

## **Suggested Itinerary: Utah, Idaho and Wyoming**

Utah's capital, Salt Lake City, has grown into a visitor destination for outdoor and cultural pursuits. Beyond Salt Lake, follow the Snake River to explore Yellowstone National Park and get a taste of the Old West in nearby mountain towns.

### **Salt Lake City, Utah**

*Suggested: 2 days*

Temple Square is Salt Lake City's main attraction, dedicated to the city's founding religion, the Mormon church. See renowned architecture, or take a trolley tour to capture great photos of the four-hectare square and other city sites. Stroll the free botanical gardens and arboretum at Red Butte Garden. Experience Utah's famous powdery snow at Wasatch National Forest, or venture the high-speed bobsled ride at Utah Olympic Park (you might see Olympic athletes training). A visit to Great Salt Lake in the summer is a must; the water is so salty, you can float right on top.

### **Idaho Falls, Idaho**

*Suggested: 1 day*

Three hours north of Salt Lake, Idaho Falls offers visitors a chance to slow down. Take a walking tour to learn about the city's history and view buildings dating to the early 1900s. Explore downtown restaurants, pubs and shops, then walk along the paved pedestrian path of the Idaho Falls Greenbelt next to the picturesque Snake River. In the summer, the arts council hosts a popular outdoor concert series.

## Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming

*Suggested: 3 days*

It's about a two-hour drive from Idaho Falls to the southern portion of Yellowstone. The park is vast and has many activities, including camping, hiking, biking, wildlife viewing, waterfalls, winter sports, fishing and horseback riding. A guided tour is advised for travellers looking to maximize their visit. The park is closed to automobile traffic from November through May, but snow vehicles are available. There are nine hotels inside Yellowstone, and two stay open during winter.

## Jackson, Wyoming

*Suggested: 2-3 days*

The small town of Jackson in the Jackson Hole valley embraces a pioneer sensibility, evident in stagecoach tours, rodeos and heritage tours. The Town Square is famous for four large arches made from elk antlers collected at the nearby National Elk Refuge. In the winter, take a sleigh ride at the refuge to view the majestic elk. Many visitors come in winter for stellar skiing and a great 'apres-ski' vibe. In the summer, tour downtown on a horse-drawn stagecoach and watch the evening 'shootout', Monday through Saturday. Chuckwagon dinners are hugely popular; visitors dine like cowboys, complete with covered wagons.

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