

MOANING CAVERN PARK

Moaning Cavern was named after a sound created by dripping water falling into holes at the bottom of the main chamber. Under perfect conditions, the sound can still be heard today.

The spectacular vertical main chamber is large enough to hold the entire Statue of Liberty. A 45-minute guided **Walk Tour** descends the historic, 100-foot spiral staircase, where the fascinating geology and history of the cavern are described.

The best views of the size and grandeur of the chamber and its massive formations can be had by

Rappelling 165 feet (ages 12+) to the bottom in a thrilling rope descent. No experience is necessary. All training and equipment is provided.

A daring exploration of unlit and undeveloped areas of the cave is offered in the 3-hour **Adventure Trip** (ages 12+) beginning with the optional rappel. Participants crawl and climb through passageways with names like Godzilla's Nostril and the Pancake Squeeze.

Above ground, fly our thrilling **Twin Zip Lines** (see next panel). Climb our 32-foot tall custom **Climbing Tower** with 10 different routes for all ability levels and a smooth auto belay system.

Gold panning, gemstone mining, geode cracking, nature trail & picnic tables also available year round.



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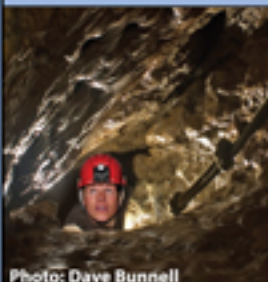


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TWIN ZIP LINES AT MOANING CAVERN PARK

Pictured: Vanessa Wojciechowski, winner of our  photo contest.



Experience the high adrenaline thrill of flying the 1500-foot twin zip lines above ground at Moaning Cavern Adventure Park.



Cross the sky bridge to the launch tower, and get clipped on to the line. Travel in **Regular** seated position (see above), or for more speed and thrills make the **Super Style** (pictured below) your second zip. Kids can travel with their parents on a **Tandem Zip** for a maximum combined weight of 280 pounds.

No experience is necessary, and you don't even need to hold on. Our seat harness does all the work for you, including braking smoothly at the landing tower.

The zip lines are available daily, weather permitting. See videos of both regular and super style zips taken by our guests online at california-ziplines.com. Check our website for weight requirements and restrictions.

SUPER STYLE ZIP



CAVE & MINE ADVENTURES



FREE activities on **YOUR BIRTHDAY** check our website for details



CaveAndMineAdventures.com



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BLACK CHASM CAVERN

National Natural Landmark
www.BlackChasmCavern.com

OPEN EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR

Summer Season: June - August first tour leaves at 9AM, last tour leaves at 5PM daily.

Winter Season: September - May. First tour leaves at 10AM, last tour leaves at 4PM daily. Holidays first tour leaves at 9AM, last tour leaves at 5PM.

Tours & Activities: 50-minute Guided Walk Tour • Gemstone Mining • Geode Cracking • Gold Panning • Visitors Center / Gift Shop • Picnic Tables • Special Events & Parties • School Program

Environment: Vertically oriented cave with three platforms and five flights of stairs. Total of 165 steps. Cave temperature is 57° F.

Location: 15701 Pioneer Volcano Road, Volcano, CA 95689

Directions: From Sacramento take Hwy 16 to Hwy 49 south to Jackson. In Jackson take Hwy 88 east to Pine Grove, then turn left (north) on to Pine Grove Volcano Road. Drive 2.7 miles and make a right turn on to Pioneer Volcano Road. Continue about 100 feet, then

turn right at our entrance.



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CALIFORNIA CAVERN

State Historic Landmark
www.CaliforniaCavern.com

Summer Season: April - October, open daily. Check website for hours & tour times.

Winter Season: November - March. Subject to seasonal water fluctuations. Call for availability 866.762.2837.

Tours & Activities: 60- to 80-minute Guided Walk Tour • 2- to 3-hour Mammoth Cave Expedition by reservation • Up to 4-hour Middle Earth Expedition by reservation • Nature Trail • Gem Mining • Gold Panning • Geode Cracking • Visitors Center / Gift Shop • Picnic Tables • Special Events & Parties • Team Building • School Program

Environment: Natural trail, mostly horizontal with a few stairs. Cave temperature is 55° F.

Location: 9565 Cave City Road, Mountain Ranch, CA 95246

Directions: From Stockton take Hwy 4 east to Angels Camp, then turn left on Hwy 49 to San Andreas. Turn right on Mountain Ranch Road and go approximately 9 miles. Turn right at the second Michel Road turnoff at the California Cavern historic landmark sign. Turn left on Cave

City Road to our driveway on the left.



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MOANING CAVERN

California's Largest Cave Chamber
www.MoaningCavern.com

OPEN EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR

Summer Season: Mid-May - Mid-September first tour leaves at 9AM, last tour leaves at 6PM

Winter Season: Mid-September - Mid-May. Weekdays first tour leaves at 10AM, last tour leaves at 5PM. Weekends & holidays first tour leaves at 9AM, last tour leaves at 5PM.

