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Bishop's visitors center

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The Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau welcomes you to the clear blue skies and magnificent peaks of the two highest mountain ranges in the contiguous United States.

From high desert to high country, the area and its outdoor opportunities await your exploration and enjoyment. On your own – or with friends and family – you'll find plenty to do and plenty to see in Bishop, California!

Welcome to the natural wonderland of the Eastern Sierra!

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GETTING TO BISHOP

HIGHWAY CONDITIONS

For information on road conditions in California, call Caltrans at (800) GAS-ROAD (427-7623) or visit www.dot.ca.gov.

For information on road conditions in Nevada, call (877) NV-ROADS (687-6237) or visit www.nevadadot.com.



TRAVEL TO BISHOP

Bishop and the beautiful Owens Valley have been described as "California's Hidden Treasure." While it's true that treasure abounds here in the Eastern Sierra, Bishop is not quite as "hidden" as you might imagine. In fact, Bishop is located in the very middle of California, where Highways 6 and 395 intersect.

Whether you are traveling from Southern California or Northern California, or from a major city in Nevada, you'll drive about 4 to 5 hours to reach Bishop. From any direction, the roads are well-maintained and the views are spectacular. Getting here is part of your vacation and we hope you enjoy your journey!

TRAVEL DISTANCES FROM BISHOP

DESTINATION	MILES	DESTINATION	MILES
Bakersfield	217	Lone Pine	57
Benton	33	Los Angeles	270
Big Pine	15	Mammoth Lakes	43
Bishop Creek Canyon	15	Reno	202
Bodie	89	Sacramento via Tioga Pass	278
Carson City	160	San Diego	355
Death Valley	165	San Francisco via Tioga Pass	332
Fresno via Bakersfield	334	San Francisco via Hwy. 50	395
Fresno via Tioga Pass	236	Santa Barbara	314
Hawthorne, Nev.	123	Walker	121
Independence	42	Yosemite via Tioga Pass	140
June Lake Loop	57	Yosemite via Sonora Pass	261
Las Vegas	259	Yosemite via Monitor Pass	345
Lee Vining	62	Yosemite via Lake Tahoe	396

GETTING TO BISHOP

FROM LOS ANGELES

Take Interstate 15 or Highway 14 north to U.S. Hwy 395. Keep driving north through the beautiful high desert up the Owens Valley. Enjoy the spectacular mountain views and consider visiting the Lone Pine Film History Museum, Manzanar Historic Site, Eastern California Museum and Mount Whitney Fish Hatchery along the way.

FROM LAS VEGAS

Take Hwy. 95 north, then travel west through Death Valley National Park or over Westgard Pass (Hwy. 168) to connect with U.S. Hwy. 395, then north a short while to Bishop. If you choose Hwy. 168 in the summer, be sure to stop and see the Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest and the Visitor Center at Schulman Grove on the way.



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A familiar sign on the 395 corridor in the Eastern Sierra

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FROM SAN FRANCISCO

In the summer, treat yourself to a drive eastbound through the magnificent Yosemite National Park to connect with U.S. Hwy. 395, then drive south about 60 minutes. During winter months, Tioga Pass (Hwy. 120) closes due to heavy snow, but Bishop is still accessible via Hwy. 50 or I-80, connecting with U.S. Hwy. 395 in the Carson City and Reno, Nevada area. Consider stopping at Mono Lake just north of Lee Vining at the eastern Yosemite entrance, or make a side-trip to Bodie State Historical Park.

BY BUS

Eastern Sierra Transit Authority (ESTA) offers bus service from Ridgecrest to Reno with stops in every community along the way, including Lone Pine, Independence, Big Pine, Bishop, Mammoth Lakes, June Lake and others. The CREST bus service offers one-way or round-trip fares which are reasonably priced. Reservations are recommended. For current schedules and fees, call (760) 872-1901 or (800) 922-1930 or visit www.estransit.com.

BY AIR

Alaska Airlines and United Airlines now offer service to Mammoth Yosemite Airport – just a 30-minute drive from Bishop. Private aircraft and charter companies access Bishop by flying in to The Eastern Sierra Regional Airport – just a few miles east of town. Shuttle service and rental cars are available at both airports.

VISITOR INFORMATION



Farmer's Pond

Photo by Bob Rice

VISITOR CENTERS, RANGER STATIONS & CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

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798 N. Main St., Bishop, CA 93514 • (760) 873-2500

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Inyo National Forest: (760) 873-2408

Bureau of Land Management: (760) 872-5000

CALFIRE: (760) 387-2179

www.fs.usda.gov/inyo

Take a short test and get your campfire permit online at preventwildfireca.org

Also please drown, stir and carefully feel your fire for heat before leaving it!



VISITOR INFORMATION



Eastern Sierra Sunrise Over Bishop

Photo by Galen Rowell

Mammoth Lakes California Welcome Center

P.O. Box 48, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546 • (760) 924-5500

Located on Hwy. 203 at the entrance to the Town of Mammoth Lakes, 3 miles west of Hwy. 395. Area information, wilderness permits and maps available. Open all year.

Eastern Sierra InterAgency Visitor Center

P.O. Drawer R, Lone Pine, CA 93545 • (760) 876-6222

Located one mile south of Lone Pine at junction of U.S. Highway 395 and State Route 136. Regional information and public land passes and permits available. Open all year.

Lone Pine Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 749, Lone Pine, CA 93545 • (760) 876-4444

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Mountain Biker

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BIKING

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Eagle

Photo by Mike McDermott

HIKING

Year-round hiking opportunities abound in the Bishop area. In summer months, enjoy hiking and backpacking at higher elevations in nearby John Muir and Ansel Adams wildernesses. In fall, winter and spring, explore the White Mountains, Buttermilks, Volcanic Tableland and Alabama Hills. Get campfire and overnight wilderness permits at the White Mountain Visitor Center, 798 North Main Street, (760) 873-2500.

An advertisement for Millpond Equestrian Center. The ad features a circular logo on the left with a horse and rider. The main text reads "Why leave your Horse at Home?" followed by "Millpond Equestrian Center, Bishop CA" and "Boarding • Training • Events". Below this, there are three small photographs: a horse and rider in an outdoor setting, a horse and rider in a stable, and a horse and rider in a field. The website "www.MillpondEquestrian.net" and phone number "760-873-6037" are prominently displayed. At the bottom, it says "Millpond Campground • RV's/Tents right next door".

ADVENTURE

MOTOR SPORTS

The Eastern Sierra offers thousands of miles of exciting off-highway vehicle routes. Bring your quads, side-by-sides, dirt bikes, Jeeps and 4WD trucks to explore the region. Travel into the magnificent White Mountains, visit the Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest, and be sure to see the amazing Volcanic Tableland and Coyote Flat areas. The views are spectacular and you may even be lucky enough to catch a glimpse of Big Horn Sheep, Mule Deer or Tule Elk.

Bishop makes the perfect year round home base for off-highway adventurers. Lodging, camping, restaurants, fuel, ATV service, sales and rentals are available. Visit the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center for OHV maps and the Motor Touring Guidebook.



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Back road through the Owens Valley



Rhino riders enjoy a view of the Sierra Crest. Photo courtesy of GSC Off-Road Adventures

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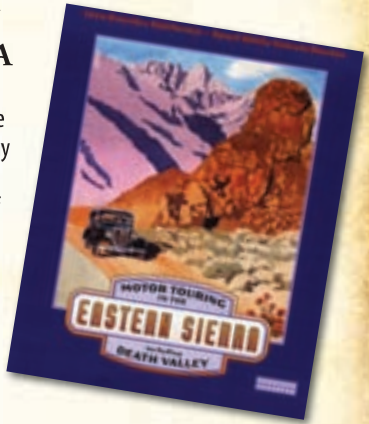


Tony Rowell Rides Buttermilk Loop Trail

Photo by Tony Rowell

MOTOR TOURING IN THE EASTERN SIERRA

Discover the back roads, secret scenic locations and roads less-traveled of the Eastern Sierra by following one of many motor touring routes and remote dirt roads around the Bishop area. Many of the easier routes can be found in the award-winning publication, "Motor Touring the Eastern Sierra and Death Valley." You can pick up the book at the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce Visitors Bureau on Main Street at Bishop City Park.



A Jeep tours the back roads of the Eastern Sierra.

Photo by Mike Chevront

ADVENTURE

MOUNTAINEERING & BACKCOUNTRY

Breathtaking mountain adventures await you in the magnificent and awe-inspiring Eastern Sierra. The Bishop area offers year-round rock climbing, mountaineering, backcountry skiing (Nordic/alpine touring), backpacking and mountain biking. This area is home to Mount Whitney, the highest peak in the lower United States and to many other 14,000-foot peaks with spectacular backcountry skiing and climbing opportunities.



Winter Camp Mt. Whitney

Photo by Tony Rowell

ROCK CLIMBING

Bishop has become one of the premier climbing and bouldering areas in the world. The Buttermilk Boulders, just west of Bishop, the Happy and Sad Boulders on the Volcanic Tableland and the Owens River Gorge just north of town – to name a few – offer incredible climbing terrain for all ability levels.

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Skiers at dawn on the Kern Plateau, John Muir Trail, California

WINTER ADVENTURES

Winter is a truly magical time of year here! Bishop seldom gets snow on the ground, but magnificent snow covered mountains provide amazing views and adventures only minutes away. Bishop is a great place to base your winter get away. Bring the entire family to enjoy downhill & cross country skiing, snowshoeing, snowmobiling and sledding. Winter trout fishing is great at Pleasant Valley Reservoir and along the Lower Owens River. Winter hiking and biking is popular in the Buttermilks and Volcanic Tableland. Pick up your free copy of the Winter Adventure Map at the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau.



Bouldering

Photo by Mike McDermott

ARTS & MUSIC

Fine art, antiques, unique shops and restaurants are located throughout the Bishop area. For a real treat, explore Downtown Bishop and experience shopping the way it used to be – with hometown hospitality and an atmosphere that harkens to a time gone by.

Since 1997, the Bishop Mural Society has worked to display our heritage in a spectacular outdoor gallery. More than twenty colorful murals showcase the fascinating history of Inyo County on buildings throughout the city. Visitors are invited to savor our unique culture with a walking tour. Stop in to the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau for free maps of historic buildings and murals. Bishop has a vibrant arts and music scene – be sure to visit www.playhouse395.com/calendar for schedule of live concerts and performances.

**Arrest**

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ART & PHOTO GALLERIES

Be sure to visit these Chamber-member art galleries.

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Mountain Light Gallery

106 S. Main St., Bishop • (760) 873-7700 • www.mountainlight.com

World-class gallery features works of renowned wilderness photographer Galen Rowell, plus guest artists, workshops, books, calendars and gifts.

ENTERTAINMENT

The Back Alley Bowling

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Golf course at Bishop Country Club

FORE!

