

## **ARROWHEAD INFO**

### **Upcoming Events:**

- For upcoming events in the area, check [ILoveLakeArrowhead.com](http://ILoveLakeArrowhead.com)! It's also a good resource for Eat, Play, Shop
- The [Village](#) has lots of concerts in the summer, Octoberfest in the fall, and fun Christmas events, so be sure to check their [events website](#)!

### **Things To Do With Kids:**

- Picnic and zip line (free and kid-size!) at [MackKay Park](#) (it has great kid play equipment). This park has picnic tables on a big lookout point with an amazing view of the whole lake! Pick up yummy sandwiches (try the Gamacho and the Sleeper sandwich!!) from Jensen's deli and all the makings of a good picnic.
- Feed ducks at [Village](#) (bags of duck food available at the village for \$1). Warning, parking at the Village can be crazy in the summer... best to go early in the day or late afternoon (the ducks go to bed by 4 or 5pm). Also, weekends are always way busier than week days.
- Rent kayaks, stand up paddle boards, small boats and more at [Lake Gregory](#) (only 15 mins from the cabin! Bring lifejackets or come early since they may run out of ones you can rent) Lake Gregory beach/water activities are open from Memorial Day thru Labor Day
- Play on the inflatable floating obstacle course or try the giant water slides at [Lake Gregory](#)
- Go fishing at [Lake Gregory](#), where they stock it with fish twice a month (can you tell there's lots to do at Lake Gregory, and it's so close to the cabin)
- Play at the playground at the [Village](#) and run around on the grass area on the point
- Go to the [Blue Jay Cinema](#) to watch a movie in theaters
- Get the kids up on water skis with the [Mackenzie Ski School](#) at the Village. Their instructors are amazing at getting even small kids up on skis. The months of operation are Memorial Day thru Labor Day.
- [Sky Park at Santa's Village](#)! They have the BEST kid outdoor sports (little kid mountain biking, zip line, rock wall, ropes course, bungees, gold mining, go carts, archery, roller rink, etc.) It's fun all year round for kids.

### **Things To Do:**

- Check out [AllTrails.com](http://AllTrails.com) or download the App to search/filter by type of trail. See photos and reviews of various hikes! The most popular hikes are [Will Abell Memorial Trail](#), [Heart Rock Trail](#), [Heaps Peak Arboretum](#) and [Dogwood Loop](#). (Dogwood Trail is kid friendly since it's pretty flat. Access to the trail is currently from Daley Canyon Access Road. Park close to the large "San Bernardino Forest" sign. Next to the sign is a path down a little hill that winds back to the trail)
- Walk the very nearby trail of San Bernardino Land Trust (the [Will Abell Memorial Trail](#)) There's a dirt parking lot on Grass Valley Rd by flag poles, with a paved path leading up into the hills. It makes a long or short loop. If you're staying at Old Creek Cabin or Mile High Haus, this trail is less than a mile away from you (and two miles from Oak Tree A-frame and The Mountain House).
- Book a spa treatment at the [Lake Arrowhead Resort](#) and enjoy their amenities, like the pool/hot tub and beach, all day long! (double check when making an appointment this is still true, just in case they happened to make any changes)
- Get up on water skis with the [McKenzie Ski School](#) at the Village. They have awesome instructors who can get almost everyone up on skis. Boat riders can enjoy a nice tour around the lake. The months of operation are Memorial Day thru Labor Day.
- Mountain bike at [Sky Park at Santa's Village](#)! They also have a zip line, go carts, and other "big kid" type of activities. The restaurants and full bar ensure you can make a full day out of this outing.
- Schedule a wine tasting or hard apple cider tasting at [Sycamore Ranch Vineyard & Winery](#) in Crestline. They have a small vineyard on site, while most their grapes come

from Paso Robles. And from their apple trees on site they make some amazing hard ciders! You can also buy their wines/ciders at [Little Bear Bottle Shop](#)

- Wine taste at [Grapevine](#) in the Village (a wine bar that has a full bar and food menu too) with a deck that overlooks the lake (warning: no kids allowed since they're considered a bar)
- Enjoy a limited-edition beer, brewed on premises at [Lake Arrowhead Brewing Co](#) and relax under the trees in their beer garden. Each day has a different food vendor there, and they're always amazing!
- On first Fridays of every month, there's a market place at [Lake Arrowhead Brewing Co!](#)
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- Visit [Goodwin & Son's Soda Fountain](#) inside the Goodwin's Market (across the street from all the lake activities at Lake Gregory). They have hand mixed soda, ice cream, milk shakes, floats, sundaes, hand dipped chocolates, fudge, crepes, etc.
- Lake Gregory is 15 minutes from the cabin and open to the public (Lake Gregory beach/water activities are open from Memorial Day thru Labor Day). They have snack bar, cabanas, a parking lot, and entry is \$10 (parking and the inflatable water park is also \$10)

