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CARSON VALLEY

NEVADA



GARDNERVILLE ~ GENOA ~ MINDEN ~ TOPAZ LAKE

VisitCarsonValley.org

WELCOME TO THE LAND OF EVERY

You've got places to visit that are orderly, fabricated and neatly packaged. Then again, you can come to know that place where unprocessed adventures appear fresh daily, where real characters introduce you to wild horses, whitewater thrills, off-piste powder, trails, glider rides, charmingly creaky restaurants and the perfect bar stool for recounting a day fat with adventure. All of which add up to an experience that's nothing short of legendary. And all in a valley that's easy to find and hard to forget. Welcome!



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DAY LEGENDS



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ALL THE ESSENTIAL INGREDIENTS

Adventures aren't always measured by flashy gadgets. Sometimes they arrive in a glass at the oldest, quirkiest, most memorable saloon you'll ever set foot in, served up by a salty barkeep and raised in the company of folks who know better than to order a Malbec. Other times, those adventures are realized in the still of the desert as you roam in the wide open, seeking wildlife or your own picture-perfect moment. Then again, it may be the Basque dinner where bread, beans, local meats and wine create an atmosphere where there's no such thing as "strangers." It's a scene that's a great follow up to a day of single-track madness or a ride in a glider soaring silently above Lake Tahoe and Carson Valley.

Such is the pace, flavor, and the unprocessed pleasures that accompany every adventure to Carson Valley.



FOR A LEGENDARY EXPERIENCE



FOUR DISTINCT TOWNS

ONE DESTINATION

GARDNERVILLE, NEVADA

Founder: Lawrence Gilman • **Year:** 1879

Name: Named for Lawrence Gilman's friends John and Mary Gardner, an English couple who moved to Carson Valley in 1864.

Fun Fact: The broad sprawling pastures and open spaces of the whole Carson Valley were once part of the Territory of Utah.

GENOA, NEVADA

Founder: John Reese • **Year:** 1851

Name: The first recorded settlement in Nevada was originally named Mormon Station, then renamed Genoa in 1855 after the birthplace of Christopher Columbus.

Fun Fact: Genoa was the eastern terminus of frontier mailman John "Snowshoe" Thompson's route between 1856-1876. Thompson was the first man to ski the Tahoe backcountry and the same peaks that make up our world-famous ski resorts, Heavenly[®] Mountain Resort, Sierra-at-Tahoe[®] and Kirkwood[®] Mountain Resort.

MINDEN, NEVADA

Founder: H.F. Dangberg, Jr. • **Year:** 1905

Name: Named after Minden, Germany, near the birthplace of H.F. Dangberg, Sr. H.F. Dangberg, Jr. had a vision of community and culture when he planned Minden. Minden Park was and is the center of town.

Fun Fact: Hollywood star Clark Gable married his fifth wife, sugar heiress Kay Spreckels, July 12, 1955 at the Minden home of Justice of the Peace G.W. "Walt" Fisher.

TOPAZ LAKE, NEVADA

Capacity: 59,440 acre-feet • **Formed:** 1922

As you enter Douglas County from the south, Topaz Lake comes into view. Topaz Lake Park is a spectacular destination for water sports. Known for fishing, water skiing, wakeboarding and camping, Topaz Lake is a stunning oasis between the arid Great Basin and the towering Sierra Nevada.

Fun Fact: Now a man-made reservoir, Topaz Lake is a remnant of a prehistoric sea.



COMES WITH A FULLY LOADED

Point yourself in any direction and you're bound to encounter adventure. The towering mountains to our west hold hiking, biking and equestrian trails that lead to streams to fish or float, flower-filled meadows and aspen groves that turn into golden chains each fall. Just beyond that mountain range is Lake Tahoe, ringed by sunny beaches each summer and ski resorts when the white stuff falls. Eastward is a stretch of Pinenut Mountains, open to the public, a stunning void home to eagles, coyotes, deer and bands of wild horses. Look south, north and any other direction and you'll find a golf course. Lastly, crane your neck, gaze upward and you just might see a glider silently stitching skies that make this one of the world's most preeminent soaring destinations.



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BACKYARD



JOHN THUMPHREY PHOTOGRAPHY



PLAY CARSON VALLEY



We can't promise you'll shoot the score of your life. But as for the time of your life...

While hoots, hollers, and shouts may be frowned upon at other courses, we encourage you to indulge in whatever form of celebration or play you prefer. Such outbursts are understandable when you unleash a legendary drive into our thin, blue skies. As we see it, high fives and big grins have a place alongside fairways, greens, and vistas that are the stuff of legend. That's just the way we approach the ball (and life) around here.

Tee It Up

Carson Valley Golf Course

1027 Riverview Drive, Gardnerville

775-265-3181

carsonvalleygolf.com

Since 1965, this classic golf course with stunning views of the Sierra has been home to affordable, friendly golf. Stretching out along the banks of the Carson River, this award-winning golf course is consistently voted a favorite by locals and visitors.

Open year-round, a driving range, practice green, pro shop, restaurant and bar are available.





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HORSIN' AROUND

The hoof and foot meet the trail all over Carson Valley. Horseback riders can travel for miles on the valley's eastern side or take a winding scenic jaunt up the western slope of the Sierra on the Fay-Luther Trail. The nearby Tahoe Rim Trail is also open to equestrians and provides amazing views of Lake Tahoe.

All Things Equine

Borges Family Sleigh Rides
775-588-2953 • sleighride.com

In the winter, our sleigh dashes through the snow along the old Pony Express Trail with fantastic views of Lake Tahoe. In the spring, summer, and autumn the Stateline carriage tour travels through a peaceful neighborhood and along Lake Tahoe. The scenic Sand Harbor State Park carriage ride offers spectacular views on trails meandering along Lake Tahoe and through the towering pines of the Sierra.

Sheridan Creek Equestrian Center
551 Centerville Lane, Gardnerville
775-265-7371
sheridancreekequestriancenter.com

Sheridan Creek Equestrian Center is an exceptional full service boarding, teaching, and learning facility owned and directed by Kristen Roberson. The goal at Sheridan Creek Equestrian Center is to provide exceptional quality care for our equine partners.

Zephyr Cove Resort Stables
825 U.S. Hwy 50, Zephyr Cove, NV
775-588-5664 • zephyrcovestable.com

Zephyr Cove Resort Stables' guided horseback trail rides are a great way to experience the area's serenity and beauty all summer. As you amble over forested scenic trails you'll enjoy amazing vistas of the crystal clear blue lake and the majestic Sierra Nevada.

Genoa Lakes Golf Club - Lakes Course
1 Genoa Lakes Drive, Genoa
775-782-4653
genoalakes.com

Rated third-best course in the state and annually rated one of the top courses on the West Coast, the Lakes Course has 18 championship holes in a magnificent natural setting, winding along the Carson River and framed by the awe-inspiring Sierra Nevada. Home to the 2019 US Open Qualifier.

