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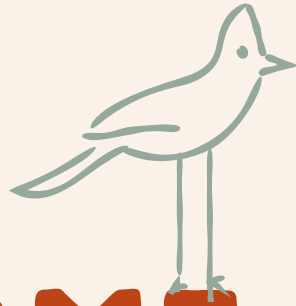
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# WELCOME TO JUAB

*VISITORS' GUIDE*







# WELCOME TO JUAB.

*PLANNING A TRIP MIGHT SOUND DAUNTING.*

In Juab, it's as simple as filling in the blanks – literally.

With rolling hills and sprawling deserts, Juab embodies raw, rugged power, where nature reigns supreme. It's a place where you can escape the noise and chaos of modern life, and find solace in the stillness of the land.

Your toughest choice? Deciding where to begin.

Juab\_is an open road of possibilities, yours to meander and discover.

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Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway.



## GET A HAND

*KICKSTART YOUR PLANNING. CHECK OUT OUR ITINERARIES THAT BEST MATCH YOUR ADVENTURE STYLE.*

Looking for the weird and wacky? See page 38.

Nature lovers, flip to page 39.

Find family-friendly fun (and tips!) on page 46.

History buffs can step into the past on page 47.

Thrill-seekers, venture to page 52.

Read up on group-friendly recommendations on page 53.

## JUST PASSING THROUGH

*IS JUAB EN ROUTE TO YOUR FINAL DESTINATION? WE WON'T TAKE IT (TOO) HARD. IF YOU'VE ONLY GOT A FEW HOURS OR A DAY, AIM TO CROSS OFF THESE MUST-SEES.*

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## GIVE US A HOLLER

*JUAB'JS READY TO HELP YOU! WE LOVE HEARING FROM YOU AND WHAT YOU'RE UP TO DURING YOUR VISIT.*

For the latest updates and information – or just to say hi – visit our website: [www.Juab.Is](http://www.Juab.Is). You can also find us on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube [@JuabCountyTravel](https://www.youtube.com/@JuabCountyTravel).

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# MAP YOUR ULTIMATE ADVENTURE

## DRIVING HERE

### *TO HEAD TO NEPHI:*

From Salt Lake City and Provo: Take I-15 South and US-6 West. Take exit 228.

From Capitol Reef and Canyonlands National Parks: Follow UT-24 West to US-50 West in Sevier County. Then take US-50 West and I-15 N to UT-28 North, take exit 222.

From southwest Utah (St. George, Cedar City, or spots around Zion National Park and Dixie National Forest): Take I-15 North all the way up to exit 222. Then merge onto UT-28 North.

From eastern Nevada (Ely, Lund, and Baker): Drive onto US-50 East/ Great Basin Blvd, then make a left onto US-6 East, a right onto UT-132, and another left onto UT-28 North.





Juab\_is full of surprises. Starting in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, people found gold, metals, and other semiprecious gemstones in the region. They just had to dig them up!

Go on your own treasure hunt. See if you can spot all of the fun facts hidden throughout this guide.

# KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

*MAKE YOUR TRIP TO JUAB A SAFE, MEMORABLE ONE.*



## **Map and plan the old fashioned way.**

Venturing through Juab is like stepping into an off-the-grid oasis. While disconnecting is a fun respite for most visitors, it can be tricky to get around. Prepare for limited cell service throughout the county, even in popular spots like the Nebo Loop and the town of Eureka.

Print out a topographic map to best navigate Juab Valley's dirt roads and trails. Or download an offline version of Google Maps before setting out.



## **Emergency services are limited.**

Emergency services here can be both costly and time-consuming. Access points for trails and roads can be difficult to reach, especially in snowy or wet weather.

Check conditions before heading out, follow all trail guidance, and exercise caution when scaling rocky or uneven terrain.

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→ If you or someone in your group needs medical attention, call 911.

→ The nearest 24/7 hospital and emergency room is Central Valley Medical Center, 48 W. 1500 North in Nephi.



## **Fuel should top your packing list.**

Whether you prefer traveling light or tend to pack lots of suitcases, extra food, water, and fuel is vital regardless of the season. Juab Valley is undeveloped and uninhabited in several spots so don't depend on seeing fast-food restaurants, gas stations, or even water sources near outdoor recreation.



## **Year-round, layer up.**


Like much of Utah, Juab County has a dry, semi-arid, desert climate with temperatures that can swing throughout the day. Expect night-time temperatures to dip – sometimes up to 20-30 degrees. Pack layers for your expeditions, along with additional ones to bundle up in the evenings.

 **Four-wheel drive = your friend.**

While it won't make you invincible, four-wheel drive is best for navigating Juab's snowy and icy conditions. If not, snow tires might be required in some parts, and you'll need them to stay on the road.

 **Follow trail signage – and your instincts.**

Juab's landscape can be powerful, wild, and has unique hazards. Stick to marked, groomed trails. Take care around high, steep cliffs around the Nebo Loop. Scaling any snowy terrain carries an avalanche risk.

 **Honor your limits.**

Your trip to Juab should be fun, not a record-breaking feat. Study the difficulty of hiking trails (page 24) and recognize your physical limits. Turn back right away if you begin to feel tired or are running low on water or fuel.



## GET HELP

### *I NEED MEDICAL ATTENTION.*

- If you or someone in your group needs medical attention, call 911.
- The nearest 24/7 hospital and emergency room is Central Valley Medical Center, 48 W. 1500 North in Nephi.

### *I NEED A GAS STATION.*

Flip to page 55 or visit [Juab.Is/Travel-Essentials](https://juab.is/travel-essentials).

### *I HAVE A FLAT TIRE OR AM EXPERIENCING CAR TROUBLE.*

Several businesses in Juab County offer roadside assistance and car repair services. Learn more on page 55 or visit [Juab.Is/Travel-Essentials](https://juab.is/travel-essentials)



# DO IT RIGHT DON'T IGNITE

## Stop Burning Pallets on Public Lands

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Burning pallets leaves behind nails, harming more than just your feet or tires. It also creates environmental hazards that affect everyone and everything in Juab County, including our landscape.

a more intense, unpredictable burn and making fires harder to contain.

Protect Juab County and opt for fires that leave no trace behind.

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Nails in pallets are, well, as tough as nails. Unlike your typical campfire or bonfire reaching temperatures north of 600°F, steel nails don't melt until 2600°F.

It's not just about the piles of nails, though. Pallets are often constructed or painted with toxic chemicals, including preservatives, pesticides, and fungicides. When ignited, these chemicals release fumes that can cause breathing problems for people and wildlife and carry ashes that leach into the ground.

Even using untreated pallets poses significant risks. Pallet wood is brittle and fast-burning, resulting in



### *WHAT CAN I DO WITH OLD PALLETS, THEN?*

#### **Instead of burning pallets in Juab:**

- Donate them to a local business or nonprofit for reuse.
- Repurpose them for your next DIY project.
- Remember that untreated pallets can be recycled.

# VISITING RESPONSIBLY

*WHEN YOU COME TO JUAB, YOU'RE ENTERING A REGION WITH LOCAL RESIDENTS, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND VISITORS FROM ALL OVER. FOLLOW THESE LEAVE NO TRACE PRINCIPLES:*

## 1. Do a Little Extra Planning

Research your destinations, pack for a range of conditions, and make backup plans (just in case) before you go. Check out our Juab-specific tips on page 10.

## 2. Stick to Trails and “Overnight Right”

Follow signage and stick to the path on all trails and campsites, whether you're taking a solo hike or a group ride.

