambassadors at dispersed camping areas at Curtis Canyon, Shadow Mountain, and Toppings/Spread Creek have extinguished more than 500 abandoned campfires, any of which could have become a wildfire, and have also secured hundreds of attractants that could have led to human-bear conflicts. "There is no question Ambassadors have made a significant impact in preserving the forest's resources," says Linda Merigliano, the BTNF wilderness and recreation manager.

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Here's a few things you can do to help us make nothing happen.



PREVENT WILDFIRES

The best way to prevent a wildfire is to not build a campfire. If you do want to have a campfire, first check the local fire danger (www.fs.usda.gov/btnf) to see if campfires are allowed. If they are, only build a campfire in a designated fire ring. Never leave your fire unattended, and make sure that it is completely extinguished—drown it with water, stir, feel for heat, and then repeat until it is cold to the touch.



KEEP WILDLIFE WILD

Centuries ago, moose, wolves, bison, elk, eagles, sandhill cranes, trumpeter swans, grizzly and black bears, bighorn sheep, bald eagles, elk, and mountain lions lived on or migrated through the lands that is

now the BTNF ... and all of these species still live wild on the BTNF today. Wildlife watching is one of the least physically demanding activities you can do on the BTNF, but carries some of the highest consequences, not only for you, but also for the animals.

Watch wildlife safely by:

- Giving them space and always staying at least 100 yards away from black and grizzly bears, and at least 25 yards from all other animals, including bison, elk, and moose. These distances are minimums, though: if an animal is reacting to your presence, you're too close.
- Keeping your dog under control.
- Never feeding wildlife. Human food is bad for the teeth and digestive systems of many species. Animals dependent upon handouts can lose their ability to find their own natural food and then die when winter comes and no one feeds them. Feeding animals can make them lose their fear of humans, making them easy targets for hunters. Fed animals will start associating humans with food and coming into populated areas, which can cause wildlife managers to relocate or kill these animals.

For more information about how to protect the wildlife that makes Jackson Hole and the BTNF so special, go to beingwildjh.com.



AQUATIC AND INVASIVE SPECIES

Across the U.S., there are about 50,000 non-native or invasive plant species. These wreak havoc on native habitats and ecosystems, damage crops, and, especially important in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, one of the few intact ecosystems remaining in the world, threaten native species. Nationwide, 42% of threatened and endangered species are at risk at least partially as a result of invasive species; approximately 18% are at risk primarily as a result.

On the BTNF, 29 land- and aquatic invasive species have been found and identified. Help stop the threat posed by invasive species by:



PlayCleanGo

Stop the spread of invasive species in your tracks by remembering to:

- **REMOVE** plants and mud from boots, gear, pets, and vehicles.
- **CLEAN** your gear before entering and leaving the recreation site.
- **STAY** on designated roads and trails.
- **USE** certified or local firewood and hay.

For more information, go to toweed.org

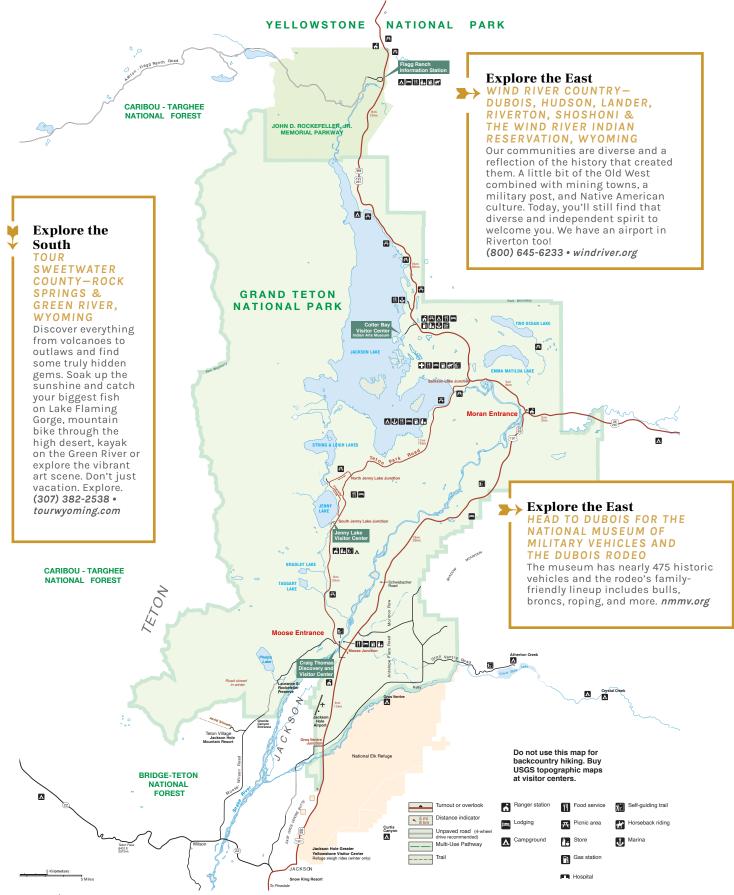


Stop the Spread!

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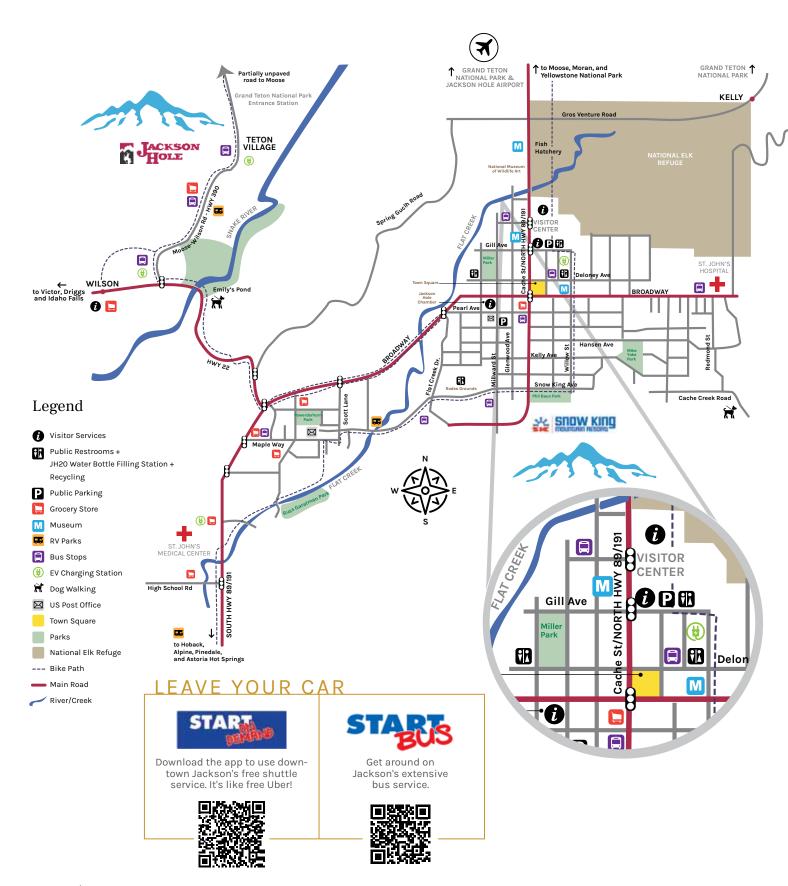
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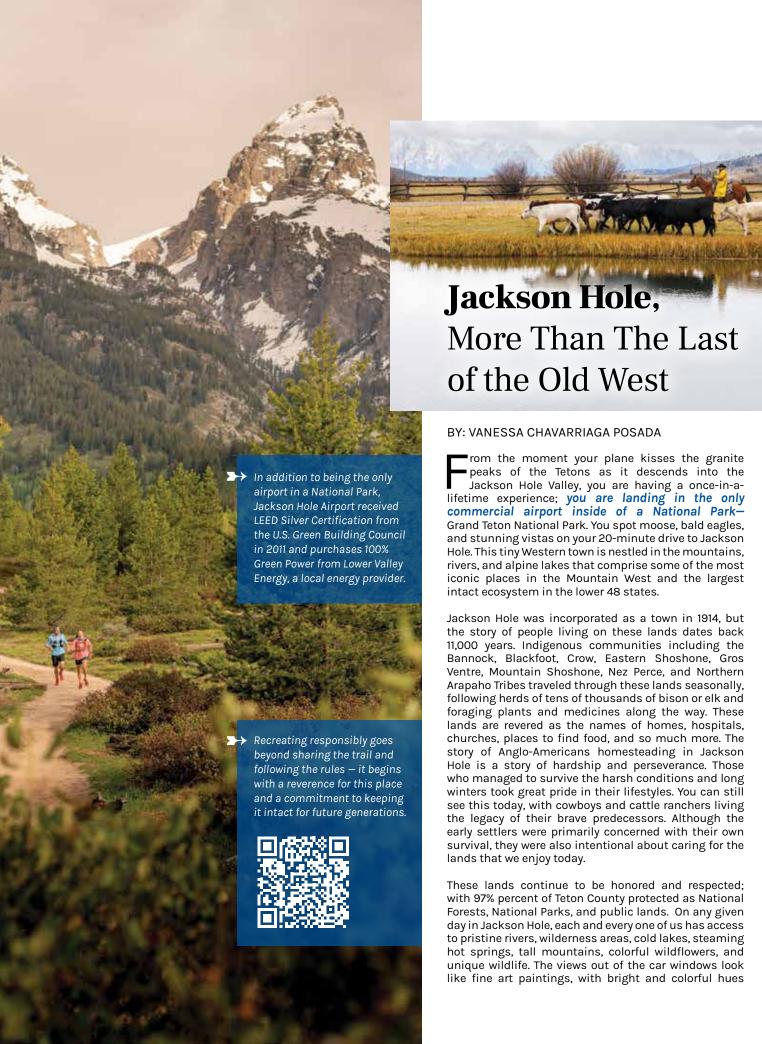
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Jackson Hole sees many visitors and travelers from all over, with over 3.4 million visitors in 2023. We sit at the crossroads of many regional attractions and are a major stop in the great American road trip. Jackson Hole, often referred to as the Last of the Wild West, has its own set of unspoken rules. Similarly to walking the streets of a large city, there are cultural norms that must be followed. The tip of a hat or a two-finger wave is a kind hello.

Our culture is largely informed by our landscape. Western hospitality is grounded in respect: we respect each other, both human and non-human beings. The proximity to public lands here includes proximity to wild creatures; Jackson Hole has many important species in its backyard including grizzly bears, bald eagles, bison, the endangered sage grouse, three types of trout, and more. The generations-long effort to protect surrounding public lands has surmounted to the preservation of one of the most intact ecosystems in the world. The Jackson Hole community has curated an important set of guidelines for honoring and protecting this space. These include Leave No Trace principles, Tagging Responsibly on social media, Know Before You Go practices, trail etiquette and keeping a safe distance from wildlife. The impacts we have on this land can be incredibly positive if taken seriously or extremely negative if misunderstood.