Genoa Lakes Golf Club - Ranch Course
2901 Jacks Valley Road, Genoa
775-782-7700
genoalakes.com

The design team of golf legend Johnny Miller and acclaimed architect John Harbottle created this 18-hole masterpiece that's carved out of the eastern Sierra and overlooks the Carson Valley.

Sunridge Golf and Recreations
1000 Long Drive, Carson City
775-267-4448
playsunridge.com

Complete with a pro shop, bar and grill, running trails, practice facilities, archery and hatchet-throwing courses, bounce houses, and events center, Sunridge Golf and Recreations is determined to make it a great day, every day of the year.



KJ STUDIOS

WINTER IS PLAYTIME



20-minute drive from Carson Valley, the renowned Jewel of the Sierra has spectacular scenery, great winter sports and après activities of all kinds. Winter in the valley means you're on the mountain riding while everyone else is still digging out their car.



Winter Activities

Snowmobile Rentals

Lake Tahoe Adventures

3071 US Highway 50, South Lake Tahoe
800-490-3995 • LakeTahoeAdventures.com

Snowmobile tours feature scenic, ultimate off-trail, and specialty excursions.

Zephyr Cove Snowmobile Center

760 US Highway 50, Zephyr Cove
800-238-2463 • ZephyrCove.com

Largest snowmobile tour center in the United States, provides tours to the "Top of Tahoe."

Snow Play

Heavenly Adventure Peak Snow Park @ Heavenly Mountain Resort- Gondola Village

4080 Lake Tahoe Boulevard, South Lake Tahoe
775-586-7000 • SkiHeavenly.com

Pickett's Junction

A 15-minute drive west of Gardnerville at SR-88 & SR-89 is Hope Valley, offering a short hike to a wonderful sledding and tubing hill. The road is also a great snowshoe and cross-country ski area. For directions or trail information go to VisitCarsonValley.org or the Carson Valley Visitor Center.



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Ski Resorts

Resort	Phone	Elevation	Vertical	Terrain (acres)	Lifts	Lessons	% Beg. Runs	% Int. Runs	% Adv. Runs	Website
Alpine	800-403-0206	8,637	1,802	2,400	13	yes	25	40	35	palisadestahoe.com
Boreal	530-426-3666	7,700	500	380	7	yes	30	55	15	rideboreal.com
Diamond Peak	775-832-1177	8,540	1,840	655	7	yes	18	46	36	diamondpeak.com
Donner Ski Ranch	530-426-3635	7,781	750	460	7	yes	25	50	25	donnerskiranch.com
Granlibakken	530-583-4242	6,300	400	7	2	yes	60	40	0	granlibakken.com
Heavenly® Mountain Resort	775-586-7000	10,067	3,500	4,800	28	yes	35	45	20	skiheavenly.com
Homewood Mountain Resort	530-525-2992	7,880	1,650	1,260	7	yes	15	40	45	skihomewood.com
Kirkwood Mountain Resort	209-258-6000	9,800	2,000	2,300	15	yes	12	30	58	kirkwood.com
Mt. Rose Ski-Tahoe	800-754-7673	9,700	1,800	1,200+	7	yes	20	30	50	skirose.com
Northstar California™	800-466-6784	8,610	2,280	3,170	20	yes	13	60	27	northstarcalifornia.com
Palisades Tahoe	800-403-0206	9,050	2,850	3,600	29	yes	25	45	30	palisadestahoe.com
Sierra-at-Tahoe®	530-659-7453	8,852	2,212	2,000	14	yes	25	50	25	sierraatahое.com
Soda Springs	530-426-3901	7,300	550	200	5	yes	30	40	30	skisodasprings.com
Sugar Bowl	530-429-1111	8,383	1,500	1,650	12	yes	17	45	38	sugarbowl.com

Cross-Country Resorts

Resorts	Trails (KM)	Phone	Description	Website
Kirkwood Mountain Resort Cross Country Ski and Snowshoe Center	60	209-258-7248	Lessons, rentals, snowshoeing, day lodge, 2 warming huts, groomed trails	kirkwood.com
Northstar California Cross Country, Telemark, and Snowshoe Center	29	530-562-3270	Rentals, lessons, clinics, races, moonlight snowshoe tours	northstarcalifornia.com

A FOUR SEASON PARADISE



Escape to the the Pine Nut Mountains



Fall colors along the Carson River



Fall, Summer and Spring Mountain Biking the High Sierra



Winter provides plenty of powder within a few minutes



Summer provides the perfect temperatures with the beautiful Sierras as a backdrop



No limit to fishing holes

Feeling social? Use **#WhyCV** to show us why you love Carson Valley.

WIDE OPEN

A great motorcycle ride in the Carson Valley and Lake Tahoe area might be all pavement, mostly dirt, or a combination of both. Carson Valley is fortunate to be very close to hundreds of miles of scenic, twisty, uncongested roads. If you are a street rider and new to the area, head out for some of the High Sierra passes. Carson, Ebbetts, and Monitor Passes are all less than an hour's ride. Sonora, Tioga, and Donner Passes are all within two hours. And the roads to any of these passes are beautiful in their own right. A ride over five of these great mountain passes in a single day is completely feasible. To do it, you'll ride hard, return tired, and won't have a lot of time to stop and see the sights, but you will have one of the best days of your life.

If you're looking for rides on dirt and gravel roads, some of the best dirt riding you'll find anywhere is in the Pine Nut Mountains, on the eastern edge of the valley. Wide, well maintained main roads with firm dirt and loose gravel surfaces get you into and across the mountains, at any pace. More technical routes will include steep slopes, deep sand, loose rocks, short sight lines, and some water crossings. All of this backcountry adventure is just a short ride on paved rural roads from friendly and affordable Carson Valley hotels and restaurants. If you are hauling dirt bikes, there are several OHV staging areas with plenty of free parking for your truck and trailer. This area offers a huge variety of great adventure rides, whatever type of bike you like to ride, and however you define adventure.

Grab your gear, and ask yourself, "How hard do I want to ride today?"



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Battle Born Powersports

775-721-4620

battlebornpowersports.com

Battle Born Powersports is the premier destination for Lake Tahoe UTVrentals. Located near Lake Tahoe, Reno and Carson Valley, their mobile facility has access to some of the best off-roading trails in northern Nevada.

Carson City Motorsports

951 Jacks Valley Rd #A, Carson City

775-267-3767

carsoncitymotorsports.com

New and used motorcycles, tuneup, repair, tires, equipment, riding gear, apparel, accessories and more.

Full Access Tahoe

475 Andria Dr, Stateline, NV 89449

775-309-8789

fullaccesstahoe.com

A family-owned company based out of South Lake Tahoe specializing in recreational vehicle rentals.

Lake Tahoe Adventures

800-490-3995

laketahoeadventures.com

Offering ATV and off-roading through the rolling hills of the Pine Nut Mountains.

Testa Motorsports

1581 U.S. Hwy 395 North #B, Minden

775-782-6707

testamotorsports.com

Consignment, leading name brands, parts, financing, accessories, apparel and more.



QIVIN' LARGE OUTDOORS



MARK CRUMPLER

Carson Valley's people are the welcoming kind and possess a love for celebration and an appreciation for nature.

