

Camping & Picnicking

Over 500 campgrounds are dotted around the lake offering a range of sites, from tent to full hook-up (many also have electricity, water and even showers). Picnic tables and restrooms are available at the state park beaches.

Fishing

Bear Lake is renowned as a trophy, cutthroat trout fishery where the Idaho State Record cutthroat of 19 lbs. was caught. Lake trout (Mackinaw) also inhabit the lake and can exceed 30 lbs. Trolling and jigging from boats can be done throughout the year (winter and spring months being the most productive). Four species are unique to Bear Lake: the Bonneville cisco; the Bear Lake whitefish; the Bonneville whitefish; and the Bear Lake sculpin.



Golf

You can golf three seasons of the year in the Bear Lake Valley: spring, summer and fall. Perfect temperatures make for a perfect day of golf. The golf courses are located on scenic hillsides, with spectacular views of the lake. Courses have reasonable green fees and challenging holes.

Horseback Riding

Trails in nearby Logan Canyon wind through the high mountain wilderness area. Just minutes from Bear Lake, you can be astride a horse and a million miles from home. As you ride through the picturesque canyon trails, enjoy nature and the wildlife of the Rocky Mountains.

Trails

Hiking, Cycling, & Mountain Biking

As spring makes its way into Bear Lake, early leaves and flowers welcome you as you ride or walk a lake or mountain trail. Temperatures are mild, even during the middle of the summer, so hiking is pleasant. The fall months of September and October are some of the prettiest and most scenic with the brightly colored leaves and the tranquility of the lake. The canyons on the west side of Bear Lake offer challenging and fun trails through mountain wilderness.



Trails

The Bear Lake Scenic Bike Trail

A 4.2 mile paved trail from Harbor Village to Ideal Beach.

Bear Lake Road

A 45-mile paved roadway that encircles the lake.

Garden City Park Walkway

A raised wooden walkway to the lake located at the Garden City Park. Interpretive signs tell the story of the lake and surrounding area.

Limber Pine Trail

A relaxing one mile loop to the 2,000 year old limber pine.

Bloomington Lake Trail

Drive or hike via a rough, unpaved road. This small glacial lake is located in a spectacular setting of cliffs and waterfalls. During the summer, wildflower surround this clear mountain lake.

Highline Trail

A 55-mile trail accessible from Bloomington Canyon, Paris Canyon, Emigration Canyon and Logan Canyon. Open to hiking, horseback riding, motor bikes and mountain bikes.