For many, Jackson Hole is a place of firsts: a first time skiing, summiting a tall mountain, seeing a bear, walking in the moonlight and seeing the whole world come to life. This is a place that teaches us to expand possibilities, dream bigger, and appreciate the beauty of the outdoors. There is a certain kind of childhood joy that comes out when we get to try something completely new and exciting, something that becomes less and less available the older we get. This narrative is exemplified in Jackson Hole, where locals focus not on how old you are, but how many years "wild" you are. What keeps people young is never letting go of the childhood

spirit of awe, wonder, and exploration. Jackson Hole has a way of making every single one of us feel like a kid in a candy store.

Jackson Hole believes in community; strangers become friends and friends become family. We take great pride in sharing our favorite and most beautiful spaces with every visitor. We give strangers our pro tips for spotting animals, share our favorite spots to watch the sunset, the best place to grab a burger. There is no need to rush here. We aren't speeding down our highways or packing too much into our days; a little bit of patience goes a long way. Whether we are playing in the snow or watching elk cross the highway, we are reminded to slow down.

The best tip to making the most out of each day is to plan ahead. It would take several lifetimes for a single person to capture all of the possibilities of a day in Jackson Hole, which is why we've done it for you. Doing some research before your trip, whether online, in magazines, or asking folks in person, will save you time and ensure you spend your energy on what matters most to you. Acquiring information through your own experiences also qualifies you to pay it forward and share your learnings with others. Creating a collective, shared experience around the beauty and excitement of Jackson Hole just makes your experience better. After all, joy is best when shared.

How do you show your love towards a place? We are receiving gifts from the land whether we are awe-struck from the sunrise we watched or we develop a passion for a new sport. The best way to reciprocate the gifts we are given is to respond with love and care. This can look like educating ourselves on the best practices specific to that place, slowing down and relishing in the special moments, and sharing your experiences with others. No matter how long your stay in Jackson Hole may be, you are leaving a footprint on this landscape and it is leaving one in you. Every interaction you have plays a small part in the culture we create. Together, we create a culture that tips its hat at you and leaves you looking in the rear view mirror, longing for your return.



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What's New

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SNOW KING PLANETARIUM

The folks over at Snow King Resort are a little giddy right now, and rightfully so! This summer marks the opening of the Snow King Planetarium and Observatory, the first of its kind at the top of a ski area. (If you're around, join them for the grand opening on June 1, when you can shake hands with Bill Nye, the Science Guy.)

Here's what you'll find at this one-of-a-kind science facility:

- 1-meter telescope with a variety of camera attachments that allows visitors to look at the night sky, as well as view digital images on a screen.
- Science on a Sphere® NOAA exhibit that projects planetary data and science experiments onto a roomsized sphere that floats off the ground, creating an animated globe.
- A variety of solar telescopes and small night sky telescopes that allows visitors to view the sky from the planetarium's rooftop deck.
- Daily day and night programming hosted by Snow King's resident astronomer, Joe Zator.

The Tetons under a blanket of stars, captured from Teton Science School's Kelly Campus. Photo: Keegan Rice

"The new Snow King Planetarium and Observatory is an amazing addition to Jackson Hole that will continue to expand the range of offerings at Snow King Mountain, so we truly have something for everyone at 'The King,'" says Ryan Stanley, Snow King's general manager.

In addition to the planetarium (accessed by the resort's gondola), Snow King will introduce a mountaintop restaurant this fall, complete with a bar and spectacular 360-degree views.

JACKSON HOLE MOUNTAIN RESORT

It's no secret. Jackson Hole Mountain Resort (JHMR) often finds itself on the list of ski resorts with extreme terrain. But this family-friendly resort also offers year-round fun with its network of summer adventures.

Adding to the resort's world-class status is Jackson Hole's Via Ferrata climbing experience. This activity — modeled after the routes, or "iron ways," Italian soldiers built during World War I — takes

you on a journey above the valley floor using suspended bridges and ladders affixed to granite walls. This summer, JHMR will unveil its third installation of new routes, which can be accessed by both experienced climbers and novices.

If you'd rather take in the view, minus the cables and harnesses, check out the Grand Teton Skywalk. This 20-foot-long glass platform juts out from the side of Rendezvous Mountain and offers a breathtaking 360-degree view of the Teton Range, the Snake River Valley, and Jackson's surrounding mountains.



GRAND TARGHEE RESORT

Over the hill at Grand Targhee Resort, mountain athletes can expect solid competition at several of the resort's signature races. Pierre's Hole crosscountry mountain bike race and the Wildflower Run 10K and half marathon (now in its second year) test competitor's skills as they ride and run their way through wildflower-lined trails. The Colter's Cup mountain bike race, a new addition to the summer event lineup, will take riders on a climb up the mountain and a high-speed descent down the Mill Creek Trail to end on the valley floor in Teton Canyon. Riders can tackle the whole thing solo or sign up as a team.

For those who prefer to kick back and enjoy the ride, come winter, Call of the WYld embarks on one-hour dogsledding trips to Rick's Basin, unveiling the natural beauty and wildlife that exist just outside of the resort's hustle-bustle.



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Jackson Hole's History: A Close-Up Profile

BY BRITNEY MAGLEBY

he stories of Jackson Hole's history are rich and deep, filled with steaming geysers and wild beasts, and echoing with the sound of Shoshone tribal celebrations and action-packed Western movie sets. The Jackson Hole History Museum keeps these stories alive, invoking the memories and souls of the men and women who found inspiration in these mountains.

The museum, run by History Jackson Hole (formerly the Jackson Hole Historical Society), recently opened a new campus on Broadway and Willow that showcases "over 11,000 years of human history in the Tetons," says Morgan

Jaouen, executive director of History Jackson Hole. Once a hobby of two locals, Slim Lawrence and Homer Richards, the Jackson Hole History Museum now houses 7,200 historical objects, 19,600 photographs, and 8,200 records in a 13,000-square-foot building the organization can finally call home.

"We want to encourage visitors to use this as a jumping off point for their vacation," Jaouen explains. To know a place, you must first understand its history...

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PRE-1800s

LATE 1800s

EARLY 1900s

The land now known as Jackson Hole was first inhabited by the Mountain Shoshone and other Native peoples. The museum shares indigenous stories from the Shoshone-Bannock culture that are interpreted by a language specialist to ensure authentic representation of the Native community's past and present.

The area wouldn't be what it is today without the grit and resilience of early homesteading and ranching families, including the Karns family, whose 1890s cabin is on display outside the new museum.

Grand Teton National Park was established in 1929, then later expanded to connect with Yellowstone, turning Jackson Hole into a national park gateway community and major travel destination.

EARLY 1800s

Exploration by fur trappers and mountain men brought Euro-American visitors to the region then known as "Jackson's Hole," named for fur trapper Davey Jackson.

A rendering of the Jackson Hole History Museum campus from Broadway Avenue. Image: HGA Architects.







LEFT: Early Grand Teton National Park rangers.

ABOVE: This photo of Jackson in 1907 reveals a few homesteads, including the Karns homestead, and commercial buildings.

MID - LATE 1900s

EARLY 2000s

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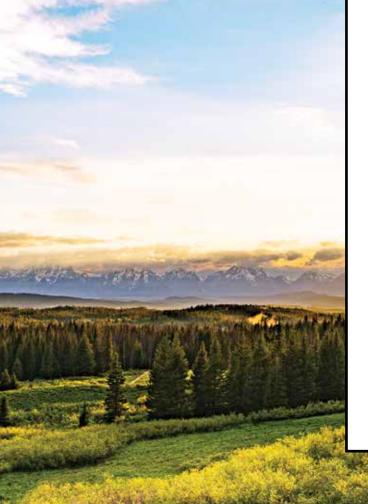
The addition of commercial airline service to Jackson Hole, the use of Jackson as a film set for popular Western movies, and the evolution of local ski resorts made the area more accessible and inviting.

Jackson became widely known as one of the most beautiful destinations in the United States. In 2020, residents took notice of increased visitation and committed to ensuring a sustainable destination for generations to come.

The community celebrated a milestone when the Jackson Hole History Museum opened the doors of its permanent home. This community-centric space intentionally contrasts old and new: a contemporary structure with reclaimed wood finishes and floor-to-ceiling windows that showcases ancient and modern artifacts, historic photos, and two authentic log cabins. The result is a fitting display of the area's unique history — a place where anyone can find inspiration from those who came before and seek excitement in shaping what's to come.



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Have Bike, Will Travel A roundup of Jackson's bike path adventures

BY BRITNEY MAGLEBY

bike saddle may just be the best way to experience Jackson Hole in summer. When you know where to go, pedaling takes you to destinations that cars can't reach (and spins you right past the sometimes-heavy visitor traffic). Pop into a local bike shop to get the beta and peruse the wide selection of wheels available for rent.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY PICNIC RIDE:

Emily Stevens Park to R Park

Grab mountain bikes (and a bike rack if you need it) from Hoback Sports in town, then drive to Emily Stevens Park on the northwest bank of the Snake River in Wilson. Pedal up the trail and over a pedestrian bridge to Rendezvous Park (known locally as "R Park"), where you can lock up the bikes at the entrance. Then walk the path to discover Mama Mimi, Jackson's resident troll and impressive community art project. While you're at it, pack a picnic lunch and grab your fishing pole. Oh, and don't forget your birding book.

HAPPY HOUR WITH A VIEW:

The Aspens to The Deck at Piste Mountain Bistro

Rent electric bikes from Teton E-Bike Adventures and ride on the bike path from town for a longer excursion or start at The Aspens on WY 390 in Wilson (locals call this stretch of the Moose-Wilson Road "Teton Village Road"). Continue on the bike path until you reach Teton Village. If you time it right, you can lock your bikes and ride the gondola to the Bridger Center for a happy hour and play date at 8,000 feet.

NATIONAL PARK ROAD SPIN WITH A STOP-OFF:

Jackson to Dornans

Rent bikes from Pedego JH or Wheel Wranglers, then start your ride at The National Elk Refuge (or you can pedal all the way from town if you prefer). The paved pathway with epic views goes into Grand Teton National Park and ends at Jenny Lake. Take a small detour to Dornans in Moose for pizza and beer.

IN-TOWN GRAVEL RIDE:

Cache Creek Road

The massive Cache Creek trail system is a hot spot for mountain bikers. But if you just want to take advantage of incredible views, you can ride up Cache Creek Road (it's approximately a 4-mile out-and-back on a gravel road), drop the bikes, and hike up a single-track trail for a picture. It's a downhill cruise the whole way back.



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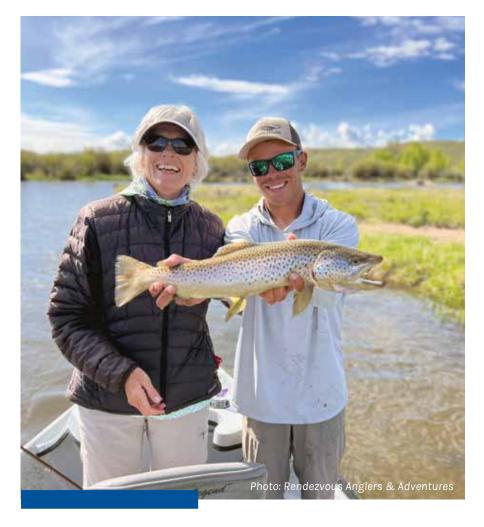


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Diary of a RAPTOR

BY MOLLY ABSOLON

us stares at me, his eyes deep brown and unblinking. There's something primitive about his gaze. It's certainly not a human look, and I wonder what he sees — what he's thinking.

