

## Welcome to Yuba River Country!

# THINGS TO DO ON OR NEAR THE NORTH SAN JUAN RIDGE

(If you're looking at a paper copy, here's a link to interact with this guide "live":

<http://www.OceanWorksPhotos.com/YubaCountry.pdf>)

### Nevada & Sierra County Overview:

Nevada County (South & Middle Fork Country): <http://www.nevadacountygold.com>

Sierra County (North Fork Country): <http://sierracountychamber.com/>

Nevada City Restaurants: <http://www.nevadacitychamber.com/nevada-city-restaurants/>

Grass Valley Restaurants: <http://www.downtowngrassvalley.com/grass-valley/places-to-eat.html>

Annual Festivals: <http://www.nevadacountygold.com/do/festivals-a-fun-events>

Abundant Outdoor Recreation Areas (North Fork): <http://sierracountychamber.com/sierra-county-recreation>

Nevada County Fishing: <http://www.davessierrafishing.com/countyfishing/nevadaco.html>

Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Guide : <http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Activities.cfm>

Covering over two million acres in the Central Sierra Nevada, twenty-four outdoor activities, nearly 800 recreation sites and activity guides, and 50 recreation maps. (An excellent, excellent guide...)

### State Parks:

Abundant outdoor recreational activities: hiking, swimming, mountain biking, historic interest and more...

South Yuba River State Park: <http://www.southyubariverstatepark.org>

The covered bridge at Bridgeport (part of South Yuba River State Park): <http://www.nevadacounty.com/bridgeport-covered-bridge-nevada-county-ca/>

Malakoff Diggins State Historic Park: <http://malakoffdigginsstatepark.org>

The town of North Bloomfield (part of Malakoff Diggins): <http://www.pashnit.com/roads/cal/MalakoffDiggins-nb.htm>

### Just a Few of the Yuba's Amazing Swimming Holes:

Purdon Crossing (South Fork): [http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Trails/South\\_Yuba\\_Trail\\_From\\_Edwards\\_or\\_Purdon\\_Crossing.cfm](http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Trails/South_Yuba_Trail_From_Edwards_or_Purdon_Crossing.cfm)

Edwards Crossing (South Fork): <http://www.norcalfamilyadventures.com/northern-california-famil/2011/08/edwards-crossing-nevada-city.html>

Mountain dog Swimming Hole (South Fork): [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5ixlGTiDC\\_g](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5ixlGTiDC_g)

Oregon Creek (Middle Fork): <http://www.weekendsherpa.com/stories/oregon-creek-swimming-hole-on-the-middle-yuba-rive/>

Mushroom Hole (Middle Fork): <http://www.wayfaring.com/waypts/show/20289>

Rocky Rest on the North Fork: <http://www.weekendsherpa.com/stories/rocky-rest-campground-swimming-hole/>

(This is also a trailhead for the North Yuba Trail. Walk about ½ mile upriver to access other swimming holes and to view the class 4 "Maytag rapid")

North Fork Swimming Holes: <http://sierracountychamber.com/sierra-county-recreation-swimming>

### Just a Few of Yuba Country's Amazing Hiking Trails:

South Fork Area: [http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page\\_id=25632](http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=25632)

South Yuba Trail - Missouri Bar to Poorman Cr.:

[http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Trails/South\\_Yuba\\_Trail\\_Missouri\\_Bar\\_to\\_Poorman\\_Cr\\_.cfm](http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Trails/South_Yuba_Trail_Missouri_Bar_to_Poorman_Cr_.cfm)

South Yuba Trail: Edwards Crossing--South Yuba Cmp:

[http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Trails/South\\_Yuba\\_Trail\\_Edwards\\_Crossing\\_South\\_Yuba\\_Cmp.cfm](http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Trails/South_Yuba_Trail_Edwards_Crossing_South_Yuba_Cmp.cfm)

South Yuba Trail: South Yuba Cmpg. to Humbug Cr.:

[http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Trails/South\\_Yuba\\_Trail\\_South\\_Yuba\\_Cmpg\\_to\\_Humbug\\_Cr\\_.cfm](http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Trails/South_Yuba_Trail_South_Yuba_Cmpg_to_Humbug_Cr_.cfm)

Spring Creek Falls: [http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Trails/Spring\\_Creek\\_Falls.cfm](http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Trails/Spring_Creek_Falls.cfm)

**Yoga Classes at Willow Springs:** <http://willowspringsnsj.org/yo-garage/>

Willow Springs: 29085 State Highway 49; North San Juan, CA 95960; (530) 559-2020

The yo'garage is your place for practice on the San Juan Ridge. In this re-purposed, solar-powered warehouse space, we have brought together a community of diverse, talented teachers to provide a range of practices for the body, mind, and spirit. All classes are offered on a donation basis (\$8 to \$20 suggested, but everyone is welcome regardless of means). For more information, or if you are interested in applying to teach a class or workshop, please call (530) 28-YOGA-1

**ABOUT WILLOW SPRINGS:** We are a diverse group of people: designers and musicians; yogis and farmers; woodworkers and weavers. And though we have different interests, we are guided by a common vision to support one another in a strong and vibrant community.

