

WHAT TO DO WHEN YOUR'E NOT SKIING

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72 Mile Lake Tahoe Scenic Drive

Touted as "The Most Beautiful Drive in America," the Lake Tahoe Basin has many natural and man-made wonders within its borders. A pleasant 72-mile mountain drive around the lake affords breath-taking views, fascinating side trips and historical points of interest. The main attraction continues to be the quiet beauty of the Sierra and the timeless inspiration of the lake itself. To guide you on your way pick up a copy of the "Around Tahoe" CD, the audio tour guide of the drive around the lake. Available at the Incline Village & Tahoe City Visitor Centers or check the "Weekly" Magazine for Sightseeing information.

Art Galleries

Art Attack Incline Village (775) 832-7400

Gallery Keoki The Village at Squaw Valley – 583-1404

James Harold Galleries Tahoe City– 581-5111

The Potlatch Incline Village (775) 833-2485

Mother Nature's Cabin Fever Tahoe City – 581-4278

North Tahoe Arts Gallery & Gifts Tahoe City – 583-2055

Boat Cruises

Take a scenic cruise to beautiful Emerald Bay aboard the M.S.Dixie II from Zephyr Cove Resort or the Tahoe Queen from the South Shore Ski Run Marina. Call 800-23 TAHOE for departure times.

Cal-Neva Lodge Historic Tours

The Cal-Neva Resort on Highway 28 in Crystal Bay offers tours of this historic property from 1936 thru the early 1960's at which time Frank Sinatra owned the lodge and hosted his Rat Pack buddies, Marilyn Monroe and other infamous characters. Friday and Saturday evenings. Cal Neva Resort - (800) 225-6382.

Climbing Walls

Headwall climbing wall in the cable car building at Squaw Valley. Open weekends & holidays. 583-7673

High Altitude Fitness climbing wall in Incline Village 775-837-4212

Donner Memorial State Park & Museum

Located off Highway 80, west of Truckee on Donner Lake. The museum features movies and slide shows on the ordeal of the ill-fated Donner Party as well as exhibits and information on the history of Truckee & the building of the trans-continental railroad over the High Sierra. Open daily from 9:00am to 4:00pm - 587-3841.

Emerald Bay State Park

Emerald Bay, one of the most photographed sites in the world is located 21 miles south of Tahoe City on Hwy 89. Enjoy the breath taking views or take the 1 mile walk down to the shoreline of the bay to see Vikingsholm Castle (tours in summer only). This authentic 38-room reproduction of a Scandinavian castle was built in 1929 as a summer vacation home.

Events & Holiday Activities

For entertainment, special events and holiday events and activities pick up a copy of the Weekly Magazine. Available at the North Lake Tahoe Visitor Center, lodging front desks and outside area grocery and convenience stores.

Fanny Bridge

Just south of the intersection of Highways 89 & 28, at the traffic light in Tahoe City. In summer people bending over the rail of the bridge to watch trout frolic below Lake Tahoe's only outlet, the Truckee river, gives the bridge its name.

Fishing

Lake Tahoe fishing charter boats are available year-round. For information or reservations call:

Big Mack Sport Fishing - (800) 877-1462

Captain Chris - 583-4857

Gatekeeper's Cabin

Home of the North Lake Tahoe Historic Society museum& Marion Steinbach Native American basket collection, the Gatekeeper's cabin is located adjacent to the Truckee River outlet dam in Tahoe City. Open Fri & Sat 11:00 am to 5:00pm. 583-1762

Hiking & Nature Trails

Most of the lower elevation trails are open. Suggested trails are those at Sugar Pine Point State Park on the lake's west shore, the North Tahoe Regional Park trails in Tahoe Vista on the north shore, Stateline Fire Lookout trail above the state line at Crystal Bay, Tahoe Meadows interpretive trail off highway 431 above Incline Village, the Spooner Lake Loop trail on the east shore and the US Forest Service Visitor Center trails at Taylor Creek just south of Emerald Bay on highway 89.

Ice Skating

The Village at Northstar skating rink - 562-3689
Truckee Regional Park skating rink – 582-7720

Squaw Valley rink at the top of the tram – 583-6985
Resort at Squaw Creek in Squaw Valley – 583-6300

Historic Downtown Truckee

Storefront facades and covered wooden walkways combine with Truckee's original buildings to provide an historic atmosphere for shops, restaurants and bars. With a colorful and varied heritage that includes the Donner Party, the Trans-continental railroad, logging and ice harvesting, Truckee proudly retains its Old West character. The Truckee Visitor Center is located in the train station.