Gus is a 19-year-old golden eagle and a resident ambassador at Teton Raptor Center for 17 years, since the early days when Teton Raptor Center was the Raptor Fund (with only \$100 in the bank, some mice in the freezer, and raptors in the living room of the center's founders, Roger Smith and Margaret Creel).

Smith tells people: Staring into a raptor's eyes is staring into true wildness. He believes one of the gifts of Teton Raptor Center is that it allows people to experience that wildness at arm's length.

From its humble beginnings, Teton Raptor Center has grown into an educational and rehabilitative organization with a \$1.9 million budget and a 27-acre campus on the historic Hardeman Ranch in Wilson, Wyoming. The facilities include an innovative flight barn and clinic for the care and rehabilitation of injured raptors, a dedicated space for educational programs, a nature shop in the restored Hardeman Barn, and housing and office space for staff and interns.

RESIDENT SPECIES

Five types of raptors can be found in Jackson Hole: owls, falcons, hawks, ospreys, and eagles. All raptors share three characteristics. They are carnivores able to hunt, catch, and kill live prey. They have strong talons or toes that can grasp and hold their prey. (The name raptor comes from the Latin word rapere, which means to grab with force.) And they all have sharp beaks capable of tearing off bite-sized chunks of meat.

Some of the most common raptors found in the region include \dots

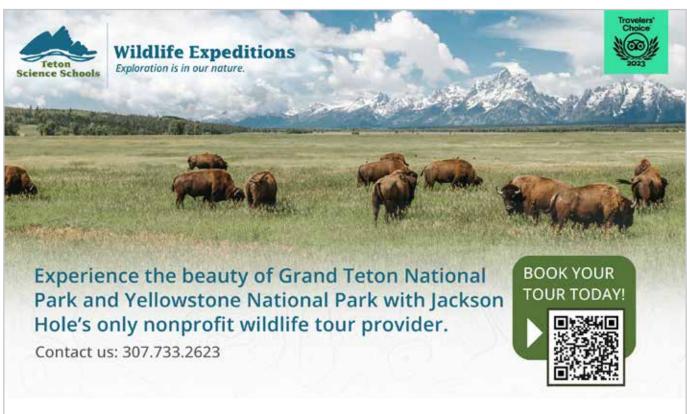


Great Horned Owls, Bubo virginianus

The most common owl species in North America, great horned owls are known for their distinctive ear tufts and deep hooting voices. Great horned owls are crepuscular animals (which means they are active at dawn and dusk), and their excellent vision and hearing allow them to hunt mice and voles in dim light. With an average wingspan of 4.6 feet, and height of roughly 2 feet, these owls are surprisingly light, weighing around 2 to 3 pounds, with females coming in slightly larger than males. Great horned owls take over nests abandoned by other species to raise their young.

Red-Tailed Hawk, Buteo jamaicensis

Named for their distinctive red tail feathers, red-tailed hawks actually show up in a wide variety of color morphs. Red-tails are one of North America's most widespread and commonly seen large hawks and can often be spotted perched on telephone poles and large trees or soaring overhead. Red-tails have wingspans of nearly 5 feet, and weigh between 1.5 and 3.5 pounds. The birds feed on ground squirrels, voles, mice, and rabbits. They are also known to eat snakes — a red-tail can swoop in and grab a rattlesnake with its talons before the snake has time to strike.





Osprey, Pandion haliaetus

One of the most seen raptors in Jackson Hole, due to the nesting platforms found along the highway between Jackson and Wilson, ospreys live on every continent in the world except Antarctica. An osprey's diet consists almost entirely of fish, and they are excellent anglers, successfully snagging their prey in at least seven out of every 10 attempts. Ospreys have remarkable vision that enables them to see fish below the water's surface, and when they dive, a nictitating membrane moves across their eyes, creating a type of goggle that allows them to see clearly under water.

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Bald Eagles, Haliaeetus leucocephalus

In 1963, only 417 nesting pairs of bald eagles remained in the lower 48 states due to the impact of the pesticide DDT, which caused the eagles' eggshells to become so thin they broke before chicks could hatch. Today, thanks to the banning of DDT and other conservation efforts, there are more than 70,000 nesting pairs of bald eagles in the continental United States, and they are a common sight in Jackson Hole. Typically found within a mile or two of rivers, lakes, and other bodies of water, bald eagles primarily eat fish. They range from 28 to 40 inches in length, have a wingspan between 5.9 and 8 feet, and weigh 8 to 14 pounds. Opportunistic predators, bald eagles hunt a wide variety of prey including reptiles, amphibians, mammals, and birds. They are also known to harass other birds to steal their food and will scavenge carrion when available. Bald eagle nests can be 10 feet wide and weigh as much as 2,000 pounds. The birds live 20 to 30 years in the wild, and longer in captivity. They mate for life and share the task of raising their young usually two to three chicks that can double in size during the first 24 hours of life.



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Swainson's Hawk, Buteo swainsoni

Typically found in open country, Swainson's hawks are known to migrate more than 12,000 miles from their breeding grounds in western North America to wintering grounds in South America. They feed on a variety of small mammals, birds, reptiles, insects, and amphibians. The birds soar or perch to search for prey and are skilled at catching insects on the wing, although they can also be seen running around on the ground in search of bugs. Swainson's hawks have been conditioned to follow tractors and other agricultural equipment, having learned that rodents are exposed by the harvesting and plowing, leading to an easy meal.



SPECIAL GUESTS

Great Gray Owl, Strix nebulosa

While great horned owls are the most common owl, great grays are one of Jackson Hole's more exotic residents. Great grays are the tallest owls, standing as high as 33 inches. The birds look deceptively big because of the dense feathers that allow them to survive in cold, harsh conditions, but they typically weigh less than three pounds.

Golden Eagle, Aquila chrysaetos

While bald eagles steal the show in Jackson Hole, goldens are also present. Bald eagles are fishing eagles and live near water, while goldens prefer mountain and sagebrush habitat. Known as "booted eagles" because their legs are covered with feathers all the way down to their toes, goldens prey on a wide variety of mammals, ranging in size from rabbits up to young pronghorn antelopes. Golden eagles are similar in size to bald eagles and are known for their agility and speed in flight. They also mate for life, with their chicks leaving the nest at 10 to 12 weeks old.

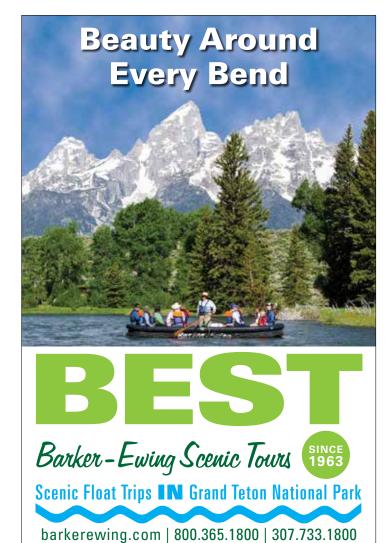
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There's no trail map for the downhill riding you'll find on user-specific trails called Fuzzy Bunny, Jimmy's Mom, and Lithium. Still, people come from all around to enjoy the thrill of barreling down the world-class trails — complete with berms, gap jumps, and log rides — on The Pass.

Incorporated in 2004, the non-profit trail organization, Teton FreeRiders, started as a group of friends who saw a need. With an increasing number

of recreationalists having fun on The Pass, trails conditions were deteriorating. Armed with a grant and under the management of the Bridger Teton National Forest, this group of passionate mountain bikers built the very first user-specific trail system on public land in the country.

Teton FreeRiders hosts their signature Pass Bash over several weekends in the summer. The Stagecoach (aka "The Coach") in Wilson serves as both the takeoff and landing spot, where you can grab a shuttle to the top, demo a bike, and get your own bike tuned. (Afterwards, grab some Latin-inspired food and a drink.) All donations help the organization support trail infrastructure.

"It's all about public donations. It's what we're driven from," says Kevin

Kavanagh, president of the Teton FreeRiders. "Our mission is advocacy and building and maintaining trails on public lands under the management of our land manager. So, if you're using the trails, please donate online" (or at the Bash).

If you're not into the full-face helmet scene, mellower cross-country options also exist. Head north from the Phillips Bench Trailhead parking lot on the Arrow Trail for a mellow out-and-back through the wildflowers. Or plan a longer loop (and a shuttle back up) by connecting the Arrow Trail to Phillips Ridge for a doable downhill through the trees, dumping you out on Fish Creek Road in Wilson. (A quick road ride to town lands you back at The Coach.)

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Grab a map of the area before your ride or use the Trailforks app. (Make sure to download the map; cell service is spotty.)
- Don't forget appropriate protection: a full-face helmet, knee and elbow pads, and eye protection at a minimum; back and chest protectors are recommended.
- Buddy up! Don't ride solo.
 Accidents happen.
- Always pack a repair kit in the event of a flat. (It's a long walk out!)
- Don't hike the road with your bike; arrange your own shuttle or stay on the trails.
- Don't drink and ride! Ever.



Whatever you choose, don't show up to the lot unprepared. Unlike a ski resort's bike park, there's are no amenities, no bathrooms (aside from pit toilets at the bottom), and no bike patrol. Still, there's tons of fun to be had, and our checklist below will get you started.

Kavanagh recommends bikers "pre-ride, re-ride, and freeride [The Pass trails]. And don't stand on the trail taking a picture or assessing things. Make sure you're off and allowing other riders to come through."



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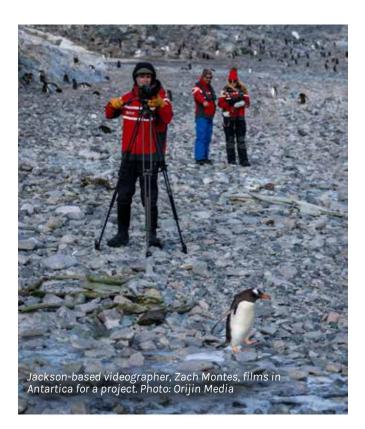
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On the Screen

BY CHRISTINA SHEPHERD MCGUIRE



ocal film buffs need not venture to cities to see a sampling of great artistic expression. Jackson Hole is home to five (yes, five!) film festivals, including a few with international status. If you happen to be in town during one of these special showings, make room for a movie in your itinerary. Or better yet, plan your next trip around a festival to experience both the area's natural beauty and its vibrant culture.

JACKSON HOLE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL DECEMBER 12-15, 2024

Jackson Hole resident Stuart Suna, co-founder and chair emeritus of the Hamptons International Film Festival, intended to "stimulate artistic imagination and contribute to the culture of the community" when he started the Jackson Hole International Film Festival in 2023 (JHIFF). This four-day event, now in its second year, showcases cinematic excellence through film screenings, talks, and events hosted at various venues throughout the area, most notably, the National Museum of Wildlife Art.

