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STARTER IDEAS FOR GOOD CAMPFIRE STORIES

- Yogi Bear wakes up in the middle of hibernating, hungry for a midnight snack.
- A boy and girl go hiking in the woods and confront a bear - who talks!
- Late at night, cozy in your tent, you hear something growl. And it isn't your stomach!

HIDDEN GEMS: 10 SECRET UTAH ADVENTURES YOU MUST TRY

You know that pleasant surprise of putting on a pair of pants and finding a \$20 in the pocket? Well Utah is cargo pants. With a thousand pockets.

Every state likes to talk about the variety of experiences it offers, but Utah is uniquely qualified to brag.

Three discrete geographical regions (Mojave Desert, Great Basin, Colorado Plateau) + four distinct seasons + a dozen different biomes and climates + thousands of years of human history = diverse adventure tucked into every corner of the state. Here are 10 uniquely Utah sights that out-of-towners – and even lots of in-of-towners – may not have heard of. Ten points for each one you've seen, two points for each one you've heard of and five points for each one you start making plans to visit.

Read this article to learn about the 10 secret Utah Adventures - and how to get there!



For full article, go here.

FAVORITE CAMPING RECIPE

CAMPFIRE QUESO

We tested TikTok's smoked queso trend, adding taco-bar toppings. For a lighter, vegan version, opt for the salsa mix—it's meat and dairy-free.

INGREDIENTS

- 8 ounces ground beef
- 8 ounces bulk Italian sausage
- 1/2 cup chopped red onion
- 1/2 cup chopped red bell pepper
- 1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and minced
- 1 (10-ounce) can diced tomatoes and green chiles
- 8 ounces pasteurized cheese product
- 1 package cream cheese
- 8 ounces shredded Pepper Jack or Monterey Jack cheese
- 3/4 cup no-salt added canned black beans, rinsed and drained
- 1/2 cup frozen corn
- 3/4 cup diced avocado
- 1/4 cup sour cream
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro
- tortilla chips for serving



For full recipe,
scan here.

STEP 1

Heat a 10-inch cast-iron skillet on a grill grate over a fire. You can also preheat an outdoor grill to medium-high heat (375 degrees F to 400 degrees F (190 degrees C to 200 degrees C)).

STEP 2

Add beef, sausage, onion, bell pepper, and jalapeño to the skillet. Cook, stirring to break up lumps, until meat is browned, about 8 minutes. Pour off grease. Stir in tomatoes with green chiles, cheese product, cream cheese, pepper Jack, beans, and corn. Cover skillet with foil and cook for 8 minutes.

STEP 3

Uncover skillet; continue cooking, stirring occasionally, until cheese is melted and bubbly, 2 minutes more.

STEP 4

Top with avocado, sour cream, and cilantro. Serve with tortilla chips.

GET YOUR KIDS EXCITED ABOUT THE GREAT OUTDOORS WITH THESE TIPS

1. Show them where you'll be going on a map. Zoom in on the location and point out all the fun stuff hiking trails will take you to.

2. Let your kids choose a nearby destination they want to explore during the trip and put it on the itinerary.

3. Once you've arrived, allow your kids to lead the group in exploring the place they picked out.

4. Be ready to help your kids interpret what they see and experience in the places you visit. Read trailside information signs together and stop by visitor centers to learn about local nature and culture.

6. Have your kids help gather and pack the equipment you'll need to participate in recreation activities like fishing, swimming, and lawn games.

7. Once you've arrived, ask your kids which activity they want to do most and prioritize it. Get them splashing in rivers, playing on beaches, or jumping into swimming pools.

9. Give your kids a choice of the snacks and sweets you'll prepare and enjoy in the outdoors. BBQ cheeseburgers, hotdogs with all the fixings, and gooey chocolate s'mores will excite anyone!

10. When the sun goes down, it's time to gather with family and friends around a cozy campfire. Start the evening entertainment with a camp song and a storytelling session. Ask your kids to bring a song sheet or jot down a story to share pre-trip to excite them for nightfall.

11. Before your trip, study a sky chart with your kids and learn about the folklore behind the stars and planets you'll see. Your kids will be excited to identify and talk about the stars that appear in the night sky.

13. Plan to construct the ultimate pillow fort using camping cabin bunk beds. Make sure your kids bring plenty of blankets, sleeping bags, and cushions for building materials.

14. Ask your kids to bring a comfort item from home, like a stuffed toy, blanket, or pillow, to help them feel rooted while they explore the wonders of the outdoors.

15. Things you can't plan will happen on your trip to the great outdoors, like meeting other kids at camp or discovering a hidden rushing waterfall. Chance encounters with nature's beauty and forging new connections will create a sense of excitement on the spot.



HAVE YOU BEEN TO CAUSEY RESERVOIR?



Causey Dam is located on the South Fork of the Ogden River, approximately 11 miles upstream from Pineview Dam near Huntsville.

Causey Reservoir has a surface area of 136 acres.

Water storage levels at Causey Reservoir are currently 7,109 acre-ft, about 110% of normal.

Free parking is available in the canyon, but it fills up quickly on weekends.

Life vests are required at the Causey Reservoir.

The area is great for exploration, with activities like paddleboarding, river splashing, hiking to view wildflowers and wildlife, suitable for kids and dogs.

RECENT SALES - TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF LAND & CABIN VALUES.

Sunridge HOA | Huntsville, UT

(Gated, community water system, maintained roads)

10852 E Jedidiah Smith Dr

Sloped 3.66 acre parcel with trees

\$145,000

7055 N Jeremidah Johnson Dr

Cabin/Home 3 Bedrooms 3.5 Baths View of Moose Lake

TEXT **EXPLORE to 39200** for details & pricing

Causey Estates | Huntsville, UT

(Gated, with water & electrical)

836 N Mill Rd 1991 A-frame (2,900 sq ft) Cabin,
sloped 2 acre parcel

\$450,000

Beaver Creek HOA | Huntsville, UT

(Gated, community has water rights)

Lot 24 | 9 acre parcel with 360 degree views
just off Hwy 39

\$275,000

Lot 97 **SOLD** | 5 acre parcel
with shed, septic and views

\$90,000

Evergreen Subdivision | Huntsville, UT

(No HOA, some SFH, some RV lots)

2736 E Evergreen Park Dr 2.04 acres
with septic and a well

\$368,800

12785 Cherry Way Gently sloped
2.89 acre close to electric

\$64,700

13440 N Evergreen **SOLD**

Sloped 2.59 acre parcel w/Electric

\$150,000

Huntsville, UT HWY 39

8992 E 100 S Huntsville Home on 2.26 acres
2900 sq feet flat lot just off HWY 39

\$825,000



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