For many people, no vacation is complete without at least one round of golf. Good news – there are several great courses in the area that offer challenging play with spectacular views! Be sure to pack your clubs and play in Bishop, Lone Pine or Death Valley.

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Enjoy a round of golf in the Eastern Sierra.

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PARKS

Located in the center of town, the Bishop City Park offers playgrounds, baseball fields, soccer fields, tennis courts, volleyball, a skate and bike park, bocce ball court, and great picnic areas. The public swimming pool is open Memorial Day to Labor Day. Relax in shady areas along the stream or beautiful pond and enjoy the playful park ducks. Bishop City Park also features an arboretum. Stop in the Bishop Visitor Center to pick up a free brochure highlighting the many unique species of trees in the park. The Millpond Recreation Area, 6 miles northwest of Bishop features a pond for swimming (no motorized boats), softball fields, tennis courts, horseshoe pits and play equipment. Izaak Walton Park, 3 miles west of Bishop on Line Street, offers play equipment and a shady creek side picnic area.



PET-FRIENDLY!

Visitors with canine companions are welcome to visit the Bishop Dog Park, located in the rear of the downtown Bishop City Park. Fido or Fluffy will have a great time off-leash in the safely fenced and spacious area. Many hotels, cabins and campgrounds in the region are "pet-friendly" and many trails and paths welcome well-mannered dogs on leashes.

FISHING



Fishing

HOOK, LINE AND SINKER

This is Trout Country! Anglers come from around the world in search of Rainbows, Browns, Goldens and Brookies. Cold, clear creeks dancing down mountain canyons and gem-like alpine lakes offer spectacular fishing and amazing views. Cast a fly or lure, or bait a hook and get ready for some of the finest fishing in the West.

Bishop makes the perfect “home base” for your Eastern Sierra fishing excursion. Pleasant Valley Reservoir and the Lower Owens River are open and stocked year-round and access is literally minutes from downtown. In the summer months, the lakes and streams of Bishop Creek Canyon offer world-class trout fishing just 30 minutes away. Lodging, dining and camping options are abundant. Most waters are stocked by California Department of Fish and Wildlife, County of Inyo and private stocking programs.

Hook up with us for several fun fishing contests including Blake Jones Trout Derby (mid-March) and Opening Day Rainbow Trout Display & Fish Festival (last Saturday in April). We offer great prizes, great fishing and great fun! Visit www.bishopvisitor.com for fishing information and calendar of events.

FISHING

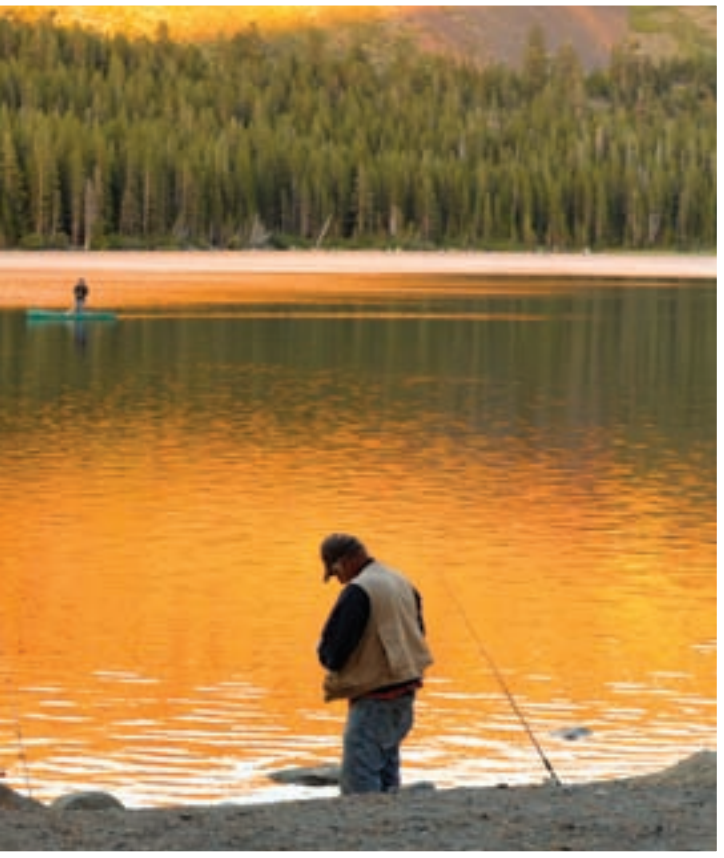


Photo by Gayla Wolf

WHERE TO GO

Just a short drive west of Bishop along Hwy. 168 takes you to an alpine wonderland known as Bishop Creek Canyon, which highlights pine forests, rushing streams and deep blue lakes surrounded by mighty mountain peaks.

SOUTH LAKE

At 9,768 feet, South Lake presents breathtaking scenery and is loaded with trout. The road to the lake meanders along beautiful Bishop Creek, lined with pine, aspen and willow trees. Campgrounds, boat rentals, food services and lodging accommodations are available.

South Lake is also popular with hikers, backpackers and horsepackers, with the trailhead for Bishop Pass leading to hundreds of high-mountain alpine lakes in the John Muir Wilderness Area.

LAKE SABRINA

Pronounced SUH-BRINE-UH, the north fork of the Bishop Creek road leads to an amazing alpine atmosphere. A stunning setting with magnificent fishing and photo opportunities. The north fork of Bishop Creek Canyon is particularly beautiful in fall, with its aspen-lined slopes ablaze with gold, orange and crimson hues of autumn. Services available include lodging, dining, camping, horseback riding and boat rentals.

FISHING

NORTH LAKE

Although North Lake is the smallest of the three lakes in Bishop Creek Canyon, it's also the most exciting to reach, boasting a unique backcountry setting and great trout fishing.



Lake Sabrina

Photo by Gary Young

INTAKE II

Just a short drive on the north fork of the Bishop Creek road and a few miles before Lake Sabrina is this glorious alpine fishing site. This is a man-made lake – small and quaint – yet some of the fish are true rod-benders. Open during the regular fishing season with handicapped access, this location is a welcome stop on your way up to Lake Sabrina.

OWENS RIVER

Year-round fishing! Trout anglers in the Eastern Sierra don't hang up their rods after November 15th. The Owens River and Pleasant Valley Reservoir are among the few fishing areas that stay open throughout the winter months. Not only are they open, but there are tons of spots where the fishing can be sensational. The Owens River and Pleasant Valley Reservoir are stocked year-round thanks to California Department of Fish and Wildlife, County of Inyo and private stocking programs.

PLEASANT VALLEY RESERVOIR

Year-round fishing! This beautifully scenic spot is located north of Bishop off Hwy. 395 on Pleasant Valley Reservoir Road. Just a short walk from the campground to the reservoir and you are in year-round float tubers heaven. Other forms of watercraft, such as boats, are prohibited here. This is a great location for camping in the nearby county park. Be sure to pick up your Free Camping map at the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau located at the city park off Hwy. 395 in Bishop.

OWENS RIVER WILD TROUT AREA

Year-round fishing! If your definition of trophy encompasses wild trout, especially wild brown trout, this section of the Owens River from Pleasant Valley Reservoir to Five Bridges Road is the place to go. One of the most brilliant spots along the Owens River, with the views of the Sierra Mountain Range contrasting with the open golden fields of Bishop. Some restrictions apply to this area. Consult a local sporting goods store or fishing guides for details.

FISHING



Instruction

Photo by Ernie Cowan



Photo by Thomas Wilmer

Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery

ROCK CREEK CANYON

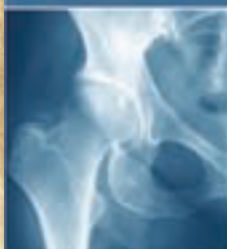
A short and very scenic 30 minute drive from Bishop will take you to this very special place. Travel north on Hwy. 395, exit at Tom's Place then follow Rock Creek Road into the canyon. Rock Creek Canyon has been a family fishing destination for generations. If you would like a relaxing day at the lake or a walk along the meandering creek, you will be rewarded with ample opportunities to test your fishing skills. More adventurous anglers may enjoy hiking to the high country lakes for the beautiful golden trout. Rainbows are stocked along the creek weekly throughout the fishing season. Services available include lodging, dining, camping, and horseback riding.

BUCKLEY PONDS

The Buckley Ponds are a string of small ponds/lakes parallel to a stretch of Owens River east of Bishop between Line Street and Warm Springs Road. The ponds have recently been restored by volunteers that cleared tules and built platforms to facilitate access for all users. This is a great spot for float tubing, kayaking and shore fishing. This warm water fishery is open year-round and has croppie, blue gill and fresh water bass.

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HORSEBACK RIDING & PACK TRIPS



100 Mules in Alabama Hills

Photo by Bob Rice

HORSEBACK RIDING & PACK TRIPS

Discover the Eastern Sierra the way our ancestors did – swing into the saddle for an hour, a day or a week! Many professional pack outfits offer trips into the deep canyons that stretch the lengths of the Eastern Sierra. Gentle, mountain-savvy horses and mules can make your exploration very enjoyable. Let the horses do the walking while you take in the beauty of dense pine forests, open meadows, rushing creeks and alpine lakes. Pack stations offer picnic and scenic rides as well as extended trips into the wilderness. The professional pack stations listed in this guide are all members of the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau that can design a trip just for you, your friends and your family.



Girl Feeding Colt

Photo by Bob Rice



Packer

PACK STATIONS

Bishop Pack Outfitters

247 Cataract Rd., Aspendell, CA • (760) 873-4785 • www.bishoppackoutfitters.com

Service areas: Humphreys Basin, Sabrina Basin, John Muir Trail, Horton Lakes, Lamarck Lakes

Cottonwood Pack Station

910 Gibson Ranch Rd., Independence, CA • (760) 878-2015

Service areas: Horseshow Meadows, Cottonwood Lakes, Inyo National Forest, Sequoia and Kings National Park, Golden Trout Wilderness

Frontier Pack Train

1012 E. Line St., Bishop • (888) 437-MULE • www.frontierpacktrain.com

Service areas: Ansel Adams Wilderness, John Muir Trail, Thousand Island Lake, Yosemite

Glacier Pack Train

P.O. Box 321, Big Pine, CA • (760) 938-2538

Service areas: Big Pine Lakes, Palisade Glaciers, John Muir and Pacific Crest Trails in the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Park

Mammoth Lakes Pack Outfit

Lake Mary Road, Mammoth Lakes, CA • (888) 475-8747 • www.mammothpack.com

Service areas: John Muir Trail, Purple Lake, Ram Meadow, Virginia Lake, Fish Creek Drainage



Photo by Don Roberts

McGee Creek Pack Station

2990 McGee Creek Rd., Crowley Lake, CA • (800) 854-7407

Service areas: McGee Canyon, Hilton Lakes, Baldwin Canyon, Upper Fish Creek, Convict Basin

Rainbow Pack Outfitters

5845 South Lake Rd., Bishop • (760) 873-8877 • www.rainbowpackoutfit.com

Service areas: Bishop Basin, Dusy Basin, John Muir and Pacific Crest Trails, Sequoia Kings Canyon National Park, Inyo National Forest

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EASTERN SIERRA NIGHT SKIES

Dark skies around the world are becoming more and more scarce with light pollution from big cities. It is estimated that nearly 90 percent of Americans have never seen the Milky Way due to light pollution, which makes it difficult for people today to understand the ancients' fascination with the heavens. The awe and wonder of the universe has been lost for many modern Americans.

