LASSEN VOLCANIC NATIONAL PARK

Lassen Volcanic National Park features mountain scenery reminiscent of Yosemite with painted dunes, naturally occurring lakes and thermal wonders. For the volcanologist, all four types of volcanoes (shield, cinder cone, plug dome and composite) are found in the park, including the largest plug dome volcano in the world. Other top attractions include steam vents, mud pots, and hot springs. Light pollution-free skies draw stargazers for the annual Dark Sky Festival and many ranger programs exist including interpretive snowshoeing tours.

CASTLE CRAGS STATE PARK

Castle Crags State Park has inspired enduring myths and legends since prehistoric times. The Okwanuchu Shasta tribe believed spirits took human forms living in these 6,000 ft tall, glacier polished granite formations. The park offers rock climbing, 28 miles of hiking, swimming, and fishing in the Sacramento River. A favorite among hikers, a rigorous 5.2-mile Castle Dome Trail rewards you with a unique view of the snowcapped Mt. Shasta, the Grey Rocks, and Castle Dome from one vantage point.

MCARTHUR-BURNEY FALLS MEMORIAL STATE PARK

The centerpiece of McArthur-Burney Falls Memorial State Park is the majestic 129-foot waterfall, described by President Theodore Roosevelt as the “eighth wonder of the world.” Fed by underground springs, the 100 million gallons of daily waterfall can be enjoyed from various lookout points or a trail to the base pool. On-site parking and picnic tables are available with several hiking trails. Burney Creek flows into Lake Britton, an excellent group-friendly lake with boating, kayaking, and paddle boarding, including on-site rentals.

WHISKEYTOWN NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

Whiskeytown National Recreation Area encompasses 42,000 acres and sits at the juncture of the Klamath Mountain range and Sacramento Valley. The park features Whiskeytown Lake and multiple waterfalls, providing outdoor enthusiasts opportunities for water recreation, hiking, mountain biking, and horseback riding. Whiskeytown Lake provides 36 miles of shoreline for recreation with a perfectly placid surface, excellent for swimming, scuba diving, kayaking, sailing, and fishing. The park also hosts the annual Whiskeytown Memorial Regatta.

SHASTA STATE HISTORIC PARK

The indoor/outdoor museum of Shasta State Historic Park marks the ‘Queen City’ of the Northern Mining District. The brick ruins, restored buildings, and cemetery are remnants of the bustling gold rush era. Relish in the Pioneer Barn houses and 1800s farming and mining tools with an original stagecoach. The Blumb Bakery, Litsch General Merchandise Store and 1861 Shasta City Courthouse are all restored and house historical exhibits, jail, gallows, and mining artwork. Savor a treat from ‘Shorty’s Eatery’ on their authentic outdoor porch.

WILLIAM B. IDE Adobe State Park

William B. Ide Adobe State Historic Park marks the short proclamation of William B. Ide as president of the California Bear Republic in 1846, which lasted 22 days. Pioneer settlers at Adobe Ranch enjoyed the important communication and transportation arteries along the Sacramento River. The park contains interpretive exhibits, a restored adobe homestead with a carriage shed, blacksmith shop, museum, and visitor’s center. Families and groups can enjoy wildlife, birding, and picnic areas with this recreation of times past.
TURTLE BAY EXPLORATION PARK

Turtle Bay Exploration Park and Museum is a 300-acre campus along the banks of the Sacramento River with educational and entertaining activities. The park tells the story of the region through a museum that includes an underground freshwater aquarium, Native American history, exhibits, interactive experiments, and rotating art exhibits. Turtle Bay is home to over 50 living animals and shows, Paul Bunyan’s Forest Camp, California’s largest North American butterfly house, and an amphitheater.

SUNDIAL BRIDGE

Designed by Santiago Calatrava the Sundial Bridge is an architectural marvel. The glass-decked, cable-stayed cantilever suspension bridge reaches 217 feet into the sky and spans 710 feet across the Sacramento River, and is one of the world’s largest working sundials. As an eco-conscious structure, the bridge was constructed without river footings leaving the salmon-spawning habitat below undisturbed. The deck is surfaced with translucent glass which is illuminated from beneath and glows aquamarine at night.