Lake Gregory Regional Park address: 24171 Lake Dr., Crestline CA 92352

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- Walk around [Green Valley Lake](#) is a cute little lake close to Arrowhead worth looking up and doing a short visit.
- Ride aboard the [Lake Arrowhead Queen](#) ferry boat around the lake (docked at the Village). The whole tour takes an hour and the captain gives quite the tour with history on all the homes you see and what movies were filmed where.
- Walk the ALA lake trails. Ask me more about this since some access paths down to the lake have gates.
- Turn on the fire, music, diffuser, and schedule a relaxing in-home message with [Mountain Massage Therapy](#) (\$105 for 60mins or 150 for 90mins. Contact: 909-645-0249 ask for Lindsey or Shelley)
- Enjoy anything from a welcome platter for your arrival, to an in-home catered five course dinner by Chef Sara Gutierrez of [Top Town Chef](#) (menu attached with contact info for ordering). Platters can be delivered just prior to your arrival at the cabin.
- Schedule a luxury picnic by [Mirage Picnics](#) with mountain or lake views (@Mirage\_Picnics makes it magical!)
- Enjoy an organic produce box pick-up or delivery by [Arrowhead Farms Direct](#) (use code: "SupportLocal" to save). Look up their farmers markets schedules for in person shopping.

#### Winter Activities:

- Go inner tubing at Snowdrift Snow Tubing Park!! They have runs kid-size and adult size!
- Go sledding close by at the San Bernardino Land Trust, aka The Will Able Memorial Trust (a big open area with a few slopes). Located on N Grass Valley Rd. When you see the golf course on your right, there's a small parking lot on your left after the flag poles, with a sign for the land trust.
- Go sledding at Snow Valley Ski Resort. They sell lift tickets and sleds for around \$30... ride the lift up to the top and sled down!
- Order a chocolate fondue platter from Top Town Chef for a fun family dessert (menu attached with contact info for ordering). It can be delivered just prior to your arrival at the cabin, or schedule it for a specific drop off time/day.
- Go skiing or snowboarding at Snow Valley Ski Resort (30 minutes from the cabin in normal driving conditions)
- Rent an "igloo" in the beer garden of Lake Arrowhead Brewing Co and enjoy one of their limited edition beers on tap.

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## Places to eat:

### At the rim

- [Lou Eddie's](#) (Italian/Pizza. Everyone knows it's the most amazing pizza on the mountain. If you want to dine in, go at an odd time or week day since they always have a wait. Since even to-go orders seem to have a long wait time, the best option is to grab one of the ready-bake pizzas in their fridge and check out... super fast and just as good cooked in your oven as opposed to theirs!! Their outdoor seating is a pretty setting though, in the middle of the forest). If you're coming back from a day at Lake Gregory, this is your best dinner option since you'll pass by it. Then go across the street to Little Bear Bottleshop for drinks
- [Rosalva's](#) Skyforest mexican food next to Lou Eddie's (Both Lou Eddies and Rosalva's have wonderful outdoor seating in the forest under trees)
- [Little Bear Bottle Shop](#). Stop by to pick up natural wines or mixes for fun cocktails. They have unique things you won't find elsewhere!
- [Bulle Bakery](#). Enjoy Swedish cardamum buns and pick up breakfast pastries (they deliver too!)
- [Lulabelle's Coffee House & Bakery](#). It's about a 15 minute scenic drive to their location in Running Springs but well worth it!
- [Higher Grounds Coffee House](#) in Crestline (for something other than Starbucks)

### At the Village

- [Lake Arrowhead Brewery](#) (located next to the Village. They have an outdoor beer garden with fun string lights overhead for evening enjoyment. A different food vendor on site each day of the week so you could call to see what will be there that day/evening)
- [Lake Front Tap Room](#) (right on the lake with great views. Very popular so plan on an hour wait... heavy but delicious food and fun cocktails!)
- [Jetties](#) (as close to the lake as you'll get... fun ambiance, good food and inexpensive cocktails. Order at the register or at the bar and seat yourself inside or outside. The best thing about Jetties is they NEVER have a wait and have very quick service!)
- [Lake Arrowhead Deli](#) on the upper deck of the Village across from Stater's (good/fast pizza with outdoor dining. Sports bar vibe with an arcade in the back. They also don't seem to have a wait, and their deck has lake views)
- [Belgian Waffle Works](#) (They have WAY too many yummy waffle options, and outdoor seating right at the lake edge of the Village near the Ferry dock)
- [Bin 189](#) at the Lake Arrowhead Resort next to the Village (it's definitely “fine dining” in Lake Arrowhead terms, with a huge wine selection and a lovely deck with forest/lake views. The hotel has plenty of parking and nice ambiance. Be sure to try their tomato bisque!)

