

# Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument

Rising from near sea-level in the south to more than 7,000 feet at the summit of Snow Mountain, the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument offers more than 330,000 acres to explore. Approximately 197,000 acres of the monument are administered by the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) and 133,000 acres by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

These lands have been home to Native American populations for more than 11,000 years and continue to sustain traditional cultural practices.

Other cultural sites tell the story of homesteading, mining, logging, ranching and farming practices that shaped the economy of this region. The monument offers stunning

wildflower displays, steep canyons and ridge lines with expansive mountain views. Prominent rivers have helped to shape this landscape and the diverse habitats within.

This is an important migration corridor for wildlife. Many of the plants and animals here are endemic to the Berryessa Region. Some have developed unique adaptations to fire or to serpentine soils. Over 150 million years of geological history are exhibited on these lands. These lands serve as an outdoor classroom, offering opportunities for research and study.

Look, learn and enjoy the stories of the Berryessa Region and the Snow Mountain Wilderness during your visit.

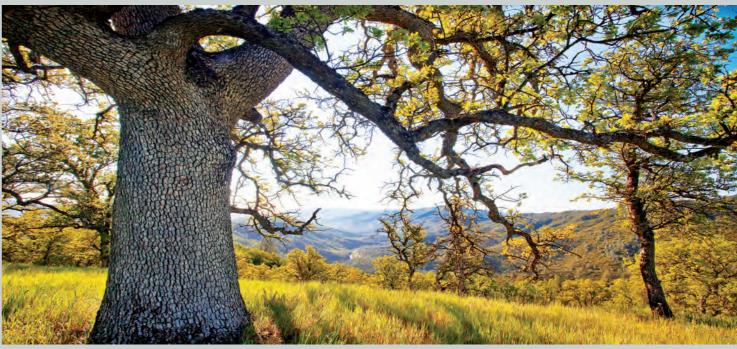


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Trail Guide: South									
Area	rea   Jame   Trail Name		Distance (miles)	Hiking	Pack & Saddle	ОНО	Multiple		
s	1	Judge Davis	6	Yes	Yes	No	Yes		
dar Area	2	JD-CC Ridge Connector	1	Yes	Yes	No	No		
Cache Creek & Cedar Roughs Wilderness Areas	3	Moonscape - Cache Creek Spur 2	1.7	Yes	Yes	No	No		
Sree/ilde	4	Dunfield Flats Trail	1.8	Yes	Yes	No	No		
he (	5	Redbud Trail		Yes	Yes	No	Ye		
Cac	6	Perkins Creek Ridge	5	Yes	Yes	No	Ye		
æ	7	Brushy Sky High	5	Yes	Yes	No	Ye		
	8	Cache Creek Ridge Spur 1	2.8	Yes	Yes	No	Ye		
	9	Destanella Loop - Cache Creek Ridge Spur 2	2	Yes	Yes	No	No		
	10	Destanella Loop - Cache Creek Ridge Spur	2.8	Yes	Yes	No	No		
	11	Cowboy Camp Loop (Thompson Canyon & Craig Canyon Trails)	9.4	Yes	Yes	No	No		
ea	12	Lynch Canyon	1.7	Yes	Yes	No	No		
Cache Creek Natural Area	13	Dunefield Springs Trail	1.4	Yes	Yes	No	No		
atura	14	Valley Loop	1.5	Yes	Yes	No	No		
ž	15	Brophy Canyon Spur	4.5	Yes	Yes	No	Ye		
Cree	16	Cache Creek Ridge Trail	10	Yes	Yes	No	Ye		
che	17	Buck Island Trail	1	Yes	Yes	No	No		
Ca	18	Buck Island Spur	1	Yes	Yes	No	No		
	19	Buck Island Loop	2	Yes	Yes	No	No		
	20	Cache Creek Ridge Spur 4	2.8	Yes	Yes	No	No		
	21	High Bridge	4.5	Yes	Yes	No	No		
	22	Brophy Canyon Loop	2	Yes	Yes	No	No		
	23	Blue Ridge Trail	7.4	Yes	Yes	No	No		
	24	Fiske Creek Trail	4.1	Yes	Yes	No	Ye		
	25	Frog Pond Loop Trail	5.5	Yes	Yes	No	Ye		
٠,	26	Bartlett Springs Road	30.8	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye		
Indian Valley	27	Indian Valley Road	4.3	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye		
=>	28	Walker Ridge Road	14.5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye		
sak ns	29	Berryessa Peak Trail	14.5	Yes	No	No	Ye		
sa Pe ebbir anyo	30	Annie's Loop	2.75	Yes	No	No	Ye		
Berryessa Peak and Stebbins Cold Canyon	31	Stebbins Blue Ridge Loop	5	Yes	No	No	Ye		
an CC	32	Homestead Trail	2.5	Yes	No	No	Ye		
	33	Dunnigan Hill	6	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye		
ville	34	Devilhead Road	4.9	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye		
Knoxville	35	Adams Ridge	11	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye		
	36	Hunting Creek Road	7.7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye		

