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JUST WIDE OPEN SPACES

The state of Nevada is big, really big. If you like riding a motorcycle this is the place for you. Welcome to Nevada Rides, the official guide to the best motorcycle rides in Nevada. This guide is solid proof that Nevada offers some of the most diverse riding you can imagine. Whether it's a nighttime ride down the Las Vegas Strip, a visit to Great Basin National Park or one of Nevada's many State Parks, or a ride to view the stunning beauty of Lake Tahoe, Nevada offers riders of all types a memorable experience.

I've had the good fortune to ride through a lot of Nevada, and it never ceases to amaze me. The diverse grandeur of Nevada's landscape, its big blue sky, the uniqueness of its small towns and cities and the friendliness and warmth of its people are reasons why I never tire of exploring the state on my motorcycle.

No matter if you are riding with a group of friends or by yourself, riding through Nevada makes you realize that this is a different kind of place. With more peaks and passes over 6,000 feet than any other state, it has a special solitude that you experience as you ride the ribbons of two lane highways taking you to some incredibly special places. No matter if you like long straightaways or twisty turns, you will find your perfect ride in Nevada. There is no traffic out here, just wide-open spaces - and some amazing sunsets.

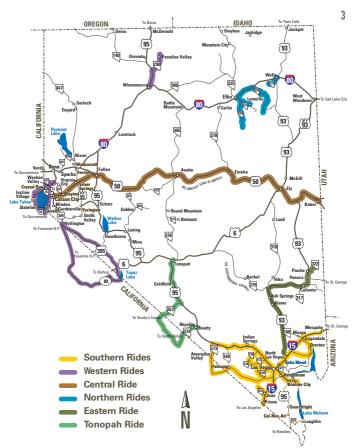
Do yourself a favor and take a long look at Nevada Rides. Take any of the seventeen great rides and have the time of your life. Know this, it's just the beginning. There's a lot more waiting for you.

Ride Safe.

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Las Vegas Harley-Davidson Brings You The Nevada 150th Anniversary State Bike

BATTLE BORN-150

We started with a 2014 FLHX Harley-Davidson Street Glide.

We disassembled the bike all the way down to the frame. We painted it a 2-tone Nevada blue and cut it down the middle with silver leaf for the silver state. It proudly carries the Battle Born Nevada 150th logo on the front of the fairing, the

Great Seal of the State of Nevada on the tank and the Nevada state flag on the rear fender. That was all just paint.

We also fitted it with a chrome front end, a 19" chrome enforcer rim and polished rotors, then matched that up with a 16" rear rim. Custom black and gray saddle with matching passenger pad is all you will need for comfort and style. Chrome switches, chrome pegs, chrome mirrors...chrome as far as the eye can see! And what the eye can't see, you can hear with a pumped-up stereo and upgraded speakers and yes, more chrome speaker rings.

As if this bike needed to make a statement other than its style, sound and 103 cubic inches, we installed a heavy breather kit and mufflers for more horsepower and sound.

Last of all and most importantly, this one-of-a-kind Harley-Davidson is signed by The Honorable Brian Sandoval, Governor of the Great State of Nevada. No mistaking this custom Nevada 150th Commemorative State Bike!

The Bike will be raffled off to benefit the Nevada 150 Foundation. The winner will be selected at Las Vegas Harley-Davidson's grand opening on the Las Vegas Strip this fall. Before someone takes the bike home, we are hitting the road to show it off. Look for the Nevada 150th Commemorative State Bike to make an appearance throughout the year at various bike rallies, events and activities honoring Nevada's Sesquicentennial celebration.

Cost for each raffle ticket is \$150, with a maximum of 2,000 tickets being sold. To purchase tickets visit hdnv150.com

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SPEED

DON'T LET IT BE A KILLER



Last year, 1 in 5 fatalities on Nevada's roads was a motorcyclist. When you're riding, slow down, wear all the protective gear, dress and ride conspicuously and remember, splitting lanes is illegal. Make zero your goal.