The JHIFF is more than just an event; this nonprofit organization aims to build community around the love of film by offering children's film camps, student workshops, a screenwriter's lab, and a mentorship program. Check out one of the festival's movies — from contemporary narratives to documentary films — and help support Jackson's vibrant local arts culture at the same time. *jhiff.org*

JACKSON WILD SUMMIT

FALL, 2024

Nature, science, and climate unite at the Jackson Wild Summit, a global forum that includes film screenings, film labs, talks, and other educational offerings. This event provides professional development and training opportunities for those looking to "do good" with their craft while celebrating the natural world. Emerging filmmakers and storytellers can learn from wildlife biologists, seasoned directors and producers, and groundbreaking nonprofit founders in the breathtaking setting of Grand Teton National Park. Jackson Wild Summit provides a springboard for nurturing the next group of artists committed to the organization's cause of "protecting and restoring the natural systems upon which all life depends, and empowering the radical changes that will be required." Fellowships are available. *jacksonwild.org*

MOUNTAINS OF COLOR FILM FESTIVAL JUNE 7-10, 2024

A one-of-a kind celebration, Mountains of Color Film Festival showcases BIPOC+ (Black, Indigenous, People of Color, LGBTQIA+) individuals in their outdoor, adventure, and conservation pursuits. This inclusive event features nightly film screenings, scheduled outdoor activities, filmmaking and photography workshops, and events catered to making meaningful connections between industry professionals, like an after-hours dance party. Get ready for uplifting and inspiring mountain-centric stories — as well as a chance to make new friends — at Jackson's Center for the Arts this summer. *mountainsofcolor.org*

INTERNATIONAL FLY FISHING FILM FESTIVAL SPRING, 2025

New this year and hosted by Jackson Hole One Fly Foundation and Jackson Hole Trout Unlimited, the International Fly Fishing Film Festival (IF4) delights anglers with cinematic fishing tales at Jackson's Center for the Arts. This year's premier film tour includes nine selections themed around conservation, adventure, and friendship. Moving forward, showcased films will change annually to include fly-fishing pictures produced by filmmakers from around the globe. *flyfilmfest.com*

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Jackson Hole Water Adventures

(Some Skill Required) by samantha simma

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WHITEWATER RAFTING THE SNAKE RIVER

The Snake River winds its way south from Jackson Lake through Grand Teton National Park and passes through the communities of Wilson and Jackson. As it continues its journey, the narrow Snake River Canyon funnels water into a premier stretch of whitewater, where Class II and III rapids prompt nervous squeals of delight on any given summer day. A handful of local rafting outfitters conduct daily runs down the 8-mile whitewater stretch of the wild Snake, with some

offering longer tours that combine a scenic stretch with a whitewater section. With names such as Double Draw, Three Oar Deal, Big Kahuna, and California Curler, the rapids peppered throughout the voyage ensure rafters remain at-the-ready.

SURFING THE SNAKE RIVER

Adrenaline-seekers looking for a whitewater challenge can find it with a short commute south to Lunch Counter Rapid, located off US Hwy 89 in the Snake River Canyon. Lunch Counter — which has tipped a raft or two in its day — is a popular spot for river surfers. Skilled riders boldly nose their surfboards (or kayaks) into the froth, testing their skills and balance against the roaring current. The water reaches its peak during the months of May and June, due to snowmelt, and there's a sweet spot for surfing — between 9,000 and 12,000 CFS (cubic feet per second). Besides the innate challenge of battling Lunch Counter's converging currents, surfers also need to give right-of-way to boaters coming through. It's a test of skills that sometimes results in a wipeout and a hard swim to an eddy. Onlookers can view the action from a pullout along the highway.



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Those looking for flat water fun can head to Jackson Lake in Grand Teton National Park or Palisades Reservoir in Alpine. Here, you'll likely see surf and ski boats with water skiers, wakeboarders, and wakesurfers in tow. The western shores of Jackson Lake give way to the prestigious Teton Range, resulting in views that are both an enhancement and a distraction to watersports enthusiasts. Similarly, Palisades Reservoir, in the Caribou-Targhee National Forest, boasts views of the Salt River Range to its east. There's nothing like the feeling of riding the face of an engine-powered wave this far from the ocean. Jackson Hole Adventure Rentals in Alpine rents personal watercrafts, pontoon boats, and surf boats.

CLIFF JUMPING THE PHELPS LAKE ROCK

No less exhilarating than the region's surfing opportunities, the Phelps Lake jumping rock offers a refreshing swim after a 20-foot drop into the waters below. Situated at the southern end of Grand Teton National Park. the lake itself is a panoramic swimming spot, with the lofty cliffs of Death Canyon serving as its backdrop. The jumping rock rises out of the crystalline waters on the eastern side of the lake where there's likely to be an audience. To get to the rock, cliff jumpers must hike the mellow Phelps Lake Loop. Parking for the trailhead is located at Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve along the Moose-Wilson Road, south of Grand Teton National Park's Moose Junction entrance.



TOP: A local surfer shreds the Lunch Counter rapid.
BOTTOM: Whitewater rafting on the Snake River. Photos: Orijin Media



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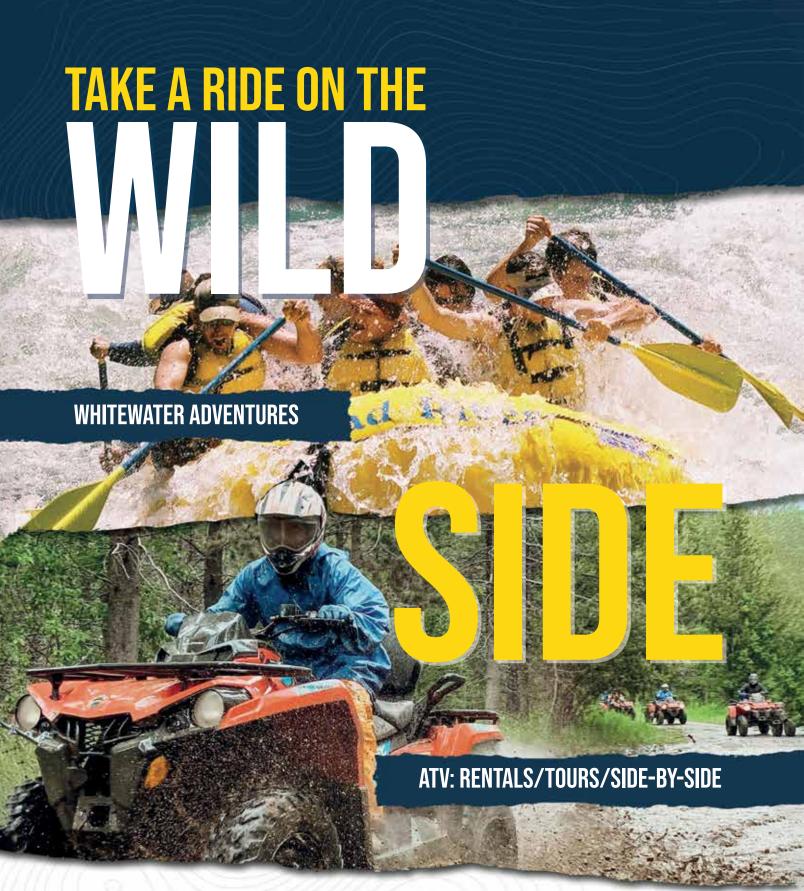
ELK BURGER: Smoked gouda, bacon, lettuce, tomato, onion, house pickles, house huckleberry BBQ on brioche.

HARVEST SALAD: Spring mix & spinach, grilled chicken, bacon, whipped Brie, shaved Brussels sprouts, apple, scallion, roasted butternut squash, and pepitas. Tossed in maple cranberry vinaigrette.

S'MORES SUNDAE: Vanilla and chocolate ice cream topped with hot fudge, marshmallow, crushed graham cracker, whipped cream & cherry.









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Cool Running:Sled-Dog Tours in the Tetons

BY KRISTINE KOPPERUD

magine traversing the Teton region in winter as earlier inhabitants did, skimming through the crisp, cold air in analog silence — except for the shush of the sled runners over newly fallen snow. This experience can be yours, thanks to the seasoned sled-dog outfitters in Jackson Hole, offering tours for all ages.

Dog sledding has been part of Teton culture since the Mountain Shoshone, and later, fur traders, used this means of travel to transport goods and supplies in winter. Jackson's earliest homesteaders also relied on dog teams to deliver mail and provide transportation between farflung ranch "neighbors" and the growing town centers. Many local families took on mail routes for winter income, often breaking trail ahead of the dogs on snowshoes, according to History Jackson Hole's records.

Today, Wyoming is home to the Pedigree Stage Stop Race, the longest and fastest sled-dog race in the continental United States, with 30- to 50-mile legs (called "stages") in both Wyoming and Idaho. The event began in 1996, founded by eight-time Alaskan Iditarod competitor Frank Teasley, owner of Jackson's original tour company, Jackson Hole Iditarod Sled Dog Tours. With 45 years of experience, Teasley now manages 170+ race and tour dogs, as well as dogs-in-training.

"Compared to most other races, which are mid- to long-distance, ultramarathon-types run in a single day," explains Teasley. "The Stage Stop is more like the Tour de France. We change the course order every year to keep it interesting for the mushers, requiring different strategies."

The snowy Teton winters, abundant wildland trail systems, and temperate summers are ideal for the year-round training of friendly four-footed athletes, many of them descendants of Alaskan Iditarod racers. These dogs include several breeds of huskies (Siberian,

Samoyed, Alaskan Malamute, and Alaskan Husky among them) and come in many sizes, colors, and personalities, explains Teasley, the winner of the 1996 Iditarod's Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian Award for best-kept team.

"The word 'husky' means 'fish-burner," he says with a laugh. "In Alaska, the dogs were traditionally fed salmon — they still are — and the name stuck."

Wondering if a sled-dog tour is for you? Unlike other alpine pursuits, dog tours welcome all ages and athletic abilities.

"My youngest client so far was 3 months old and the oldest was 102," says Teasley, chuckling, "both of them survived."

"You can never book too early," he adds. "Just call us with the dates of your visit, and we'll work with you to personalize your half-day or full-day trip. If you want to drive the sled, you can do that, too — with a guide, of course."



Tour Options

FULL-DAY TRIP TO GRANITE HOT SPRINGS

Located 30 miles south of Jackson on the Bridger-Teton National Forest, Granite Hot Springs is accessible in winter by ski, snowshoe, snowmobile, or dogsled. Try Jackson Hole Iditarod Sled Dog Tours for a full-day sled tour featuring a dip in the hot springs, which range from 112 F in the winter to 80 F in the spring (due to snowmelt). *jhsleddog.com*

ONE-HOUR AND SUNSET TOURS

Do you have small kids or want to squeeze in an après ski activity? Try a private one-hour tour with Call of the WYld based in Teton Village or embark on the outfitter's "6-miler" based out of Grand Targhee Resort on the west slope of the Tetons in Alta, Wyoming. *callofthewyld.com*

Heart Six Ranch, located east of Moran Junction, offers a 45-minute sled and snowshoe tour along a scenic stretch of the Buffalo Fork River. *heartsix.com/dogsledding*

For the coziest sundowner around, check out the 1.5-hour sunset tour with Continental Divide Dogsled Adventures, founded by veteran Iditarod racer Billy Snodgrass. You can also do a half-day run with them. *dogsledadventures.com*

* Note: Each outfitter operates on wildlands by exclusive permit from the Forest Service, so if you're a repeat customer, booking with a new outfitter will guarantee new terrain.