### In Blue Jay

- [Santiago's Taco Shop](#) in Blue Jay (it's the idea of Chipotle but more authentic/hole-in-the-wall-ish, and way yummiier. Perfect for quickly picking up food to-go. They have limited indoor dining)
- Sandwiches from [Jensen's deli](#) (perfect if you're planning a picnic). There are two Jensen's... the larger one is in Blue Jay but even the smaller one by emerald bay has the same deli options.
- [Spade & Spatula Gastropub](#) in Blue Jay (very "farm to table" with gourmet burgers. Their outdoor seating is very limited, but ordering food to-go is an option)
- [Blue Jay Burgers](#) (They have drive thru! Menu is burgers, chicken sandwiches, shakes and fries, so don't go here expecting to have a salad)

- [Puglia Italian Restaurant](#) (the chef is true Italian, and everyone says it's great food with cozy ambiance)

#### Elsewhere

- [Cedar Glen Malt Shop](#) (it's no Michelin star restaurant since it's a 50's diner, but enjoy a chili dog and milkshake)

#### Shopping:

- [Mag.Pi Shop](#) in Cedar Glen. The owner is a former fashion exec and has impeccable taste
- [Basecamp General Store](#). Old gas station turned eclectic shop with antiques and fun home goods.
- [Evergreen Curated Goods](#). You'll find beautifully curated housewares, clothing, and vintage pieces with mountain vibes. It's a must.
- [Honey Habits](#). Fun women's clothing shop at the Village.
- [Jeannine's Home Furnishing](#). Beautiful home store with lots of mountain inspired pieces.

#### UPDATE on ALA lake rules:

- Due to Covid, the Association of Lake Arrowhead (ALA) voted in 2020 that guests of Short Term Rentals (STR's) are "not allowed" on the lake trail or beaches (as they are considered ALA property). All STR homeowners are working very hard to change this rule! In the meantime, in the very unlikely event you were stopped on the ALA lake trail by a red-shirt patrolman (rumor has it they have a couple people patrol trails in the summer months), they would simply ask you to leave (you do not have to tell them anything and it would be best if you simply said you are friends of mine, because... we are, and why play into their STR witch hunt! ;) We are saddened and sorry that the ALA has tightened up on STR regulation, BUT we are confident that STR's are here to stay, STR guests are a wonderful addition to the community, and the lake should be enjoyed by all! Let me know if you have questions on this topic.

#### Notes on some top trails:

Check out [ALLTRAILS.COM](https://www.alltrails.com) to filter by types of hikes, locations, and reviews

##### Tunnel Hike:

Great views, easy for little kids.

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/sbnf/recreation/hiking/recarea/?recid=26341>

##### Heart Rock:

Seeley Creek Trail (4W07)

Easy 1 mile

This short trail begins on Forest Service Road 2N03 - 1/4 mile south of the entrance to Camp Seeley on Highway 138. You must cross the creek. This easy hike follows Seeley Creek to an overlook called "Heart Rock" which marks the trail's end. Here there is a heart-shaped hole in the cliff next to a picturesque 20-foot waterfall. The gentle grade of this trail makes it an excellent walk for all ages, but be careful to watch out for the safety of children near the waterfall.

##### Heaps Peak Arboretum Trail

(3W05) Easy 0.7 mile loop

This interpretive trail is located 1.4 miles east of Skyforest on Highway 18. The trail is an easy walk for all ages that takes you through a self-guided tour with 24 points of interest about native plants and wildlife. The site was constructed and is maintained by volunteers from the Rim of the World Interpretive Association. Staffed information at this location. This site is accessible. Adventure Pass Required.

##### Pinnacles Trail

(3W16) Difficult 3.5 miles

Pinnacles Trail Begins at the entrance to the Rifle Range on Highway 173, north of Rock Camp and ends at the top of the peak. From the top, on clear days you can look into Mojave desert. Along the trail there are steel posts and rock cairns to help you find the

path as the trail travels over and around large boulders. At the summit there is a register book to sign in at the top.

**Fisherman's Camp Trail**

(2W07) Moderate/Difficult 2.5 miles

This trail begins 1.3 miles west of Crab Flats Campground on Forest Service Road 3N34; Crab Creek Trail provides the primary access to Fisherman's Camp (a group reservation trail camp) on Deep Creek. The trail descends moderately westward crossing Crab Creek 1.3 miles from Deep Creek. Deep Creek must be forded to reach Fisherman's Camp. Attempting to cross Deep Creek when it is running high can be dangerous. The scenery along this trail is exceptional; Camping at Fisherman's Camp is by group permit only. Make reservations at least 3 days in advance at [recreation.gov](https://www.recreation.gov)