Although a number of stars can be viewed from many rural areas in America today, there are few places which can compare to the absolute river of light that is the night sky in the Eastern Sierra. Our dark skies draw astronomers and photographers from all over the world. It is the perfect place to view annual meteor showers, such as the Perseids and the Leonids. Check with your local astronomical society or online for more information on the timing of these events.

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BACK IN THE DAY

The spirit of the Old West is alive and well in the Owens Valley! A visit to Laws Railroad Museum, located just a few miles northeast of Bishop on Hwy. 6, will take you back in time over 100 years. Many locals still do things the "cowboy way." It's not uncommon to see ranchers on horseback moving cattle or farmers cultivating crops of alfalfa or garlic. Each year, Bishop hosts several Western events, including Mule Days during Memorial Day weekend, California High School Rodeo State Finals in early summer and Labor Day Rodeos in conjunction with the annual Tri-County Fair in September.

LAWS RAILROAD MUSEUM

Much more than a railroad museum, with 13 acres of exhibits including 25 buildings on display, the Laws Railroad Museum features outdoor exhibits including farming, mining and railroad equipment. Open all year from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is by donation. Located four miles northeast of Bishop on Hwy. 6. For more information, call the Laws Railroad Museum at (760) 873-5950 or visit www.lawsmuseum.org.

CAMPING



Camping Under Milky Way

OUTDOOR SLUMBER

Camping in the Bishop area brings back childhood memories of roasting marshmallows over an open fire, sleeping under the starlit sky and breathing cool, fresh air. It's time to relive those times and create more memories with family and friends! Campgrounds are abundant near Bishop and are operated by Inyo National Forest, BLM, County of Inyo and several independent businesses. Most are well equipped with piped water and restrooms; some also offer RV hook-ups, showers, stores and food service. While summer is definitely the "high season" for camping, several campgrounds are open year-round. Consider a spring, winter or fall visit to Pleasant Valley, Baker Creek, Benton Hot Springs or Death Valley. See pages 38-41 for campground map and contact information.



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Milky Way Over Racetrack Playa, Death Valley

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BISHOP-AREA CAMPGROUNDS

For a map of campgrounds in the area, see pages 40-41.




























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


































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‡As needed

ROCK CREEK AREA

MAP	CAMPGROUND	# OF SITES	FEE	SEASON	RESERVATIONS	NOTES
1	Aspen*	1	\$65	May-Oct.	(877) 444-6777	 
2	Big Meadow	11	\$20	June-Sept.	N/A	 
3	East Fork	133	\$20	June-Sept.	(877) 444-6777	 
4	French Camp	86	\$20	June-Sept.	(877) 444-6777	 
5	Holiday†	35	\$20	Year-round††	N/A	 
6	Iris Meadow	14	\$20	June-Sept.	N/A	 
7	Mosquito Flat Trailhead**	10	\$0	June-Oct.	N/A	 
8	Palisade	5	\$20	June-Sept.	N/A	 
9	Pine Grove	11	\$20	June-Oct.	N/A	 
10	Rock Creek Lake	28	\$20	June-Oct.	N/A	 
	Rock Creek Lake*	1	\$60	June-Oct.	(877) 444-6777	 
11	Tuff	34	\$18	May-Oct.	(877) 444-6777	 
12	Upper Pine Grove	8	\$20	May-Oct.	(877) 444-6777	  

BISHOP AREA

	CAMPGROUND	# OF SITES	FEE	SEASON	RESERVATIONS	NOTES
13	Big Trees	16	\$21	May-Oct.	N/A	 
14	Bishop Park	21	\$21	May-Oct.	N/A	 
	Bishop Park*	1	\$60	May-Oct.	(877) 444-6777	  
15	Bitterbrush	30	\$21	Year-round	N/A	  
16	Brown's Town	150	\$23	March-Nov.	(760) 873-8522	
17	Creekside RV Park	49	\$45	May-Oct.	(760) 873-4483	
18	Forks	21	\$21	May-Oct.	N/A	 
19	Four Jeffrey	106	\$21	May-Oct.	(877) 444-6777	  
20	Highlands RV Park	103	\$40+	Year-round	(760) 873-7616	
21	Horton Creek	49	\$5	May-Oct.	N/A	
22	Intake II**	8	\$21	May-Oct.	N/A	 
	Intake II Upper	5	\$21	May-Oct.	(760) 872-7341	  
23	J Diamond	18	\$35	Year-round	(760)872-4670	
24	Keough's Hot Springs	10	\$20+	Year-round	(760) 937-6775	
25	Brown's Millpond	70	\$25+	March-Nov.	(760) 873-5342	
26	Mountain Glen	5	\$18	May-Sept.		  
27	North Lake	11	\$21	June-Sept.	N/A	  
28	Paiute Palace Casino RV Lot	25	\$5	Year-round	(760) 873-4150	
29	Parchers Resort	6	\$55	May-Oct.	(760) 873-4177	
30	Pleasant Valley	200	\$10	Year-round	N/A	
31	Pleasant Valley Pit	75	\$2	Nov.-May		 
32	Shady Rest Trailer Park	15	\$30+	Year-round	(760) 873-3430	
33	Sabrina	18	\$21	May-Sept.	N/A	 
34	Table Mountain*	1	\$60	May-Sept.	(877) 444-6777	
35	Tri-County Fairgrounds	42	\$25	Year-round	(760) 873-3588	
36	Willow	7	\$20	May-Sept.	N/A	 

CAMPGROUNDS

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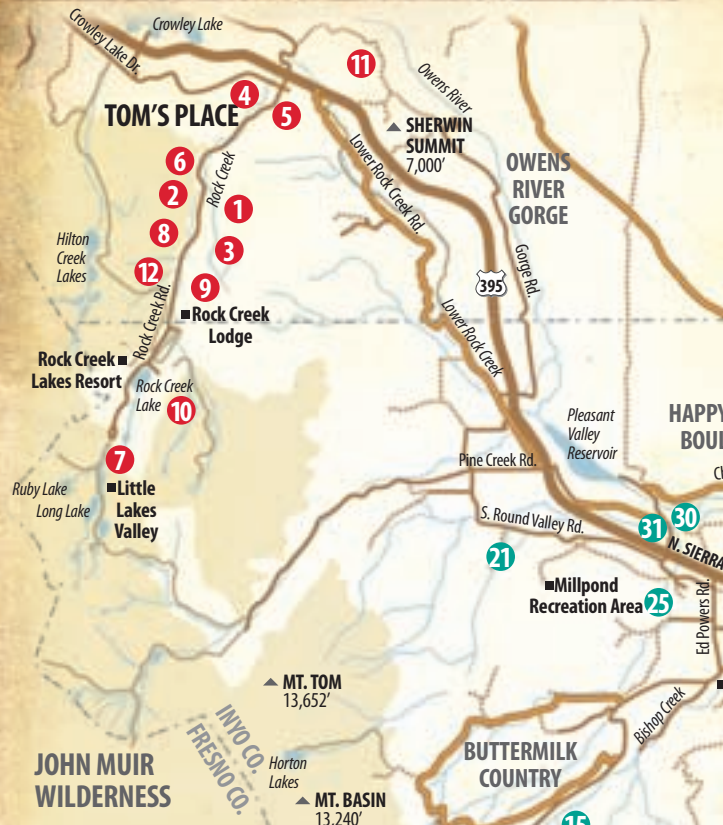
Sunrise 2010
Photo by Gary Young



BIG PINE AREA

MAP	CAMPGROUND	# OF SITES	FEE	SEASON	RESERVATIONS	NOTES
37	Baker Creek	70	\$10+	Year-round	N/A	
38	Big Pine Creek	30	\$20	May-Oct.	(877) 444-6777	 
39	Clyde Glacier*	1	\$60	May-Oct.	(877) 444-6777	 
40	First Falls**	5	\$0	May-Sept.	N/A	 
41	Glacier View	40	\$17	Year-round	(760) 872-6911	
42	Grandview	26	\$5	April-Nov.	N/A	  
43	Palisade Glacier*	2	\$60	May-Sept.	(877) 444-6777	 
44	Sage Flat	28	\$20	May-Sept.	N/A	 
45	Upper Sage Flat	20	\$20	May-Sept.	N/A	 

BISHOP-AREA MAP



CAMPGROUNDS

For detailed information on the campgrounds listed below, see the campground guide on page 38.