## 3. Trash Your Trash

Pack out everything you pack in, including garbage. If trash cans are full or not available, be prepared to bring home any waste.

## 4. Protect Indigenous Cultural Heritage

While enjoying Yuba State Park and other parts of Juab County, you may come across stone tools, broken pottery, rock art, and traces of Native American culture. If you discover archaeological or historical artifacts on your travels, please leave them alone and notify State Park or BLM officials.

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## 5. Minimize Campfire Impacts

Keep your fires small and contained within existing fire rings. Check out [UtahFireInfo.gov](https://utahfireinfo.gov) for local restrictions. See Do It Right, Don't Ignite for more guidance.

## 6. Keep Wildlife Wild

Respect the home of Juab's diverse creatures and wildlife by only observing from a distance. Never follow or feed wildlife and ensure pets are within your control.

## 7. Share Our Parks, Trails, and Roads

Be mindful of your and your group's noise levels, including your vehicles. Everyone enjoys the outdoors in different ways: some may go outside to be with friends and family and others may be looking for solitude.

# JUAB\_IS PLAY

## *WHERE NATURE REIGNS SUPREME*

Make wide open spaces your playground. Whether you prefer mountains or deserts, canyons or creeks, trails or roads, or all the above, get ready to immerse yourself in the rugged beauty and boundless possibilities of Juab outdoors.

## OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES (OHV)

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Bring the ATVs, buggies, and 4x4s. Much of Juab's land is public and under the control of the Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service, making it open for recreational use.

Before heading out, check out the OHV laws and rules at [Recreation.Utah.Gov](https://Recreation.Utah.Gov).

## *TREK THROUGH ONE OF THESE SPOTS:*

### **Little Sahara Recreation Area**

→ [27020 W. Sand Mountain Road, Nephi](#)

→ [BLM.gov/Learn-Interpretive-Centers/  
Little-Sahara-Recreation-Area](https://BLM.gov/Learn-Interpretive-Centers/Little-Sahara-Recreation-Area)

With over 60,000 acres of sand dunes and sagebrush flats, Little Sahara is Juab's premier off-road destination. Purchase tickets online.

### **Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway**

Street-legal OHVs can drive through the southern end of the Wasatch Mountains to catch some of Utah's most majestic sites, including its tallest peak, Mount Nebo (11,928 feet).





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Did you know that the sand at Little Sahara Recreation Area is from the ancient Lake Bonneville? When the lake receded, southwesterly winds picked up the exposed sand and dropped it, creating Utah's largest sandbox. The dunes are still moving to the north and east between 5 and 9 feet every year.



## 16 Cherry Creek

A splash-friendly spot that's home to popular desert dirt bike and motorcycle races.

## Levan Canyon

Travel through this scenic, fun drive on a maintained road. No four-wheel drive is required during dry weather, but keep an eye out for spurs.

## Mona Pole Canyon

The only route off the Nebo Loop open to ATVs. Access this out-and-back route from the Nebo Loop or from the Mona side. This route can be very rough and is advised only for experienced riders.

Continue your off-roading:  
[Juab.is/Play/OHV](https://juab.is/play/ohv)

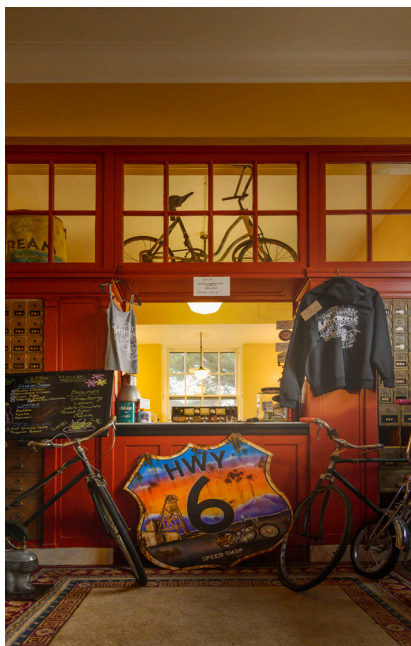


Pair your exploration  
with a free audio tour  
hosted by TravelStorys.



Levan is the word “navel” backwards! The area’s first settlers considered the land to be smack dab in the middle of Utah. Thus, Utah’s belly button!





## DRIVE

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*TAKE THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED ON A SCENIC DRIVE.*

### **Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway (Nebo Loop)**

Wind your way and experience the spectacular wonders of the Wasatch Mountains. Lots of overlooks dot your journey, inviting you to pull over, savor the vistas, and snap some unforgettable shots.

### **Highway 6 Scenic Drive (The Grand Army of the Republic Highway)**

Journey along this photo-worthy, hour-long loop off of I-15, passing through the historic town of Eureka. View remnants of buildings that tell stories of the

American West and visit the Tintic Motorcycle Works Museum (page 44) and Eureka Mining District (page 45).

Keep on cruising:  
[Juab.us/Play/Scenic-Drives](https://www.juab.us/play/scenic-drives)

*Left: Tintic Motorcycle Museum.  
Right: Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway.*



Above: Topaz Mountain.

## CAMP

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### *SLUMBER UNDER THE STARS.*

#### **Yuba State Park Campgrounds**

→ Nephi, 25 miles south off I-15

→ [StateParks.Utah.gov/  
Parks/Yuba](https://StateParks.Utah.gov/Parks/Yuba)

Oasis Campground is fully developed. Travelers looking for a primitive, immersive experience can access campgrounds at Painted Rocks and along the North and West Beaches. Eagle View is a drive-in dirt road and four-wheel drive is recommended. The Oasis Vista area also offers primitive day use and primitive group camping. Here, you can also enjoy fishing (page 22), ziplines (page 29), and water recreation opportunities (page 20).

*Note: All park entrance fees apply even if the entrance station is not staffed. Please use the self-pay envelope system, or simply scan the QR code sign upon arrival to pay for day use or camping in the Oasis and North Beaches campgrounds if sites are available.*



**Native Americans once lived at the area that is now Yuba State Park. Rock art, pieces of pottery, and stone tools have been found around the reservoir. Glimpse rock art by boat north of the Painted Rocks boat ramp.**

## YOU CAN ALSO PITCH YOUR TENT OR PARK YOUR RV AT:

### **Bear Canyon**

→ Nephi, 13 miles northeast off Highway 11

### **Chicken Creek Campground**

→ Levan, 6 miles southeast on Chicken Creek Canyon Road

### **Jericho-Little Sahara**

→ Nephi, 34 miles west on Highway 132 and County Road

### **Jones High Country RV Camp**

→ 899 S. Main Street, Nephi 84648

→ 435-623-2624

→ [NephiRV.com](http://NephiRV.com)

Pull-through sites for RVs, along with shaded tent camping opportunities.

### **Little Sahara Campgrounds**

→ 27020 W. Sand Mountain Road, Nephi

→ [BLM.gov/Learn-Interpretive-Centers/Little-Sahara-Recreation-Area](http://BLM.gov/Learn-Interpretive-Centers/Little-Sahara-Recreation-Area)

### **Oasis-Little Sahara**

→ Nephi, 34 miles west on Highway 132 and County Road

### **Rollin' Home RV Park**

→ 2888 Four Mile Road, Nephi

→ 435-250-8800

→ [RollinHomeRVPark.com](http://RollinHomeRVPark.com)

RV campground with pull-through and back-in sites.