That explains why locals share the hottest fishing holes, the most exciting mountain bike trails, the high desert ridges where wild horses gather, meadows where bald eagles converge, and those ski and board runs that hold the finest stashes of powder.

Outfitters and Tour Guides

Birding Under Nevada Skies

775-720-7009 • jim.woods@charter.net

Country Excursions

928-635-6759

CountryExcursionsNV@aol.com

Heritage Tours

1456 Foothill Road, Gardnerville

775-315-0697

Lake Tahoe Adventures

3071 US Highway 50, South Lake Tahoe

800-490-3995 • LakeTahoeAdventures.com

Tahoe Fly Fishing Outfitters

2705 Lake Tahoe Boulevard, South Lake

Tahoe • 530-541-8208 • TahoeFlyFishing.com

Tahoe Whitewater Tours

10068 Hirschdale Road, Truckee

530-587-5777 • GoWhiteWater.com

The Angler's Edge

1489 US Highway 395 North, Gardnerville

775-781-7112 • TheAnglersEdge.com

Boating and Fishing

Topaz Lake Park

3700 Topaz Park Road, Gardnerville

775-782-9835 • DouglasCountyNV.gov

Shooting and Hunting

Capitol City Gun Club

3590 Arrowhead Drive, Carson City

775-882-9904 • CapitolCityGunClub.org

Carson Valley Clays

61 China Springs Road, Gardnerville

carsonvalleyclays@gmail.com

CarsonValleyClays.com

Douglas County Shooting Facility

Douglas County Shooting Range

CommunityServices.DouglasCountyNV.gov

Walker River Resort Hunting Preserve

700 Hudson Way, Smith Valley

800-446-2573 • wrrsort.com

Shooting Suppliers

Base Firearms and Training

1380 Judy Street, Minden • 775-815-4344

basefirearms.com

Guns N Ammo

1321 US Highway 395 North #A,

Gardnerville • 775-783-1858

GunsnArrows.com

Nevada Cerakote

1435 Industrial Way Suite B, Gardnerville

775-901-9800 • NevadaCerakote.com

Wildlife/Bird Viewing

Jacks Valley Road/Foothill Road

From US Highway 395, take Jacks Valley Road, SR-206 (which continues into Foothill Road) west and south; birding the 22 miles to SR-88.

Lahontan National Fish Hatchery Complex

710 US Highway 395 North, Gardnerville

775-265-2425

fws.gov/fish-hatchery/lahontan

Charged with restoring the population of the Lahontan cutthroat trout and the cuiui, the hatchery offers self-guided tours and a fascinating look into aquatic life in the region.

River Fork Ranch/Whit Hall Interpretive Center

381 Genoa Lane, Genoa • 775-322-4990

Nature.org

An 800-acre preserve operated by The Nature Conservancy. A network of trails, allow visitors to explore and discover the natural Carson Valley.

Topaz Lake Park

3700 Topaz Park Road, Gardnerville

775-782-9835 • DouglasCountyNV.gov

During the migration season, the location on the Pacific Flyway makes it an especially good bird-watching spot.



TAKE TO THE SKIES

Picture yourself operating in a world of silence with Lake Tahoe blues and Carson Valley greens thousands of feet below. It's a dramatic ascent to skies so favorable it makes this one of the world's most acclaimed soaring destinations. Hop in, strap up and stow your jaw in the upright position as it's likely to drop time and again.



Carson Valley is recognized as one of the world's premier locations for flying gliders. The prevailing weather patterns draw pilots from all over the world to fly here. The geography creates thermals and mountain wave that make for spectacular year-round soaring conditions.

Soar and Explore Carson Valley Skies

Balloon Nevada & Lake Tahoe Balloons
1144 U.S. Hwy 395 N, Gardnerville
775-344-9988 or 530-544-1221
BalloonNevada.com · LakeTahoeBalloons.com

The adventure begins shortly after sunrise when balloon conditions are the best, and the natural beauty of this alpine setting is revealed. Balloons launch from Carson Valley or Lake Tahoe, depending on the season. Experience stunning lake and valley views while a continental breakfast is served onboard.

SoaringNV

1142 Airport Road, Minden
775-782-9595 • SoaringNV.com

Experience world-renowned soaring in spectacular Carson Valley. Soaring combines excitement with quiet serenity. Minden is ideally located for pilots who want to experience soaring at its best.

Minden-Tahoe Airport (KMEV)

1146 Airport Road, Minden • 775-782-9871
MindenTahoeAirport.com

A non-towered, general aviation airport, home to approximately 350 aircraft including 80 gliders. The airport serves diverse aviation uses, including sport aviation, emergency services and corporate flying and is the fourth busiest airport in Nevada.

Sky Combat Ace Lake Tahoe

1150 Airport Road, Minden
888-494-5850
skycombatace.com/locations/minden-tahoe-nevada

Sky Combat Ace offers thrilling flight options where YOU fly the plane over the stunning Tahoe-Minden landscape. We also have relaxing ride-along flights with our licensed pilots, so you can take in the scenery and get a taste of what it's like behind the cockpit. Operations are seasonal and dependent on weather and pilot availability.

Skydive Lake Tahoe

1128 Airport Road, Minden
775-790-7602 • SkydiveLakeTahoe.com

A premier tandem skydiving center providing unbeatable scenery.



Carson Valley hosts events that span the gamut of interests. There is always a reason to plan your trip and spend some time in each of our four towns. Come celebrate in this wide open corner of Nevada. Our quaint community is filled with a vibrant, welcoming spirit.

Eagles and Agriculture

Here's your chance to observe the raptors that visit Carson Valley during the calving season every winter, including bald eagles! Get exclusive access to local ranches on the planned tour dates. Or, seek out your own viewing spots with custom tours and self-guided exploration.

BackCountry Music Festival

This summer celebration of all things Western features live country music performances, barbecue, and brews! All against the backdrop of the beautiful Eastern Sierra.

Music in the Parks

Throughout the summer, Carson Valley features a slew of popular music events. Choose your spot, and take in a concert while the sun dips behind the Sierra.

Hot Air For Hope - Carson Valley Balloon Festival

This free event boasts a weekend of balloon launches and festivities including live music, food trucks, live art performances, local vendors, and more! See why the Carson Valley is one of the top destinations for hot air ballooning.

Main Street Fall Festival

Taking place on an early October Saturday each year, this free festival offers something for everyone in the family—from Harvest in the community gardens to scarecrow building or racing a coffin with a team of friends. There's also live music performances by local bands, arts and crafts vendors, food trucks, and more! Genoa Western



Harvest Festival

Every October, The Corley Ranch celebrates fall with a corn maze, pig races, pick-your-own pumpkins, and other family activities.

Concerts at TJ's Corral

From late May through early September, the Carson Valley Inn's Summer Concerts in TJ's Corral provide the perfect "under the stars" setting with spectacular sunset mountain views and close-up seating. Enjoy classic rock, current and classic country and more.