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PIRE EVENTS

SOUTHWEST STAR-BQ

LAS VEGAS

May 16-18, 2014
30th British Motorcycle Owners Association Motorcycle Rally. Events
announced are the bike show, swap meet, and field events...other details
are still being worked out so check back. Southweststarbg.com

RUN-A-MUCCA

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STREET VIBRATIONS SPRING RALLY June 6-8, 2014

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Roadshowsreno.com/sv_spring.php

ELKO MOTORCYCLE JAMBOREE

ELKO

June 13-15, 2014

Motorcycles, music and merchants fill the Old Town corridor of Elko for three thrilling days when thousands of motorcycles migrate to Elko for this event. Get your groove on as top name entertainers perform under the stars during the free concert on Saturday night. Shop until you drop as hundreds of merchants display their unique wares throughout the downtown corridor. Elkomotorcyclejamboree.com

OCTANE FEST

FALLON

June 13-15, 2014

Northern Nevada Toyota Dealers present Octane Fest, June 13-15. Three days of motorsports action: IMCA Dirt Track Racing at Rattlesnake

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Raceway, Lucas Oil Series drag racing at Top Gun Raceway, and a Monster Truck Jamboree at the Churchill County Fairgrounds. Advance tickets for the Monster Truck Jamboree available at all O'Reilly Auto Parts stores. 775.423.4556, info@visitfallonnevada.com, OctaneFest.com

STREET VIBRATIONS FALL RALLY RENO/SPARKS, VIRGINIA CITY & CARSON CITY Sept. 24-28, 2014

With the headquarters still in Reno, the rally and its' events have expanded to Reno, Sparks, Virginia City, Carson City and Lake Tahoe. Special events will be held at participating bars and casinos, along with poker runs and walks, and four motorcycle drawings. Additional attractions include bike shows, lots of regional bands, tours, stunt shows, over a dozen factory big rigs, 300 vendors, and the International Bikini Team competitions. Roadshowsreno.com/sv_fall.php

LAS VEGAS BIKE FEST Oct. 2-5, 2014

LAS VEGAS

Enjoy the gambling, shows, bars, clubs, and everything else Vegas has to offer as well as the Hogs and Heifers kickoff party, live national music acts, gambling tournaments just for the rally, bike shows, Miss Las Vegas Bike Fest, tons of vendors, and more. Foghat & Blue Oyster Cult will be performing at the Vendor Village on Friday night, October 5th. Lasveqasbikefest.com

RALLY IN THE VALLEY

LAUGHLIN

Mar. 27-29, 2015

16th Annual Rally in the Valley hosted by the Gold Wing Road Riders Association. There will be entertainment, a 50/25/15/10 drawing and guided and self-guided rides. On Saturday evening there will be an ice cream social. gwrra-ca1r.org/rallyvalley/information.htm

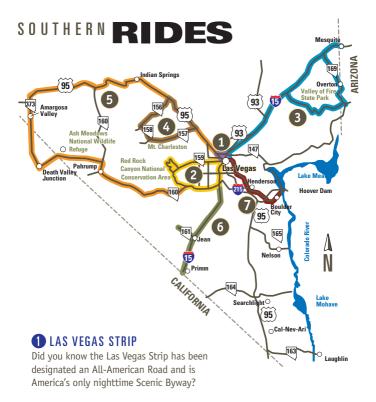
LAUGHLIN RIVER RUN

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The Ride (7.5 miles): Start at the "Welcome to Fabulous Las Vegas" sign—a half-mile south of Mandalay Bay near Russell Road—and continue north on Las Vegas Boulevard for 7.5 miles.

2 RED ROCK CANYON NATIONAL CONSERVATION AREA

Red Rock Canyon's proximity to Las Vegas makes this little ride a big favorite. The route follows a one-way paved road past red sandstone peaks and features self-guided trails, picnic areas, and vista pull-outs.