### **Sand Mountain Little Sahara**

→ Nephi - 39.5 miles west on Highway 132 and County Road

### **Sandy Beach at Yuba Lake**

→ Old Botham Road, Levan

→ 480-696-0504

→ [SandyBeachAtYubaLake.com](http://SandyBeachAtYubaLake.com)

Choose from glamping tents, RV pads, yurts, the Lake House, beach bungalows, or Jetstream campers with modern conveniences.

### **Tintic Trails RV Park**

→ 536 E. Highway 6, Eureka

→ 435-433-2337 or 435-433-6960

→ [TinticTrails.com](http://TinticTrails.com)

### **White Sands-Little Sahara**

→ Nephi, 31.5 miles west on Highway 132 and County Road

Consider adding a short hike to your day (page 24) or driving along Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway (page 17). Discover more lodging accommodations on page 56-57.

Learn more about camping:

[Juab.Is/Campgrounds](http://Juab.Is/Campgrounds)



# BOATING, PADDLING, AND WATERSPORTS

*BOAT, PADDLE, OR FLOAT AT THE YUBA AND MONA RESERVOIRS. WITH SUMMER WATER TEMPERATURES FALLING BETWEEN 70-75 DEGREES, WATERSPORT ENTHUSIASTS OF ALL KINDS WILL FIND A HAVEN.*

## Yuba State Park

→ [StateParks.Utah.Gov/Yuba](https://StateParks.Utah.Gov/Yuba)

Enjoy a day at the lake! This land is home to two boat ramps for all types of watercraft. Equipment rentals and scuba diving and lessons are also available at the park.

*Note: All park entrance fees apply even if the entrance station is not staffed. Please use the self-pay envelope system, or simply scan the QR code sign upon to pay for day use or camping sites.*

## Mona Reservoir

Located in the north end of Juab Valley, this reservoir is a serene spot for boating, jet skiing, or just unwinding. This reservoir has recently experienced significant water loss, so check its current status before planning your visit.

Plan your day on the water:

[Juab.Is/Play/Boating/Paddling](https://Juab.Is/Play/Boating/Paddling)

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Above: Yuba State Park.



## SWIMMING

*ENJOY A DAY-LONG DIP OR A RESTORATIVE SOAK.*

### **Burraston Ponds**

Dive into these crystal-clear waters for a refreshing swim or scuba dive. Pack a picnic lunch, hook a line (page 22), or just savor the shore. Camping is not allowed at Burraston Ponds.

### **Baker Hot Springs**

Unwind at one of Utah's best-kept secrets. Lounge in three natural hot springs pools situated on an isolated piece of BLM land while taking in the desert views.

### **Nephi City Pool and Splash Pad**

→ **Nephi City Park, 70 E. 600 North, Nephi**

Cool off at Nephi's outdoor pool, which has an open pool, diving board, tube slide, climbing wall, and tot splash pad.



Jump into more:

[Juab.is/Play/Swim](https://juab.is/play/swim)

*Top: Burraston Ponds.  
Middle: Baker Hot Springs.  
Bottom: Yuba State Park.*



Left: Nebo Loop.  
Right: Burraston Ponds.

## FISH

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*JUAB ISN'T JUST DESERT.  
IT'S HOME TO SEVERAL PRIME FISHING HOLES.*

Before casting your line, read up on state fishing regulations. Visit Utah's [Wildlife.Utah.Gov](https://wildlife.utah.gov).

### **Burraston Ponds**

Once the campsite of Indian chiefs, these waters near Mona are annually stocked with rainbow trout and have been known to hold tiger and brown trout. Cast your line on a canoe or along the bank.

### **Yuba State Park**

→ [StateParks.Utah.Gov/Yuba](https://StateParks.Utah.Gov/Yuba)

Along the sandy shorelines, find good action for walleye, perch, and trout. Experienced anglers might opt to scout out northern

pike, some of which reach trophy size. For the best experience, troll or jig from a boat.

### **Jenkins Flat**

Nestled along the Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway, this spot offers family-friendly fishing adventures. Come winter, opportunities for ice fishing abound.

### **Salt Creek**

Catch quality trout in this canyon located east of Nephi along Highway 132.

Find angling action:  
[Juab.Is/Play/Fish](https://Juab.Is/Play/Fish)



## BIKING

*PEDAL ACROSS JUAB'S TERRAIN ON A MOUNTAIN BIKE.*

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### **Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway**

The Nebo Loop stretches for 38 miles of winding, paved roads, providing an exciting challenge. Bike trails reach elevations of over 9,000 feet. The Byway is open May 1 through November 1; weather conditions may affect these dates.

### **Pony Express National Historic Trail**

Step into the stirrups of the country's first mail carriers. The best time to access this off-road cycling trail is late April to mid-October. Learn more about this trail on page 40.

Read up on local mountain biking:

[Juab.Is/Play/Bike](https://juab.is/play/bike)



**Nephi City was once Salt Creek Fort. Today, four cornerstones mark where the fort once stood. Can you spot them while exploring Nephi?**

*Above: Salt Creek Canyon.*



## HIKE

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*ROAM THROUGH AND RECHARGE IN NATURE. JUAB OFFERS HIKING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL AGES AND ABILITIES.*

### **Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway**

Pick your path from 38 miles accessible through the Wasatch Mountains' southern end. Pair your exploration with a free audio tour hosted by TravelStorys. The Byway is open from May 1 through November 1; weather conditions may affect these dates.

### **Paul Bunyan's Woodpile**

→ [BLM.gov/Visit/  
Paul-Bunyan's-Woodpile](https://www.blm.gov/visit/paul-bunyan-woodpile)

This massive, neat stack of lava logs might give the impression of

being cut by America's legendary lumberjack! In reality, these geological wonders were formed approximately 30 million years ago when the lava flow from a volcano solidified into large columns. Over time, erosion uncovered these formations, revealing columns that measure up to 15 feet long today.

Find the Woodpile just east of Highway 6 near Jericho Junction (the access road to Little Sahara Recreation Area). From Eureka, drive south on Highway 6 for about 15 miles until you come to a good dirt road heading east into the foothills. From Jericho



Junction, drive north for about 3 miles to find the dirt road.

Follow the dirt road east for about 3.5 miles to the trailhead. There are signs along the dirt road showing the way and marking the trailhead.

### **Mt. Nebo**

At 11,928 feet, Mt. Nebo is the highest peak on the Wasatch Front. Ascend to the summit on a rugged day hike or backpacking adventure. Most hikers attack the summit on a 14-mile round trip trail beginning on the Nebo Bench Trailhead at the Monument.

### **Salt Creek Trail**

Featuring an accessible waterfall and stunning views, this easy route takes about an hour to complete. Turn left when the creek crosses the trail to see the waterfall. Located in Bear Canyon Campground (page 19).

### **West Desert**

Wind your way through the mountain, discovering hidden juniper and pine forests and diverse wildlife. These trails offer remarkable views of the Great Basin and surrounding desert.

### **Ibapah Peak**

Embark on a challenging, isolated, out-and-back hike in the West Desert, ascending to an elevation surpassing over 12,000 feet. This trail covers a distance of 14.4 miles round trip and typically takes about 10 hours to complete. The breathtaking vistas are well worth it!

### **Bear Canyon Trail**

Explore the Mount Nebo Wilderness on this moderately difficult out-and-back hike that takes an average of 3.5 hours to complete. Located in Bear Canyon Campground (page 19).

Find your next summit:

[Juab.Is/Play/Hike](#)



Early Mormon pioneers named Mt. Nebo. It translates to “Sentinel of God.” In the Bible, Mt. Nebo is where Moses saw a view of the Promised Land before his death.