Carson Valley Days

The second weekend of June each year, the community celebrates all things Carson Valley in a BIG way. This five-day event showcases small-town USA featuring a parade, carnival, concerts and more. Join in on a 100+ year old tradition.

Dangberg Home Ranch Event Series

At this historic park, from May through August, 20+ unique event dates feature a theme including Chautauqua performers, music concerts, renowned authors, storytelling, and a kite festival...all blending history and creativity.

Heritage Days

Each spring Genoa comes alive with history, western concerts and performances, and fun activities for all ages.

Winter Concert Series

The Carson Valley Arts Council presents its Winter Concert Series October through May. From funk to folk and western swing, performers from diverse musical genres make up the annual series. Relish entertainers of regional fame and international sensations, in intimate venues.

Genoa Candy Dance

The Candy Dance Arts and Crafts Faire ignites the valley on the last full weekend of September. Come to Genoa and enjoy over 300 craft and food vendors with live music, and of course the home-made candy!

Christmas in the Valley

Join us in down-home style for a delightful holiday with tree lightings, concerts, Breakfast with Santa and the famous Parade of Lights.

Shoot! There's too many to list, but here are a few more: wine walks, farmers markets, movies in the park, car shows, bike races and rides, runs of all measure and some very cool arts, crafts and cultural events

For a current status of event dates and details, visit VisitCarsonValley.org or call 800-727-7677.



LEGENDS OF THE VALLEY
★ **JB & MARIE** ★
LEKUMBERY

*COOKIN UP GOOD TIMES
along with great food*

BREAD, BEANS, SALAD AND
LAMB, THE PERFECT RECIPE
FOR MAKING FRIENDS
OUT OF STRANGERS.

HUNGRY?

Dining in Carson Valley

Where you dine can define an entire trip: That place with the unforgettable burger. That scrumptious sandwich. The perfect cup of coffee. The steak that spoils all other steaks for the rest of time.

It becomes the taste of your journey.

In recent years, Carson Valley has seen an explosion of locally owned and operated establishments elevating the community's culinary culture by simply turning back to the valley's roots.

When it comes time to eat during your stay, you won't have to look far to find restaurateurs proudly at the top of their craft working with fresh ingredients grown close to home and housed in buildings with many years of stories to tell.

What will your journey taste like?

TASTE CARSON VALLEY

"VISITORS AND LOCALS ALIKE WHO WANT TO DIVE INTO NEVADA'S HISTORY ON A FULL BELLY SHOULD CONSIDER BEGINNING WHERE IT ALL STARTED: CARSON VALLEY. IT'S THE OLDEST REGION IN THE STATE, WHICH INCLUDES THE FIRST TOWN EVER ESTABLISHED HERE IN 1851. HOLDING TRUE TO ITS WILD, WESTERN ROOTS, THE AREA HAS EVOLVED INTO A PRIME HUB FOR EPICUREAN ADVENTURES. AND WITH ITS PROXIMITY TO TAHOE, IT'S THE PERFECT PLACE TO GET YOUR CALORIES BACK."

JANE K. CALLAHAN FOR EDIBLERENOTAHOE.COM



LEGENDS OF THE VALLEY

A TASTY TRAIL ★ ON THE ★ FOODIE FRONTIER

*A SPIRITED GUIDE
for those who enjoy a pinch
of moxie with their meal*

NO STANDARD FARE HERE! HISTORIC BUILDINGS AND
CONTEMPORARY RECIPES PAIR TOGETHER IN A
MOUTH-WATERING FOODIE'S DREAM ONLY APPRECIATED AFTER
TASTE-TESTING FOR YOURSELF.

YOU WON'T FIND MANY CHAINS HERE. SCAN THE QR CODE FOR
MORE ON DINING OPTIONS OR VISIT TASTECARSONVALLEY.ORG.

IS YOUR STOMACH GROWLING YET?




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NEVADA



Cook'd



Minden Mill Distilling



CV Steak, Carson Valley Inn



J.T. Basque Bar & Dining Room



Overland Restaurant & Pub



Daniel's



The Pink House



**1862 David Walley's
Restaurant & Saloon**



Minden Meat and Deli



Sierra Chef



Great Basin Brewing Co.



Genoa Bar



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Recreation Legend

	ATV/OHV Riding
	Biking
	Dirt Biking
	Camping
	Fishing
	Hiking
	Horseback Riding
	Cross-Country
	Skateboarding
	Snow Sports
	Shooting
	Waterskiing

Pine Nut Mountains
 Hiking, mountain biking,
 horseback riding, dirt biking,
 ATV/OHV riding, dirt biking,
 rock collecting



Tahoe Rim Trail
 Visit TahoeRimTrail.org



Gardnerville



Trails Ride, Hike & Bike
Interactive map available online



VisitCarsonValley.org
Interactive map available online



Lodging Legend

- 1** David Walley's Resort, Holiday Inn Club Vacations
- 2** Best Western Topaz Lake Inn
- 3** Carson Valley Inn Hotel • Casino
- 4** Carson Valley Motor Lodge
- 5** Carson Valley RV Resort
- 6** Historian Inn
- 7** Holiday Inn Express & Suites
- 8** Holiday Lodge
- 9** Oxoby RV Park
- 10** Quality Inn
- 11** Sierra Motel
- 12** Silver City RV Resort
- 13** Topaz Lake Park
- 14** Topaz Lodge
- 15** Topaz Lodge RV Resort
- 16** The White House Inn
- 17** Village Motel

To Woodfords, Monitor Pass, Markleeville, Kirkwood, Sacramento, San Francisco


To Lake Tahoe via Kingsbury Grade

To Yerington, Las Vegas
To Topaz Lake, Yosemite, Bishop, Mammoth, Los Angeles

HIT THE TRAILS

Carson Valley offers endless trails for any ability. For more details on these trails, additional routes, rides and events, or if you are traveling light and want to rent equipment for your adventure, please go to VisitCarsonValley.org or stop by our Visitor Center. For locations of trailheads and trails, see map on pages 22-23.

Carson Valley Trails Association

 carsonvalleytrails.org
The CVTA is a non-profit, volunteer-based organization working with partners to provide access to public lands through a recreational trail system for present and future generations to enjoy.



Pine Nut Mountain Trail Association

pnmta.org
The PNMTA is a non-profit organization with several hundred members and volunteers. Members are from all parts of the multi-use community and share a single goal: to keep public lands open to multi-use activities. Dual sport and adventure riding areas and information are available at pnmta.org.



A Bently Heritage Trail

Explore five miles of hiking trail at Kirman Field where the Carson River winds its way in braided channels, supporting willows and wetlands that sustain many animals and migratory birds.



B China Springs Trail

About 17 miles of US Forest Service rocky roads and jeep trails can be found at this OHV area. These are not motorcycle trails. You won't find any single track, but the scenery makes this a good choice for a slow ATV loop, or ATV camping trip.



C Fay-Luther/Jobs Peak Ranch Trail System

The Fay-Luther/Jobs Peak Ranch Trail System offers a family-friendly, 8.8 mile network of linear and loop trails, including an interpretive loop with signage highlighting the history, geography, geology, flora and fauna of the Carson Valley region.



