

NATIONAL PARK SERIES • GUIDE NO. 002

3-Day Jackson Hole & Grand Teton Itinerary

Wildlife, Jenny Lake & the Best of the Tetons — No Yellowstone Required

3 FULL DAYS

NO YELLOWSTONE

WILDLIFE FOCUSED

Quick Facts Before You Go

- Cell service is limited in the park — download offline maps before you go
- Rent bear spray at the airport or a local outfitter — don't try to buy and ship one
- Wildlife is most active at sunrise and sunset — plan around it, not around convenience
- Jenny Lake parking fills by 8–9 AM in summer — arrive early or use the boat shuttle
- The Town Square Shootout runs most summer evenings, but not on Sundays



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Arrive, Explore & Sunset Tetons

Downtown Jackson, the Aerial Tram & a golden-hour drive through Mormon Row

- 1 **MORNING**
Arrive Jackson Hole Airport (JAC)
Pick up your rental car and drive into Jackson. → *15–20 min drive*
- 2 **LATE MORNING**
Downtown Jackson ASHLEY'S FAVORITE
Lunch at LOCAL Restaurant & Bar — we came back a second night. Browse the shops, snap a photo at the Antler Arch, and explore Town Square.
- 3 **AFTERNOON**
Jackson Hole Aerial Tram
Ride to the summit for breathtaking views. Waffles at Corbet's Cabin are optional but worth it.
- 4 **LATE AFTERNOON / SUNSET**
Mormon Row & Schwabacher Landing BEST PHOTO SPOT
A scenic drive with incredible views — the perfect way to end your first day.
- 5 **EVENING — CHOOSE YOUR DINNER**
Mangy Moose, LOCAL, or Snake River Grill
Mangy Moose (Teton Village), LOCAL Restaurant & Bar (Town Square), or Snake River Grill for a celebration dinner.

Pro Tip: Arrive early in the day if you can. It gives you more time to enjoy the tram and catch an unforgettable sunset on your first day.

GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK • DAY 2 OF 3

Wildlife, Jenny Lake & the Scenic Loop

The best day of the trip — a sunrise safari, Hidden Falls, and a sunset wildlife drive

- 1 **EARLY MORNING**
Sunrise Wildlife Safari WORTH THE SPLURGE
4-hour guided adventure — best chance to spot moose, bears, elk & eagles before the crowds. Naturalist guide, binoculars, scopes, snacks & breakfast included.
- 2 **LATE MORNING — LUNCH**
Dornan's Pizza & Deck or Jenny Lake Lodge
- 3 **MIDDAY**
Jenny Lake + Hidden Falls ASHLEY'S FAVORITE
Boat shuttle across the lake, hike to Hidden Falls, continue to Inspiration Point. If you only do one hike in Grand Teton, make it this one — the best family hike in the park.
- 4 **AFTERNOON — SCENIC DRIVE**
Signal Mountain, Jackson Lake Lodge & Willow Flats
- 5 **SUNSET — WILDLIFE DRIVE**
Schwabacher Landing, Oxbow Bend & Willow Flats
Evening dinner options: Dornan's, Mangy Moose, Snake River Grill, or Million Dollar Cowboy Steakhouse.

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Easy Hike, Scenic Stops & Bighorn Sheep

A slower-paced final day before departure

1

Easy Hike: Taggart Lake or String Lake

ASHLEY'S PICK

MORNING

Taggart Lake — beautiful mountain views, great for families, much quieter than Jenny Lake. String Lake is the best choice for swimming.

2

Jackson Lake Overlook, Oxbow Bend & Snake River Overlook

DON'T MISS

LATE MORNING

Snake River Overlook is the classic Ansel Adams viewpoint — all three stops are iconic.

3

AFTERNOON — PICK YOUR PERFECT AFTERNOON

Wildlife Drive, Adventure, or Downtown Jackson

Wildlife Lover: National Elk Refuge Road & bighorn sheep. **Adventure Lover:** Snow King Mountain Coaster, Alpine Slide, or the Jackson Hole Rodeo (Wed & Sat nights). **Downtown:** shopping, the Cowboy Bar, galleries, ice cream.