LAKE SHASTA CAVERNS NATIONAL NATURAL LANDMARK

Lake Shasta Caverns National Natural landmark is ‘Three Adventures in One!’ Enjoy a scenic catamaran cruise across beautiful Shasta Lake followed by a fun bus ride up the mountain where you may see local animals, mountain lions, black bears, and bald eagles. When entering the caverns, prepare to discover some of the 38 different cave formations, with Jurassic fossils, cathedral ceilings, stalagmites, and stalactites explained in the informative tour of the 200–million-year-old geological wonder.

BEHRENS-EATON HOUSE MUSEUM

The Behrens-Eaton House Museum is a Victorian style turn-of-the-century home built by John Scott in 1895. In 2003, Judge Eaton entrusted this Victorian Museum as a repository of historical books, artifacts, letters, illustrations, photographs, and papers which are symbolic of Judge Eaton’s professional career and his public life, relative to Shasta County and California history. Judge Eaton’s legacy established a venue for individuals, groups, and citizens of Shasta County to embrace local history.

WINTU CULTURAL CENTER

The Wintu Cultural Center in collaboration with the Northern California Veteran’s Museum tells the story of the Wintu people prior to European contact, the struggles, and accomplishments throughout the 1900s, and today. This includes actual accounts of Wintu veterans with artifacts to support the stories, establishing a connection between Native American culture and pride for their country. Displays include audio and some hands-on learning about the culture and history of the Wintu people.

THE CAMDEN HOUSE

The mark the California Gold Rush made at Whiskeytown Lake can be seen through the Camden House and orchards at the Tower House Historic District where Charles Camden established a successful mining and sawmill operation. Camden built his house initially as a one-room structure in 1852 near the El Dorado Mine. Over 18 years, Camden extracted $80,000 worth of gold from Clear Creek. Today, gold panning enthusiast can still experience panning in Crystal Creek’s clear waters.

SHASTA DAM

Shasta Dam is a curved gravity dam across the Sacramento River at Shasta Lake. For the hydrology enthusiast, Shasta Dam generates hydroelectric power from one of the largest reservoirs in California. Shasta Dam stands at 602 feet, second only to the Hoover Dam upon completion. The free educational tour, film, and visitors center offers a 428-foot elevator ride to the base, inner galleries, and powerhouse. Adjacent lawns are available for picnicking, cycling, and exploring.

For more information, go to VISITREDDING.COM/GROUPS-AND-MEETINGS
MCCONNELL ARBORETUM & BOTANICAL GARDENS

McConnell Arboretum & Botanical Gardens offers insights about plant selections in harmony with the climate. The free park features 20 acres of Mediterranean display gardens, children’s garden, medicinal garden, and two beautiful and unique water features. The Arboretum extends over 200 acres with direct links to the Sacramento River National Recreation Trail. The design of the pathways, garden spaces and the integration of nature-based and nature-inspired original art build upon the beauty of the natural environment.

ARAPAHO ROSE ALPACA FARM

Arapaho Rose Alpaca Farm is a delightful excursion for any age. Meet the gentle alpacas up close and take an educational tour from the alpaca origins, to the care of their outstanding herd of award-winning alpacas. Also, learn how this soft fiber is processed and woven for products such as clothing, accessories, or art. Established in 2001, this unique alpaca farm has a gift shop and prized alpaca for sale. Group tours by appointment 11a-3p daily.

HAT CREEK GROWN

Hat Creek Grown Inc. offers tours that highlight sustainable and regenerative agriculture. In continuous operation since 1903, these fourth-generation stewards will give you a knowledgeable view of several aspects of management intensive grass-fed and finished beef cattle ranching. Additionally, learn about the relationship of privately owned and public grazing lands, sustainable hydroelectric inputs, fire safety, and forest health in response to fire, with many more insights.