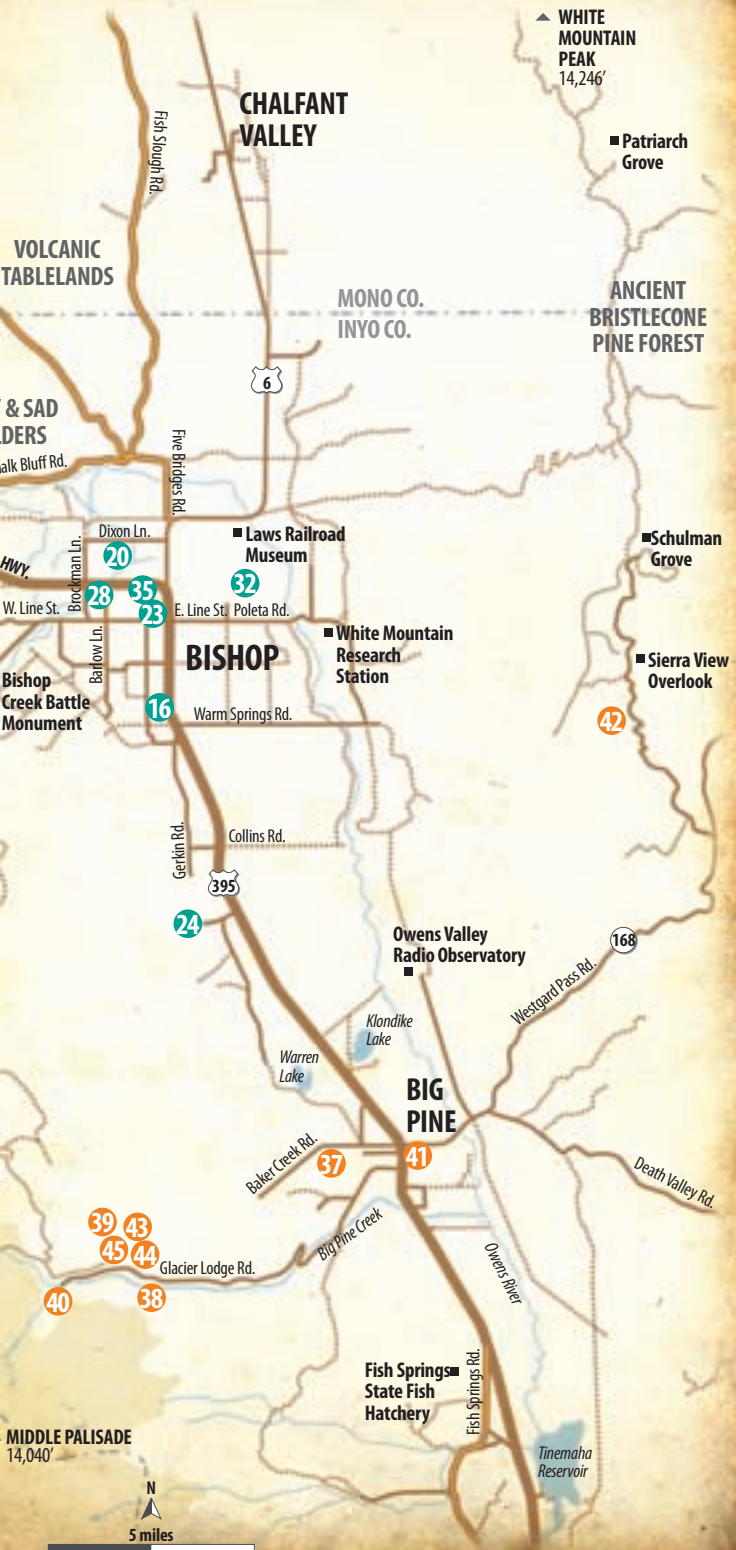
- Rock Creek Area
- Bishop Area
- Big Pine Area

- 1 Aspen*
- 2 Big Meadow
- 3 East Fork
- 4 French Camp
- 5 Holiday†
- 6 Iris Meadow
- 7 Mosquito Flat Trailhead**
- 8 Palisade
- 9 Pine Grove
- 10 Rock Creek Lake*
- 11 Tuff
- 12 Upper Pine Grove
- 13 Big Trees
- 14 Bishop Park*
- 15 Bitterbrush
- 16 Brown's Town
- 17 Creekside RV Park
- 18 Forks
- 19 Four Jeffrey
- 20 Highlands RV Park
- 21 Horton Creek
- 22 Intake II** & Intake II Upper
- 23 J Diamond

- 24 Keough's Hot Springs
- 25 Brown's Millpond
- 26 Mountain Glen
- 27 North Lake
- 28 Paiute Palace Casino RV Lot
- 29 Parchers Resort
- 30 Pleasant Valley
- 31 Pleasant Valley Pit
- 32 Shady Rest Trailer Park
- 33 Sabrina
- 34 Table Mountain*
- 35 Tri-County Fairgrounds
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- 40 First Falls**
- 41 Glacier View
- 42 Grandview
- 43 Palisade Glacier*
- 44 Sage Flat
- 45 Upper Sage Flat

- Paved Roads, Highways
- Unpaved Roads
May require 4WD
- Motor Touring Route
- Hiking Trails
- *Group site(s) available
- **Walk-in site(s)
- †Overflow

BISHOP-AREA MAP





Wild Skies Over Tableland

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There must be a reason why so many renowned photographers have chosen Eastern Sierra landscapes as their subject matter. Actually, there are thousands of reasons! Ansel Adams, Vern Clevenger and Galen Rowell have all passionately captured the splendor of the area and shared their images with the world. Whether you are a seasoned professional or an enthusiastic beginner, the greater Bishop area offers you a fabulous array of photographic opportunities. From the marvelous wildflowers of spring to the fabulous fall colors, every season promises great shots. Consider honing your skills in a workshop offered by Mountain Light Gallery, (760) 872-7700.



Meteor Over Mt. Whitney

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PERSPECTIVES



Photo by Tony Rowell

Focused on the journey

A cyclist riding a road bike on a long, straight road stretching into the distance under a clear blue sky. The cyclist is wearing a dark jacket and a helmet, and is riding away from the camera. The road is paved and has a yellow center line. The landscape is flat and open, with mountains visible in the far distance.

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North Lake



Waterfall in Fall

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WILDLIFE



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Tioga Pass, Yosemite

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Hawk in Flight Over Bishop

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Bristlecone at Sunrise

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ANCIENT BRISTLECONE PINE FOREST

These trees were ancient even in medieval times. The oldest recorded living things on earth, some have been dated back more than 4,500 years! Bristlecone pine trees grow in the White Mountains at elevations over 9,000 feet. It's hard to imagine anything living in this harsh, wind-swept environment, but that is part of the reason the trees flourish. The Visitors Center at Schulman Grove features displays which tell the story of these amazing trees. Travel south on Hwy. 395 to Big Pine and follow Hwy. 168 to the Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest Scenic Byway. Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest is usually open from mid-May through November, weather permitting. Snow storms close the White Mountain road during winter months. Call (760) 873-2500 for current road conditions and operating hours.

SIGHTSEEING



Pond with Cloud

Photo by Mike McDermott

CHALK BLUFFS AND VOLCANIC TABLELAND

The Volcanic Tableland formed over 700,000 years ago by enormous eruptions of volcanic ash. Today, the tablelands and the area known as chalk bluffs at their southern edge are very popular with outdoor enthusiasts – especially in fall, winter and spring. Activities include fishing, hiking, birding, photography and climbing.

ROCK CREEK CANYON

Just a half-hour north of Bishop, Rock Creek Canyon is famous for its rugged mountain beauty, fabulous trout fishing and spectacular fall colors. In winter, it becomes a mecca for cross-country ski enthusiasts. Lodging and food services are available in the area.

CROWLEY LAKE

Synonymous with great trout fishing, Crowley Lake also offers boating, water skiing and sailing. Just a short drive north of Bishop on Hwy. 395.

MAMMOTH LAKES

Visit Devil's Postpile National Monument, Rainbow Falls, Mammoth Mountain Ski Area/Bike Park, Minaret Vista and other high-country sites. Just 45 minutes north of Bishop, vacationers enjoy golf, hiking, fishing and more. For more information, call the Mammoth Lakes Visitor Center and Ranger Station at (888) GO-MAMMOTH.



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JUNE LAKE LOOP

Like a necklace of sapphires, the lakes dotting the June Lake Loop provide recreational enjoyment for the entire family. Fishing, horseback riding, picnicking, boating, mountain biking, swimming and more complement a full-service resort community. The loop's fall colors are particularly stunning: Its aspen-covered slopes turn into brilliant hues of gold and red. In winter, this vacation paradise is home to June Mountain Ski Area, just an hour north of Bishop.

MONO LAKE

Strange tufa formations, abundant wildlife and breathtaking vistas reward visitors to this ancient inland sea. An expansive visitor center overlooks the lake and features elaborate hands-on interpretive displays. Mono Lake is located in Lee Vining, a town located 62 miles north of Bishop. For more information, call the Mono Basin Scenic Area Visitors Center at (760) 647-3044.

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

Yosemite's thundering waterfalls, lush meadows and granite cliffs rising from the valley floor attract more than four million visitors each year. The eastern entrance via Hwy. 120 is located less than two hours north of Bishop and is generally accessible from the end of May through mid-November. In winter months, the road is closed due to snow. For park information, visit www.yosemitepark.com. For road conditions/closures, visit www.dot.ca.gov or call (800) 427-7623.

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The wild and scenic Walker River rushes down forested canyons and meanders across open meadows. Located 85 miles north of Bishop, fishing, camping and scenic lodging dot the river. The East Walker River near the historic town of Bridgeport is home to famous fly-fishing. The Bridgeport Reservoir offers fabulous boat fishing. For more information, visit www.bridgeportcalifornia.com.

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Fall Colors

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Moonbow and Stars

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SIGHTSEEING



Bodie Rainbow

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BODIE GHOST TOWN

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Lembert Dome Sunset, Yosemite

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Moonlight on Lone Pine Peak

Photo by Tony Rowell

MOUNT WHITNEY

The highest peak in the contiguous United States, Mount Whitney rises 14,494 feet into the Sierra sky. Be sure to stop at the InterAgency Visitor Center just south of Lone Pine for a breathtaking view from the valley floor. Even if you don't plan to climb Mount Whitney, a visit to the portal is well worth the side trip! A relatively easy nine-mile drive west of Hwy. 395 will take you to Whitney Portal (elevation 7,851) where climbers begin their ascents. Whitney Portal features campgrounds, parking lots, a store and restaurant open May through October. The trail to the summit is very popular yet quite strenuous. You must have a permit. Reach the Wilderness Permit Reservation Office at (877) 444-6777 or visit www.recreation.gov.

SIGHTSEEING

MOUNT WHITNEY FISH HATCHERY

The historic trout breeding center in Independence began operation in 1917 and it is definitely a "must-see" attraction as you make your way along Highway 395. Visitors may enjoy picnicking in the shade of tall trees, feeding trout in the beautiful pond and touring the museum and interpretive center operated by the Friends of Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery.

ALABAMA HILLS

The outstanding features and environment of the Alabama Hills attract movie makers, commercial companies, photographers and tourists from all over the world. Since the early 1920s, movie stars such as Hopalong Cassidy, Gene Autry and the Lone Ranger have been shooting it out with outlaws in the Alabama Hills. Classics such as "Gunga Din" and "How the West Was Won" were filmed at sites now known as "Movie Flats" and at Movie Flat Road. The community of Lone Pine hosts the Lone Pine Film Festival every October and the Beverly and Jim Rogers Museum of Lone Pine Film History celebrates and preserves the long and varied film history of Lone Pine, Death Valley and the Eastern Sierra. Recreational opportunities abound in the Alabama Hills Recreation area including biking, hiking, camping and auto touring.

DEATH VALLEY

The name conjures visions of cruel heat and a barren wasteland. But this newest member of America's National Park System is filled with magical vistas, magnificent sand dunes and thousands of visitors each year. Yes, winter, spring and fall are the best times to visit the park, but summer can be an extraordinary experience as well. Just remember to have your car's air conditioning checked before you go. Death Valley boasts historic Scotty's Castle and world-class lodging, golf and dining at the Furnace Creek Resort. You can also visit Badwater – the lowest point in North America – 282 feet below sea level!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

BISHOP-AREA EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Visit www.bishopvisitor.com for updated event information and happenings in the area.