OVERNIGHT ADVENTURES

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DOG SLEDDING

- American Dog Derby | February 14-15, 2025
 Known as the "oldest American sled-dog race,"
 the American Dog Derby is based in Ashton,
 Idaho, 80 miles northwest of Jackson. This
 festive weekend features several races —
 professional, recreational, junior, and skijoring
 and a start/finish line full of activities,
 including a celebrity race, a snowshoe race, and
 a weight pull in which spectators and their dogs
 can compete. americandogderby.com
- West Yellowstone | February 2025
 This shorter race begins and ends just outside of West Yellowstone, Montana, 130 miles northwest of Jackson. The annual event is free for spectators and draws many of the best teams from across the country, as a training event for longer stage races.



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-Frank Teasley, owner of Jackson Hole Iditarod Sled Dog Tours







Full-Throttle Destinations

BY SAMANTHA SIMMA

nowmobiles are the most efficient means of oversnow travel in Jackson Hole. This throttle-powered transportation affords visitors the opportunity to cover miles of frozen landscapes, with the potential to experience wildlife encounters and historical destinations along the way. While local trail networks extend from Jackson Hole in all directions, some routes make sure the ride is as much about the journey as it is about the destination.

BROOKS LAKE LODGE

Located north of Jackson, Togwotee Pass rises to 9,659 feet and marks the nearest location of the Continental Divide. Criss-crossed by an extensive snowmobile trail system, the area is recognized as one of the premier snowmobile destinations in North America. Brooks Lake Lodge & Spa, positioned against the staggering rock faces of the Pinnacle Buttes, is a great place to land. You can take a step back in time at this all-inclusive luxury resort; the main lodge, built in 1922, was originally intended as a stopover point for those en route to Yellowstone

National Park. The lodge welcomes day-trippers for lunch, providing snowmobilers with a picturesque destination to warm up and refuel their energy stores.

GRANITE HOT SPRINGS

Tucked away in the Gros Ventre Mountain Range, Granite Hot Springs is accessible in the winter only by snowmobile, dog sled, fat bike, or cross-country skis. The trek into the Wyoming wilderness is worth the effort, as the rejuvenating thermal waters — which can warm to 112 F, depending on outdoor temperatures and spring runoff — are surrounded by scenic snow-covered landscapes. Once at the trailhead (located 30 miles southeast of Jackson), the snowmobile route is 20 miles round-trip via a groomed trail that winds along the frozen Granite Creek beneath towering snow-capped peaks. Thanks to the Civilian Conservation Corps, which enhanced the soaking pool in 1935, adding a bathhouse and a deck, and the U.S. Forest Service, which maintains the facilities, the pristine waters can be enjoyed by several groups of visitors at once.



OLD FAITHFUL

America's first national park is also one of the most visited. Still, winter in Yellowstone promises a peaceful and secluded experience, interrupted only by the hum of the occasional snow machine. Most of the park's roadways are open solely to over-snow travel in the winter months — via snow coach or snowmobile. Either means of transportation can take winter visitors to view Yellowstone's geothermal features and winter wildlife. Guided snowmobile tours, led by various outfitters, average about 65 miles round-trip, and include a stop at Old Faithful, as well as lunch and transportation to and from the park's entrance. Bison and elk live here year-round, offering opportunities for a sighting, and lodging is available at the Old Faithful Snow Lodge & Cabins (originally built in 1952 and then rebuilt in 1999), should you want to extend your adventure.

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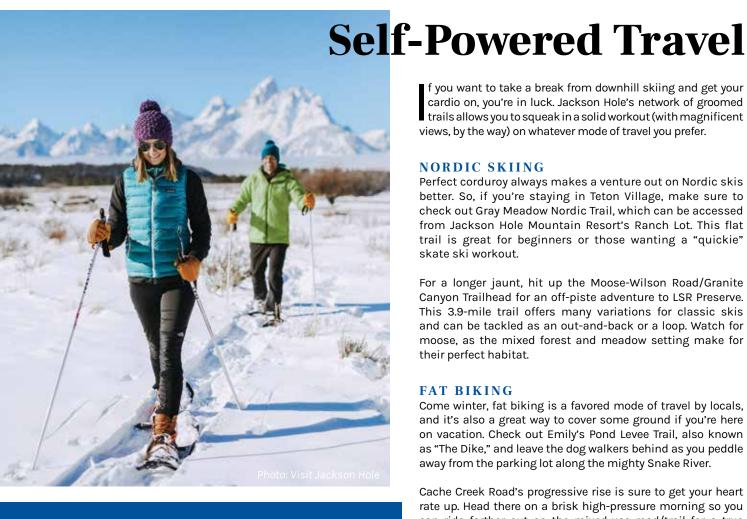
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JH NORDIC ALLIANCE

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A collaboration of self-powered travel enthusiasts, the Jackson Hole Nordic Alliance promotes "sustainable, inclusive, and responsible winter trail recreation." Check out their site for events and races, too, as well as where to rent gear or book a tour guide at jhnordic.com.

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f you want to take a break from downhill skiing and get your cardio on, you're in luck. Jackson Hole's network of groomed trails allows you to squeak in a solid workout (with magnificent views, by the way) on whatever mode of travel you prefer.

NORDIC SKIING

Perfect corduroy always makes a venture out on Nordic skis better. So, if you're staying in Teton Village, make sure to check out Gray Meadow Nordic Trail, which can be accessed from Jackson Hole Mountain Resort's Ranch Lot. This flat trail is great for beginners or those wanting a "quickie" skate ski workout.

For a longer jaunt, hit up the Moose-Wilson Road/Granite Canyon Trailhead for an off-piste adventure to LSR Preserve. This 3.9-mile trail offers many variations for classic skis and can be tackled as an out-and-back or a loop. Watch for moose, as the mixed forest and meadow setting make for their perfect habitat.

FAT BIKING

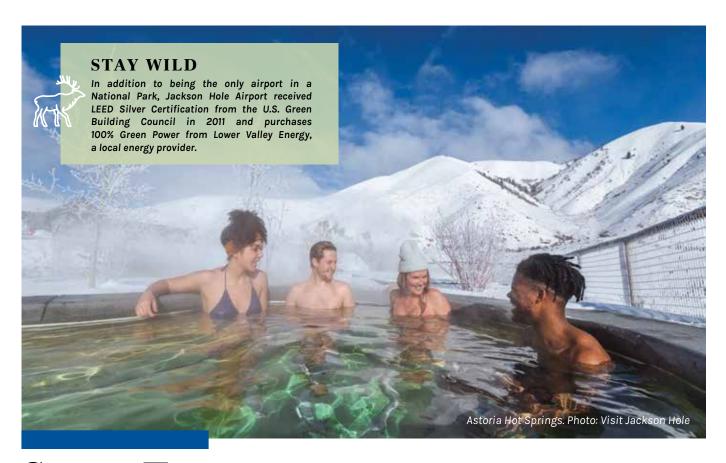
Come winter, fat biking is a favored mode of travel by locals, and it's also a great way to cover some ground if you're here on vacation. Check out Emily's Pond Levee Trail, also known as "The Dike," and leave the dog walkers behind as you peddle away from the parking lot along the mighty Snake River.

Cache Creek Road's progressive rise is sure to get your heart rate up. Head there on a brisk high-pressure morning so you can ride farther out on the mixed-use road/trail for a true winter adventure. The trailhead is located 1 mile from Town Square out Cache Creek Road.

* Need to rent or want to take a tour? Teton Mountain Bike Tours (tetonmtbike.com) and Jackson Hole Mountain Resort (jacksonhole.com/things-to-do/winter-bike-tours) offer both!

SNOWSHOEING

Lace up your boots and put on your snowshoes to explore off-piste almost anywhere on the valley floor. Snowshoes can go where skis and bikes cannot, as you don't need a wellmaintained trail - the deeper the snow, the better the workout. Snowshoes are allowed on most designated trails in the valley (aside from those reserved for serious skate skiing and classic skiing only). If you're up for a drive, head to Turpin Meadow Ranch for a picturesque jaunt followed by a gourmet lunch. (Trail fees may be required; rentals are available.)



Snow Escapes

Thanks to the geothermal features surrounding the Yellowstone Caldera, the area's abundant natural hot springs offer a way to soothe sore muscles after skiing and adventuring. Wildlife enthusiasts can also book a sleigh ride and get up close and personal with Jackson Hole's resident elk herd.

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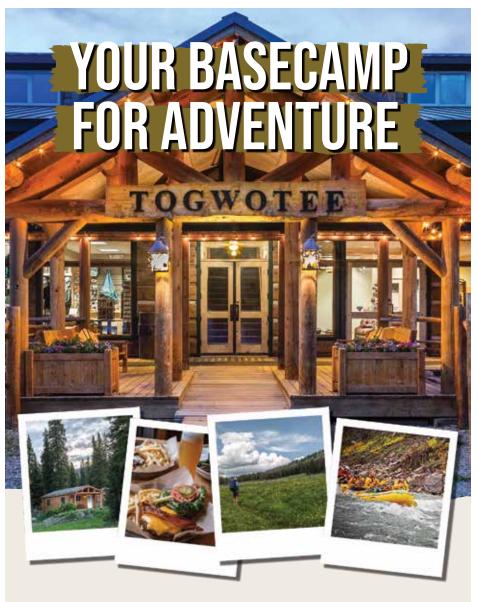
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Family-Friendly Outings

Jackson's kid-friendly offerings allow you to pair an adventurous outing with structured fun — take a hike or ride a gondola, and then explore a museum.

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Taste the Tetons

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Event Calendar

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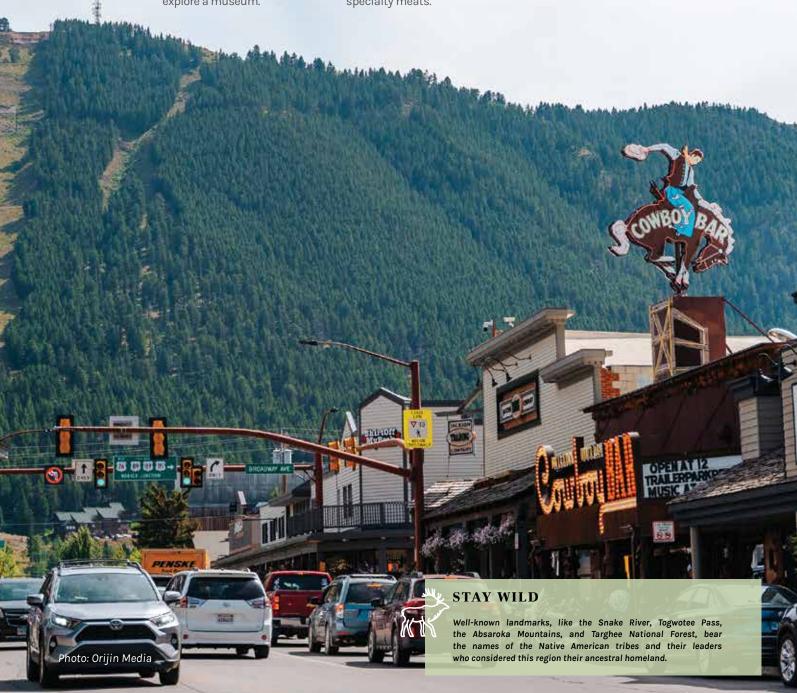


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BY MELISSA SNIDER

he phrase "family fun" sometimes feels like an oxymoron, depending on the age, stage, and number of kids in your crew. But once you're out the door (sometimes the hardest part), it's nice to alternate planned activities with "free time" in nature. That way, even in the midst of a meltdown, there's always a view — and maybe the perfect snack — to make it all worthwhile. Whether you're seeking a high-adrenaline adventure or craving a relaxing outing, Jackson Hole is the perfect place for your family to explore.