## VIEW

*PACK YOUR BINOCULARS AND HEAD TO THE WETLANDS, MOUNTAINS, AND DESERT TO SPOT JUAB VALLEY'S WILDLIFE LOCALS.*

### Fish Springs National Wildlife Refuge

→ [8454 Auto Tour Route 010,  
Dugway](#)

→ [FWS.gov/Refuge/Fish-Springs](#)

### Utah Division of Wildlife Resources

→ [Wildlife.Utah.Gov](#)

Juab's forested areas boast a dense population of elk and mule deer. You can also find pheasants, quail, cottontail rabbits, and grouse through hillsides and deserts.



In 1861, a young Mark Twain traveled along Juab County's Overland Trail and stayed near Callao, Utah. He recounted his adventures in his book *Roughing It*.

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Continue your exploration:

[Juab.Is/Play/View](#)

*Below: Fish Springs National  
Wildlife Refuge.*





## SNOWMOBILE

### Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway

Snow transforms the Nebo Loop into a winter wonderland. From December through March, portions of the trail are groomed with elevations reaching 9,200 feet. Snowmobiling routes start at the Salt Creek Canyon trailheads and offer access to the Mt. Nebo high-tops and wilderness area, along with the Wasatch Range.



Before heading out, check conditions at Utah Snowmobile Association ([SnowUT.com](http://SnowUT.com)) and [UtahAvalancheCenter.org](http://UtahAvalancheCenter.org).

Plan your adventure:

[Juab.Is/Play/Snowmobile](http://Juab.Is/Play/Snowmobile)

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Nephi was nicknamed "Little Chicago." The town served as a hub for railroads entering from three directions and the highways coming from four ways.

*Top: Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway.  
Middle: Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway.  
Bottom: Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway.*



Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway.

## SNOWSHOEING

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Before heading out, review conditions at Utah Snowmobile Association ([SnowUT.com](http://SnowUT.com)) and [UtahAvalancheCenter.org](http://UtahAvalancheCenter.org).

### **Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway**

Portions of the Byway and Nebo Loop are groomed from December through March. The area has numerous ungroomed and unsigned side trails so always exercise caution.

### **Salt Creek Canyon**

Start at the northwest end of the Bear Canyon Campground,

following this easy trail through a narrow forested canyon.

### **Chicken Creek Canyon**

Find great views with cool mountain ledges and lush aspen and pine trees. This trail begins in a little town called Levan and follows a gravel road.

### **Willow Creek**

Climb one of the area's steepest trails. The view from the top is a well-deserved reward!

Find your backcountry escape: [Juab.Is/Play/Snowshoe](http://Juab.Is/Play/Snowshoe)



## ZIPLINING

### Yuba State Park

Thrill-seekers, get ready to soar. Reach new heights with 850 and 650 feet of pure exhilaration at Yuba State Park – the first of their kind in a state park. Secure your adventure by making online reservations.

→ [StateParks.Utah.Gov/Yuba](https://StateParks.Utah.Gov/Yuba)

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Amelia Earhart made an unexpected layover near Eureka! Running into engine trouble (possibly due to the high altitude), she was forced to land near Tintic, a railroad coaling station. Her first request upon landing? Telegramming New York City for a new propeller!

*Above: Ziplining at Yuba State Park.*



## ROCKHOUNDING

*VENTURE TO JUAB COUNTY'S HILLS AND DESERTS FOR A VARIETY OF UNIQUE ROCKS AND MINERALS. CASUAL AND SERIOUS COLLECTORS ALIKE ARE USUALLY REWARDED FOR THEIR EFFORTS.*

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Before your dig, read up on Utah's rock, mineral, and collecting rules at [Geology.Utah.Gov](https://geology.utah.gov).

### Topaz Mountain

→ [BLM.gov/Visit/Topaz-Mountain](https://blm.gov/visit/topaz-mountain)

Search the southern washes and slopes of this mountain to uncover its namesake: semiprecious gemstones that glimmer as hard, transparent crystals. You can also find many other gems and minerals, including the highly sought-after red beryl.

To get there from Nephi, travel southwest on Highway 132 for about 34 miles to the town of Lynndyl and the junction with Highway 6. Continue south on U.S. Highway 6 for about 5 miles and then turn west onto the signed

Brush Wellman Road. Drive northwest on the paved Brush Wellman Road for about 37 miles, to the signed dirt road leading up to Topaz Mountain.

Topaz Mining Adventures offers immersive, guided rockhounding tours. Book at [TopazMountainAdventures.com](https://topazmountainadventures.com).

### Dugway Geode Beds

→ [Simpson Springs Callao Road, West Juab](#)

Dig for crystal-filled geodes, which often reveal a fluorescent green hue under UV light. You also might encounter the orange and cream-colored Mt. Nebo Calcite, which can be used to create decorative items.

## ROCKHOUNDING RULES

### Your Topaz Toolkit

Gear up for your dig and bring:

- Jeans (best for kneeling on the rough rock)
- Hiking boots
- Hat
- Sunscreen
- Protective equipment, including eye protection, gloves, and a hard hat
- Bug repellent
- Rock hammer or regular hammer
- Screwdriver
- Bags for your finds
- Lots of water!

## TREASURE HUNT ETIQUETTE

Rock, mineral, and fossil collectors must adhere to the rules and regulations established by owners or managing agencies of the lands.

Begin by familiarizing yourself with the area you'd like to visit with surface-management status maps or site-specific land-ownership maps. These maps are accessible online and are also sold by the Utah Geological Survey and the Bureau of Land Management.

Rockhounding permits may be required to collect on some lands in Juab.

Before your dig, read up on Utah's full list of rock, mineral, and collecting rules at [Geology.Utah.Gov](https://geology.utah.gov).

Go rockhounding:

[Juab.Is/Play/Dig](https://juab.is/play/dig)



# STARGAZE

*WHEN THE SUN SETS, DONT PACK UP JUST YET. LOOK UP TO THE SKIES TO SEE A SPECTACLE OF ASTRONOMICAL PROPORTIONS. JUAB'S REMOTENESS MAGNIFIES THE VISIBILITY OF THE MILKY WAY, MAKING IT AN IDEAL SPOT FOR GAZING THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.*

After dark, visit one of these spots:

## **Yuba State Park**

Wildly dark skies, extreme quiet, and abundant camping make Yuba State Park a highly sought-after stargazing destination for all ages. Take advantage of the park's outdoor recreation opportunities by day and stare in awe at the vibrantly clear, stunning sky by night.

the moonscape vibe of the area can make one feel like they're observing the stars from the moon.

## **Little Sahara Recreation Area**

Spread out on the sand dunes to gaze. Then, get your shuteye at one of Little Sahara's many campsites (page 19). Find daytime fun for OHVs (page 14) and motorcycles (page 36).

## **Devil's Kitchen**

Devil's Kitchen, also known as Little Bryce Canyon, is located on the southern end of the Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway. Hike up and view constellations between the rock formations.

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## **Joy, Utah**

The timeless desert landscape in and around the ghost town of Joy, provides stargazers with an experience like no other. With a bit of imagination and playful fantasy,

*Below: Little Sahara Recreation Area.*





## TAKING ON THE STARS: STARGAZING TIPS

### Plan your gaze.

Skies will be clearest during a new moon or within three days before and three days after. Look at weather to make sure there isn't cloud cover or storms headed your way.

### Be prepared to stay up.

Skies darken starting 60 to 90 minutes after sundown. During the summer months, that's around 10 p.m. The longer you stay up, the darker and more dense the skies will become.