Camping Guide: South											
	Site Name	Мар	Amenities	Latitude	Longitude						
<b>BLM Recreation Facilities</b>	Blue Oak Campground		<b>▲</b> ##P#≈	39.069	-122.508						
	Kowalski Camp (Water access only)			39.086	-122.546						
	Wintun Camp			39.099	-122.497						
	Cowboy Camp			38.996	-122.354						
	Hunting Creek Camp	В5		38.808	-122.375						
	Knoxville North Staging Area			38.857	-122.419						
	High Bridge		₩Î P ĸċ	38.956	-122.343						
	Buck Island	СЗ	ii A 🚣	38.927	-122.370						
Non-BLM Recreation Facilities	Redbud Trailhead	A2	<del>其</del> 帕PA放	38.986	-122.539						
	Judge Davis Trailhead	B2	PA W	39.008	-122.414						
	Cedar Roughs Wilderness Access	C6	n <u>e</u>	38.624	-122.323						
	Stebbins Cold Canyon	E8	Ħ P A ⅓	38.510	-122.097						
	Indian Valley Campground	A1	▲##P##	39.077	-122.531						
	Cache Creek Regional Park			38.915	-122.318						
	Valley Vista Regional Park	СЗ	P 🕅	38.909	-122.274						



Photo by Andrew Fulks, Tuleyome

# POPULAR RECREATION LOCATIONS

# Cache Creek Natural Area (B-3)

Hiking, horseback riding, rafting, picnicking, wildlife viewing and hunting are popular here. A free roaming herd of Tule elk can be observed seeking out water and shade along the creek in summer. Bald eagles soar high above the rushing waters during winter.

The Redbud, Perkins Creek Ridge and Judge Davis trails provide access into the Cache Creek Wilderness and connect to a network of trails that expand beyond the monument boundary. Seasonal high water levels may limit access across Cache Creek and Bear Creek. Contact the BLM Ukiah Field Office for up-to-date information about seasonal access to trails and camping areas.

Steep trails and river crossings lead adventurous hikers and trail riders to spectacular overlooks and secluded natural areas.

# Cedar Roughs Wilderness (C-7)

Cedar Roughs Wilderness offers hiking, hunting, primitive camping, and wildlife viewing. It protects important botanical and wildlife habitat. Cedar Roughs Wilderness can be accessed on foot or by boat.

Access to this wilderness area also traverses non-federal lands, so please be aware of land ownership boundaries before you go. Information about the Cedar Roughs Wilderness is available from the BLM.

Information is also available from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and from Bureau of Reclamation offices at Lake Berryessa.

# Berryessa Peak & Stebbins Cold Canyon (E6-8)

Berryessa Peak and BLM managed lands in the vicinity of Stebbins Cold Canyon offer hiking, wildlife viewing, and other recreational opportunities. Adventurous hikers who climb the steep trails in this area are rewarded with some of the most breathtaking views.



Photo by Bob Wick, BLM

A rich history of geological formations and human use can

be best understood from this vantage point.

Federally managed lands are open to the public but some of the popular access routes traverse lands that are not federally managed. Information about these areas can be obtained from the BLM, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, and landowner Tuleyome. Additional information about Stebbins Cold Canyon is available from the U.C. Davis Reserve System.

# Indian Valley (A-1)

Indian Valley Management Area is located in Lake County, just north of SR-20. Indian Valley Reservoir and Blue Oak Campground provide opportunities for fishing, boating, camping, OHV, hunting, and other recreational uses.

Kowalski Camp and Wintun Camp offer sites for dispersed camping but no services are available there. Camping may also be available at county campgrounds.