MOUNTAIN MEANDERING

I'm not above bribing my kids to do what I enjoy most in summer, which is getting out for a hike. It's not always their first choice, so sometimes we'll pair an outing with structured fun at Snow King Resort or Jackson Hole Mountain Resort (known to locals as "The King" and "The Village," respectively). Both mountain resorts offer a range of summer activities.

For an in-town option, try The King. On a given day, you'll find locals hiking, biking, and running up and down the mountain on a dizzying array of trails, which are easy to spot and explore. In the early weeks of summer, wildflowers put on an impressive show on the east side of the mountain. After your nature walk, the speed-demons in your family will love the Cowboy Coaster and the Alpine Slide, which twist their way down the mountain in full view of the Tetons. Snow King also boasts the only mini-golf course in town, with 18-holes of family-friendly competition.

A beautiful drive northwest of town takes you to Teton Village. Once there, try one of the mellow hikes at the base of Jackson Hole Mountain Resort. If you're looking to gain some elevation, the Wildflower Trail is one of my favorites. Older kids and teens may love the challenge of a hike to the Bridger Center (3.9 miles one way); it's free to ride the Bridger Gondola down, once you've hiked up. You can also aim for a slightly shorter destination by hiking to the top of the Sweetwater Gondola near the Casper Lodge. After that, let the kids bounce on the bungee trampoline or tackle the aerial ropes course back at the base.

Both resorts also offer great views with no exertion necessary: take the tram to the top of Rendezvous Mountain at The Village or grab a gondola car to the top of Snow King. Once up high, enjoy the views and a mellow walk. (Not every activity has to be extreme — parenting is enough of an endurance sport as it is.)

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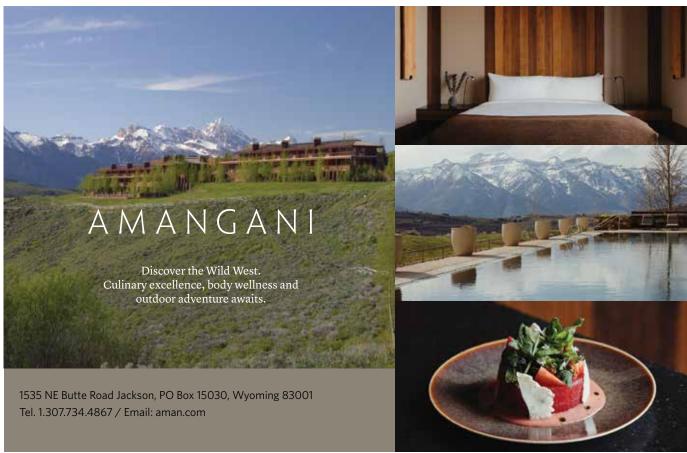
SWIM, FLOAT, AND SOAK

The Jackson Hole Land Trust's Rendezvous Park (or "R" Park) was once a gravel pit that has been reclaimed as a community nature park. It's an ideal place to spend anywhere from a couple of hours to half a day. Swim or paddle in the pond while keeping watch for moose, bald eagles, and schools of fish. Kids under 16 are allowed to fish, and my family always stops to say "hello" to the Danish artist Thomas Dambo's Jackson Hole Troll, Mama Mimi.

For more wildlife sightings from the water, paired with historical and geological insights, book a scenic float in Grand Teton National Park with Dornans Float Trips, Triangle X Ranch, or Signal Mountain Lodge. Grab pizza on the deck of Dornans restaurant before heading back to town or driving through the park; don't pass up an opportunity to stop at a pullout for photos and to scout for critters.

At Astoria Hot Springs, a local favorite, you can soak in your choice of progressively hotter pools filled by geothermal springs overlooking the Snake River. Summer soakers enjoy swinging in hammocks or taking a cold plunge between dips. Astoria's schedule varies, but you can book a two-hour timeslot online to secure a spot.







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YELLOWSTONE BEAR WORLD

Yellowstone Bear World is a drive-thru wildlife park. Here the animals roam freely in their natural habitat while you view them from the comfort and safety of your vehicle or RV. The wildlife you will encounter include Elk, Bison, Mountain Goats, Deer, and of course Black Bears and Grizzly Bears (208) 359-9688 • yellowstonebearworld.com



CREATIVITY, CULTURE, AND CREATURES

Get messy at the Jackson Hole Children's Museum, where rotating interactive hands-on exhibits help kids design, craft, and experiment their way through their visit. Creativity without the cleaning consequence is a beautiful thing!

The National Museum of Wildlife Art— built into the side of a butte just north of town — offers sweeping views of the National Elk Refuge and Gros Ventre mountains. The museum houses a breathtaking permanent collection, as well as engaging visiting exhibits. Check the website for events, and be sure to stop by the Children's Discovery Gallery to act out a puppet show, read in the book nook, or make some art of your own.

Finally, the Teton Raptor Center is located at the base of Teton Pass in Wilson, Wyoming. Weekly programs offer visitors the chance to view rescued and rehabilitated birds of prey up close and personal. After an invigorating visit with these majestic creatures, pull up a picnic bench in the yard at the Stagecoach bar for a Mexican-inspired bite from Streetfood or hit Pearl Street Bagels and sit out back to watch the creek flow by while you reflect on all the fun you've had.

AND DON'T LEAVE WITHOUT A VISIT TO:

- The Teton County Library:
 Grab a new read from the Friends of the Library Book Nook; enjoy weekly programs for children, youth, and adults; and relax inside or outside on the library's naturally landscaped lawn. tclib.org
- Jackson's night skies are unparalleled and offer a great opportunity to learn about astronomy. Join Wyoming Stargazing's experts at the Stilson Transit Center in Wilson, Wyoming every clear summer Thursday night to view the stars and planets through telescopes. (The event is free, but a \$25 donation is recommended.)

 wyomingstargazing.org
- No brainer! Stop in for candy by the pound on Town Square: homemade fudge, caramel corn, and huckleberry treats. Use this stop as a reward for a great day of [fill in the blank], and everyone wins! yippyi-ocandy.com



Psst ... need a night out without the kids?

Give Jackson Hole Nannies a call. Their CPR-trained, downright delightful babysitters will bring the fun, while you get some much needed "we time." They also provide baby gear rentals, if you've forgotten something or need specialty equipment while you're in town. jacksonholenannies.com





Taste the Tetons

BY SUE MUNCASTER

or decades, "local food" for Jacksonites meant frozen beef, and stored potatoes and garlic. But today, a huge selection of local fare includes a rainbow of fresh fruits and veggies grown by the region's farmers, as well as gourmet cheeses, European milk yogurts, and specialty cuts of meat produced on area ranches. You can also find artisanal grains; jars of flavored gourmet honey; packaged souvenirs, such as bitters made from foraged flowers; and a wide variety of prepared food produced locally using seasonal ingredients.

Visiting one of Jackson's farmers markets during your stay offers an opportunity to engage with local farmers and artisans, each sharing their stories and craftsmanship with pride. It's more than just a shopping experience — it's a chance to connect with the soul of this enchanting destination. Bring the whole family to indulge in something hot and fresh, while strolling around and soaking in the bustling atmosphere. Here, you'll find opportunities to take a flavorful piece of Jackson Hole home with you, allowing the memories of your visit to linger on your tongue.

Growing season is short in Jackson, and the summer markets don't really get going until mid-June. Still, innovative farmers meet the demand for year-round sustainable eating via online marketplaces and occasional in-person winter shopping events. Check the websites before you head out for updated dates and times, as they vary seasonally and yearly.



SUMMER MARKETS

>>> Jackson Hole Farmers Market

A must-do for summer visitors! Enjoy live music and locally crafted artisan products. Five percent of the market's proceeds go to a different featured non-profit each week.

Jackson Town Square Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. June 29 - September 28 (no dogs, please) jacksonholefarmersmarket.org

>>> The People's Market

An incubator for locally made sustainable crafts and a gathering space for the community to celebrate local and regional good, clean food (and beer!).

Center for the Arts Lawn Wednesdays, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Mid-June through September tetonslowfood.org

>>> Teton Valley Farmers Market

Combine a mountain biking trip to Grand Targhee or a Teton Valley wildflower hike with a visit to this weekly market highlighting the vibrant local food and arts scene.

Driggs City Center Building Lawn 60 S. Main Street, Driggs, Idaho Fridays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. June - September tetonvalleyfarmersmarket.org

YEAR-ROUND MARKETS

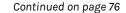
Slow Food in the Tetons Online Marketplace

A year-round online market offering regional and seasonal produce, dairy, meat, grains, packaged goods, and prepared food. Order Window: Every Monday at 12 p.m. until Tuesday at 6 p.m. Pick Up: Slow Food Farm Stand, 890 US Hwy 89 (next to Graze) tetonslowfood.org

WINTER MARKETS

Both Slow Food in the Tetons and Jackson Hole Farmers Market host a few in-person markets each winter. Check their websites for dates, locations, and times.

tetonslowfood.org • jacksonholefarmersmarket.org













SPECIAL EVENTS

Farm to Fork Festival sponsored by Slow Food in the Tetons

This bi-annual, weekend-long community celebration offers a great place to eat while learning how to create a healthier, more sustainable food system. Along with one of the biggest farmers markets of the year, the event features a free community lunch and numerous workshops. *jhfarmtofork.com*

Table on the Ranch Farm-to-Table Dinners

Rub elbows with locals and fellow travelers while enjoying a distinctive regionally sourced dinner (plus drinks) in the shadow of the Tetons. August 25, 2024 at the Mead Ranch. jacksonholefarmersmarket.org



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TOWN OF JACKSON

BUBBA'S BARBEQUE

For more than 30 years, Bubba's Jackson Hole BBQ has been serving mouthwatering Texas-style BBQ, hearty all-American breakfasts, flavorful burgers and sandwiches, and a large, fresh salad bar. (307) 733- 2288 • bubbasjh.com

BIN22

This cozy downtown bottle shop and restaurant offers a vast selection of wines, craft beers, and regional spirits. Beyond the specialty grocer and bottle shop sits an intimate wine and tapas bar, open daily for lunch and dinner. (307) 739-9463 • bin22jacksonhole.com

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NORTH GRILLE

Enjoy lunch or dinner with a view of the greens and the Teton Mountain Range! Featuring a variety of country club fare for all palates, the North Grille offers daily lunch, Après Golf, and dinner during the summer. Enjoy nightly dinner specials or lighter fare at our Stone Bar, or sit by the fire and watch golfers on the 18th green. (307) 543-2811 • gtlc.com

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Roadhouse Pub & Eatery was founded by famed restaurateur Gavin Fine following the successful launch of Roadhouse Brewing Co., which was created in partnership with homebrewer Colby Cox. The Pub & Eatery pairs seasonally inspired New-American cuisine with an expansive beer list and panoramic views of the Jackson Hole Town Square. (307) 739-0700 • roadhousebrewery.com

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SNAKE RIVER ROASTING CO.

