

STATE PARK

Antelope Island (28,022 acres) is the largest island in Great Salt Lake and home to free-roaming herds of bison, bighorn sheep, mule deer, and pronghorn antelope.



Bison are the island's most famous residents. Twelve animals were introduced to the island in 1893 and were the foundation for today's herd of several hundred. An annual bison roundup is held each fall to assess the health of the herd and sell extra animals, keeping the island's ecosystem in balance.

In addition to the very popular large mammals, other wildlife include coyotes, badgers, porcupines, and numerous birds. Surrounding the island is Great Salt Lake, the largest lake west of the Mississippi River, and one of the saltiest lakes in the world. Salinity levels are too high to support most aquatic species. However, brine shrimp, brine flies and several types of algae thrive in the lake and are a primary food source for millions of migrating birds.

Prehistoric people inhabited the island more than 6,000 years ago. More recently, Fielding Garr established the first permanent residence on the island in 1848. Tour the Historic Ranch for a glimpse of western ranching history.

Facilities and Services

Visitor center — Amenities include wheelchair accessibility, exhibits, and gift shop.

Historic Fielding Garr Ranch — Self-guided tour, exhibits, picnic area, restrooms, and wheelchair accessible areas.

Day-use facilities — Bridger Bay offers lake access, indoor/outdoor shower facilities, picnic areas, and restrooms. Picnic sites with fire pits are available in White Rock Bay. Additional picnic areas are available near the visitor center.

Trails — Vary by length and difficulty. Motorized vehicles are not allowed on trails.

Dump Stations — Located at Bridger Bay Campground and near the visitor center.

Concessions — Full service grill, electric bike rentals, guided horseback rides, and tours. Hours of operation vary by season.

Camping

Bridger Bay Campground — 64 campsites with picnic tables, fire pits, and shade shelters. 35 campsites with water and electricity hookups. Showers and flush toilets available. 3 cottages with full restroom, air conditioning, heat, and a small kitchen with fridge and microwave.


White Rock Bay Campgrounds — 20 primitive campsites with picnic tables, fire pits, and shade shelters. Pit toilets only. Showers at Bridger Bay are available to all campers.

Ladyfinger Campground — 5 campsites include picnic tables and tent pads. No water, electricity, or shade. Vault toilet is available. Open fires are not permitted.

Split Rock Bay Backcountry Campsites — 4 primitive backpacking sites. Mulching toilet. No shade or water.

Quiet hours 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Park Guidelines

-  **Fires** — Fires in designated areas only.
-  **Pets** — Dogs must be on a maximum six-foot leash at all times. Horses are not allowed on the beach. Animals on trails must be tethered.
-  **No Livestock** — No goats, sheep, alpacas, llamas.
-  **Wildlife** — Do not feed or disturb wildlife.
-  **Natural and cultural resources** — All park resources are protected. It is unlawful to remove, alter, destroy or collect them.
-  **Drones** — Prohibited March–November.
-  Drones may be flown December–February with a park permit.



Your park fees provide for the care, protection, and enhancement of this park.

Park Operating Hours:

Year-round: 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Facilities closed Thanksgiving and December 25.

Address Inquiries To:

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Utah State Parks Mission:

To enhance the quality of life by preserving and providing natural, cultural and recreational resources for the enjoyment, education and inspiration of this and future generations.

Policies, facilities, hours, and regulations may change. To check on updated information, please contact the park.

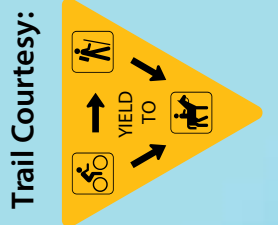


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Be Prepared On The Trails!

- The number one danger here is the hot, dry climate. Intense heat, sun exposure, and dehydration should be your top concerns.
- Drink at least one liter of water per person per hour.
- There is no drinking water available on the trails.
- Wear a wide-brimmed hat to block the sun.
- Unexpected weather changes can quickly increase trail difficulty.



CAUTION

When a bison stops what it is doing to look at you, back away.

If the bison raises its tail slightly, it is aggravated. Back away.

If the tail is raised high, the bison is ready to charge.

Stay Away from Bison: Bison are fast and nimble. They may look slow, but they can run up to 40 mph and change directions quickly. Bison are not aggressive unless they feel threatened.

What To Do:

- Back away slowly.
- If running, slow to a walk.
- Stay as far away as possible.
- If no safe route exists to pass the bison, return the way you came.

Legend

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| | Visitor center | | Marina |
| | Trailhead | | Bike repairs |
| | Campground | | Horse trailer parking |
| | Picnic area | | Point of interest |
| | Restrooms | | U.S. Army Ranger and Air Force Memorial |
| | Dump station | | Road |
| | Island Buffalo Grill | | Trail |