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EVENING — FINAL NIGHT IN JACKSON

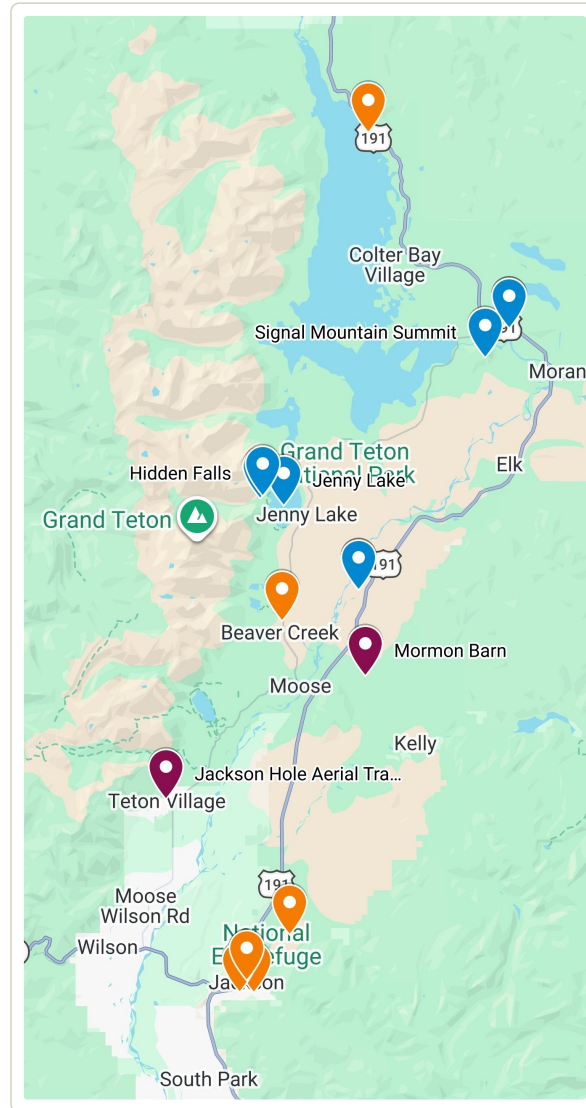
Celebration Dinner & Town Square

Snake River Grill, LOCAL, or Million Dollar Cowboy Steakhouse. Catch the free Jackson Hole Shootout in Town Square if timing works — running most summer evenings, but not Sundays.

Pro Tip: Grab coffee from Persephone Bakery before heading into the park — their pastries are legendary. If your flight isn't until later, hike first and save shopping for the afternoon; Jackson is only about 15 minutes from the airport.

Map This Route

Every stop from all 3 days, color-coded and ready for the road.



● DAY 1 ● DAY 2 ● DAY 3

DAY 1

- Jackson Town Square
- Aerial Tram & Gondola
- Mormon Row Barn
- Schwabacher Landing
- Oxbow Bend

DAY 2

- Jenny Lake
- Hidden Falls
- Inspiration Point
- Signal Mountain Summit
- Oxbow Bend

DAY 3

- Taggart Lake Trailhead
- Jackson Lake Overlook
- Oxbow Bend
- Snow King Mountain
- Millers Butte
- Jackson Hole Rodeo
- Jackson Town Square



Scan for the Live Interactive Map

Tap any pin for details, and toggle each day on or off using the layers menu. Pull it up before you go, because cell service in the park won't cooperate.

Where to Stay & What to Pack

Jackson or Teton Village?

- **Jackson** — the best single base for this itinerary. Restaurants, Town Square, and walkable.
- **Teton Village** — at the base of the Aerial Tram, and closer to the park's south entrance.
- Both work well for this itinerary — pick based on whether you want walkable restaurants or tram access.
- Grand Teton Lodge Company opens in-park reservations 12 months out — a different window than Yellowstone's 13-month system.

Don't Forget

- **Bear spray** — rent it at the airport or a local outfitter, don't try to buy and ship one
- **Offline maps** — cell service is limited throughout the park
- **Layers** — mornings are cold even in June
- **Book early** — Jenny Lake parking and the sunrise wildlife safari both fill up fast
- Full gear guide with 70+ picks on the website

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