

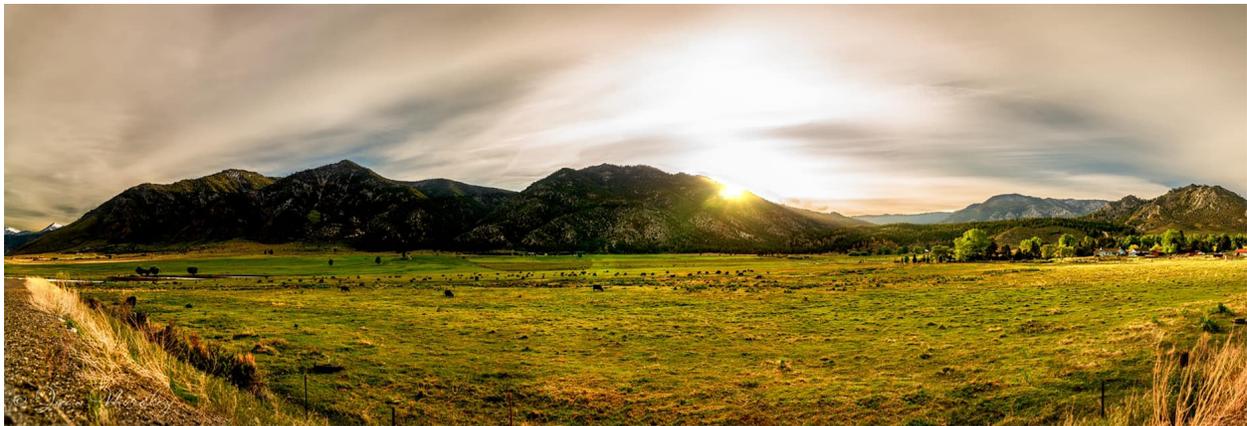


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Eight Reasons to Make Carson Valley Your Next Getaway

CARSON VALLEY (Oct. 6, 2021) – When wide-open space is just what the adventurer is craving, Carson Valley, Nevada is the place to go. Whether road tripping through northern Nevada or destination-bound to the legendary valley, this region of four American West communities is full of unexpected discoveries. The towns of Gardnerville, Genoa, Minden and Topaz Lake welcome vacation planners with eight reasons to put Carson Valley’s historic roots, laid-back vibe and outdoor lust at the top of the list.



1. Aquatic Adventures

While Nevada’s dry conditions may suggest the area is more high desert than water wonderland, Carson Valley is unique. Situated in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada, Carson Valley is home to crystal clear lakes, reservoirs and rivers for water sports of all paces. Enjoy early morning glassy waters at Topaz Lake where visitors can drop a line for year-round fishing. Find rafting thrills on the Carson River in the spring where Sierra Nevada snowmelt creates novice to intermediate whitewater. For a classic experience, visitors can opt for a sightseeing boat cruise around Lake Tahoe. Get more details [here](#).

2. Welcoming Outdoor Events

Now more than ever, it’s wonderful to gather with old and new friends. Carson Valley has a generous year-round event schedule where visitors can get acquainted with local legends, learn about the region’s rich pioneer history and hone a new skill like wildlife photography or country dancing. Signature events include the historical [Genoa Candy Dance Arts & Crafts Faire](#), [Harvest Festival](#) and [Eagles and Agriculture](#). For a full calendar, visit [online](#).

3. Power Up

Carson Valley is home to exciting 4x4 motorized access trails. In each direction, four-wheelers can explore nearly endless OHV trails. One popular route is the [Mount Siegel](#) area for year-round explorations of the Pine Nut Mountains. For more information, visit [online](#).

4. Self-Powered Exploration

For self-powered trail enjoyment, Carson Valley's extensive network of well-developed singletrack and multi-use trails provide hikers, mountain bikers and equestrians with beginner to advanced terrain. Whether to feel the burn of a challenging climb, view abundant flora and fauna or get the heart racing with a thrilling descent, Carson Valley's trails have something for everyone each month of the year. For more information, visit carsonvalleytrails.org.

5. Soar Like a Bird

Carson Valley is ranked as one of the top three soaring locations in the world. Engineless glider planes depart from Minden Airport for expertly piloted tours of Lake Tahoe, Yosemite and the magnificent landscape of Carson Valley. This is a once-in-a-lifetime experience that allows visitors to float like a bird. For more information, visit [online](#).

6. Tee Off!

Carson Valley is home to [four golf courses](#), each with their own easy-going atmosphere and gorgeous views of the adjacent Carson Range and neighboring Pine Nut Mountains. For those looking for a golf alternative, Carson Valley is also home to [two disc golf courses](#) that are a little bit off the beaten path and a whole lot of fun for all ages. For more information, visit [online](#).

7. Outdoor Dining for All Tastes

Carson Valley embraces its agricultural lifestyle with cuisine as close to farm-to-table as one can get. From authentic family-style Basque fare to reimagined American favorites, Carson Valley is a foodie's dream. Best of all, Carson Valley is home to a variety of fantastic patio dining under nearly year-round pleasant weather. For more information, visit [here](#).

8. American History Tours

Carson Valley's own Genoa was Nevada's first non-native settlement. As such, the region boasts museums, landmarks and monuments to celebrate the area's pioneer heritage. Visitors are welcome to [Danberg Home Ranch Historic Park](#) where the grounds can be enjoyed for its historical significance and artifacts. For a more casual history lesson, adults are encouraged to visit the [Genoa Bar and Saloon](#), Nevada's very first thirst parlor that's still serving up libations. Read more about the area's history [here](#).

To plan a trip to Carson Valley, please visit VisitCarsonValley.org.

About Carson Valley:

Nestled at the base of the Sierra, Carson Valley begs visitors to not just drive through it, but to it. Located 45 miles south of Reno-Tahoe International Airport and 12 miles east of South Lake Tahoe, the region's natural beauty is legendary: wide-open farms, ranches, bands of wild horses and birds of prey dot the landscape. Outdoor recreation enthusiasts follow all points of the compass with more than 50+ miles of hiking, mountain biking or walking trails along with world class road biking. The valley's museums, arts, antiques, Basque dining, historic watering holes and more add to the destination's authentic culture. The region includes the communities of Minden, Gardnerville, Topaz Lake and Genoa, Nevada's first settlement dating back to 1851. Explore the land of everyday legends at VisitCarsonValley.org.

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