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SOUTHERN MONO COUNTY – HALF DAY ITINERARY

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HOT CREEK GEOLOGIC SITE

Hot Creek Geologic Site is a place to marvel at geology in action. What remains of the ancient Long Valley Caldera blast is an area of fascinating geological wonders of bubbling hot springs, geysers and fumaroles (gas vents) creating colorful sulfur deposits and formations. The chamber of hot magma lies about three miles below the surface of the earth in this area. The brilliant pools are scalding hot and water temperatures can change rapidly, so entering and swimming in the water is prohibited. Restrooms are available. Located

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Hot Creek Trout Hatchery

Just south of Mammoth Lakes, Hot Creek



parking area for Hot Creek, then it's an easy 1.5 miles along [Hot Creek Trail](#) to the site.

HOT CREEK FISH HATCHERY

The warm springs of Hot Creek provide ideal temperatures for incubation of trout eggs. The Fish Hatchery is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for self-guided tours. Interpretive tours are available by appointment. For more information, call the Department of Fish and Wildlife at 760-934-2664. Located about 6 miles south of Mammoth Lakes off U.S. Highway 395. Take Airport Road (east) past the airport turnoff. Follow the signs.

CONVICT LAKE

[Convict Lake](#) is named for the result of an ambush encounter on Sept. 17, 1871, when a group of inmates escaped from prison in Carson City; Sheriff

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Crowley Lake Fish Camp

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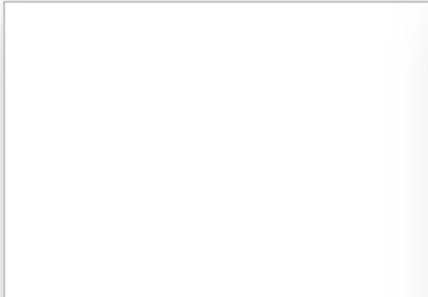
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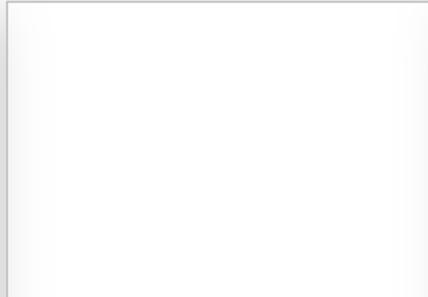
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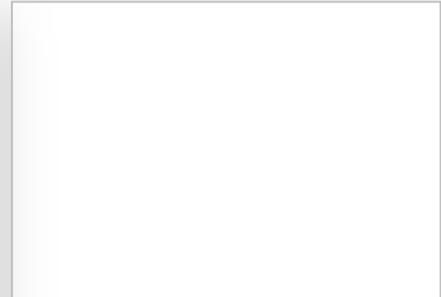
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