This area may be accessed from Walker Ridge Road to the east and from Bartlett Springs Road to the west.

Additional pedestrian access is available from the south via the Indian Creek Bridge. This route provides pedestrian access to diverse wildlife habitat but does not provide access to the reservoir.

# Knoxville Management Area (B-4)

Knoxville Management Area consists of 17,700 acres of steep rolling hills, with vegetation ranging from scattered hardwoods and grasses to dense chaparral brush.

The steep hills and unique terrain are an attraction for OHV use, camping, picnicking, swimming, and hunting. More than 51 miles of OHV routes are available in Knoxville.

The North Staging Area provides a bathroom and parking for recreationists. Hunting Creek Campground offers a bathroom, parking, camping, and access to a beautiful perennial creek.

# WILDERNESS AREAS

Managed to protect wilderness characteristics, three designated areas offer opportunities for solitude and unmechanized, non-motorized recreation. This natural, undeveloped and untrammeled setting provides excellent habitat for wildlife, hikers, backpackers, and horseback riders.

The California Wilderness Act of 1984 designated 37,000 acres of the Snow Mountain Wilderness.

An additional 23,706 acres was designated in the Northern California Coastal Wild Heritage Wilderness Act of 2006. It also designated 27,245 acres as the Cache Creek Wilderness and 6,350 acres as the Cedar Roughs Wilderness.



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Leave No Trace is an approach that helps people be more aware of their environment and help them protect it for future generations.

LEAVE NO TRACE applies in the more visited areas as much as it does in the less visited areas.

- 1. Plan Ahead and Prepare
- 2. Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
- 3. Dispose of Waste Properly4. Leave What You Find
- 5. Minimize Campfire Impacts
- 6. Respect Wildlife
- 7. Be Considerate of Other Visitors

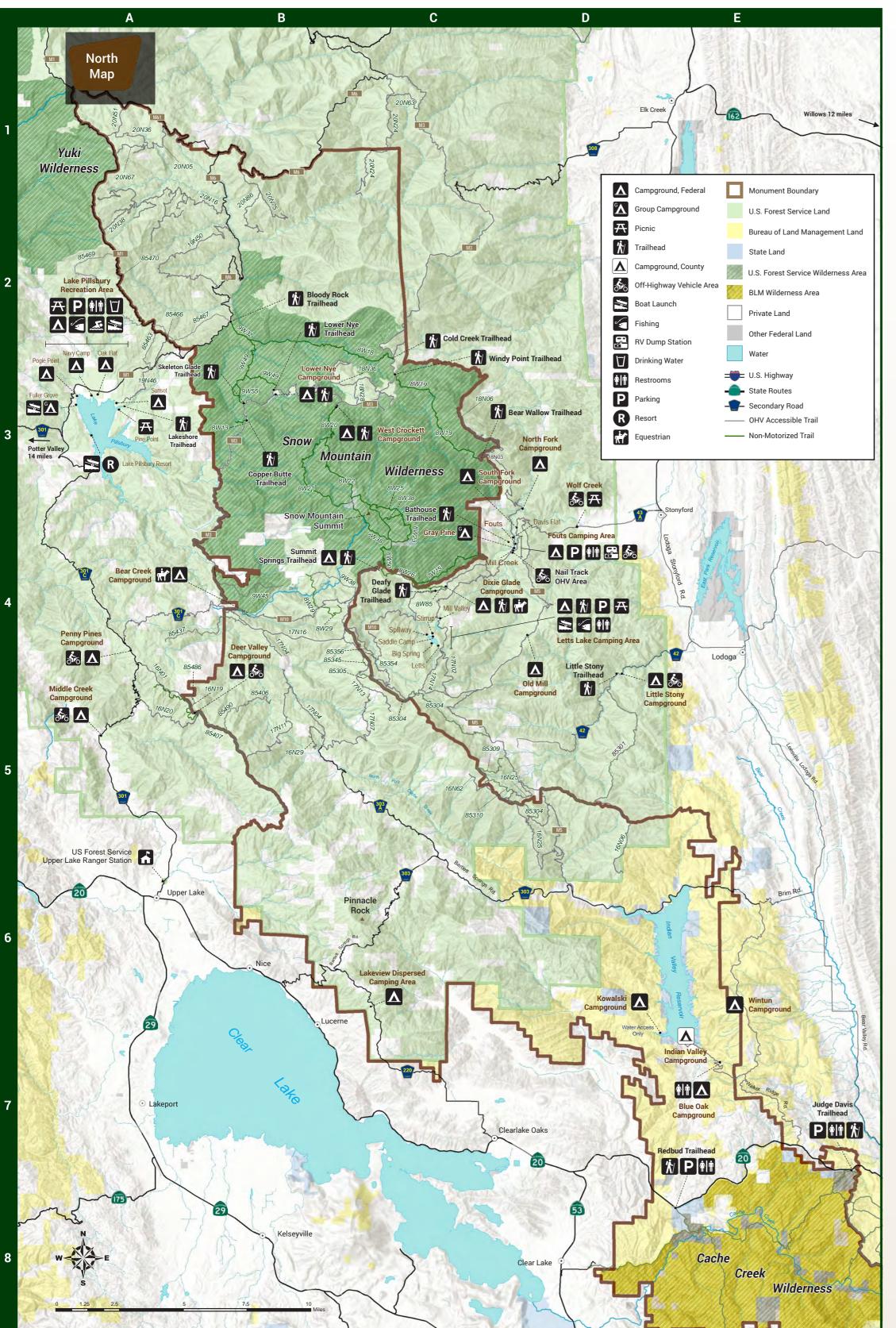
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#### Trail Numbe Trail Name Bathhouse 8W19 Bear Wallow No 9W32 Bloody Rock No No No 8W18 Cold Creek Copper Butte 8W13 8W26 Deafy Glade 8W25 East Peak 9W49 Lower Nye Milk Ranch Loop No 8W38 8W23 Overlook 9W55 Skeleton Glade 8W50 Summit Springs 8W20 West Crocket No No No 8W21 6.25 No No No No Crooked Tree 8W22 Northridae No No No 9W45 No No No No 85467 Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Rattlesnake 4x4 Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes 85466 Refuge 4x4 5.3 Yes Yes Yes Yes No 85437 Poges Trail 3.6 Yes Yes Yes No No 8W29 Blue Slides 9W38 Yes No No No No No Stove Pipe es Yes Yes Yes No 85304 Fence Line Yes Yes Yes Yes No 85345 Boundary es Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes 85406 Big Ridge Deer Vallev 85407 Yes Yes Yes Yes No Big Ridge 85490 85301 Love Lady 3.3 Yes Yes Yes Yes No 85310 Horse Hollow 85486 Rock Creek 0.1 Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes 0.48 Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes 85470 Young's Corral 85305 Youngs 0.5 Yes Yes Yes Yes No 85354 Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Wound Windy Point We will be a second with the second with th Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes 8.4 Yes Yes Yes No No