**North Columbia Schoolhouse Cultural Center:** <http://www.northcolumbiaschoolhouse.org/>

17894 Tyler Foote Crossing Rd Nevada City, CA 95959; (530) 265-2826

The North Columbia Schoolhouse Cultural Center gives the rural San Juan Ridge community a local place to meet, to share its creativity, and to participate in a wide variety of enriching activities. Located 20 miles north of Nevada City, the Schoolhouse was built by the mining community in 1875, and has a long tradition of serving the community as a school and public meeting hall.

We strive to provide programming that enhances our community life. Over the years we have hosted hundreds of unique cultural events with artists, musicians, and writers from all over the world. We also host film screenings, community forums, classes, festivals, and the nationally renowned Sierra Storytelling Festival.

**Double Oak Winery:** <http://www.doubleoakwinery.com/>

14510 Blind Shady Rd., Nevada City, CA 95959; 530-292-3235

Double Oak Tasting Room is open Saturdays 11-5 February through December and also by appointment January through December

**Ananda Village:** <http://www.anandavillage.org/>

14618 Tyler Foote Rd. Nevada City, CA 95959; 530-478-7500

Ananda Village is a cooperative spiritual community dedicated to the teachings of Paramhansa Yogananda, founded by his direct disciple, Swami Kriyananda. One of the world's most successful intentional communities, they celebrated their 40th anniversary in 2009.

Day Guests: Visitors can choose to walk the grounds, enjoy vegetarian meals prepared with love, join a guided yoga session, learn to meditate, view our lush gardens, take a community tour, shop for gifts, or indulge in a massage.

## Local Artisans

Extasia (Exquisite designer jewelry): <http://www.extasia.com> (Artist/founder lives on the Ridge; there's an outlet in Nevada City)

Sacred Ways (More jewelry and other gifts) <http://www.sacredways.com> (Gallery is at Ananda Village)

Robert Erickson (One-of-a-kind chairs, desks, and other furniture items) <http://www.ericksonwoodworking.com/>

Hidden Spring Designs (Unique garden art and furniture): <http://www.hiddenspringdesigns.com> (Mowen Solinsky Gallery in NC)

Faducci (Garden art and other whimsical creations): <http://www.faducci.com> (Visit the Mowen Solinsky Gallery in Nevada City)

## Scenic Drives & Day Trip

### Downieville to Sierra Hot Springs in Sierraville

An exquisite drive up Highway 49 passing by many amazing North Fork swimming holes, then through the quaint gold-rush village of Downieville culminating in a soak at Sierra Hot Springs. (3-hour day use is only \$15 per person.)

**About Downieville:** <http://sierracountychamber.com/sierra-county-downieville>

**Sierra Hot Springs:** Reservations: 530.994.3773 ~ [www.sierrahotsprings.org](http://www.sierrahotsprings.org)

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### The Original Sixteen to One Mine in Allegheny:

Since 1869 and still mining... (A beautiful ride and a fascinating "company town" comprised of back-country geologists)

About Allegheny: <http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Communities/Allegheny.cfm>

About the mine, the museum and the company: <http://www.origsix.com/>

About Mine Tours: <http://www.origsix.com/tmarticle.asp?id=330>

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### The Town of Washington and the Grouse Ridge Area:

A lovely drive on Highway 20 toward Truckee through the town of Washington to more stellar swimming spots along the Yuba and fabulous hiking in the spectacular Grouse Ridge Area which is dotted with alpine lakes...

Washington: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington,\\_California](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington,_California)

Grouse Ridge: [http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Areas/Grouse\\_Ridge\\_Area.cfm](http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Areas/Grouse_Ridge_Area.cfm)

## Winter Day Trips

### Snow Play at Henness Pass Road near Allegheny:

[http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Winter/Henness\\_Pass\\_Road.cfm](http://www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com/Members/Winter/Henness_Pass_Road.cfm)

## Winter Day Trips

### Snow Play at Bassets Station & Beyond (Intersection of Hwy 49 and Gold Lake Road North of Downieville)

<http://sierracountychamber.com/sierra-county-recreation-skiing-snowshoeing>

## Winter Day Trips

### Skiing & Snowboarding in Truckee Area

<http://www.nevadacitychamber.com/nevada-city-things-to-do/outdoor-recreation/skiing-snowboarding/>

(60 to 90 minutes drive time from North San Juan)