Parks & Playgrounds

Commons Beach Tahoe City – lakefront park with playground and picnic areas in the heart of Tahoe City.
North Tahoe Regional Park – off National Ave in Tahoe Vista – playground, picnic areas, nature and walking trails and ball fields.
Kilner Park – 2 ½ miles south of Tahoe City on Hwy 89 – playground, picnic areas, walking paths
Kings Beach State Park – lakefront park with playground and picnic areas in the heart of Kings Beach.

Pool/Billiards

Pete & Peter's Tahoe City – 583-2400
Lakeside Tahoe City Sports Bar & Restaurant – 583-2000

Bowl Incline – (775) 831-1900

Rent a Boat

Do some sightseeing on the lake. Year round boat rentals at Tahoe City Marina – 583-1039

Rideout Community Center

Game room with Xbox, billiards, table tennis & foosball. Indoor playroom for 6 & under .Complete fitness room & gymnasium. Ongoing events, activities & classes for both children & adults. Located off Hwy 89 south on Timberland Drive. 583-3440 ex 10

Scenic Cable Car Rides

Squaw Valley's cable car takes you up 2000 feet in elevation for panoramic views of Lake Tahoe. Disembark at the top and enjoy ice skating, panoramic lake & mountain views and the Olympic museum. 583-6985
Northstar at Tahoe offers scenic gondola rides which includes access to the brand new Zephyr Lodge on the upper mountain where you can enjoy lunch & breathtaking views of the Sierra Nevada. 562-1010

Spa's, Massage, Exercise & Health

A Sante' Lakeside Fitness –583-4883
Cal-Neva European Health Spa - (800) 225-6382
Clearwater Day Spa – 583-3141
Incline Village Recreation Center - (775) 832-1300

Massage on the Lake –583-3200
Resort at Squaw Creek Spa & Fitness Center - 583-6300
Ritz-Carlton Highlands Spa – 562-3030
Trilogy Spa – 584-6125

Sledding, Tubing & Snow Play

Homewood Mountain offers free sledding & snow play. Bring your own plastic saucers or sleds. Open 9:00am to 4:00pm. 525-2992
Northstar Resort Tubing– Tubes & riders are transported by tow lift to the top of the hill. Call for hours& ticket prices 562-2267
Granlibakken Resort's sled hill provides saucers & sleds for a small fee and has a warming hut for hot food, drinks & snacks.
Squaw Valley SnoVenture Park – tubing & child size snowmobiles. Call for fees & hours. 583-6985
Boreal Mountain Playland Tubing – 10am to 4pm Sun – Thurs, 10am to 8pm Fri – Sat \$25 for a 2hr session. 426-3666

Skyjump Bungy Trampoline

At both the Village at Squaw Valley 583-7673 and the Village at Northstar 563-8055. Weather permitting. Call for hours.

Sugar Pine Point State Park

Located off Highway 89, nine miles south of Tahoe City on the West Shore. Enjoy some of the Lake's most beautiful undeveloped Shoreline. Explore the 2 family friendly self guided Nature Trails which wander through the forest and along the lake. Walk the grounds of historic Pine Lodge (tours in summer only). Built from native stone and timber in 1903 this stunning estate exemplifies the Golden Age at Lake Tahoe. The home was used each summer by the original family until 1965 when it was sold to the state of California to be preserved for generations to come.

Tahoe Maritime Museum

Located 6 miles south of Tahoe City in Homewood this museum gives insight into Lake Tahoe's rich maritime history. Step back to the time when grand steamships and gleaming wood boats plied the waters of the lake. Interactive exhibits, restored boats and children's and family activities. Open Friday thru Sunday 10:00am to 5:00pm. Closed Dec 24 & 25.

Truckee River Bike & Walking Path

Although this paved trailway is closed for winter it has been made accessible until snow closes it completely. Enjoy a leisurely stroll along the river. The trail begins across the street from the Tahoe City Chevron station & goes for 5 miles to the entrance to Squaw Valley.

Video Game Rooms & Bowling

Cal-Neva Resort Spa & Casino - (800) 225-6382

Bowl Incline – (775) 831-1900

Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe – (888) 899-5019

Tahoe Biltmore Lodge – (800) 245-8667

For further information please contact the Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Convention Bureau at (530) 581-6900 or stop by the Chamber of Commerce / Visitor Information Center at 380 North Lake Blvd., Tahoe City, CA.