### It might be chilly.

Check local temperatures after sunset. Bring warmer clothing.

### You can just bring yourself.

Many stargazing sites in Juab County are viewable to the naked eye. To enhance your experience, bring along a pair of binoculars or a small telescope.

### Kids make great astrotourists.

Stargazing is a super family activity! Encourage kids to find constellations or a planet, or to make up a story about what they see. They might get sleepier sooner than adults so make them comfortable and bring snacks.

### Expand your knowledge.

Lots of cell phone apps can help you identify constellations and stars. You can also find more resources at [VisitUtah.com/Things-To-Do/Stargazing](https://www.visitutah.com/things-to-do/stargazing).

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Great Indian chiefs used Burraston Ponds as a meeting place, referring to it as Punjun Spring, which means "without bottom." It was said that in the evenings, a baby's cry could be heard echoing from the depths of the water.





## BIRD

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*HUNDREDS OF SPECIES OF BIRDS FLOCK TO AND LIVE IN JUAB COUNTY YEAR-ROUND, AND SO DO BIRDERS!*

Spot feathered friends near local streams and reservoirs at:

### **Fish Springs National Wildlife Refuge**

→ 8454 Auto Tour Route 010,  
Dugway

→ [FWS.gov/Refuge/Fish-Springs](https://www.fws.gov/Refuge/Fish-Springs)

Spanning nearly 18,000 acres with 10,000 acres of marshes, Fish Springs provide vital habitat for migrating wetland birds to stop and replenish energy stores. Visitors can take self-guided tours on an 11-mile autoroute or picnic under the Thomas Ranch Watchable Wildlife Viewing Area.

**Spring:** Watch the daily flow of avian visitors, many of which are in bright breeding plumage. Geese and ducks begin to arrive in early March. Shore migration lasts from April to mid-May.

**Summer:** While some birds continue further north to breed, many stay to raise their young. Canada Goose goslings and some shorebird chicks make their debut. In June and July, peep ducklings, along with American Avocets and Black-necked Stilts, appear. Scan overhead to see owls, eagles, and other birds resting in the trees or soaring over the wetlands' skies.



**Fall:** Shorebirds, waterfowl, and songbirds venture back through the refuge as a pit stop on their way south. Tundra Swans begin to arrive mid-October and stay until January.

**Winter:** From December to March, northern harriers, rough-legged hawks, and short-eared owls prowl the marsh, searching the frozen ground for prey. During the day, Bald Eagles feed and rest in the refuge.

### **Additional Spots**

- The marshes at Fish Springs National Wildlife Refuge
- Yuba State Park
- Yuba Reservoir
- Mona Reservoir
- Burraston Ponds
- The Sevier River below Yuba
- Small streams along the Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway
- Small streams in Levan Canyon



Find your next lifer:

[Juab.is/Play/Bird](https://juab.is/play/bird)

*Opposite page: Bald Eagle.  
Top: Western Meadowlark.  
Middle: American Avocet.  
Bottom: Burrowing Owl.*



## MOTORCYCLE

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*REV UP YOUR ENGINES AND SOME JUAB DIRT ON A MOTORCYCLE.*

### **Juab Xtreme Racing**

→ [JuabXtremeRacing.com](http://JuabXtremeRacing.com)

Each summer, dirt bike and motorcycle racers come out to Juab County for adrenaline-filled competition.

### **Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway**

Rated one of the top 10 motorcycle rides in Utah! Take your bike or street-legal OHV (page 14) for a cruise along the Nebo Loop and its breathtaking views. This route is open May 1 through November 1; weather conditions may affect these dates.

### **Tintic Motorcycle Works and Museum**

→ [205 W. Main Street, Eureka 84628](http://205.W.Main.Street,Eureka.84628)

Read up on this small-town museum on page 44.

Throttle-up thrills:

[Juab.Is/Play/Motorcycle](http://Juab.Is/Play/Motorcycle)

*Above: Juab Xtreme Racing.*



## SKYDIVING

### Skydive The Wasatch

→ 2001 N. Airport Road, Nephi

→ [SkydiveTheWasatch.com](https://www.skydivethewasatch.com)

Experience Juab's heart-pumping thrills from a new perspective. Jump tandem with a certified instructor over the Wasatch Range.



Folk singer Burl Ives was once arrested in Mona. He was busking, singing the song "Foggy, Foggy Dew." Authorities thought the lyrics, which describe an English courtship, were indecent.



## GOLFING

### Canyon Hills Golf Course

→ 1200 E. 100 North, Nephi

→ [CanyonHillsGolf.com](https://www.canyonhillsgolf.com)

Hit the links at this 9-hole course with a practice green and driving range. Golfers can also sidle up to the snack bar or check out the Pro Shop. The golf course is open from March 1 through December 31, weather permitting.

Discover more fun:

[Juab.is/Recreation](https://www.juab.is/recreation)

# LOOKING FOR THE COOL AND WACKY?

## JUAB IS UNUSUAL AND OFFBEAT.

*CHECK OUT THESE UNIQUE ATTRACTIONS, LANDMARKS, AND PHENOMENA. THEY'RE A CURATED COLLECTION OF JUAB'S EXTRAORDINARY AND OVERLOOKED.*

### Morning

Greet the day with a hike to find **Paul Bunyan's Woodpile**, a geological marvel that looks like a giant stack of neatly chopped lava logs. Formed about 30 million years ago, it's among the oldest wonders you can see in Utah!

Learn more about the Woodpile and how to get there on page 24.

### Afternoon

Travel northbound on Highway 6 to stop in Eureka for lunch (page 56). Then, explore old mining equipment at the **Tintic Mining Museum** and vintage bikes at **Tintic Motorcycle Works and Museum**.

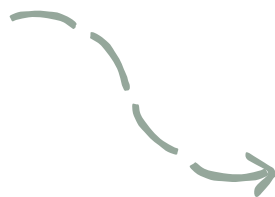
Then, head southeast to Nephi to tour the **Old Territorial Jail**, which once housed notorious outlaws like Butch Cassidy and is on the National Register of Historic Places.

If you want a refreshing break en route to Nephi, peel off to **Burraston Ponds** (page 21).

If you're looking for a true Juab adventure, drive out to the **West Desert** from the Woodpile. Bring lots of food, water, and fuel, and spend your afternoon digging for rocks and minerals (page 30).

### Evening

Experience one-of-a-kind accommodations in a **real treehouse**, or **try yurting or glamping** (page 57). See AirBnb and Vrbo for the latest available properties.



# NATURE LOVERS WANTED



## JUAB IS GREAT OUTDOOR FUN.

*OUR ECOSYSTEM SPANS MOUNTAINS AND DESERTS, RESERVOIRS AND LAKES, AND DOZENS OF TRAILS TO DISCOVER.*

Whether you're a hiker, biker, boater, swimmer, birder, or just enjoy the rejuvenation from spending time in the fresh air, you'll appreciate Juab's rugged beauty and incredible wildlife.

### **Morning:**

Kick off your day with an excursion in the **Mount Nebo Wilderness** (page 17). See if you can spot – or even reach – the peak of **Mt. Nebo**, the highest and southernmost mountain of the Wasatch Range.

From December to March, don snowshoes to access groomed portions of the **Nebo Loop** (28) or tromp through less-traveled spots like **Chicken Creek Canyon** and **Willow Creek** (page 28).

### **Afternoon:**

Enjoy boating, paddleboarding, fishing, and watersports. In the winter, ice fishing runs aplenty in **Yuba State Park** and **Jenkins Flat** (page 22).