Tours & Activities: 45-minute Guided Walk Tour • The Rappel, a 165-foot rope descent • 3-hour Adventure Trip by reservation • Above ground Twin Zip Lines • 32-ft custom Climbing Tower • Concerts in the Cave • Gemstone Mining • Gold Panning • Team Building • School Program

Environment: Vertical cave with switchback staircases and historic spiral staircase. Total of 234 steps. Cave temperature is 61° F.

Location: 5350 Moaning Cave Road, Vallecito, CA 95251

Directions: From Stockton take Hwy 4 east to Angels Camp. Continuing on Hwy 4 east, travel approx. 10 minutes, then turn right on Parrotts

Ferry Road. Go 1 mile. Turn right on Moaning Cave Road at the Moaning Cavern Park sign.



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SUTTER GOLD MINE

See the Mother Lode from the Inside!
www.SutterGoldMine.com

Summer Season: April - September open daily. Check website for hours & tour times.

Winter Season: October- March, schedule varies. Check website for hours & tour times or call 866.762.2837.

Tours & Activities: 1-hour Underground Tour - all participants must wear provided hard hats for the entire tour; Ages 4 and up only • Free Educational films in the Gold Theatre • Gold Panning • Gemstone Mining • Geode Cracking • The Gold Store (visitor center & gift shop) • Picnic Tables • Special Events & Parties • School Program

Environment: Mostly horizontal with two sets of staircases. Total of 32 steps up and 47 down. Mine temperature is 64° F.

Location: 13660 Historic Highway 49, Sutter Creek, CA 95685

Directions: From Sacramento take Hwy 16 east to Hwy 49 south. Turn left toward Sutter Creek and Amador City on to historic Hwy 49 (off the bypass). Our entrance is on the left approx. half a mile south of Amador City.

Look for the metal statuary at our entrance.

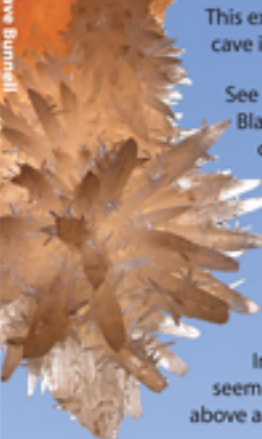


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Proud members of the: Gold Country Visitors Association, National Caves Association, International Show Caves Association, and NTA National Tour Association

BLACK CHASM CAVERN

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This exquisite National Natural Landmark cave is a visual treat from start to finish.

See why the National Park Service calls Black Chasm Cavern the "best helictite cave in the west." Take the 50-minute guided **Walk Tour** to learn about its uniquely beautiful geology and stunning displays of rare helictite crystals that loop from the walls, appearing to defy gravity.

In the Colossal Room, a platform seemingly suspended in midair hangs above a 70-foot drop to small glimpses of the jewel-like lake below, made bright turquoise by naturally occurring calcium bicarbonate.

A beautiful visitors center displaying cave formation props from the Matrix movie trilogy complements this outstanding cavern and its stunning foothills location. A large selection of science and nature merchandise, including geodes, rocks, books and science kits, can keep you happily browsing for hours. Great souvenir items are also available.

Also available: gemstone mining, gold panning, and picnicking.



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This enchanting State Historic Landmark cavern has been delighting visitors since its discovery in 1849 making it the state's first show cave. In 1876, naturalist and Sierra Club founder John Muir described his visit to California Cavern in lyrical detail, marveling at the natural beauty.

60-80 minute guided **Walk Tours** take visitors through passageways into large, highly decorated chambers including newly discovered pristine areas like the Jungle Room. Here, large displays of milky white stalactites, helictites and flowstones decorate the walls and ceiling.

Some of the best caving in the country takes place here on the 2-3-hour **Mammoth Cave Expedition** (ages 8+) and the challenging 4-hour **Middle Earth Expedition** which includes rafting across Tom's Lake (ages 16+). Check website for more details.



SUTTER GOLD MINE



Explore the Mother Lode from the inside in this authentic hard rock gold mine in the heart of California's Gold Country.

See why the tour here has won recognition from Frommers, the San Francisco Chronicle, Doug McConnell's Bay Area Backroads and is one of Sacramento Magazine's "50 Things You Must Do in the Sacramento Area." It continues to win local awards for the best tour in Amador County - along with Black Chasm Cavern.

Tag in, don a hard hat and board the Boss Buggy Shuttle for a historic journey deep underground on the 1-hour **Family Tour** (ages 4 and up). Disembark at the safety chamber for a talk on the history of gold mining from the earliest times to present day.

Next, walk through a drift where gold bearing quartz has been extracted and see hard rock mining equipment. Then it's back aboard the boss buggy shuttle to return to the surface.



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LOCATED IN CALIFORNIA'S BEAUTIFUL GOLD COUNTRY



Average Drive Times for the 4 locations



Scan with your smart phone.

RENO
3 hrs
TAHOE
2 hrs 40 min
YOSEMITE
2 hrs 45 min

SACRAMENTO
2 hrs
SAN FRANCISCO
2 hrs 45 min
SAN JOSE
3 hrs
LOS ANGELES
6 hrs