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Located on the Jackson Hole Town Square, The Cream + Sugar Scoop Shop opened in summer 2023 as the first brick-and-mortar location for local favorite Cream + Sugar. Serving ice cream sandwiches, signature scoops and specialty, limited edition flavors, The Scoop Shop celebrates the fanciful world of artisan ice cream. creamandsugaricecream.com

CODE RED

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GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK

THE MURAL ROOM AT JACKSON LAKE LODGE

The Mural room offers sweeping views of the Teton mountains and expansive murals illustrating the 1837 rendezvous, an annual gathering of fur trappers and traders of the early west. Prepared fresh at the on-site butcher shop, you can order local beef, wild game, and sustainable seafood. Reservations required.

(307) 543-2811 • gtlc.com/dining

TETON VILLAGE IL VILLAGGIO OSTERIA

Nestled slopeside in Teton Village's Hotel Terra, Osteria is a little piece of Italy in Jackson Hole. House-made pizzas, pastas, meats, and cheeses are complemented by an extensive wine list and knowledgeable staff. Osteria's rustic and warm ambiance invites you to dine as you would in Europe, where the meal becomes a complete experience, not just a dinner. (307) 739-4100 • jhosteria.com

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Located at the top of the Bridger Gondola, Piste Mountain Bistro offers a lively dining experience. Stop by for lunch during your ski day or for dinner as the sun fades away in the summer. Appetizers, cocktails, and stunning views are the name of the game. Reservations recommended. (307) 732-3177 • jacksonhole.com

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THE MILLION DOLLAR COWBOY BAR

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THE SILVER DOLLAR BAR & GRILL AT THE WORT

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THE MILLION DOLLAR COWBOY STEAKHOUSE

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Destination Shindigs

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Must Do's Before "I Do's" (In the Park)

So, you want to get married in Grand Teton National Park, with the majestic backdrop of the Tetons as your witness? If so, some iconic spots come to mind, including Schwabacher's Landing and Mormon Row. But before you call in your nearest and dearest, make sure you have your permits in place and know the rules:

- One of two permits is required to hold your wedding in the park: a Reserved Site-Specific Ceremony Permit or a Small Dispersed Ceremony Permit.
- Permits issued by the park are limited (apply early!), and each permitted location can host only one ceremony per day.
- An application with a \$200 application fee must be submitted at least 30 days prior to your ceremony.

- Site-specific ceremonies are limited to a two-hour maximum, and dispersed ceremonies can be no longer than one hour.
- ⇒ Group size restrictions range from 25 to 40 people for site-specific ceremonies. Dispersed ceremonies are limited to 12 people, including your photographer and planner.
- Park entrance fees apply to all wedding attendees.

For more information, and to submit your application, visit nps.gov/grte/planyourvisit/weddingcommitments

And please remember to keep our national lands wild by packing out what you pack in, refraining from harassing wildlife or removing vegetation, and following strict bearsafety protocols.



WEDDING RESOURCES

TOWER 3 PRODUCTIONS tower3productions.com

GRAND TETON LODGE COMPANY gtlc.com

JCM PHOTOGRAPHY jacksonholephotographers.com

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF WILDLIFE ART wildlifeart.org

SNOW KING RESORT HOTEL AND GRAND VIEW LODGE snowking.com

A GRAND WEDDING MAGAZINE jacksonholewedding.com

CANVAS UNLIMITED canvasunlimited.com

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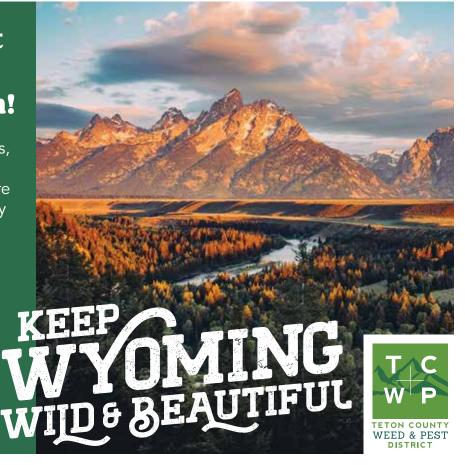
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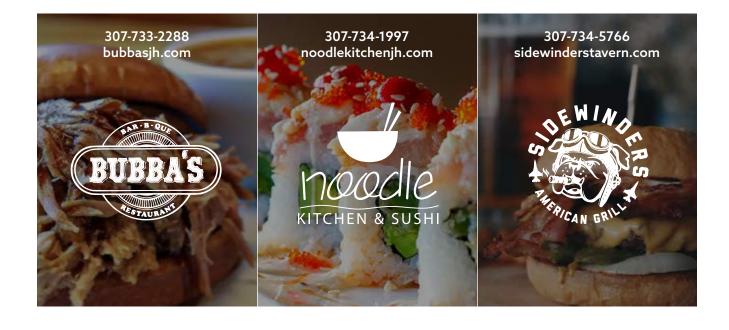
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Vibrant Palette

Jackson's vibrant art and culture scene is as captivating as its scenery. Over 60 galleries display paintings, sculptures, and photography representing both contemporary art and Western genres. Catch a rotating exhibit at the National Museum of Wildlife Art, see a show at Center for the Arts, or attend the summertime Art Fair or the Fall Arts Festival to view and purchase works from professional artists. Also, don't miss the public art exhibits scattered throughout the area



NATIONAL MUSEUM OF WILDLIFE ART

Founded in 1987, the National Museum of Wildlife Art is a world-class museum and nonprofit in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. The Museum's collection boasts more than 5,000 artworks representing wild animals from around the world. Featuring work by prominent artists like N.C. Wyeth, Georgia O'Keeffe, Andy Warhol, Thomas Moran, and Carl Rungius—the Museum's unsurpassed permanent collection chronicles much of the history of wildlife in art, from 2500 B.C.E. to the present. (307) 733-5771 • wildlifeart.org

TRUENESS PROJECT

The Trueness Project is a non-profit dedicated to empowering children to cherish their imagination and own their power to write their own narratives. To promote its mission, it is hosting the largest number of people dressed as butterflies in history in Jackson, Wyoming on June 29, 2024. A world record will be set and a joyous community dressed as butterflies will share in a unified prayer for peace. (307) 231-6437 • butterflymarch.com

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Each September, the best Western, wildlife, and landscape artists converge in Jackson, WY where local galleries and venues host over 50 art events in 12 days.

jacksonholechamber.com/events-annualevents-festivals/fall-arts-festival/



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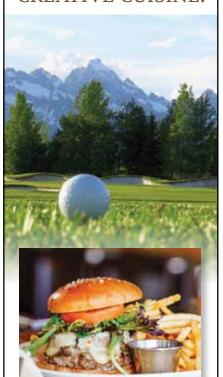


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Event Calendar

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GRAND TETON MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Grand Teton Music Festival's mission is to engage, entertain, educate and inspire our resident and seasonal communities through exhilarating musical experiences. The Festival Orchestra consists of top talent from across the country, including more than 220 musicians from 75 orchestras and 55 institutions of higher learning, many performing together each summer for more than 25 years. We look forward to welcoming the Festival Orchestra and our community to GTMF's 63rd season, June 27-August 17, 2024. 307-733-1128 • gtmf.org

On-Going Events

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Daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., May 27 - Sept 4 jacksonholenet.com/entertainment/ stagecoach_rides.php

ALIVE@5 WITH THE TETON RAPTOR CENTER

Tue/Wed/Thurs at 5 p.m. on the Commons at Teton Village tetonraptorcenter.org

CROSS-COUNTRY SKI IN GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK

December - March Jhnordic.com

ELK REFUGE SLEIGH RIDES

December - early April, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. nersleighrides.com

JACKSON HOLE FARMERS MARKET

Saturdays 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. June 24 - September 23 jacksonholefarmersmarket.com

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GRAND TETON MUSIC FESTIVAL

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NIGHT SKIING AT SNOW KING MOUNTAIN RESORT

December 2 - March 24, Mon - Sat from 4 - 6:30 p.m. *snowkingmountain.com*

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Mon - Sat at 6 p.m. (May 27 - Sept 4)
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May 2024

MAY

Grand Teton National Park: Inner park road opens

MAY 10

Yellowstone National Park: South Entrance opens

MAY 17-27

Old West Days & Elk Fest

MAY 18

Teton Powwow & Cultural Education Fair

MAY 25

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MAY 25

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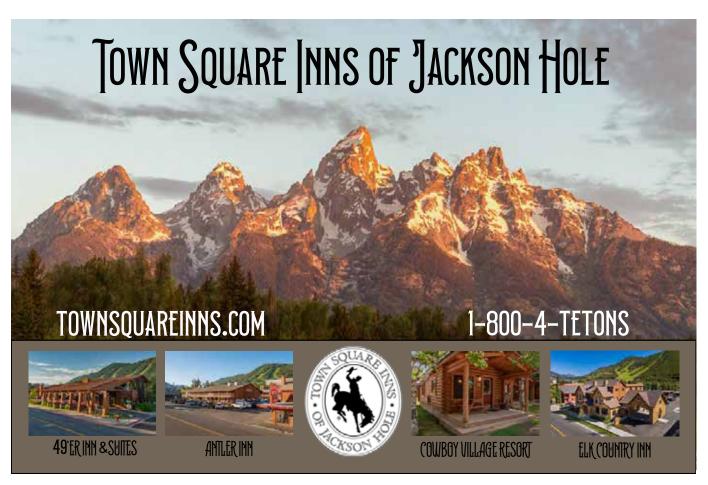
MAY 26

Million Dollar Music Fest



The annual Teton Powwow celebrates and honors the rich tapestry of Native American heritage. Photo: Jennie Hutchinson









Artist Kathryn Turner works on a plein-air painting using the majestic Teton Mountains as her backdrop. Photo: Visit Jackson Hole

June 2024

JUNE 3

Snow King Observatory & Planetarium opens

JUNE 15

Plein Air Art Festival at National Museum of Wildlife Art:
More than 50 invited artists will paint from NMWA's Sculpture Trail. Attendees are invited to browse and bid on the fresh artworks in a silent auction. All proceeds will benefit the museum and participating artists. The event also includes live music and food from Palate restaurant.