The Ride (44 miles): Follow West Charleston Boulevard until it turns into SR 159 near the outskirts of town, about 10 miles from the Strip. Follow SR 159 around the Red Rock Scenic Loop to Blue Diamond, 23 miles. A left on SR 160 will take you back to Las Vegas, 11 miles.

3 VALLEY OF FIRE STATE PARK

This is Nevada's oldest and largest state park, filled with petrified wood and unusual rock formations.

The Ride (128 miles): Take Interstate 15 north from Las Vegas to SR 169 at Exit 93, 51 miles. Turn right onto SR 169 through Logandale and into the park via the Valley of Fire Road and back to I-15, 45 miles. I-15 south will take you the 32 miles back to Las Vegas. If you're game for a side trip to Mesquite, head north on I-15 for 50 miles. With world-class golf courses and beautiful spas, it's well worth the detour.

4 MOUNT CHARLESTON

At 11,915 feet, Charleston Peak is the highest point in southern Nevada. When temperatures soar in Las Vegas, the mountain air will be a pleasant 20 to 25 degrees cooler.

The Ride (87 miles): On US 95, head north from Las Vegas to Lee Canyon Road (SR 156), 30 miles. Follow Lee Canyon west up the mountain and turn left on Deer Creek Road (SR 158), 15 miles. After nine miles turn left on Kyle Canyon Road (SR 157) and follow it back to US 95, 17 miles. From US 95 it's only 16 miles south back to Las Vegas.

5 PAHRUMP/AMARGOSA VALLEY LOOP

This ride takes you through the Las Vegas Paiute Indian Reservation and Indian Springs, home of Creech Air Force Base and the Predator reconnaissance aircraft. When heading back to Las Vegas, take advantage of the many recreational opportunities in Pahrump, and enjoy the winding mountain road and outstanding desert scenery near Mountain Springs.

The Ride (190 miles): On US 95 head north from Las Vegas to SR 373, 86 miles. Turn south on SR 373, 15 miles to the California/Nevada border. Nevada SR 373 becomes CA 127, which you'll follow for seven miles.

Just past Death Valley Junction, turn left on State Line Road, which becomes Bell Vista Road, 26 miles. Turn south on SR 160 three miles into Pahrump. From Pahrump, continue another 53 miles on SR 160 back to Las Vegas.



6 GOODSPRINGS & PRIMM

The Pioneer Saloon in Goodsprings is where Clark Gable waited for news about his wife, Carole Lombard, who was killed in a plane crash on nearby Potosi Mountain in 1942. These days the mood is pointedly more upbeat at this bikerfriendly bar. Heading 15 miles further south you'll come to Primm, home to Fashion Outlets of Las Vegas, golf, and great casino action.

The Ride (100 miles): On I-15, head south from Las Vegas to SR 161 at exit 12, 31 miles. Follow SR 161 to Goodsprings, seven miles. Get back to I-15 and turn south for 12 miles to Primm. Follow the same route back to Las Vegas, 50 miles.



1 LAS VEGAS TO HOOVER DAM

Are you ready to see one of the more miraculous construction achievements of the 21st century? Hoover Dam is the highest concrete dam in the Western Hemisphere, and the recently completed Mike O'Callaghan/Pat Tillman Memorial Bridge is the second-highest bridge in the U.S.

The Ride (70 miles): Take Interstate 15 south to I-215 east. Travel east on I-215 for approximately 10 miles to the junction of I-215 and US 93/US 95. Take US Highway 93 south and continue about 20 miles to Boulder City. In Boulder City, take a left at the second stoplight in town (there are only two of them). Continue on US 93 for about five miles (just past the Hacienda Hotel) to the turn-off to SR 172—the Hoover Dam Access Road. Take SR 172 for about two miles to the dam on the Nevada/Arizona border.