JANUARY

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
Month-long	Enjoy Year-Round Trout Fishing on the Beautiful Owens River and at Pleasant Valley Reservoir. Fishing season never closes in Bishop!
Jan. 28	Umi Garrett Live in Concert Hosted by Bishop Community Concerts Association. 7:30 p.m. at Bishop Union High School Theater. For tickets and membership information, call (760) 873-8202 or visit bishopcca.org .

FEBRUARY

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
Month-long	Enjoy Year-Round Trout Fishing on the Beautiful Owens River and at Pleasant Valley Reservoir. Fishing season never closes in Bishop!
Feb. 18	Borealis Wind Quartet Hosted by Bishop Community Concerts Association. 7:30 p.m. at Bishop Union High School Theater. For tickets and membership information, call (760) 873-8202 or visit bishopcca.org .

MARCH

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
March 1	Early Opener Trout Derby Diaz Lake, Lone Pine. Prizes for kids and adults. Lone Pine Chamber of Commerce, (760) 876-4444 or www.lonepinechamber.org .
March 15	Blake Jones Trout Derby Pleasant Valley Reservoir Bishop. Win float tubes, rods and reels, fishing tackle – tons of fishing gear. Prize categories include Blind Bogey, Biggest Trout, and a Big Cash drawing. Pre-register by mail or at the reservoir the day of the derby. Registration starts at 6 a.m. at the derby. Hosted by Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce, sponsored in part by County of Inyo. For more information, call (760) 873-8405 or visit www.bishopvisitor.com .
March 28-29	Banff Mountain Film Festival Tri-County Fairgrounds in Bishop. Contact Wilson's Eastside Sports, (760) 873-7520. www.eastsidesports.com .

APRIL

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
April 1	The Alley Cats in Concert Hosted by Bishop Community Concerts Association. 7:30 p.m. at Bishop Union High School Theater. For tickets and membership information, call (760) 873-8202 or visit bishopcca.org .
April 26	Opening day for the General Trout Season in the Eastern High Sierra All the lakes and streams throughout the region open to fishing just before sunrise.
April 26	Rainbow Trout Festival Bishop City Park. Bring your opening day catch to show off and win great prizes. Trout displays, kids activities, entertainment, raffles and fun for everyone! For more information, call Bishop Chamber, (760) 873-8405 or visit www.bishopvisitor.com .
April 26	Annual Manzanar Pilgrimage A delegation of Japanese-Americans and others return to Manzanar to pay tribute to the internees and Japanese-American veterans who fought in WWII. Organized by Manzanar National Historic Site. Call (760) 878-2932 for details.

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MAY

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
May 2	Taste of the Sierra Sponsored by the Bishop Area Chamber. Tri-County Fairgrounds during the first night of the Home Show. Area restaurants and caterers serve samples of their finest cuisine. Admission ticket includes two beverages: beer, wine or soda. For more information, call (760) 873-8405.
May 2-3	Home Show Tri-County Fairgrounds, Bishop. See the latest and greatest products and services for your home. Free admission and free parking. Call (760) 873-3588 or visit www.tricountyfair.com .
May 2-4	Eastern Sierra Gem and Mineral Show Tri-County Fairgrounds, Bishop. Hosted by the Lone Pine Gem and Mineral Society. Mineral, fossil and jewelry dealers, lapidary demonstrations, displays of local specimens, geode cutting, children's games, spinning wheel, free rocks for kids. Saturday and Sunday field trips. For more information, contact Francis Pedneau, (760) 876-4319.
May 3	Choo Choo Swap Meet Tri-County Fairgrounds, Bishop. Bishop's biggest semi-annual swap meet. Like 100 yard sales in one location. Proceeds benefit Laws Railroad Museum, (760)873-5950.
May 3	Wild West Marathon 50K, 10-Mile & 3-Mile Fun Run. Contact Lone Pine Chamber at (760) 876-4444 or www.lonepinechamber.org .
May 20-25	Mule Days Celebration Bishop's largest event held every Memorial Day weekend as backcountry mule and horse packers celebrate the opening of the summer packing season. World's largest non-motorized parade, rodeo-style packing competitions, concerts, crafts fair and more. For more information, call (760) 872-4263 or visit www.muledays.org .
May 22-26	Memorial Day Weekend Arts & Crafts Show At the Bishop City Park. Quality handcrafted items and fine arts. Friday, Saturday, Sunday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Monday 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Hosted by Inyo Council for the Arts, (760)873-8014 or www.inyo.org .
May 25	Bishop Lions Club Pancake Breakfast At the Bishop City Park, 7 a.m.

JUNE

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
June 10-13	California High School Rodeo State Final Tri-County Fairgrounds, Bishop. Athletes from high schools all over California compete for the state rodeo championship on a scale comparable with college and professional rodeo. Approximately 300 contestants will compete this week in the State Finals. General admission tickets will be available at the gate. For more information, visit www.chsra.org .
June 14	Father's Day Fishing Derby In Independence. "Blind Bogey" event so everybody has a chance to win! Prizes are awarded to both children and adults. For more information, call (760) 614-0044.

JULY

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
Saturdays	Eastern Sierra Certified Farmers' Market. Mid-July through October. 9 a.m. Academy Street Parking Lot behind City Hall.
Mondays	Bishop Community Band Concerts Every Monday night, 8 p.m. throughout the summer in the gazebo at the front of the Bishop City Park. Free admission. Bring your own lawn chair and a friend!
July 3	Independence Celebration With fireworks at Paiute Palace Casino.

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JULY

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
July 3	BIG Day in Bishop City Park Free swimming, free softball tournament, free pie and ice cream, live entertainment and good old-fashioned fun for all.
July 4	Fantastic Fireworks Show Hosted by Bishop Volunteer Fire Department at Eastern Sierra Regional Airport. For more information, contact City of Bishop, (760) 873-5863.

AUGUST

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
Saturdays	Eastern Sierra Certified Farmers' Market. Mid-July through October. 9 a.m. Academy Street Parking Lot behind City Hall.
Mondays	Bishop Community Band Concerts Every Monday night, 8 p.m. throughout the summer in the gazebo at the front of the Bishop City Park. Free admission. Bring your own lawn chair and a friend!
Aug. 28-31	Eastern Sierra Tri-County Fair In Bishop. Inyo, Mono and Alpine counties get together for a good old-fashioned county fair. Competition for the coveted blue ribbons, pie contest, pet show, horse show, salsa contest, homebrewed beer and wine contest, carnival rides and games, rodeos, destruction derby, petting zoo, live music, strolling and stage acts, great food, vendors galore and so much more. For more information, call (760) 873-3588 or visit www.tricountyfair.com .
Aug. 29-Sept. 1	Labor Day Weekend Arts and Crafts Show In Bishop City Park. This annual show includes dozens of booths featuring art, photography, jewelry, weavings, wood carving & turning, ceramics, gourd art, clothing, food, and more. 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday. For more information, contact Inyo Council for the Arts at (760) 873-8014 or www.inyo.org .

SEPTEMBER

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
Saturdays	Eastern Sierra Certified Farmers' Market. Mid-July through October. 9 a.m. Academy Street Parking Lot behind City Hall.
Sept. 19-21	Millpond Music Festival Featuring live entertainment with an eclectic and fine collection of traditional and contemporary music. Beautiful mountain backdrop, children's arts & crafts activities, workshops by performers, art show by local artists, food and drink booths. For more information and updates on the line-up, call (760) 873-8014 or visit www.inyo.org .
Sept. 19-21	Fly Fishing Faire Three full days of fly casting, fly tying, lessons for the family. Beginning to advanced anglers fish from Bishop to Bridgeport. www.Southwestcouncilfff.org or call (818) 757-3474.
TBD	Everest Challenge Bike Race The undisputed hardest 2-day USA Cycling Race & Ride! Each day features three monumental climbs, with a total elevation gain of 29,035 feet in 206 miles. For more information, call (209)273-3422.
Sept. 27-28	Annual Pow Wow & California Native American Day Celebration Parade, traditional dancing, hand games, arts & crafts, music, food and more. For more information, contact Paiute Palace Casino, (760) 873-4150 or visit www.paiutepalace.com .
Month-long	Fall Colors in the Eastern Sierra Catch the annual display of autumn splendor in the Bishop area starting at the higher elevations of Bishop Creek Canyon around the middle of September, peaking at the end of the month, early October in the canyon. Call for a free Fall Color Guide or visit www.bishopvisitor.com .

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Downtown Bishop

OCTOBER

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
Month-long	Fall Colors in the Eastern Sierra Catch the annual display of autumn splendor in the Bishop area starting at the higher elevations of Bishop Creek Canyon around the middle of September, peaking at the end of the month, early October in the canyon. Call for a free Fall Color Guide or visit www.bishopvisitor.com .
Saturdays	Eastern Sierra Certified Farmers' Market. Mid-July through October. 9 a.m. Academy Street Parking Lot behind City Hall.
Oct. 3-5	Oct. 3 thru 5 - Fall Colors Cruise and Car Show Tri-County Fairgrounds, Bishop. Classic cars in a classic setting. Show & Shine, '50s-'60s Dance, Altrusa's Fine Art Show and Sale, Sweet Adelines host arts & crafts show and much, much more. Sponsored by the Owens Valley Cruisers Car Club. Visit www.owensvalleycruisers.com .
Oct. 4	Choo Choo Swap Meet Tri-County Fairgrounds. Bishop's biggest semi-annual swap meet. Like 100 yard sales in one location. Proceeds benefit Laws Railroad Museum, (760) 873-5950.
Oct. 10-12	Annual Lone Pine Film Festival If you love Western movies, this is the BIG ONE! Tours, stars, panels, parade, memorabilia dealers, arts & crafts show, music, closing campfire, plus opening night concert. Call Lone Film Festival and Film History Museum, (760) 876-9103.
Oct. 10-12	VCMC Dual Sport Motorcycle Ride Organized by Ventura County Motorcycle Club. Call (805) 857-2522 or visit www.venturacountymc.com .

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NOVEMBER

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
Nov. 15	The General Trout Season Closes In higher elevation lakes in Inyo and Mono counties. However, there is year-round fishing in the Owens River and Pleasant Valley Reservoir near Bishop.

DECEMBER

DATE	EVENT/HAPPENING
Dec. 5	Bishop Chamber's Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony Bishop City Park. Festivities start at 5:30 p.m. Park Christmas tree lights up at 6 p.m. sharp. Hot cocoa, coffee, cookies, candy, great holiday music and Santa! Children can tell Santa their Christmas wishes at the Chamber's Visitors Bureau at the park from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sponsored by the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau, (760) 873-8405.
Dec. 5	Street of Lights Party Immediately following the tree-lighting ceremony at the City Park. Over 40 shops, restaurants, and other businesses participating. Music, warming fires, treats from your favorite restaurants, plus a raffle with fantastic prizes! Sponsored by the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau, (760) 873-8405.
Dec. 6	Christmas Parade At 10 a.m. Meet Santa in the Bishop City Park immediately following the parade.