OLIVIEW FARM

Oliview Farm’s mission is to approach the production and provision of food with respect for the innate dignity of the seed, soil, animals, and people. Oliview Farm employs the French Intensive method of farming in their market garden. This five-acre farm hosts late 1800s mission olive trees among composite crops, focusing on the health and vigor of soil. As part of the organic consumers association, vegetables, oils, and eggs are available, with your informative farm science lesson.

29 ROWS

29 Rows is an organic lavender farm believing in the physical and mental health benefits of sustainably grown lavender, building a connection between the earth and people, with the farm serving as a community gathering place. 29 Rows prides itself in oils from the Grosso Lavender and culinary varietal Buena Vista. Tours are available by appointment, onsite sales include an array of organic lavender products, bundles, pet care, skin care, and Mamá Chio’s succulents and cacti.

WILD HORSE SANCTUARY

The Wild Horse Sanctuary mission is to protect and preserve America's wild horses as a living national treasure. On 5,000 acres of lava rock-strewn mountain meadows, wild herds graze and run free in their natural environment. The ranch house sits on a past circuit court, complete with a hanging tree. In spring and summer ride the naturally created trails along remnants of homesteads, Indian Camps, and petroglyphs shared with bears, coyote, and mountain lions.

NORCAL TRAIL RIDES

While in pioneer country visit NorCal Trails Rides, accommodating all ages and levels of experience with a safe, comfortable, scenic trail ride by the Sacramento River. Here wrangler-led guides supply everything needed: horse, tack, and helmets; seven days a week, year-round. Not ready for the trails? Lessons and rides in the arena are always available. Horsemanship skills include reading horse body language, safe behavior, grooming, saddling, mounting, dismounting, controlling, trotting, and cantering.
REDDING CIVIC AUDITORIUM
The Redding Civic Auditorium welcomes touring rockers, comedians, country stars, Broadway shows, dance sensations, and more to its downtown Redding stage year-round. The Civic accommodates 2,000+ entertainment fans in plush, cushioned seats and opens the beautiful outdoor patio for pre-show drinks. When the stage is not in use, the rows of seats disappear, and trade shows, conventions, banquets, and special events take over the space.

CASCADE THEATRE
The Cascade Theatre named in 1935 “The Finest Cinema House in Northern California,” is a superb example of restored Art Deco architecture. This downtown Redding landmark is listed on the California and National Registries of Historic Places, and home of the North State Symphony and Ballet. Offering tours, the multi-use performing, immersive arts center supports a wide variety of national and internationally acclaimed drama, musical, artists, acrobats, and dancers as well as film presentations.

AXIOM REPERTORY THEATRE
Established in 2016, Axiom Repertory Theatre is Redding’s home for mind-bending and exciting professional-caliber theatrical experiences. The purpose of Axiom Repertory Theatre is to create a nationally recognized, professionally oriented, regional repertory theatrical enterprise. The theater offers its patrons a Broadway experience and delivers the best in art, scholarship, education, technology, and entertainment, for all ages within Redding and the surrounding areas.

RIVERFRONT PLAYHOUSE
Riverfront Playhouse was created in 1981 by a few local theatre lovers to provide community theatre for the Redding area. Every phase of operations is performed by volunteers from, set building crews, directors, stagehands, and actors. The founders’ goal was to offer a place to encourage awareness, understanding, scholarship, and appreciation of live theatre by providing a hands-on nurturing environment for acting, directing, and developing the various technical aspects of stagecraft.

OLD CITY HALL ARTS CENTER
The Shasta Arts Council (SCAC) occupies the historic 1907 Old City Hall of Redding. It was renovated in 1987 and redesigned to offer a professional exhibition space for local and regional artists, performing arts theater, green room, video production studio, classroom, and offices. SCAC was established to nurture arts organizations, such as the Redding City Identity Project and help individuals realize their potential while contributing to the vitality of Shasta County Arts.

CARTER HOUSE ART GALLERY
The Carter House Gallery is an ever-changing gallery offering arrangements from a one-person show or small group show presented in the North Valley Art League's featured Artists Gallery. Three annual juried shows, open to all, are exhibited throughout the whole gallery during their designated months. Continual rotation of a variety of quality fine art makes frequent visits to the Carter House Gallery a must-see for art enthusiasts.