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8W85 Dixie Glade





Photo by Linda Cole, U.S. Forest Service

More than half of this national monument has been affected by wildfires since its After the establishment in 2015. While many areas Fire were lightly affected or even untouched, other areas burned with moderate to severe intensity.



Photo by Rebecca Carr Wong, BLM/ U.S. Forest Service

The effects of fire are not always apparent. Some trees that are standing, may already be dead or shed limbs that could fall on people and vehicles. Thus, parking may not be available within recently burned areas and added caution is advised when recreating in these areas.

# Be Aware for your Safety:

- Be especially wary on windy days.
- Displaced wildlife could be encountered
- Watch for burned stump holes and root chambers
- Flash floods and debris flows can occur especially during heavy rain events. Place your tent up and away from a river or stream.
- Management and restoration activities such as roadwork, facility repairs, logging, and erosion control projects may be encountered.

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# **Bureau of Land Management**

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**Upper Lake Ranger District** 10025 Elk Mountain Rd. Upper Lake, CA 95485 707-275-2361

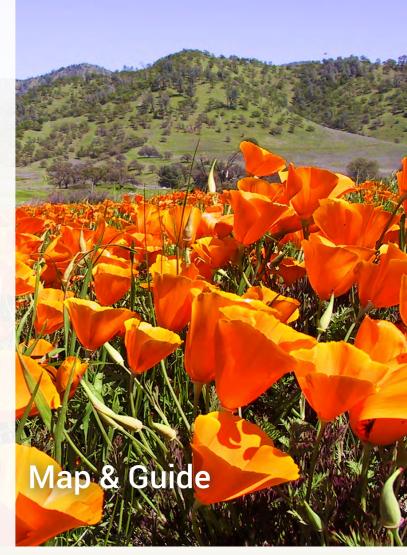
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**Stonyford Work Center** 5171 Stonyford-Elk Creek Rd. Stonyford, CA 95979

505-963-3128

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# RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES

There is something for everyone at Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument. The monument provides opportunities for hiking, picnicking, camping, birding, fishing, swimming, hunting, hang gliding, whitewater rafting, climbing, and many other outdoor activities. Please contact us for updated information about seasonal access.