En route to or in lieu of Yuba State Park, peep the monarch waystation and stunning, aromatic blooms at **Young Living Lavender Farm & Distillery** (page 43).

### **Evening:**

Immerse yourself into nature at one of Juab's many **campgrounds** (page 19) or stay at Fantasy Treehouse and Resort, a floating, three-story real treehouse. Year-round, unwind at **Baker Hot Springs** (page 21).

An immersive day trip idea: Travel to **Fish Springs National Wildlife Refuge** for viewing wildlife, photography, birding, painting and sketching in nature, flatwater canoeing, or a self-guided auto tour (page 34).

# JUAB\_IS

# EXPLORATION

## *PACK YOUR CURIOSITY*

Once you stow the essentials, leave room to embrace the unexpected.

Consider exploring beyond your interests to seek wonder in new experiences and knowledge. Let these discoveries guide your adventure, and perhaps, a newfound passion or amazing memory.

### **Fish Springs National Wildlife Refuge**

→ [8454 Auto Tour Route 010](#)

→ [FWS.gov/Refuge/Fish-Springs](https://www.fws.gov/Refuge/Fish-Springs)

Read about this 10,000-acre marsh system, along with the seasons of wildlife, on page 34.

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### **Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway**

See some of Utah's most majestic vistas. Check out hiking (page 24) and biking trails (page 23) or take a scenic drive. Adventurers can go off-roading (page 14) or motorcycle through the Juab Valley (page 36). In the winter months, enjoy snowmobiling (page 27) and snowshoeing (page 28).

### **Pony Express National Historic Trail**

→ [Black Rock Pony Express Station starts in Dugway](#)

→ [NPS.gov/Poex/Index.Htm](https://www.nps.gov/Poex/Index.Htm)

Saddle up for a journey back in time. Picture young, daring riders galloping through the West Desert's treacherous terrain to deliver mail before the telegraph era.

Today, travel along the improved dirt route and view the stage stops where riders changed horses every 12 to 15 miles. Discover historic plaques along this road, along with restored buildings from yesteryear. Cars, bikes (page 23), and yes, horses, are welcome to explore parts of this historic route.







In 1875, Nephi hosted perhaps the first baseball game west of the Mississippi River! Samuel Gibson challenged George C. Whitmore to assemble a team, but there were no set rules. They hastily sent for a rule book from New York, which arrived months later in December. Undeterred, they cleared snow at Pioneer City Park to play. Whitmore's team won handily 87-17, with each victor earning a quarter of beef!



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*Note: This trail covers about 120 miles from Faust to Ibapah. The area is virtually uninhabited. Whether you plan to cover a section or the full trail, ensure you have enough food, water, and fuel. There are no services, gas stations, or food along the way. Water is limited to a few spots.*

### **Little Sahara Recreation Area**

→ [27020 W. Sand Mountain Road, Nephi](#)

→ [BLM.gov/Learn-Interpretive-Centers/Little-Sahara-Recreation-Area](#)

Play in Utah's largest sandbox! Explore the 60,000 acres of sagebrush flats, juniper-covered hills, and free-moving sand dunes. Hike (page 24), drive an OHV (page 14) or motorcycle (page 36), or try to

fat-bike or sandboard down the 700-foot Sand Mountain. When you're tuckered out, picnic at White Sands or settle for the night at one of four campgrounds (page 19). Purchase passes online before you arrive.

### **Topaz Mountain**

→ [BLM.gov/Visit/Topaz-Mountain](#)

Search the southern washes and slopes of this mountain to uncover its namesake. Discover more on page 30.

*Above: Pony Express National Historic Trail. Opposite page, left: Young Living Lavender Farm & Distillery. Opposite page, right: Paul Bunyan's Woodpile.*



### **Young Living Lavender Farm & Distillery**

→ 3700 North Highway 91, Mona

→ 800-371-9486

→ [YoungLiving.com](https://www.YoungLiving.com)

You've heard of agricultural farms, but what about a botanical farm and distillery? Tour this one-of-a-kind farm, which grows and harvests aromatic lavender and other essential oils. It's also a waystation for monarch butterflies resting during their migration between Canada and Mexico.



Sheep are part of Young Living Farms' landscaping crew! They don't like the smell of lavender so they only eat the weeds.



### **Paul Bunyan's Woodpile**

→ [BLM.gov/Visit/  
Paul-Bunyons-Woodpile](https://www.BLM.gov/Visit/Paul-Bunyons-Woodpile)

Learn about this unique geological feature on page 24.

### **Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum**

→ 4 S. Main Street, Nephi  
→ [ISDUP.org](https://www.ISDUP.org)

Immerse yourself in the stories of the first Juab Valley settlers. Stroll through displays and exhibits or peruse the bookstore for your next read. For the daring, walk through the local haunt on site: Old Territorial Jail, dating back to the 1890s.



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### **Baker Hot Springs**

Soak in these small natural hot springs. Starting basking on page 21.

### **Tintic Motorcycle Works and Museum**

→ [205 W. Main Street, Eureka](#)

Check out historic bikes and motorcycle memorabilia at this small-town museum. Then grab a drink from the on-site espresso bar.

### **Lost Inn Time**

→ [110 S. Main Street, Nephi](#)

→ [453-580-3131](#)

→ [LostInnTime.com](#)

Come for the historic (or haunted!) tours of the Whitmore Mansion, or take on one of the on-site escape rooms. Stay for the night in their Victorian-inspired rooms.

### **Burraston Ponds**

Swim (page 21), fish (page 22), and bird (page 34) at this paradise for outdoor lovers.



Some notable outlaws found themselves at the Old Territorial Jail, including the “Robin Hood of the West” Butch Cassidy.



### **Yuba State Park**

→ [StateParks.Utah.Gov/Yuba](https://StateParks.Utah.Gov/Yuba)

This vast reservoir offers opportunities for swimming (page 21), boating (page 20), paddleboarding (page 20), fishing (page 22), camping (page 18), and wildlife observation (page 34). And don't miss the ziplines – the first of their kind in a state park (page 29).

### **Eureka Mining District**

In 1869, large gold nuggets were found in the Sunshine Mine in the Tintic Mountains. The news ignited a rush for gold, silver, lead, and other metals, giving birth to the town of Eureka.

Relive Juab County's past. Start your exploration at the Tintic Mining Museum right on Main Street and learn about the

surrounding areas. Continue your visit at Porter Rockwell Cabin, the former homestead of Joseph Smith and Brigham Young's trusted bodyguard.

### **Salt Creek Cinemas**

→ [1101 UT-132, Nephi](https://1101UT-132.Nephi)

→ [SaltCreekCinemas.com](https://SaltCreekCinemas.com)

Catch a flick at the local movie theater. Find upcoming showtimes and tickets online.

*Opposite page: Tintic Motorcycle Works and Museum.*

*Above: Eureka Mining District.*

# BRING ON THE FAMILY FUN



JUAB IS PERFECT FOR BOTH KIDS AND KIDS AT HEART.

*SURROUND YOURSELF IN A WORLD OF WONDERS, WHERE EACH MOMENT IS A CHANCE TO IMAGINE, DISCOVER, AND MAKE MEMORIES.*

## Morning

Sled on the sand dunes! Take turns climbing and sandboarding down Sand Mountain at **Little Sahara Recreation Area** (page 42). Little ones can romp in dedicated children's sand play areas.

