Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument

Rising from near sea level in the south to more than 7,000 feet at the summit of Snow Mountain, the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument offers more than 300,000 acres to explore. Approximately 197,000 acres of the monument are administered by the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) and 133,000 acres by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

These lands have been home to Native American populations for more than 11,000 years and continue to sustain traditional natural and cultural practices. This natural, undeveloped and untrammeled setting provides excellent habitat for wildlife, fish, birds, bats, and horseshoe bats. Other cultural sites tell the story of homesteading, mining, logging, ranching and farming practices that shaped the economy of this region. The monument offers stunning wildlife Displays, steep canyons and ridge lines with expansive mountain views. Prominent rivers have helped shape this landscape and the diverse habitats within.

This is an important migration corridor for wildlife. Many of the plants and animals here see evidences to the Berryessa Range. Some have developed unique adaptations to the cold or serve to soil. Over 130 million years of geological history are exhibited in these lands. These lands serve as an outdoor classroom, offering opportunities for research and study.

Look, learn and enjoy the stories of the Berryessa Range and the Snow Mountain Wilderness during your visit.

WILDERNESS AREAS
Managed to protect wilderness characteristics, these designated areas offer opportunities for solitude and unencumbered, non-motorized recreation. This natural, undeveloped and untrammeled setting provides excellent habitat for wildlife, fish, birds, bats, and horseshoe bats.

The California Wilderness Act of 1984 designated 37,000 acres of the Snow Mountain Wilderness. In addition, 23,706 acres was designated in the Northern California Coastal Wild Heritage Wilderness Act of 2006. It also designated 120,000 acres as the Cache Creek Wilderness and 85,000 acres as the Cedar Roughs Wilderness.

As more people use public lands, Leave No Trace guidelines become even more important for outdoor visitors.

Leave No Trace is an approach that helps people better understand and practice stewardship, so we protect it for future generations.

1. Plan Ahead and Prepare
2. Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
3. Dispose of Waste Properly
4. Leave What You Find
5. Minimize Campfire Impacts
6. Respect Wildlife
7. Be Considerate of Other Visitors

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In an Emergency Call 5-1-1
There is something for everyone at Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument. The monument provides opportunities for hiking, picnicking, camping, birding, fishing, swimming, hunting, hang gliding, whitewater rafting, climbing, and many other outdoor activities. Please contact us for updated information about seasonal access.

**OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES**

Off-Highway vehicle (OHV) recreation is a popular activity, with many areas having developed trails, roads, and facilities for OHV recreationists. The Mendocino National Forest Motor Vehicle Opportunity Guide (MVOG) and trail maps for BLM Indian Valley and Black Mountain Management Areas provide detailed information about OHV trails and uses within the monument. These maps are available online and at Mendocino National Forest and BLM offices.

Be aware that some roads allowing OHV use may also have regular vehicle traffic. All OHV rides on public lands in the State of California must wear a safety helmet and all vehicles must be registered in compliance with State of California regulations.

**HUNTING AND FISHING**

Hunting and fishing are permitted seasonally in accordance with California Department of Fish and Wildlife licensing requirements.

Excepting the State Game Refuge, all federal lands managed by the monument are open to hunting. Check with the BLM Ukiah Field Office or Mendocino National Forest before you go to confirm when target shooting is allowed and where it is.

Do not use signs, stains, glass objects, or any other objects for targets.

Firearms must not be discharged from a road, across a road or trail, across a body of water, or within 150 yards of a campground, facility, or inhabited area.

Camping

There are several developed campgrounds and dispersed sites within the monument. Many developed campgrounds are open on a first-come, first-serve basis. Some campgrounds are available by reservation. Campfire and fishing regulations are in effect for all campgrounds.

Hiking & Equestrian

Hikers can enjoy diverse terrains at a wide range of difficulty levels. Some day trails are backpacking trips, while other trails allow for updated information about OHV trails and uses within the monument. These due to fire, flooding, erosion or other weather events. Please contact Mendocino National Forest or the Bureau of Land Management Ukiah Field Office for the latest information about current conditions and trail access.

**RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES**

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**BE SAFE ON THE TRAILS**

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