D Clear Creek Trail

This 15 mile Clear Creek Trail starts at either Jacks Valley Trailhead or Spooner South Trailhead. The trail traverses a partnership between US Forest Service land, private land, Douglas County trail easements and a Nature Conservancy Conservation Easement.



E Genoa Trail System

This trail system includes 16 miles of trails in the Genoa area. Trail segments include the Genoa Loop, Eagle Ridge Loop, Sierra Canyon and Discovery Trails.



F Genoa Vista Trail

This paved 1.3 mile trail connects David Walley's Resort, Holiday Inn Club Vacations to the town of Genoa.



G Jobs Peak Ranch Trail

The trailhead is located on Foothill Road, approximately four miles south of SR-207 (Kingsbury Grade), and follows an easement through a private development. The trail is for pedestrian use only. Distance: 1.5 miles, family friendly, light to moderate, low elevation.



H Johnson Lane OHV Access

Miles of sandy, novice-friendly ATV trails as well as several steep hill climbs and play areas. The main staging area is large and flat, with plenty of room for large trailers or RVs. There are no services, primitive camping is permitted, and suitable sites are scattered throughout the area.



I Martin Slough Trail

This paved trail connects downtown Minden to downtown Gardnerville. It closely follows the Martin Slough, weaving in and around neighborhoods and through wetlands offering a beautiful view of the Carson mountain range in the distance.



J Mount Siegel OHV Trail

This area is mainly rolling hills, sand washes, and a variety of ATV trails with mountain views. There is an OHV info box at the main entrance of the staging area. The main staging area is fairly large with some small jumps and plenty of room for young riders to test their skills.



K Old Sheep Road

This area offers about 15 miles of fire roads, a few side trails, and a very long sand wash. You won't find many challenges here (unless it snows!) but if you stay on the main powerline road it will take you to the old sheep ranch, which has a shady spot by the creek and makes a nice resting point.



L Pinyon Trail

The trail wraps around a large hill with continuous views of the Pine Nut and Carson Range. The trail junction offers a round-trip distance of about 5.2 miles.



M River Fork Ranch

nature.org
There are two trails at River Fork Ranch, the 0.75 mile East Brockliss Loop, and the two mile West Fork Trail. Both trails are flat, and have relatively easy wheelchair access. The West Fork Trail parallels the West Fork Carson River, connecting Genoa Lane to Muller Lane with panoramic views. There are interpretive signs at the ranch house.



N Single Tree Access Trail

This trail into the Pine Nut Mountains is marked by a large tree in the middle of the parking lot. There is a BLM map on the southern end of the lot showing available trails. This area is for non-motorized use only and is well traveled by mountain bikers.



O Switchback Mountain

Switchback Mountain offers a variety of off-road trails. Please stop in Topaz Lodge for more information.



P Tahoe Rim Trail - Lake Tahoe

775-298-4485 • tahoerimtrail.org
The 165-mile Tahoe Rim Trail loops around Lake Tahoe and can be accessed from Kingsbury Grade and Spooner Summit, with spectacular views of Carson Valley between Stagecoach and Monitor Pass. The trail offers a variety of terrain and challenges for mountain bikers, hikers, and equestrians.

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Douglas County Clerk's Office

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CarsonValleyCommunityTheatre.org

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CarsonValleyCinemas.com



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775-782-9871 • MindenTahoeAirport.com

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2001 E. Plumb Lane, Reno
775-328-6400 • RenoAirport.com

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Barton Memorial Hospital

2170 South Avenue, South Lake Tahoe
530-541-3420 • BartonHealth.org

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775-445-8000 • CarsonTahoe.com

Carson Valley Health Hospital

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775-782-1500 • CarsonValleyHealth.org

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775-445-7800 • CarsonTahoe.com

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Amador Stage Lines

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CommunityServices.DouglasCountyNV.gov

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GROWING

Our roots in the Carson Valley run deep. Deep roots which tap into the Carson River sustaining the green, lush pastures. Deep roots that embrace the rural heritage of ranching families who have called the Carson Valley home for over a century. And deep cultural roots of the Washoe Tribe, who were the first inhabitants of Lake Tahoe and the surrounding area, relying on years of hunting and gathering techniques to sustain them. While many people have passed through the area, others have returned repeatedly. Who can blame them with the breathtaking scenic beauty and agricultural viewsheds, as well as the historic and cultural charm? #WhyCV Here's to celebrating the roots we all appreciate!

Lindsay Chichester, PhD, Douglas County Extension Educator



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HISTORY IT'S IN OUR DNA



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When I first came to Carson Valley, I was struck by an evident pride of place among the locals, and of its history: pride in the beauty of the mountains and streams, pride in the native Washoe culture, as the place “where Nevada began,” of its role in the tale of American expansion, and for its multi-generational ranching life.

There is pride that Carson Valley’s history goes back further than the famous trails. For thousands of years, the Washoe people travelled from valley to mountain in a cyclical relationship with the land and the seasons—foraging, hunting and fishing where swift Sierra Nevada rivers flow into fertile basins. Their society was structured on a network of siblings, cousins and generations of parents and children, proud of their heritage.

The Gold Rush irreversibly changed everything, starting a great migration to and from all directions, to California or the Comstock, and there’s pride that Genoa is Nevada’s first town and that there the state’s foundations were laid. Many of the scenes typical of the pioneer West had a Carson Valley version.

By the 1870s, agriculture defined Carson Valley’s ways, turning it into what proud boosters called “Nevada’s garden spot.” Streams, canals and ditches supported ranches producing thousands of sheep, hogs, and beef and dairy cattle, and acres of alfalfa, vegetables, wheat and other crops. Germans, Basques, Italians and others came, their lives defined by ranching’s rhythms and celebrating the cowboy’s grit and a shepherd’s dedication. Growing Western cities created new markets, and these families continued, working together and/or battling it out in “cousin” Valley—a network of siblings, cousins and generations of parents and children, all proud of their home.

Today’s locals still have pride in this history. The two museums operated by Douglas County Historical Society hold an impressive collection of Washoe basketry and artifacts from pioneer, Pony Express, and ranching history. Mormon Station and its museum present a key trading post in American expansion. Take a tour of Genoa, Nevada’s oldest town, from the “hanging tree” to the grave of legendary Snowshoe Thompson, who skied the mail over the mountains. Visit Dangberg Home Ranch for a peek inside the private lives of four generations of a ranching family.

We’re also proud that the traditions and institutions established long ago continue. When you throw one back at the Genoa Bar, stroll the streets of Minden, and dine at the JT in Gardnerville, you’re participating in our history. Go to Candy Dance or Carson Valley Days, and you live our traditions. You can literally walk (or drive) the paths taken by ancient cultures and pioneer migrants. Everywhere there are surprising gems from the past, and folks eager to share them.