LODGING

LOCAL HOTELS, MOTELS & INNS

The lodging choices listed here are members in good standing of the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau.







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| Pets OK | Restaurant | Bus Parking | Airport Shuttle |
| Pool | RV Hook-ups | Camping | Wi-Fi/Internet |
| Handicap Accessible | Continental Breakfast | Fish Cleaning & Storage | Guest Laundry Facilities |
| Kitchen/Kitchenette | | | |

BISHOP For a map of hotels and inns in downtown Bishop, see pages 74-75.

MAP	HOTEL/INN	RATES	AMENITIES	NOTES
1	America's Best Value Inn 192 Short St. (877) 873-4912, (760) 873-4912 www.abvibishopca.com	\$49 and up		Cable TV, microwave, mini-fridge, coffee maker, hair dryer, BBQ area, AAA.
2	Best Western Bishop Lodge 1025 N. Main St. (800) 576-3543, (760) 873-3543 www.bestwesternbishop.com	\$89-\$249		Deluxe rooms, spa, group rates, microwave, coffee, refrigerator, iron, BBQ facilities. Fitness room.
3	Bishop Village Motel 286 W. Elm St. (888) 668-5546, (760) 872-8155 www.bishopvillagemotel.com	\$59-\$110		Refrigerator, BBQ facility, kitchens, suites, high-speed Internet, microwave. Free Wi-Fi.
4	Comfort Inn 805 N. Main St. (888) 489-9290, (760) 873-4284 www.comfortinn.com	\$75-\$160		Spa, BBQ, senior discounts, microwave, refrigerator, AAA. Hot breakfast.
5	Creekside Inn 725 N. Main St. (800) 273-3550, (760) 872-3044 www.bishopcreeksideinn.com	Call for rates		Kitchens, senior discounts, AAA. Free hot breakfast, high-speed Internet, business center.
6	Days Inn 724 W. Line St. (800) 329-7466, (760) 872-1095 www.bishop-daysinn.com	Call for rates		Suites and non-smoking rooms available. Outdoor pool, indoor hot tub.
7	El Rancho Motel 274 Lagoon St. (760) 872-9251 www.bishopmotels.net	\$59-&189		Flatscreen TV, HBO, duvet/comforters, refrigerator, microwave, in-room coffee, BBQ area, smoke-free rooms.
8	Holiday Inn Express 636 N. Main St. (877) 395-2395, (760) 872-2423 www.hiexpress.com/bishopca	\$99-\$249		Refrigerator, microwave, Wi-Fi, AARP, group rates, voice mail, HBO, sauna, AAA, fitness center. Hot breakfast.
9	Joseph House Inn Bed & Breakfast 376 W. Yaney St. (760) 872-3389, (760) 397-2103 www.josephhouseinn.com	\$148-\$178		King-/queen-sized beds, private baths, TV, VCR, fluent in Spanish, French, German, AAA.
10	Keough's Hot Springs Resort 800 Keough Hot Springs Rd. (760) 872-4670 www.keoughshotsprings.com	\$75-\$115		Luxury tent cabins, modular retreat with fully equipped kitchen, BBQ and picnic areas.
11	La Quinta Inn 651 N. Main St. (800) 753-3757, (760) 873-6380 www.lq.com	Call for rates		3-Diamond AAA, bedroom suites, microwave, refrigerator, iron, AAA, senior discounts. Internet.

LODGING

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MAP	HOTEL/INN	RATES	AMENITIES	NOTES
12	Motel 6 1005 N. Main St. (800) 466-8356, (760) 873-8426 www.motel6.com	From \$59		New rooms, refrigerator, microwave, HBO, AAA & senior discounts, flat-screen TV, non-smoking, pets stay free. Guests receive 10% discount at Denny's and Upper Crust Restaurant.
13	Mountain View Motel 730 W. Line St. (760) 873-4242 www.thebestmotelever.com	Call for rates		Refrigerators, hair dryers in all rooms. Kitchen suites.
14	Ramada Limited 155 E. Elm St. (800) 2-RAMADA, (760) 872-1771 www.ramada.com	\$80-\$150		High-speed Internet, laundry, BBQ facility, iron, horseshoe pit, AAA, senior rates, Pinnacle Award Property.
15	Super 8 Motel 535 S. Main St. (760) 872-1386 www.super8.com	\$55-\$85		Seasonal pool, free HBO/Disney, laundry, AAA, senior discounts.
16	Trees Motel 796 W. Line St. (760) 873-6391	\$59-\$189		Flatscreen TV, duvet/comforter, refrigerator, microwave, in-room coffee, BBQ area, ping pong, smoke-free rooms.
17	Vagabond Inn 1030 N. Main St. (800) 522-1555, (760) 873-6351 www.vagabondinn.com	From \$69.95		New rooms, refrigerator, microwave, Showtime, AAA, senior discounts, non-smoking, BBQ area, dog park. Guests receive 10% discount at Denny's & Upper Crust.

Other lodging options in Bishop include: Bishop Rodeway Inn, Chalfant House Bed & Breakfast, Elms Motel, Thunderbird Motel and Townhouse Motel.



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


BISHOP CREEK CANYON

HOTEL/INN	RATES	AMENITIES	NOTES
Aspendell Cabins 122 Canyon Dr. (760) 872-7970 www.122canyon.com	Call for rates		Open all year, homes sleep up to eight. Monthly rentals only. E-mail deetteejohnston@gmail.com.
Bishop Creek Lodge 2100 South Lake Rd. (760) 873-4484 www.bishopcreeklodge.com	\$130-\$300	      	Cabins, general store, bait shop, BBQ facility.
Cardinal Village Resort 321 Cardinal Rd. (760) 873-4789 www.cardinalvillageresort.com	\$85-\$420	 	Free Wi-Fi, horseback riding, picnic area, fishing pond, general store, bait & tackle, gift shop, café, gold mine tours.
Parchers Resort 5001 South Lake Rd. (760) 873-4177 www.parchersresort.net	\$105-\$262	   	Cabins, boat rentals, store, bait shop, horseback riding, kayak rentals.





BIG PINE

HOTEL/INN	RATES	AMENITIES	NOTES
Bristlecone Motel 101 North Main St. (866) 609-3785, (760) 938-2067 www.bristleconemotel.com	\$55-\$80	    	AAA-approved, kitchen units, refrigerators. Free Wi-Fi, bbq area.
Starlight Motel 511 S. Main St. (760) 938-2011	\$55+	 	Refrigerator, flat screen TV with cable, A/C, patios with BBQ, microwaves available.









LONE PINE

HOTEL/INN	RATES	AMENITIES	NOTES
Comfort Inn 1920 S. Main St. (800) 800-6468, (760) 876-8700 www.choicehotels.com	\$79-\$199	    	A/C, non-smoking rooms, golf course, views of Mt. Whitney, near Death Valley. Pool & hot tub.

BENTON














HOTEL/INN	RATES	AMENITIES	NOTES
The Old House & Inn at Benton Hot Springs 55137 Hwy. 120 (866) 466-2824, (760) 933-2287 www.historicbentonhotsprings.com	\$109-300	   	Rustic elegance in a tranquil atmosphere. Hot springs available by the hour or overnight. Full breakfast. Fitness room.

CROWLEY LAKE, ROCK CREEK CANYON AND MAMMOTH LAKES





HOTEL/INN	RATES	AMENITIES	NOTES
Accommodations & Vacation Rentals (877) 228-3145 www.homeaway.com	Contact owners directly via webpage		200+ vacation rentals condos, homes and cabins by owner
Convict Lake Resort 2000 Convict Lake Rd. (800) 992-2260, (760) 934-3800 www.convictlake.com	Call for rates	       	Full-service resort open year-round, cabins/lodges for 2-34 people

LODGING

CROWLEY LAKE, ROCK CREEK CANYON AND MAMMOTH LAKES

HOTEL/INN	RATES	AMENITIES	NOTES
Rainbow Tarns B&B 505 Rainbow Tarns Rd. (888) 588-6269, (760) 935-4556 www.rainbowtarns.com	\$110-\$155		Private baths, large great room with fireplace, full breakfast, ponds, summer/winter rates.
Rock Creek Lakes Resort Rock Creek Lake Rd. (760) 935-4311 www.rockcreeklake.com	\$170-\$350	  	Cabins, boat rentals, general store with propane available. Showers. Breakfast and lunch. Homemade pies.
Rock Creek Lodge 85 Rock Creek Rd. Mammoth Lakes, CA (877) 935-4170, (760) 935-4170 www.rockcreeklodge.com	\$130-\$300	    	Creekfront cabins, sauna, kitchens, open year-round. Store, group rates. Nestled in pine trees on Rock Creek, adjacent to John Muir Wilderness. Pets OK in summer.
Tom's Place Resort 8180 Crowley Lake Dr. (760) 935-4239 www.tomsplaceresort.com	\$35-\$135	   	Café, cabins, bar, general store. Open year-round.

DEATH VALLEY

HOTEL/INN	RATES	AMENITIES	NOTES
Shoshone Inn (760) 852-4335 www.shoshonevillage.com	Call for rates	   	Great base camp for exploring Death Valley National Park. Old west hospitality in a contemporary setting. Kitchenettes, internet.

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DINING

BISHOP-AREA DINING

Grab a bite or quench your thirst at one of these great establishments – all members of the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau. For a map of restaurants, see pages 74-75.