JUNE 20-22

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JUNE 29

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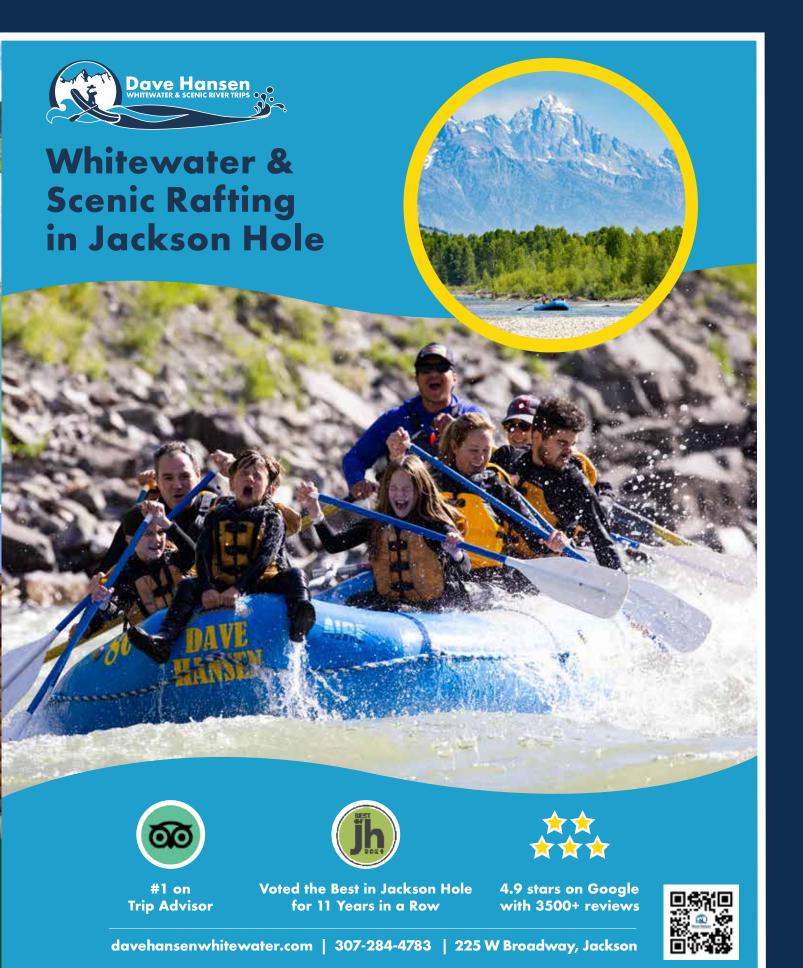


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July 2024

JULY 4

July 4th Parade on the Town Square. Fireworks at Snow King Mountain and Jackson Hole Mountain Resort

JULY 11-13

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JULY 20-28

Teton County Fair

JULY 26-28

Art Fair Jackson Hole:

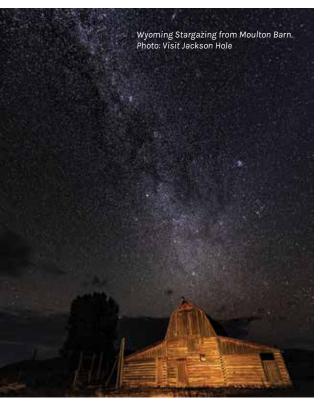
A quintessential Jackson Hole summer event, Art Fair Jackson Hole features local and national artists selling fine art and craft including ceramics, paintings, furniture, photography, and much more. Artists and exhibitors are selected through a blind jury process and invited to present their work to thousands of patrons over an extended weekend, Friday through Sunday.











August 2024

AUGUST 3

Rendezvous Mountain Hillclimb at Jackson Hole Mountain Resort

AUGUST 8-11

34th Annual Targhee Bluegrass Festival

AUGUST 16-18

Art Fair Jackson Hole - second weekend

AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 1

Horseshoe Music Festival at The Virginian Lodge





September 2024



FALL ARTS FESTIVAL September 4 - 15

Each September, the best Western, wildlife, and landscape artists converge in Jackson, WY where local galleries and venues host over 50 art events in 12 days. www.jacksonholechamber.com/events-annual-events-festivals/fall-arts-festival/

SEPTEMBER 7

Annual Old Bill's Fun Run for Charities

42nd Annual LOTOJA - a 210-mile interstate bike race from Logan, Utah, to Teton Village

SEPTEMBER 5-8

Western Design Conference

SEPTEMBER 8

Arts on the Green

SEPTEMBER 14

Jackson Hole Quickdraw:

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SEPTEMBER 21

Jackson Hole Marathon

October 2024

OCTOBER 14

Old Faithful Inn closes in Yellowstone National Park

OCTOBER 31

Moose Wilson Road closes for the season

Snow King Mountain Resort closing day for the summer

Trick-or-Treat on the Town Square

November 2024

NOVEMBER 1

Grand Teton National Park: Inner road closes

NOVEMBER 1

Yellowstone National Park: All roads close

NOVEMBER 15

Grand Targhee Resort opening day

NOVEMBER 22

Jackson Hole Mountain Resort opening day

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DECEMBER 6

Snow King Mountain opening day

DECEMBER 14-24

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DECEMBER 23-24

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DECEMBER 24

Santa drops from the Tram, 4:30pm

DECEMBER 25

Ski with Santa at Jackson Hole Mountain Resort

DECEMBER 31

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January 2025

JANUARY 5

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JANUARY 31

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February 2025

FEBRUARY 4-5

Wyoming Special Olympics

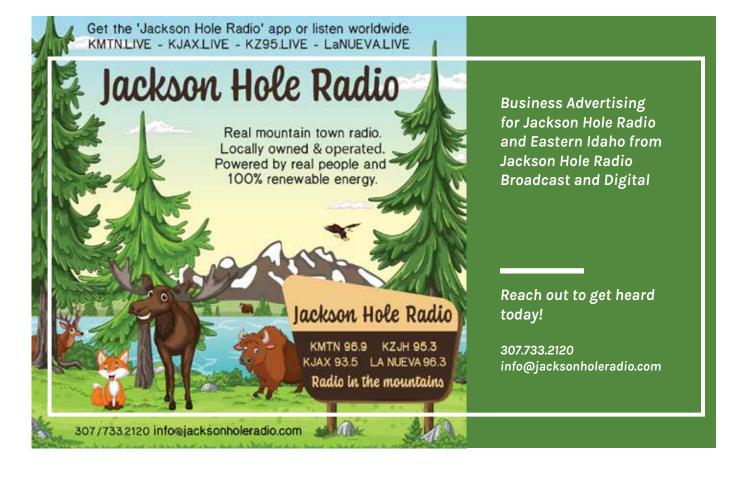
FEBRUARY 12-17

Kings & Queens of Corbet's at Jackson Hole Mountain Resort











March 2025

MARCH 6-8

Jackson Hole Food & Wine Festival

MARCH 15

Yellowstone National Park oversnow travel closes

MARCH 20-23

48th Annual World Championship Snowmobile Hill Climb:

Snow King Mountain cohosts the Hill Climb with the Jackson Hole Snow Devils, a nonprofit that educates the public about winter activities and sports, and uses the annual Hill Climb as its flagship fundraiser. Catch the gondola for aerial views of the action!

MARCH 23

Snow King Mountain closes

April 2025

APRIL 4-5

Rendezvous Music Festival at Jackson Hole Mountain Resort and on the Town Square

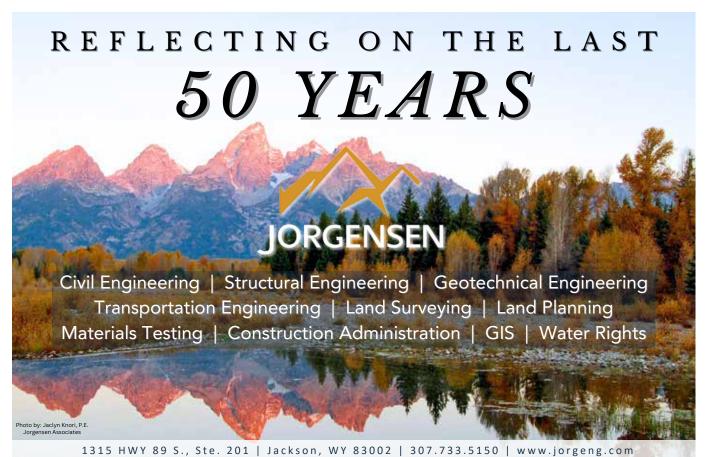
APRIL 19

Easter Egg Hunt on Town Square Saturday, 10:00am

APRIL 13

Jackson Hole Mountain Resort and Grand Targhee close





Jackson Insider's Knowledge

(Tips to Avoid a Scene)



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Lift Lines, written and illustrated by Ryan Stolp, is a local mountain town comic that runs in print three times a week in the Jackson Hole Daily (free!) and on Instagram @liftlines_comics. He has illustrated two books about Jackson Hole, The Ski Town Fairytale: A Quest to Live the Dream and The Little Shredder's Guide to Jackson Hole.



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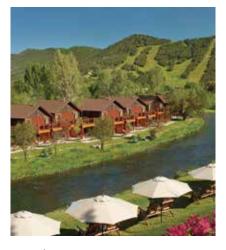


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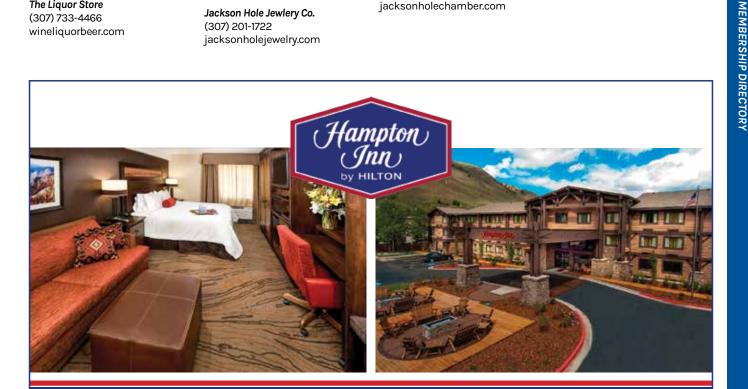
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Got The Shot

Jackson Hole's natural beauty attracts top photographers from near and far — including these local shooters, whose photos appear throughout this edition of the Jackson Hole Explorer. Here's who was behind the camera.





JAY KAZEN

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As a wildlife photographer and filmmaker, Jay's goal is to fuse anthropological perspectives with conservation through art, fostering ecological awareness.



HENRY HOLDSWORTH Wildbynaturegallery.com

Henry H. Holdsworth has been living and photographing in Jackson Hole for over 40 years. He is the owner of Wild by Nature Gallery and also offers Photography Tours and Workshops.



PETER MANGOLDS

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This award-winning wildlife and landscape photographer can be found guiding for Jackson Hole Wildlife Safaris or traveling the world working on conservation-based photography projects.



JENNIFER AND JOE MACKEY

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Jennifer & Joe Mackey are primarily known for their dynamic approach when it comes to capturing weddings & elopements, but they have found a creative outlet in nature during their downtime. @wildwest_wildlife



SYLER PERALTA-RAMOS

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Growing up in Jackson Hole, Syler's passion for wildlife and conservation is rooted in the Tetons. Now a professional photographer, he shares this passion with others through wildlife and photo tours at his business, Pangea Expeditions.



IRENE GREENBERG

Leaving the worlds of academia and business, Irene moved to Jackson in 1998 to pursue her love of nature and wildlife through photography -- a pursuit that happily continues today.