*Mark Jensen,
Curator, Dangberg Home Ranch Historic Park*

Museums/Historic Sites

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Mormon Station State Historic Park

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Our "Why"

The Carson Valley Visitors Authority, also referred to as Visit Carson Valley, is the tourism marketing organization for Gardnerville, Genoa, Minden and Topaz Lake. Our goal is to tell the story of what everyone loves about Carson Valley: the unique people, experiences, and places that all contribute to a vibrant destination

lodging, especially hotels or RV parks, bring a positive impact to our community amounting to over \$70M a year. Day visitors add even more spending locally. You don't have to go very far or look very hard to witness the impact travel has on Carson Valley and its economic vitality. Tourism Matters!



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Tourism Matters

The way we see it, the definition of "tourist" has no real boundaries. When locals find themselves seeking a new experience, they are in the same situation as a tourist! That's why we seek to introduce visitors and locals alike to the truly unique experiences in our valley. Overnight guests who stay in all forms of

Carson Valley Weather

Mo.	Ave. High	Ave. Low	Ave. Precip.
Jan.	47°F ☀️	17°F ❄️	1.47 in. ❄️
Feb.	53°F ☁️	21°F ❄️	1.19 in. ❄️
March	59°F ☁️	25°F ❄️	1.10 in. 🌧️
April	65°F ☀️	28°F 🌧️	.33 in. 🌧️
May	73°F ☀️	35°F 🌧️	.46 in. 🌧️
June	83°F ☀️	42°F 🌧️	.42 in. 🌧️
July	92°F ☀️	46°F 🌧️	.22 in. 🌧️
Aug.	91°F ☀️	44°F 🌧️	.33 in. 🌧️
Sept.	84°F ☀️	38°F 🌧️	.39 in. 🌧️
Oct.	72°F ☁️	29°F 🌧️	.58 in. 🌧️
Nov.	58°F ❄️	22°F ❄️	.89 in. ❄️
Dec.	49°F ❄️	16°F ❄️	1.00 in. ❄️

Learn More

Join *The Band Newsletter*: Named in honor of the area's majestic wild horses and the way they effectively come together, "The Band" gives tourism industry insights, tips for local businesses, and collaboration opportunities.

Visit Carson Valley News: Sign up for our Visit Carson Valley newsletter to stay in the know about all things Carson Valley. Read engaging stories, highlighted events, and much more!

Contact info@visitcarsonvalley.org to sign up for one or both of these newsletters.

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LODGING

Carson Valley offers casino resorts, spas, hotels, motels, boutique inns, campgrounds, and RV parks. Lodging options are available to accommodate any budget. In true Nevada style, the valley plays host to well-appointed rooms and great dining. All this is only a few minutes' drive from Reno and Lake Tahoe.





HOTELS, MOTELS, AND RESORTS

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775-783-7208
WhiteHouseInnGenoaNV.com

Rooms are decorated with Victorian antiques and feature private baths, cable TV, air conditioning, and Internet access. Pet friendly. Main guest house has two rooms, plus two private bedrooms.



CARSON VALLEY MOTOR LODGE & EXTENDED STAY



WHITE HOUSE INN

HOTELS, MOTELS, AND RESORTS



CARSON VALLEY INN

Minden

Carson Valley Inn Hotel • Casino

1627 US Highway 395 North, Minden
775-782-9711 • CarsonValleyInn.com

All rooms remodeled 2018 and 2019, the 149 rooms feature free WiFi, Keurig coffee makers, and refrigerators. Free business center, heated indoor pool/spa/fitness facility. Three dining choices, free nightly entertainment, and gaming. Conference, banquet, and convention facilities. Free parking. No resort fees.

Carson Valley Motor Lodge & Extended Stay

1627 US Highway 395 North, Minden
775-782-9711 • CarsonValleyInn.com

Park-at-your-door convenience. Recently remodeled rooms include extended stay options, plus Keurig coffee makers and

free WiFi. Adjacent to the Carson Valley Market convenience store. Short walk to the Carson Valley Inn with business center, heated indoor pool/spa/fitness facility, casino, entertainment, meeting rooms and three dining choices.

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

1659 State Route 88, Minden
775-782-7500
HIExpress.com/minden-nv

81 non-smoking rooms, newly remodeled, including wired and wireless high speed internet, coffeemaker, microwave, and mini refrigerator in every room. Complementary full hot breakfast buffet. Enjoy our indoor pool and spa, fitness center, and business center. Pet friendly rooms available. Meeting and conference rooms.

Holiday Lodge

1591 US Highway 395 North, Minden
775-782-2288/855-782-2288
HolidayLodgeNevada.com

Each room has a bathroom, cable television, in-room telephone, carpeting, dresser, and fresh towels. Single or Double Queen rooms available. During hot summer days, you can enjoy our outdoor pool or sunbathe in one of our lounge chairs.

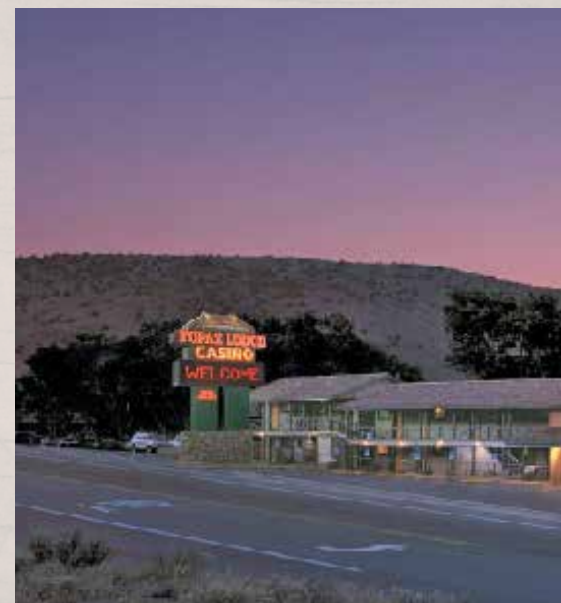
Quality Inn & Suites

1795 Ironwood Drive, Minden
775-439-0000
choicehotels.com/quality-inn

Non-smoking rooms, ample parking, on-site coin laundry, copy, and fax service. Pets are allowed in limited units with prior approval and an additional fee. Free local telephone calls are offered.



HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS AND SUITES



RV RESORTS AND CAMPING

Topaz Lake

Best Western Topaz Lake Inn

3410 Sandy Bowers Avenue, Gardnerville
775-266-4661/800-780-7234
BestWestern.com/TopazLakeInn

Approximately 18 miles south of Gardnerville. All 30 rooms have views of Topaz Lake and were remodeled in 2020. Amenities include free high-speed internet, outdoor spa/hot tub, fitness room, elevator, coin laundry and free continental breakfast.

Topaz Lodge Casino

1979 US Highway 395 South, Topaz Lake
775-266-3338/800-962-0732
TopazLodge.com

Located approximately 18 miles south of Gardnerville, all 95 rooms have views of Topaz Lake and the surrounding Sweetwater Mountains. Rooms include free internet access and in-room coffee maker. Pet friendly rooms available. Topaz Lodge offers restaurants and lounge, banquet and meeting facilities, along with a full-service casino.