# **Off-Highway Vehicles**

Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) recreation is a popular activity, with many areas having developed roads, trails, and facilities for OHV recreationalists.

The Mendocino National Forest Motor Vehicle Opportunity Guide (MVOG) and trail maps for BLM Indian Valley and BLM Knoxville Management Areas provide detailed information about OHV trails and uses within the monument. These maps are available online and at Mendocino National Forest and BLM offices.

Be aware that some roads allowing OHV use may also have regular vehicle traffic. All OHV riders on public lands in the State of California must wear a safety helmet and all vehicles must be registered in compliance with State of California regulations.

# **Hunting and Fishing**

Hunting and fishing are permitted seasonally in accordance with California Department of Fish and Wildlife licensing

Excepting the State Game Refuge, all federally managed lands in the monument are open to hunting. Check with the BLM Ukiah Field Office or Mendocino National Forest

before you go, to confirm where target shooting is allowed and where it is not. Do not use trees, signs, glass objects, or exploding objects for targets.

Firearms must not be discharged from a road, across a road or trail, across a body of water, or within 150 yards of a campground, facility, or inhabited area.

# Camping

There are several developed campgrounds and dispersed sites throughout the monument. Many developed campsites are within just a few miles of it.

Campfire permits are required while recreating in the national monument and are required for all dispersed camping. "Dead and down" wood may be used for campfires.

The stay limit for campsites on federal lands is 14 days. All campgrounds are first-come, first-serve with the exception of some group campsites that can be reserved online at

www.Recreation.gov or by calling 877-444-6777. Some campgrounds and trails may be temporarily closed due to fire, flooding, erosion or other weather events. Please contact Mendocino National Forest or the Bureau of Land

Management Ukiah Field Office for the latest information about campground and trail access. **Hiking & Equestrian** 

Hikers can enjoy diverse terrain at a wide range of difficulty levels. From day hikes to backpacking trips, each area of this monument offers a different experience. Hikers can spend one day on a forested hike at Snow Mountain, then spend the next watching eagles at Cache Creek.

Summit Springs Trailhead provides equestrian access to Mendocino National Forest trails in the Snow Mountain Wilderness. Cowboy Camp provides a day use area, an equestrian friendly campground, river views, hitching posts, interpretive panels, wildlife viewing opportunities, and access to an extensive trail network.

# **POPULAR RECREATION LOCATIONS**



Photo by Andrew Fulks, Tuleyome

# Snow Mountain Wilderness (B-3)

Snow Mountain Wilderness offers hiking and equestrian opportunities. This wilderness ranges in elevation from 1800' in the Middle Fork gorge of Stony Creek to 7056' on the summit of East Peak. Steep slopes and narrow, deep canyons form a rugged surface.

Wilderness areas offer a primitive experience, so trails may be rough and unmarked. Vehicles are not allowed on trails and some areas have no cell phone service

Remember to bring a map, compass, water, and other essentials.

Snow Mountain drains water toward the Sacramento River to the east and Eel River Basin to the west.

Several thousand years of habitation by Yuki and Northeastern Pomo Indians, early cattlemen, shepherds, and hunters have left few impacts to this wilderness.



Photo by Fabiola Torres, Hispanic Access Foundation/ U.S. Forest Service

Prehistoric sites, historic cabins, and traditional use areas show evidence of this long history.

# Penny Pines, Deer Valley & Middle Creek Areas (A-4)

Camping, OHV facilities, and day use areas are available at Middle Creek, Deer Valley, Penny Pines, and at Lake Pillsbury. OHV staging areas and trailheads are available at Penny Pines and Middle Creek. Information is available online and from Mendocino National Forest

# Letts Lake & Stony Creek Areas (C-4)

The Letts Lake and Stony Creek areas host sixteen Mendocino National Forest campgrounds within ten miles of the monument boundary. Several campgrounds are located near Letts Lake, along Stony Creek, and near trailheads that provide access to the Snow Mountain Wilderness.