For water enthusiasts, **Yuba Reservoir** offers warm waters for fishing, swimming, or your favorite watersport (page 20). Life jackets are available for rent. Or stretch out or play on the sandy beaches of **Yuba State Park**. Older kids can rent paddleboards (page 20) or go ziplining (page 29).

In the fall and winter, explore the region's backcountry up close. Hike or snowshoe through **Salt Creek Canyon**, an easy trail leading to a waterfall (page 28). Find hiking trails for all ages on page 24 and snowshoeing trails on page 28.

## Afternoon

Head west to dig up crystal-filled geodes or join a rockhounding tour around Topaz Mountain (page 30).

Or, drive the **Mount Nebo National Scenic Byway** to snap the breathtaking vistas – and your next family photo (page 17). Even your social media-savvy teen might be impressed.

## Evening

Wrap up your day with a range of dining choices in **Nephi** that cater to all palates (page 56). If you're already rockhounding in the West Desert, pack a picnic and set out to stargaze (page 32).

Juab's annual events are all family-friendly! Depending on when you visit, watch the talents of rodeo stars and Demolition Derby drivers, kick up your heels to live music, or enjoy games and entertainment. Get the details on page 48.

# HELLO, HISTORY BUFFS!



## JUAB IS FULL OF STORIES.

*NATIVE AMERICANS CAMPED ALONG THE SEVIER RIVER CORRIDOR. LATER, MORMONS AND MOUNTAIN PARTIES TRAVELED THROUGH AND SETTLED HERE.*

### Morning

Venture off to the **Pony Express National Historic Trail** (page 40) via passenger car (in dry conditions) or an OHV. You can also bike or, for historical authenticity, horseback ride parts of the trail.

Eat a hearty breakfast beforehand, bring water and snacks, and fuel up your vehicle. There are no services or gas stations on the road from Faust to Ibapah.

### Afternoon

Take Pony Express Road to Eureka for a late lunch. Then, visit the **Eureka Mining District** and the **Porter Rockwell Cabin** (page 45).

If you don't mind a slightly longer drive from the Pony Express Trail, head back to Nephi for lunch instead. Then, visit the exhibits chronicling early life in Juab Valley at the **Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum** (page 43). There's also a browse-worthy bookstore there, too.

### Evening

Nighttime brings out the nostalgia. Join in on traditions that honor Utah's past: the **Juab Cowboy Poetry & Music Gathering**, **Ute Stampede Rodeo**, or **Juab County Fair**. Read up on these annual events and more on page 48.

**Lost Inn Time's historic candle-light tours** beckon to paranormal enthusiasts and historic buffs alike. Explore Whitmore Mansion, which brims with Utah and Wild West history, while hearing the tales of love and betrayal that (might) haunt the shadows (page 44). Then continue your experience by staying in Lost Inn Time's renovated, Victorian-inspired rooms (page 44).

Other times of the year, enjoy primitive camping at **Painted Rocks** at Yuba State Park (page 18). You might glimpse rock art from the Native Americans who once called this river home.

# JUAB\_IS TOGETHERNESS

## *GATHER AROUND THE VALLEY*

Travelers and locals alike gather to celebrate long-standing traditions and adrenaline-fueled fun. Time your visit to make one of these annual events.

### **Juab Cowboy Poetry & Music Gathering**

→ March

→ [JuabCP.com](http://JuabCP.com)

Sidle up to the stage to hear original storytelling from award-winning poets and musicians showcasing the values, nostalgia, and legacies of cowboys and the American West they shaped. Swing by for open mic sessions leading up to the event. Or enjoy the dinner show or acts all weekend long.

### **Sage Riders National Hare and Hound Desert Race**

→ April

→ [NationalHareAndHound.com](http://NationalHareAndHound.com)

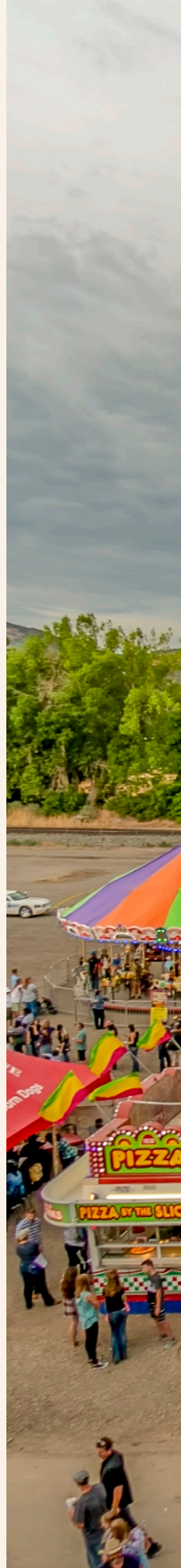
Sage Riders MC host an intrepid, motorcycles-only race just outside the Little Sahara Recreation Area that attracts youth up to the nation's best riders. The race starts in the sand dunes and weaves through the open valleys and sand washes to higher elevation.

### **UTV Invasion Little Sahara/Sand Mountain**

→ May

→ [UTVInvasionUSA.com](http://UTVInvasionUSA.com)

Take in the roaring engines and breathtaking landscapes at this high-energy gathering. Off-road enthusiasts and the side-by-side (SXS) community come together to tear through the dunes and join for family-friendly entertainment, drag races, raffles, and more.









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## Ute Stampede Rodeo

→ Mid-July

→ Juab County Fairgrounds,  
Nephi

→ [UteStampedeRodeo.com](http://UteStampedeRodeo.com)

Get ready to be wowed by bull riding, team roping, bucking horses, bronc riding, and more at one of Utah's largest annual events. The cowboy spirit continues with parades, live music, delicious food, and carnival festivities for all ages.

## Juab Xtreme Racing

→ Summer

→ [JuabXtremeRacing.com](http://JuabXtremeRacing.com)

Each summer, Juab County Rodeo Arena draws in dirt bike racers to take on this enduro cross competition. The sport

of enduro cross blends moto-cross with obstacle challenges like rock beds, water crossings, mud, and massive tires – all inside a confined indoor space. It's an intense experience worth watching.

## Special Events at Little Sahara Recreation Area and Sand Mountain

→ Year Round

Take in the roaring engines and breathtaking landscapes at high-energy gatherings for off-roading and UTV enthusiasts. Several locally and nationally-sanctioned racing groups also host desert races at Little Sahara. Races cross the dunes and weave through open valleys and sand washes.



Learn more about upcoming events:  
[Juab.Is/Events-Calendar](https://juab.is/events-calendar)

### **Juab County Fair Demolition Derby**

- August
- Juab County Fairgrounds, Nephi
- [JuabCountyFair.com/Derby](https://juabcountyfair.com/derby)

The Juab County Fair brings exciting contests, games, lively entertainment, and tasty fair food – but this thrilling event steals the show. Perch on the edge of your seat as drivers put their skill and fearlessness to the test.



### **Young Living's Fall Festival and Draft Horse Show**

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- Late September
- [YoungLiving.com/US/EN/Company/Fall-Festival](https://youngliving.com/us/en/company/fall-festival)

Ring in the fall at this weekend-long event. From draft horses and jousting shows to live music and a PRCA rodeo, there's boot-scootin' excitement for the whole family.

*Opposite page: Ute Stampede Rodeo.  
Left: Young Living's Fall Festival and Draft Horse Show.  
Right: Juab County Fair Demolition Derby.*

# UNLOCK THE THRILLS



*IF ADRENALINE COURSES THROUGH YOUR VEINS, JUAB'S SURE TO PROVIDE EXHILARATION.*

## Morning:

Hit up Utah's largest sandbox! Clamber up the dunes at **Little Sahara Recreation Area** on an OHV, motorcycle, fat-bike, or on your trusty feet. Then coast or sand-board your way to the bottom of Sand Mountain. You can also explore OHV-friendly routes like **Cherry Creek**, **Levan Canyon**, or **Mona Pole Canyon** (page 14).