2014 Events:

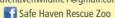
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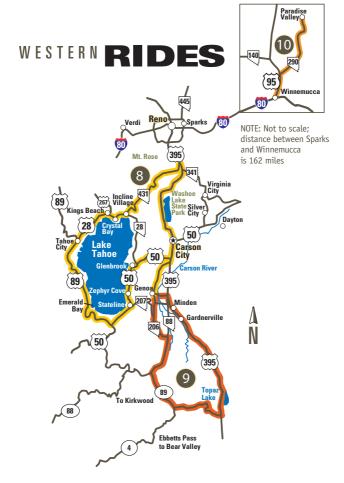
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8 LAKE TAHOE & GENOA LOOP

A ride around Lake Tahoe will show you why it is considered the jewel of the Sierra. After completing the trip around this gorgeous lake, head for one of Nevada's oldest towns, Genoa, and the biker-friendly Genoa Bar and Saloon, the oldest watering hole in the Silver State.

The Ride (149 miles): From US 395 in south Reno, take Mount Rose Highway (SR 431) southwest to Incline Village, 28 miles. Turn right on SR 28 into to Tahoe City, 14 miles. California SR 89 follows the west shore of the Lake past Emerald Bay and South Lake Tahoe, 27 miles. Turn left onto US 50 and back to Nevada at Stateline, five miles.

To continue the ride to Genoa, from Stateline, follow US 50 over Spooner Summit east to US 395 in the Carson Valley, 22 miles. Turn right on US 395 and follow it one mile to Jacks Valley Road. Another right on Jacks Valley Road leads into Genoa (nine miles). Take Jacks Valley Road 9 miles back to US 395 and head north to Reno, 34 miles.



9 GENOA, MONITOR PASS, TOPAZ LAKE, CARSON VALLEY LOOP

A ride around Alpine County will show you why it is considered the "California Alps."

The Ride (83 miles): From Genoa, head south on Foothill Rd., NV 206, 12 miles. Turn right on SR 88 and head south into CA, 7.5 miles. Make a left on CA 89 and go 29 miles to the junction at US 395. Head north on US 395 back into Nevada along the west side of Topaz Lake and continue into Gardnerville/Minden, 30 miles to Genoa Lane (NV 206). Turn left to travel 4 miles back to Genoa.

11 PARADISE VALLEY

The town of Paradise Valley is a quaint and quiet place to take a picnic lunch or stop at the local watering hole and general store. Just a short ride north of Winnemucca, Paradise Valley is the center of a ranching and farming oasis in the middle of the Nevada desert.

The Ride (80 miles): From Winnemucca, take US 95 north to SR 290, 22 miles. Follow SR 290 to Paradise Valley, 18 miles. Follow the same route back to Winnemucca, 40 miles.



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CENTRAL RIDE

11 US HIGHWAY 50 & CARROLL SUMMIT

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The Ride (387 miles): From Carson City, follow US 50 east to Middlegate, 108 miles. From Middlegate, continue on US 50 for three miles and turn right on SR 722. Follow SR 722 for 59 miles looping back to US 50 east and continue one mile to Austin. From Austin, continue east on US 50 to Eureka, 70 miles. Be sure to stop by the Eureka Opera House. Built in 1880, this historic building remains an important center for town activities. Ely is another 78 miles east on US 50. While in Ely, visit the 6-story Hotel Nevada that was the tallest building in the state when it opened in 1929. It now offers every modern amenity, including wifi. Continue on US 50 east from Ely to SR 487, 57 miles. Go five miles on SR 487 into Baker. Make sure to visit Great Basin National Park, which is only 6 miles out of Baker on SR 488.



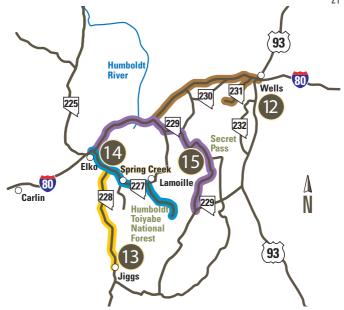


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NORTHERN RIDES

12 ANGEL LAKE

Angel Lake Scenic Byway is located in the East Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, an impressive backdrop as you make your way toward Angel Lake via this steep and winding road with terrain changing as the altitude increases.