MAP	RESTAURANT	NOTES
1	11th Lane Café 649 N. Main St. • (760) 873-5777	Steaks, seafood, burgers, salads, bar. Inside Back Alley Bowling Alley.
2	Amigo's 285 N. Main St. • (760) 872-2189	Mexican food
3	Astorga's 2206 N. Sierra Hwy. • (760) 873-7748	Mexican food. Breakfast, lunch and dinner.
4	Bar-B-Q-Bills 187 S. Main St. • (760) 872-5535	Barbecue beef, chicken, ribs, burgers, salad bar
5	Bishop Country Club South Hwy. 395 • (760) 873-5828	Breakfast, sandwiches, burgers, wraps, salads, bar
6	Black Sheep Espresso Bar 232 N. Main St. • (760) 872-4142	Artisan roasted coffee, smoothies, bagels, sandwiches, quiche, soups
7	Carl's Jr 768 N. Main St. • (760) 873-4090	Burgers and much more
8	Denny's 1014 N. Main St. • (760) 873-5656	24-hour breakfast, lunch and dinner
9	El Ranchito 281 N. Main St. • (760) 873-7248	Mexican food and American food
10	Erick Schat's Bakery 763 N. Main St. • (760) 873-7156	Breads, pastries, cookies, sandwiches, salads, soups
11	Great Basin Bakery 275-D S. Main St. • (760) 873-9828	Breads, cookies, bagels, sandwiches and wraps
12	Holy Smoke Texas Style BBQ 772 N. Main St. • (760) 872-4227	BBQ ribs, brisket, chicken, pork and chili
13	Imperial Gourmet 785 N. Main St. • (760) 872-1144	Chinese
14	Jack's Restaurant 437 N. Main St. • (760) 873-7971	Breakfast, lunch and dinner. Daily specials.
15	Karma Indian Restaurant 1347 Rocking W Dr. • (760) 873-3401	East Indian Cuisine. Lunch buffet and dinner from menu.
16	La Casita 175 S. Main St. • (760) 873-4828	Mexican restaurant and cantina
17	Bishop Looney Bean 399-A N. Main St. • (760) 873-3311	Artisan roasted coffees, specialty drinks, baked goods, sandwiches, salads.
18	Mad Dogs of Bishop Downtown street vendor cart	Hot dogs, sausages, street tacos
19	McDonald's 562 N. Main St. • (760) 872-1211	Locations in Bishop, Mammoth and Lone Pine
20	McMurry's Sports Bar 175 N. Main St. • (760) 872-7171	6 HD Flat-screen TVs, shuffle board, darts, free Wi-Fi
21	Meadow Farms Country Smokehouse 2345 N. Sierra Hwy. • (760) 873-5311	Jerky, smoked meats, deli

DINING

MAP RESTAURANT	NOTES
22 Pizza 395 1339 Rocking W. Dr. • (760) 873-6300	Pizza, salads, wings, delivery, ice cream
23 Pizza Factory 912 N. Main St. • (760) 872-8888	Pizza, pasta, salad bar, dine in or delivery. Arcade.
24 Rusty's Saloon 112 N. Main St. • (760) 873-9066	Saloon, darts, pool tables
25 The Secret Sandwich Society 124 S. Main St. • (760) 920-4063	Soups, salads, sandwiches and wraps. Behind Spellbinder Books.
26 Subway 1341 Rocking W Dr. • (760) 873-7827	Sandwiches, salads and wraps
27 Thai Thai 703 Airport Rd. • (760) 872-2595	Traditional Thai lunch and dinner. American breakfast. Inside airport terminal building.
28 Tu-Ka-Nowie Restaurant 2742 N. Sierra Highway • (888) 3-PAIUTE	Breakfast, lunch and dinner inside Paiute Palace Casino
29 Whiskey Creek 524 N. Main St. • (760) 873-7174	Steaks, seafood, salads, pastas, sandwiches, bar
30 Yamatani 635 N. Main St. • (760) 872-4801	Sushi and traditional Japanese fare. Full bar.

OUTSIDE OF BISHOP See pages 40-41 for a greater area map of Bishop for the following listings:

RESTAURANT	NOTES
Bishop Creek Lodge 2100 South Lake Rd. • (760) 873-4484	Steaks, pasta, seafood, nightly specials in summer
Cardinal Village Resort 311 Cardinal Rd. • (760) 873-4789	Breakfast and lunch
Parchers Resort South Fork Bishop Creek Canyon St. (760) 873-4177	Open summer & fall. Breakfast buffet on weekends. Picnics to go.
Restaurant at Convict Lake Resort 2000 Convict Lake Rd. • (800) 992-2260	Eclectic Continental cuisine
Rock Creek Lakes Resort Rock Creek Canyon • (760) 935-4311	Famous for homemade pies
Rock Creek Lodge 85 Rock Creek Rd. Mammoth Lakes (877) 935-4170	Family style dining in summer. Ski, snowshoe or snowmobile to the lodge in winter for a unique dining experience.
Tom's Place Resort 8180 Crowley Lake Dr. • (760) 935-4239	Breakfast, lunch and dinner. Café and bar.

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CHAMBER MEMBER SHOPS & BOUTIQUES

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SHOP/BOUTIQUE	ADDRESS	NOTES
Aerohead Cycles	312 N. Warren St.	Bicycle sales, service, repair and accessories
Anne Marie's	336 S. Main St.	Kitchen, bed and bath boutique
Alpine Signs/The 395 Store	263 S. Main St.	395 souvenir t-shirts, stickers, signs, license plate frames
Bee Gee Beauty Supply	371 N. Main St.	Beauty supply and salon
Bishop Clothing Co.	151 S. Main St.	Dickies Brand Clothing
Bishop Motorsports	www.bishopmotosports.com	ATV, snowmobile, tube sales and rentals
Bishop Nursery & Home Store	789 Home St.	Plants, flowers, garden supplies, home décor
Chalfant Big Trees Farm	32 Coldwater Rd.	Garden plants and supplies
Cobwebs	307 S. Main St.	Antiques and collectibles
Dwayne's Friendly Pharmacy	644 W. Line St.	Hallmark and gift shop, jewelry, toys
Ed's Underground	555 S. Main St.	Handmade wood items, bird houses and ski repair
Fendon's Furniture	175 E. Pine St.	Home furnishings, upholstery, home décor
Golden State Cycle	174 S. Main St.	Honda, Yamaha, Polaris sales, rentals, service and accessories
High Country Lumber	444 S. Main St.	Ace Hardware Store
Holmes Health Haven	363 N. Main St.	Health food, vitamins, supplements
Home Lumber Company	1130 N. Main St.	Building materials
IMAH Sierra Thrift Mall	371 S. Warren St.	Thrift store
Joseph's Bi-Rite Market	211 N. Main St.	Groceries, deli, gift items
Kmart	1200 N. Main St.	General merchandise
Main Street Trading Company	101 N. Main St.	Souvenirs, t-shirts, jewelry & collectibles
Manor Market	3100 W. Line St.	Groceries, organic and health foods, wine room, specialty beers
Mountain Light Gallery	106 S. Main St.	Photo gallery, books, jewelry made by local artisans
Radio Shack/Sound Shoppe	1373 Rocking W Dr.	Electronics
Reagan's Sporting Goods	963 N. Main St.	Fishing, hunting, licenses and outdoor gear
Rite-Way Pool, Spa & Gifts	137 E. Line St.	Spas, sales, service and supplies, gift items
Sage To Summit	312 N. Main St.	Shoes and clothing for outdoor enthusiasts
Salvation Army	1180 N. Main St.	Thrift store
Schat.net	174 N. Main St.	Computers sales, service, repair, accessories
Spellbinder Books	124 S. Main St.	Books, calendars, gifts and more
The Toggery	115 N. Main St.	Authentic western apparel, boots, accessories
The Video Place	251 N. Main St.	Movie rentals
Value Sports	1331 Rocking W Dr.	Ski and snowboard equipment and accessories, fashion apparel and shoes
Vintage Vogue	125 W. Line St.	(760) 937-0993. Women's clothing and accessories
Wilson's Eastside Sports	224 N. Main St.	Clothing, shoes, gear for backcountry and mountaineering needs

AUTOMOTIVE

SERVICE	ADDRESS	NOTES
Bishop Auto Tech	555-A S. Main St.	(760) 258-0773. Full car care service and repair
Bishop Gas & Mini Mart	586 N. Main St.	(760) 872-7084
Eastern Sierra Motors/Ford Dealer	1440 N. Hwy. 6	(760) 873-4291
Enterprise Rent-A-Car	187 W. Line St.	Car rental
John's Muffler/A-1 Radiator	2234 N. Sierra Hwy.	(760) 873-3600
Mr. K Automotive and Towing	175 Grove St.	(760) 873-7149
Perry Motors/Honda & Toyota	310 N. Main St.	(760) 873-4141
Steve's Auto & Truck Parts/NAPA	555 S. Main St.	(760) 873-4200

SHOPPING & SERVICES

REAL ESTATE

SERVICE	ADDRESS	NOTES
Coldwell Banker	370 W. Line St.	(760) 873-4264
Eastern Sierra Realty/Ann Wong	462 Rose St.	(760) 873-4161
High Sierra Realty	www.highsierrarealty.info	(888) 828-4868, (760) 872-2809
Owens Valley Realty	306 W. Line St.	(760) 873-7109
Pleasant Valley Associates	187 W. Line St.	(760) 873-7826

RV RENTALS, REPAIRS & SERVICE

SERVICE	ADDRESS	NOTES
Adventure in Camping Trailer Rentals	adventureincamping.com	(760) 935-4890
Doug's RV Storage	640 S. Main St.	(760) 873-4231
Eastern Sierra Propane	107 Sunland Reservation Rd.	(760) 872-2955
Fairgrounds RV Storage	www.tricountyfair.com	(760) 873-3588

OTHER SERVICES

SERVICE	ADDRESS	NOTES
Air-Way Medical	437 E. Line St.	(760) 872-1117. Home health care products
Alex Printing	163 N. Main St.	Printing services
Auto Club of Southern California	187 W. Pine St.	Insurance, travel services
Bishop Veterinary Hospital	1650 N. Sierra Hwy.	Full service veterinarian
BizShip	475 W. Line St., Suite A	(760) 258-1338. Authorized FedEx Shipping
Bonafide Dog Training	162 W. Line St.	(760) 920-0006
Community Printing	187 W. Line St.	Printing, publishing
Gypsy King Tattoo	324 N. Main St.	(760) 920-8767
Hair Station	2281 N. Sierra Hwy.	Full service hair salon
High Country Cedar Homes	lindal.com/highcountry	(888) 828-4868, (760) 872-2809
Healings	725 N. Barlow Lane	(760) 937-3391. Therapeutic, holistic massage.
In the Zone Massage Therapy	407 W. Line St., #7	(760) 937-7636. Certified massage therapist.
Inyo Portal		(855) 413-2211. Remote trailhead access & OHV Adventures.
Lone Pine Pheasant Club	lonepinepheasantclub.com	(760) 876-4590
Main Street Barber Shop	234 N. Main St.	(760) 873-7350
Mountain View Animal Hospital	174-B S. Main St.	Full service veterinarian
Northern Inyo Hospital	150 Pioneer Ln.	(760) 873-5811
Salon Infinity	1180 N. Main St., #100A	(760) 872-3765. Full service hair and nails.
Sierra Mountain Center	200 S. Main St.	(760) 873-8526 Mountaineering school and guide service.
Simplicity Salon	175 Academy St.	Hair, nails, tanning
Vitality Wellness & Spa	187 May St.	(760) 873-3306. Holistic health center.

WEDDINGS & SPECIAL EVENT SERVICES

SERVICE	PHONE	NOTES
Advantage DJ	(661) 674-7151	www.advantagedj.com
Classy Cowgirl Caterers	(760) 872-2292	
Church of Religious Science	(760) 873-4195	120 E. Line St.
Designs by Michelle Denault	(760) 873-4435	www.denaultcatering.com
Glass Onion Catering	(760) 874-3153	
The Honey Bee Photography	(760) 872-4015	48 Running Iron Rd.
Laurie Warta Photography	(760) 920-1792	lauriewartaphotography.com
Steve Dutcher Photography	(760) 920-9127	www.stevedutcher.com

DOWNTOWN BISHOP MAP



LODGING

For a complete listing of hotels, motels and inns in downtown Bishop, see pages 64-65.

