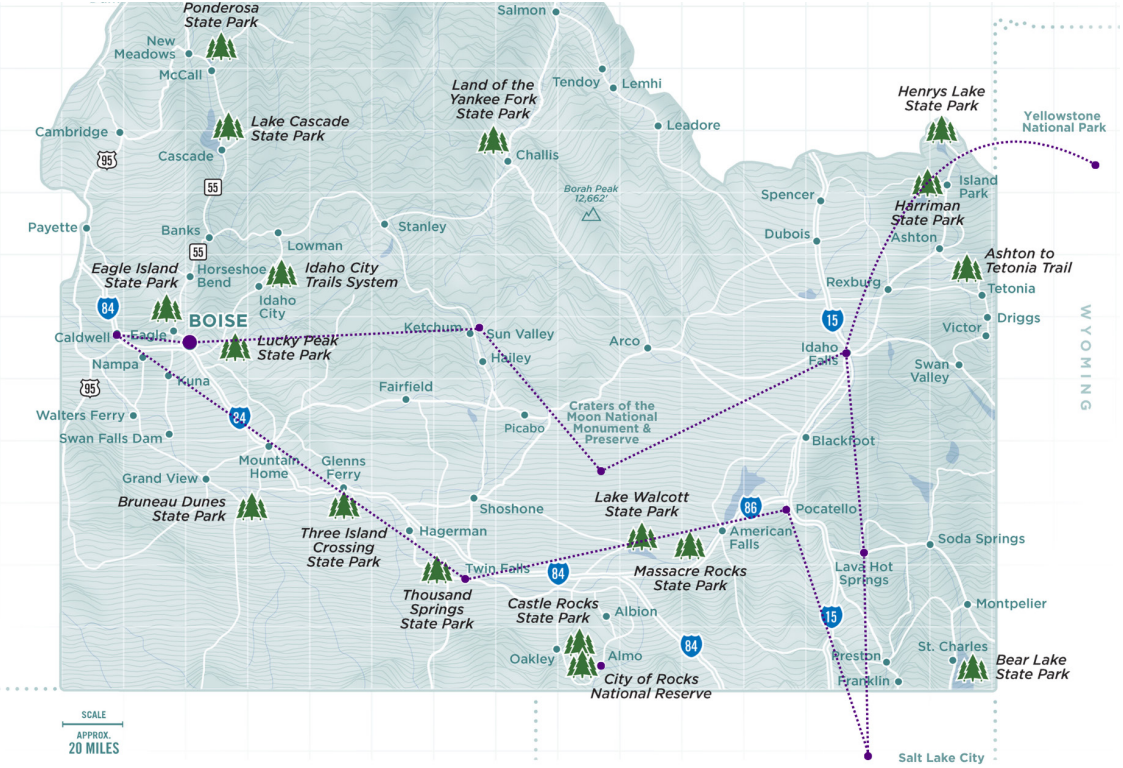
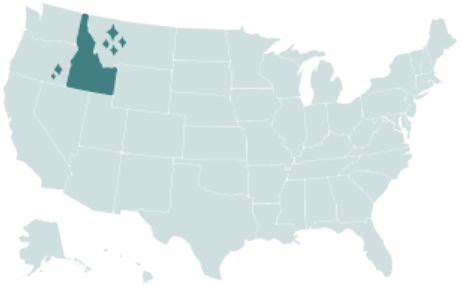




VISIT IDAHO

A Summer Road Trip Adventure in Idaho & Yellowstone

Take a scenic summer road trip through Yellowstone National Park and Idaho, combining outdoor adventure with small-town charm. Hike to alpine lakes, raft whitewater rapids, relax in geothermal pools and experience Idaho's dark skies.

DAY 1: Arrive in Salt Lake City & Drive to Lava Hot Springs
(2.25 hours | 246 km | Overnight in Lava Hot Springs)

- Ease into your journey with a soak in Lava Hot Springs' natural mineral pools.
- Cool down with a gentle float down the Portneuf River.
- Explore pioneer life at historic Chesterfield (free tours offered from late May to early September).



DAY 2: Lava Hot Springs to Idaho Falls
(1.25 hours | 135 km | Overnight in Idaho Falls)

- See the world's largest potato chip and sample Idaho's famous vegetable at the Idaho Potato Museum.
- View wildlife (moose, elk, deer, swans and more) and take a guided horseback ride at Harriman State Park.



DAY 3: Idaho Falls to Yellowstone National Park
(1.75 hours | 174 km | Overnight in Idaho Falls or Island Park)

- Drive through the country's first national park for a day filled with geysers, waterfalls and wildlife.

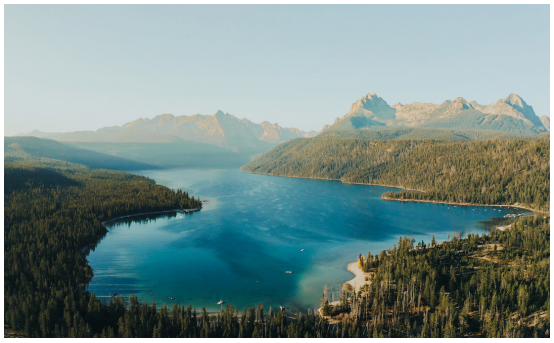
DAY 4: Yellowstone National Park to Craters of the Moon
(3.75 hours | 377 km | Overnight in Ketchum or Sun Valley)

- Hike through lava fields, caves and cinder cones at Craters of the Moon National Monument & Preserve.
- Join a star party to view the night sky at this International Dark Sky Park.



DAY 5: Craters of the Moon to Sun Valley
(1.75 hours | 148 km | Overnight in Ketchum or Sun Valley)

- Go mountain biking on scenic trails or take a hike to alpine lakes like Redfish, Alturas and Petit.
- In town, explore the grave site, memorial and favorite places of author Ernest Hemingway.



DAY 6: Sun Valley to Boise
(2.5 hours | 246 km | Overnight in Boise)

- Experience whitewater rafting on the Main Payette River—an excellent option for first-time rafters.
- Enjoy a hike or mountain bike ride in the Boise Foothills or at Bogus Basin.
- Walk along the Boise River Greenbelt and view wildlife at the Idaho Fish and Game MK Nature Center.



DAY 7: Boise to Caldwell
(0.5 hour | 45 km | Overnight in Caldwell or Boise

- Taste award-winning riesling, syrah, viognier and other wines at 19 vineyards and wineries along the Sunnyslope Wine Trail.
- Visit the World Center for Birds of Prey to observe 15 species of raptors and learn about conservation efforts.



DAY 8: Caldwell to Twin Falls
(2.25 hours | 245 km | Overnight in Twin Falls)

- Drive the Thousand Springs Scenic Byway to Thousand Springs State Park to explore several nature areas.
- Learn about the American Zebra that once roamed the region at Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument.
- Join a kayak tour to Shoshone Falls or walk behind Perrine Coulee Falls for a unique view.



DAY 9: Twin Falls to City of Rocks
(2 hours | 175 km | Overnight in Burley or Pocatello)

- Explore the towering rock formations at City of Rocks National Reserve, and enjoy hiking, experience guided rock climbing or learn about the California Trail's emigrant history.



DAY 10: City of Rocks to Pocatello
(2 hours | 175 km | Overnight in Pocatello)

- Take a mountain bike ride in the City Creek Trail System.
- Visit the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Museum to learn about the tribe's culture and history.
- End the trip with a relaxing soak at Maple Grove Hot Springs.

DAY 11: Pocatello to Salt Lake City
(2.25 hours | 266 km)

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