Gardnerville

Oxoby RV Park

1493 & 1499 US Highway 395 North,
Gardnerville
775-782-6165

Full hookups, WiFi, 30/50 amp service, and some pull-through. Weekly and monthly rates available.

Minden

Carson Valley RV Resort

1627 US Highway 395 North, Minden
775-782-9711 • CarsonValleyInn.com

Full hook-up spaces with electric, water, sewer, digital cable TV, coin laundry, restroom/shower facilities, dump station, pet area, and free WiFi. Free use of the business center and indoor pool/spa/fitness facility in the Carson Valley Inn with casino, entertainment, meeting rooms and three dining choices. Adjacent to the Carson Valley Market with gas, diesel and grocery/convenience items.

Silver City RV Resort

3165 US Highway 395 North, Minden
800-997-6393/775-267-3359
SilverCityRVResort.com

Full hookup spaces, 35-foot-wide pull-through spaces, 1 tent site, telephone, cable television, wireless internet access, and a seasonal swimming pool and spa. Community grounds amenities also include an activity room, catch-and-release fishing pond, picnic tables, fitness center, playground, laundry and shower facilities, a convenience store, and more! Daily, weekly, and monthly rates available.

Topaz Lake

Topaz Lake Park

3700 Topaz Park Road, Gardnerville
775-782-9835 • DouglasCountyNV.gov

Camping facilities on the shore of Topaz Lake include 15 campsites with water and electrical hookups and 26 dry campsites as well as a spacious undeveloped camping area. Tent camping is also available. There are flush toilets, showers, a trailer dump station, a fish cleaning station, and a for-rent secure storage area for RVs and boats.

Topaz Lodge RV Resort

1979 US Highway 395 South, Topaz Lake
775-266-3337 • TopazLodge.com

The RV Resort has 59 sites, 30/50 amp service and pull through. There is also a convenience store with gas, diesel, propane and a complete line of RV parts and supplies.





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Lodging and Accommodations

Property	Address	Phone	Website	Pool*	Pets	Gym	Wi-Fi
Hotels, Motels & Resorts							
1 David Walley's Resort, Holiday Inn Club Vacations	2001 Foothill Road, Genoa, NV 89411	775-782-8155	DavidWalleys1862.com	✓	x	✓	✓
2 Best Western Topaz Lake Inn	3410 Sandy Bowers Avenue, Gardnerville, NV 89410	775-266-4661 800-780-7234	BestWestern.com/TopazLakeInn	x	✓	✓	✓
3 Carson Valley Inn/Hotel • Casino	1627 U.S. Hwy 395 North, Minden, NV 89423	775-782-9711	CarsonValleyInn.com	✓	x	✓	✓
4 Carson Valley Motor Lodge & Extended Stay	1627 U.S. Hwy 395 North, Minden, NV 89423	775-782-9711	CarsonValleyInn.com	✓	x	✓	✓
6 Historian Inn	1427 US Hwy 395 North, Gardnerville, NV 89410	877-783-9910 775-783-1175	Historian-Inn.com	x	✓	x	✓
7 Holiday Inn Express & Suites	1659 State Route 88, Minden, NV 89423	775-782-7500	ihg.com	✓	✓	✓	✓
8 Holiday Lodge	1591 U.S. Hwy 395 North, Minden, NV 89423	775-782-2288 855-782-2288	HolidayLodgeNevada.com	✓	✓	x	✓
10 Quality Inn & Suites	1795 Ironwood Drive, Minden, NV 89423	775-439-0000	ChoiceHotels.com/quality-inn	x	✓	x	✓
11 Sierra Motel	1501 U.S. Hwy 395 North, Gardnerville, NV 89410	775-782-5145	SierraMotelGardnerville.com	x	✓	x	✓
14 Topaz Lodge Casino	1979 U.S. Hwy 395 South, Topaz Lake, NV 89410	775-266-3338 800-962-0732	TopazLodge.com	✓	✓	x	✓
16 The White House Inn	195 Genoa Lane, Genoa, NV 89411	775-870-7203	WhiteHouseInnGenoaNV.com	x	✓	x	✓
17 Village Motel	1383 U.S. Hwy 395 North, Gardnerville, NV 89410	775-782-2624		x	x	x	✓

RV Resorts and Camping

Property	Address	Phone	Website	Pool*	Pets	Fit	WiFi	Hook-ups	Dump Statn.	Lndry
5 Carson Valley RV Resort	1627 U.S. Hwy 395 North, Minden, NV 89423	775-782-9711	carsonvalleyinn.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
9 Oxoby RV Park	1493 and 1499 U.S. Hwy 395 North, Gardnerville, NV	775-782-6165		x	✓	x	✓	✓	sewer	x
12 Silver City RV Resort	3165 U.S. Hwy 395 North, Minden, NV 89423	775-267-3359	silvercityrvresort.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
13 Topaz Lake Park	3700 Topaz Park Road, Gardnerville, NV 89410	775-782-9828	bit.ly/2SXgtl4	x	✓	x	x	✓	✓	x
15 Topaz Lodge RV Resort	1979 U.S. Hwy 395 South, Topaz Lake, NV 89410	775-266-3337	topazlodge.com	✓	✓	x	✓	✓	✓	x

x property does not have amenity ✓ property has amenity

* Outdoor pools are seasonal

GETTING HERE

Traveling to Carson Valley is simple any time of year. At about 4,700 feet in elevation and sheltered by the Carson Range of the Sierra to the west and the Pine Nut Mountains to the east, the broad Carson Valley enjoys relatively mild winters among its four distinct seasons. Check out all airline flights serving the Reno-Tahoe International Airport by going to renoairport.com. Carson Valley is approximately a 35-minute drive from Reno.

If you're hitting the road to get here:

From the Southwest - All-weather Highway 395 offers a straight line from Southern California to Carson Valley through scenic valleys and foothill towns.

From the Northwest - California Interstate 80 connects to Highways 580 and 395, making it just a 2-hour drive from Sacramento and a little over 3-hours from San Francisco.

From the West - US Highway 50 or State Route 88 connect to Highways 580 and 395, making it just a 2-hour drive from Sacramento and a little over 3-hours from San Francisco.

No matter what route you take, make Carson Valley your next retreat destination. With nature's beauty, a hometown atmosphere, historic sightseeing, great outdoor recreation, and entertaining Nevada nightlife, Carson Valley will have you coming back for more.