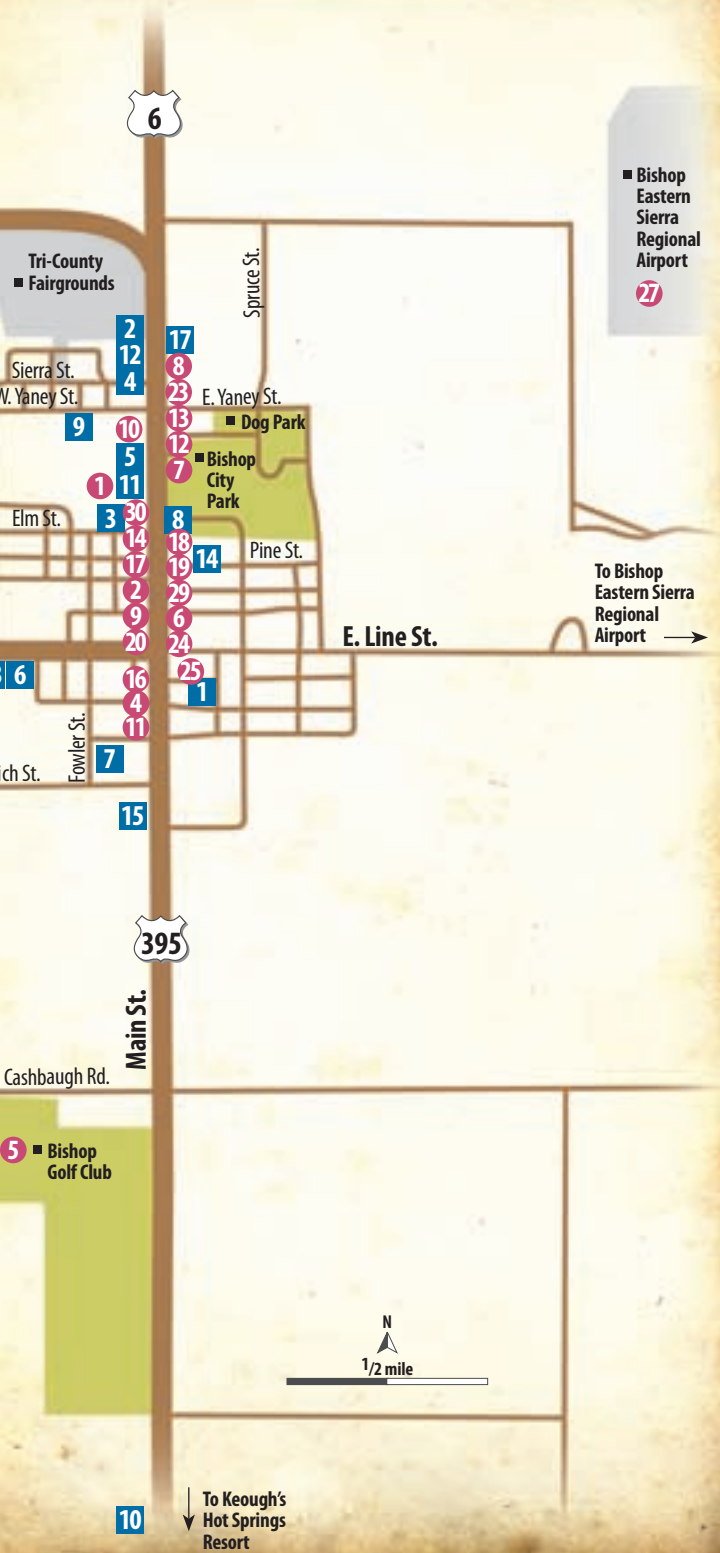
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| 2 Best Western Bishop Holiday Spa Lodge Plus | 8 Holiday Inn Express | 13 Mountain View Motel |
| 3 Bishop Village Motel | 9 Joseph House Inn Bed & Breakfast | 14 Ramada Limited |
| 4 Comfort Inn | 10 Keough's Hot Springs Resort | 15 Super 8 Motel |
| 5 Creekside Inn | 11 La Quinta Inn | 16 Trees Motel |
| 6 Days Inn | | 17 Vagabond Inn |

DINING

For a complete listing of restaurants in Bishop, see the dining guide on pages 70-71.

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| 1 11th Lane Café | 16 La Casita |
| 2 Amigo's | 17 Bishop Looney Bean |
| 3 Astorga's | 18 Mad Dogs of Bishop |
| 4 Bar-B-Q-Bills | 19 McDonald's |
| 5 Bishop Country Club | 20 McMurry's Sports Bar |
| 6 Black Sheep Espresso Bar | 21 Meadow Farms Country Smokehouse |
| 7 Carl's Jr. | 22 Pizza 395 |
| 8 Denny's | 23 Pizza Factory |
| 9 El Ranchito | 24 Rusty's Saloon |
| 10 Erick Schat's Bakery | 25 The Secret Sandwich Society |
| 11 Great Basin Bakery | 26 Subway |
| 12 Holy Smoke Texas Style BBQ | 27 Thai Thai |
| 13 Imperial Gourmet | 28 Tu-Ka-Nowie Restaurant |
| 14 Jack's Restaurant | 29 Whiskey Creek |
| 15 Karma Indian Restaurant | 30 Yamatani |

DOWNTOWN BISHOP MAP



ACTIVITY PACKAGES

LOCAL ACTIVITIES & OUTDOOR RECREATION

When looking for adventures and things to do in the Bishop area, consider the following:

PARTIAL OR HALF-DAY ACTIVITIES

✓ ACTIVITY	HOW TO GET THERE
<input type="checkbox"/> Laws Railroad Museum	Take Hwy. 6 at the north end of Bishop and go 6 miles north. The museum is located on the east side of the highway.
<input type="checkbox"/> Biking	Follow E. Line St. or another road east of town to the Owens River.
<input type="checkbox"/> Fishing	Follow E. Line St. or another road east of town to the Owens River.
<input type="checkbox"/> Walking Tour of Murals and Galleries	Visit the Bishop Visitors Bureau or www.bishopvisitor.com for a map of a walking tour of 14 striking murals plus five extraordinary galleries.
<input type="checkbox"/> Motor Touring	Bishop Creek to the Volcanic Tablelands plus more. Pick up your Motor Touring Guide at the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau or visit www.bishopvisitor.com .
<input type="checkbox"/> Birding	Wonderful birding locations. Start at the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau on Main Street located at Bishop City Park. Pick up your Birding Guide today.
<input type="checkbox"/> Golf	18-hole golf course open year-round at Bishop Country Club on Hwy. 395 at the south end of Bishop. For tee time and more information, call (760) 875-5411.
<input type="checkbox"/> Photography	Watch the sunset or explore the natural beauty of the Bishop area. Best photo times are early morning and just before sunset. Visit our galleries for inspiration!

ONE-DAY ACTIVITIES + ANY OF THE ABOVE

✓ ACTIVITY	HOW TO GET THERE
<input type="checkbox"/> Rock Climbing, Hiking, Mountain Biking or Exploring in the Buttermilks	Go west on Hwy. 168 from downtown Bishop 13 miles to the Buttermilks off of Buttermilk Rd.
<input type="checkbox"/> Rock Climbing at the Happy Boulders or Sad Boulders	Go north from Bishop to the Volcanic Tablelands via Hwy. 6 or take the Pleasant Valley Reservoir Rd. off Hwy. 395. Climbers' paradise awaits.
<input type="checkbox"/> Fishing and Hiking the Lakes Along Bishop Creek	Go west on Hwy. 168 from downtown Bishop 16 miles to Bishop Creek Canyon. Beautiful lakes, streams and majestic scenery galore.
<input type="checkbox"/> Hot Springs and Massage	Head south on Hwy. 395 from Bishop to Keough's Hot Springs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Horseback Riding	Take a ride and see the great Eastern Sierra on horseback. See page 14 for more information.
<input type="checkbox"/> Motor Touring	Pick up your Motor Touring Guide at the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau or visit www.bishopvisitor.com . For more information, call (888) 395-3952.

ACTIVITY PACKAGES



Buttermilks

Photo by Gary Young

TWO-DAY ACTIVITIES + ANY OF THE ABOVE

✓ ACTIVITY	HOW TO GET THERE
<input type="checkbox"/> Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest	From Bishop, go south on Hwy. 395 for 15 miles. Take Hwy. 168 east at Big Pine for 26 miles.
<input type="checkbox"/> Year-round Fishing on the Lower Owens River and Pleasant Valley Reservoir	Travel north of Bishop to the lower Owens River. For more information, see map on page 40.
<input type="checkbox"/> Dining	Select from our fine selection of dining locations. For a listing of restaurants, see page 69.
<input type="checkbox"/> Antiques and History	Shop the many antique stores and read about the history of Bishop at local bookstores. For more information, visit www.bishopvisitor.com .
<input type="checkbox"/> Camping	Fantastic high-country and winter valley locations for your camping adventures.
<input type="checkbox"/> Pack Trip	Spend a couple of days or more for an adventure of a lifetime in the backcountry. For more information, see page 16.

THREE-DAY OR MULTI-DAY ACTIVITIES + ANY OF THE ABOVE

✓ ACTIVITY	HOW TO GET THERE
<input type="checkbox"/> Bishop Creek Canyon	Go west on Hwy. 168 from downtown Bishop and drive 16 miles to beautiful high-country adventures.
<input type="checkbox"/> Petroglyphs	Get a map of petroglyph sites from the White Mountain Ranger District Station to see historic ancient art. Pack a lunch and enjoy the day.
<input type="checkbox"/> Lower Owens River	Fish, float or photograph the scenic river.
<input type="checkbox"/> Rock Creek Canyon	Spectacular mountain setting and outdoor recreation area.
<input type="checkbox"/> Manzanar National Historic Site	Historical World War II Japanese Internment camp 50 minutes south of Bishop off Hwy. 395.
<input type="checkbox"/> Rainbow Falls	Beautiful mountain waterfalls 50 minutes north of Bishop.
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern California Museum	The cultural mecca of the east side of California. Located in Independence 47 miles south of Bishop.

THANKS FOR VISITING!



Twilight Over Mt. Tom

Photo by Galen Rowell/Mountain Light Gallery

COME AGAIN!

The Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau thanks you for visiting our beautiful region. It is our goal to help every visitor make the most of their Eastern Sierra experience and we hope that you find the information in this brochure useful.

We understand that you have many options when it comes to selecting the right place for your vacation or business travel, and we sincerely thank you for choosing Bishop! We hope you'll return often and refer your friends and family!

If you need more information, please feel free to contact us any time by phone (760) 873-8405, online www.bishopvisitor.com or drop in to say "Hi" at 690 N. Main Street in Bishop.

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