Check out the Juab Xtreme Racing, Juab County Fair Demolition Derby, and other rip-roaring events on page 48.

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## Afternoon:

Chow down on a picnic lunch or drive to Nephi for a bite. Those looking for high-flying adventure can skydive across the **Wasatch Range** (page 37). Tamer, but equally fun are the **ziplines** at Yuba State Park (page 29).

## Evening:

If it's a full moon, go **rock-hounding** in the twilight hours (page 30). Gemstones will glitter and glint in the dark. Or, catch an action-packed flick at **Salt Creek Cinemas** (page 45).



Tired of constant pursuits from law enforcement, Butch Cassidy surrendered his Colt .45 to Juab County Sheriff Parley Christison. He managed to escape to New York, where his ultimate fate remains unknown. This revolver was auctioned off for \$175,000 in 2012 and today still carries an unsolved mystery within its right grip: a sequence of numbers thought to crack Cassidy's safe. The safe has never been found, but is believed to be in a Denver bank.

# CROWD PLEASERS

## JUAB\_IS FOR EVERYONE.

*WHETHER YOU'RE PLANNING A FAMILY REUNION, CORPORATE RETREAT, WEDDING, OR SPECIAL EVENT, WE'RE HERE TO HELP.*

That said, every group is different and your idea of a good time depends on your interests! Here are some all-star ideas for large families and groups:

Make your way to **Topaz Mountain** or the **Dugway Geode Beds** for rockhounding. Tours are also available. Get digging on page 30.

Visit **Canyon Hills Golf Course** for a nine-hole course, driving range, and practice green. Tee off on page 37.

Boaters, paddlers, and swimmers will enjoy **Burraston Ponds** and **Mona Reservoir**. Groups can also rent out **Nephi City Pool and Splash Pad**. Dip into all on page 21.

Groups can take **motorcycles** (page 36) or **OHVs** (page 14) to roam Juab's roads and trails. From December through March, the **Nebo Loop** is open exclusively to snowshoers and snowmobilers. (page 27-28).

**Yuba State Park** offers fishing, boating, and watersports, along with group reservations for its two ziplines. See more on page 18.

**Young Living Lavender Farm & Distillery** offers distillery tours

and wagon rides through its 1,400 acres of serene, fragrant lavender fields. Begin planning on page 43.

Don't forget to see if your group's visit falls during a special event like Juab Xtreme Racing or Ute Stampede Rodeo (page 50).

## EVENT VENUES

*JUAB COUNTY'S UNIQUE BLEND OF MOUNTAINS, DESERT, AND SUNSHINE IS A STUNNING BACKDROP FOR ANY SPECIAL DAY.*

### Cinder Creek Event Center

*This space offers options for indoor and outdoor ceremonies, receptions, and events with rustic-meets-elegant ambiance. Packages are also available, which include a wedding planner and on-site event team.*

→ 22 N. Sheep Lane Drive, Nephi

→ 435-660-0112

→ [CinderCreekEventCenter.com](http://CinderCreekEventCenter.com)

### Lost Inn Time at Whitmore Mansion

Host a special event at the historic Whitmore Mansion. Smaller groups can stay in one of the Victorian-inspired bedroom suites.

- 110 S. Main Street, Nephi
- 453-580-3131
- [LostInnTime.com](http://LostInnTime.com)

### The Vicarage

Dating back to 1903, this recon-verted church now serves as a unique space for retreats, camps, weddings, family reunions, and groups. The 5,000-square-foot interior boasts a giant gym space, large kitchen and dining areas, a four-story outdoor mining playhouse, and sleeping accommodations for up to 44 people. Book online on AirBnb.

- 137 Main Street, Eureka

### Young Living Lavender Farm & Distillery

Reserve the Upper Level Show Barn, Gazebo, Village Inn, Visitors' Center Deck, or the entire Lavender Farm for events. Packages and on-site entertainment services are also available.

- 3700 North Highway 91, Mona
- 800-371-9486
- [YoungLiving.com](http://YoungLiving.com)

### Yuba State Park

All weddings and elopements in Utah state parks are required to have a Special Use Permit. Contact park staff for more information.

- [StateParks.Utah.Gov/Yuba](http://StateParks.Utah.Gov/Yuba)

Juab County is also home to over 10 churches of various denominations.

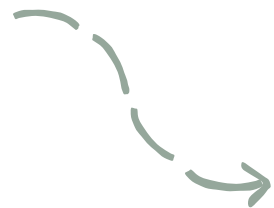
## LODGING FOR GROUPS

*GROUP RATES ARE AVAILABLE AT SEVERAL LOCAL HOTELS AND MOTELS. MANY OFFER FREE BREAKFAST, COMPLIMENTARY PARKING, LAUNDRY SERVICES, AND A POOL.*

The Vicarage offers accommodations for up to 44 people.

Bear Canyon Campground has two large group sites in spacious grassy meadows close to nearby hiking trails (page 19).

Yuba State Park has an Oasis West Group Campsite with covered picnic tables (page 18).



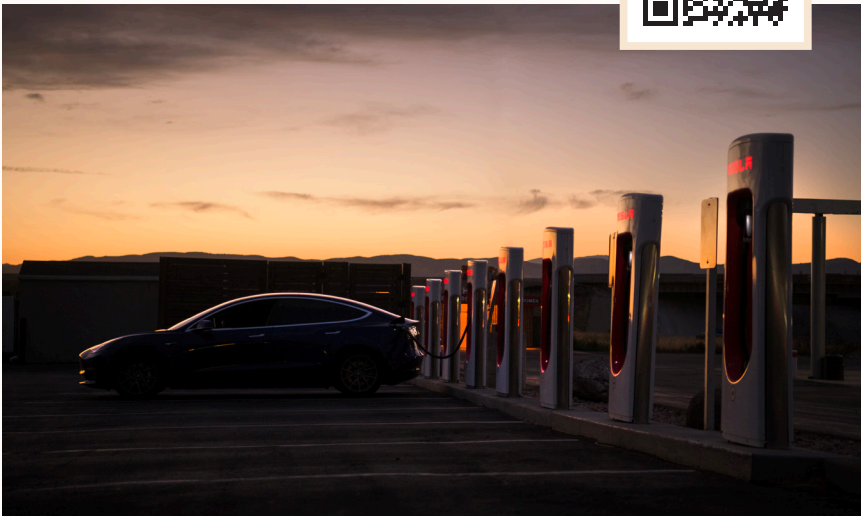
# YOUR TRAVEL ESSENTIALS

## EMERGENCY SERVICES

- Call 911 if you or someone in your group needs medical attention or is experiencing an emergency.
- The nearest 24/7 hospital and emergency room is Central Valley Medical Center, 48 W. 1500 North in Nephi.

## GAS, EV CHARGING STATIONS, & ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE

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*The Haven Coffee House & Roasting Co.*



## DINING

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## CAMPGROUNDS

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*Whitmore Mansion.*





Nephi City Main Street.



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Add The Killers' *Pressure Machine* album to your travel playlist. Frontman Brandon Flowers spent most of his teenage years in Nephi. The album draws inspiration from his days growing up in Juab County, with many references to places you can explore in this guide.







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