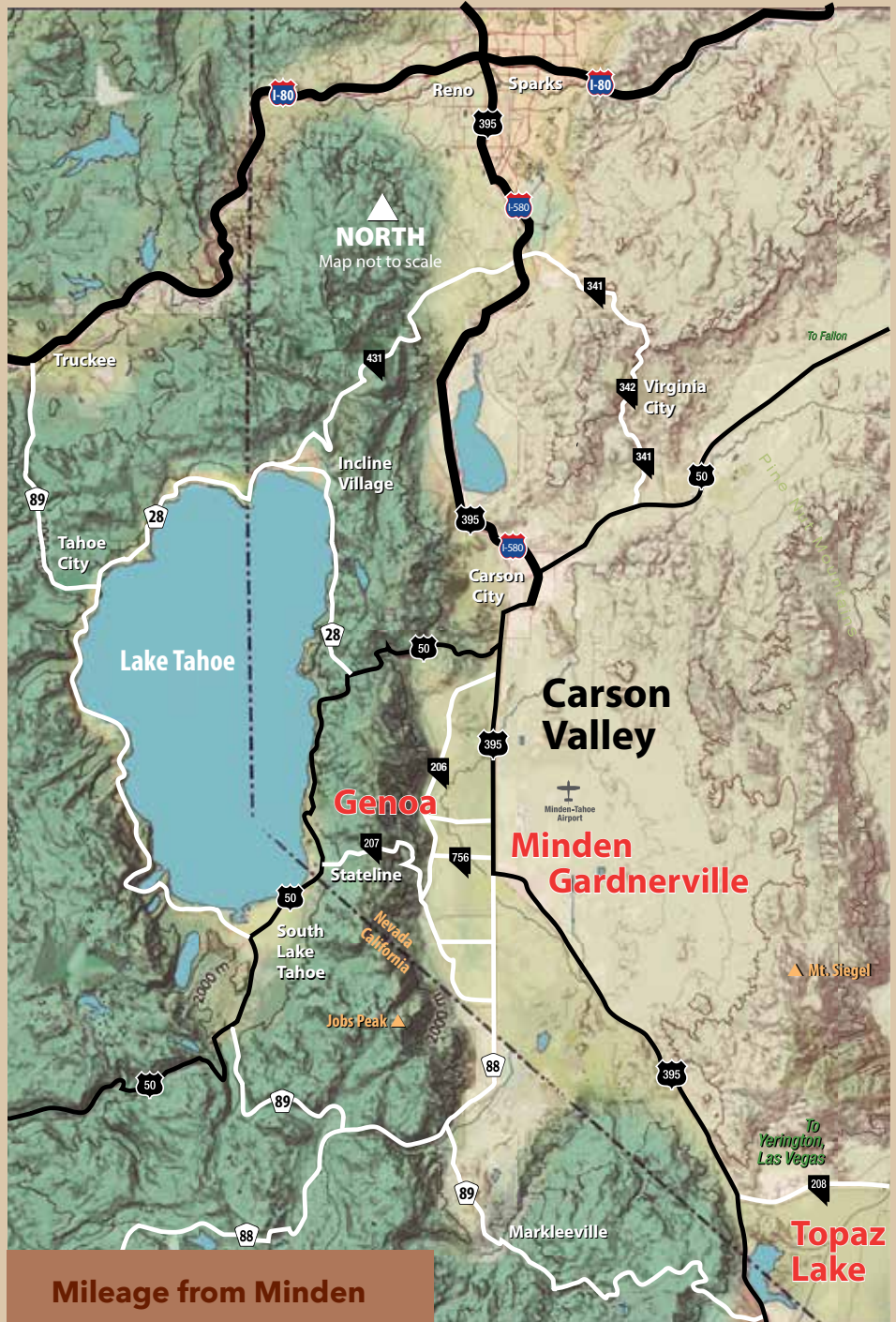
For more specifics, including road conditions, itineraries and more, go to VisitCarsonValley.org.

Weather/Road Information

Nevada Department of Transportation
Call 511 or
877-NV-ROADS (877-687-6237)
nvroads.com

California Department of Transportation
dot.ca.gov
800-427-7623

National Weather Service
weather.gov/rev



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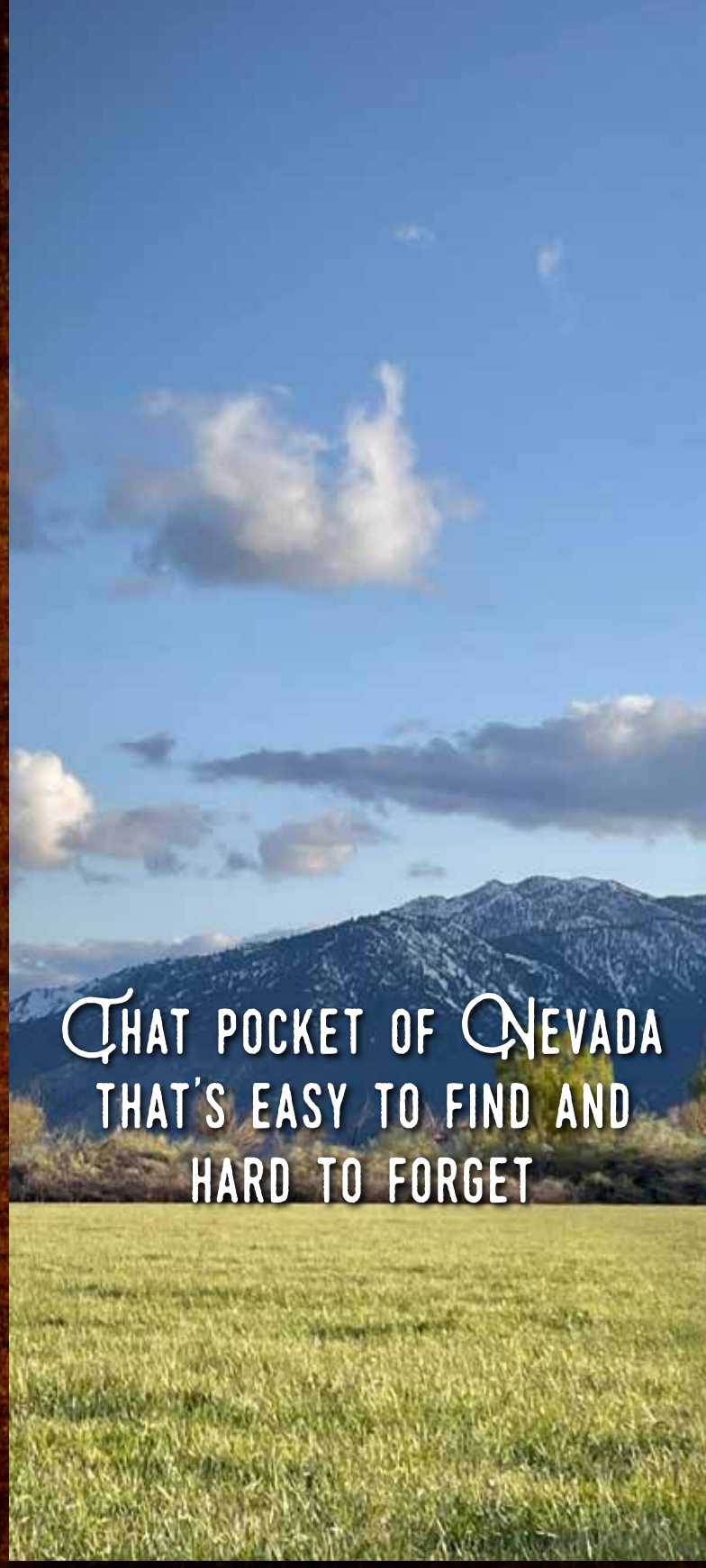
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