The Ride (71 miles): From Elko, go east on US Hwy 80, 47 miles to Wells. From Wells, take SR 231 southwest, 12 miles. Follow the same route back to Wells, 12 miles.



Panorama of Lamoille Canyon from Verdi Peak taken by: Famartin

B JIGGS

The small town of Jiggs is located along the Hastings Cutoff of the California National Historic Trail. Be sure to visit the only operating business in Jiggs, the local tavern. Hours are 3-8 pm daily, depending on the weather.

The Ride (68 miles): From Elko, take SR 227 south to SR 228, seven miles. Turn right on SR 228 and continue for 27 miles to Jiggs. Follow the same route back to Elko, 34 miles.

ALAMOILLE CANYON

Lamoille Canyon is the gateway to the lofty peaks of the Ruby Mountains, renowned as one of the most beautiful ranges in Nevada.

The Ride (64 miles): From Elko to the end of Lamoille Canyon Road is 32 miles south on SR 227. Follow the same route back to Elko, 32 miles.

BSECRET PASS

This pass separates "Nevada's Alps"—the Ruby Mountains—from the East Humboldt Range.

The Ride (78 miles): From Elko, follow I-80, 18 miles east to Halleck at exit 321. Secret Pass is 21 miles south on SR 229. Follow the same route back to Elko. 39 miles.







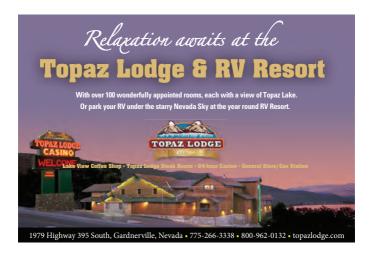


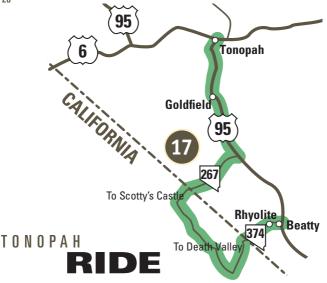
EASTERN RIDE

16 LINCOLN COUNTY

Some of the best-kept secrets in Nevada are the state parks in Lincoln County. Bikers who venture to this area will be rewarded with some of the most varied, scenic riding the state has to offer.

The Ride (84 miles): From Caliente take a brief three-mile trip to Kershaw-Ryan State Park. Continue north on US 93 to Cathedral Gorge State Park (14 miles) and on to Pioche (another 11 miles). From Pioche, Spring Valley State Park and Echo Canyon State Park are 32- and 24-mile roundtrips, respectively.





TONOPAH, DEATH VALLEY, & BEATTY

Tonopah is truly a jewel in the middle of Nevada, halfway between Reno and Las Vegas on US 95. Visit the Tonopah Historic Mining Park or stay the night for the best stargazing in the country. The recently renovated Mizpah Hotel is the perfect place to stay and go back in time to enjoy the luxury that our ancestors loved.

The Ride (148 miles): From Tonopah, head south on US 95 to Scotty's Junction (57 miles) and turn right on SR 267. Follow SR 267 to the California border (21 miles), where the road becomes Scotty's Castle Road. Stop at Scotty's Castle on your way through Death Valley National Park to Daylight Pass Road (40 miles). Follow Daylight Pass Road (which becomes SR 374 when you cross back into Nevada) 26 miles to Beatty. A brief four-mile side trip leads to the ghost town of Rhyolite near Beatty.

Like Big Iron?

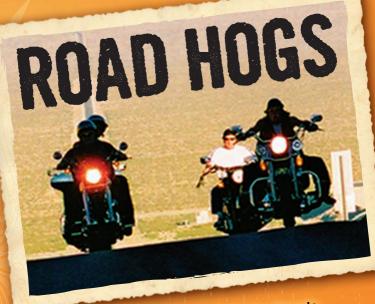
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