

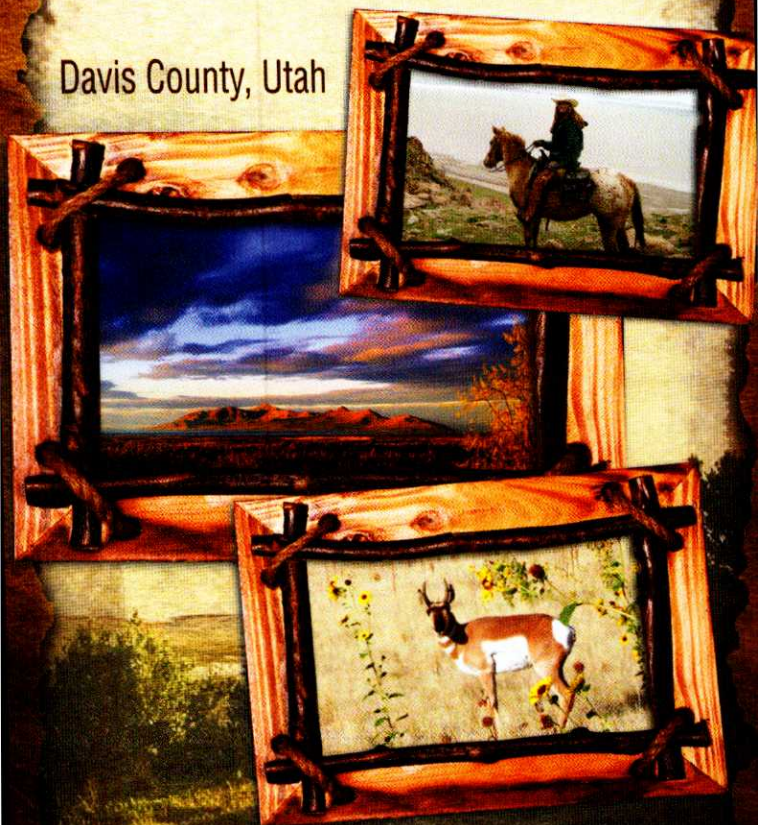
Discover a Real...

WESTERN EXPERIENCE

ANTELOPE ISLAND

THE GREAT SALT LAKE

Davis County, Utah



WILDLIFE VIEWING
SPECTACULAR SUNSETS
HORSEBACK RIDING
BIRD WATCHING
HIKING / BIKING



It is a surprise to come across a small ocean in the middle of the desert and just as astonishing to find a causeway leading to the 28,000 acre island. This is just the start of amazing facts about Antelope Island State Park and the Great Salt Lake, America's Dead Sea.

ISLAND HISTORY

Explorer John C. Fremont and his guide Kit Carson re-discovered the island in 1845 and while observing several antelope, named it "Antelope Island".

The historic Fielding Garr Ranch is located 11 miles south of the Antelope Island State Park Visitor Center and represents 135 years of western ranching history. The ranch house, built in 1848, is the oldest Anglo-built house still on it's original foundation in Utah.



AMERICA'S DEAD SEA

Antelope Island State Park is the best place to experience the Great Salt Lake, America's Dead Sea. The Great Salt Lake is the remnant of the prehistoric Lake Bonneville which covered more than 20,000 square miles during the Ice Age. The lake is currently 75 miles long and 28 miles wide. Water flows into the Great Salt Lake via four rivers with no outlet so the evaporation leaves high concentrations of minerals. The lake is generally five times saltier than the ocean. With the high level of salinity, you can easily float in the salty waters (most accessible at the Bridger Bay Beach). Only brine shrimp, brine flies and several types of algae can survive in the lake waters.



ISLAND ACTIVITIES

Come experience this natural environment of wild life and spectacular sunsets. If you have a canoe or kayak, shove off at the marina for a relaxing ride. Be sure to stop by the beach at Bridger Bay for a unique swimming experience. The island has over 36 miles of trails for hiking and mountain biking. The outfitter will tailor a guided horseback ride to your interests: wildlife viewing, geology, bird watching or just enjoy *the* open range. More information is available at davisutah.travel.

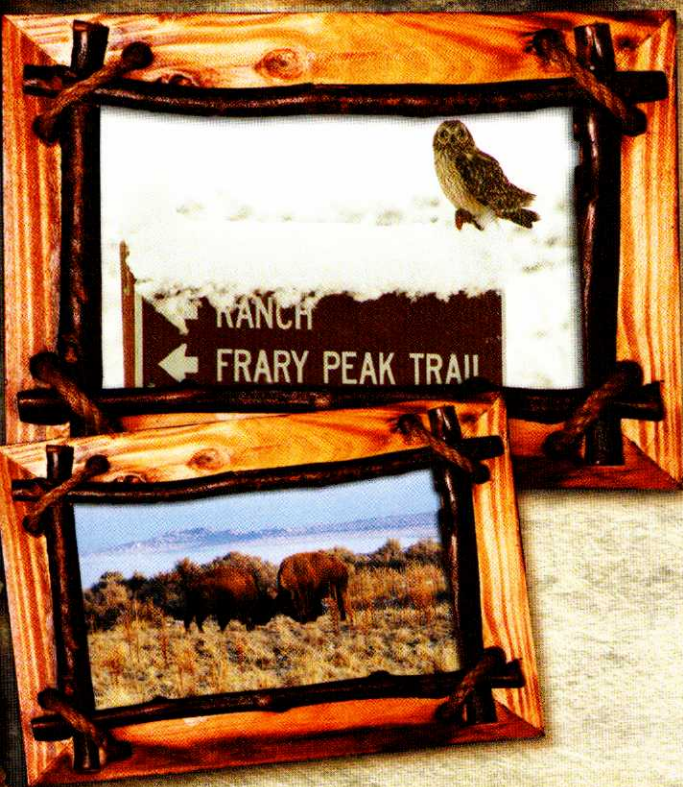
The Antelope Island Visitor Center provides information on the island's biology, geology, and unique history and offers a souvenir shop. Hours of operation: Apr. – Sept. 9am – 6pm; Oct. – Mar. 9am – 5pm • (801) 725-9263

Park Entrance Fee (2009): \$9.00 per vehicle, Open year round from 7:00 a.m. to dusk. • (801) 773-2941

Camping: Available at Bridger Bay and White Rock Bay. Reservations required. www.stateparks.utah.gov • (801) 773-2941

Buffalo Point Overlook and Bridger Bay Beach areas are the perfect place to picnic. Whether you're on your own or have a group of 100 you won't find more serene and peaceful settings on the island. For info on group reservations call or click www.antelopeisland.travel • (888) 878-8002

R & G Horse and Wagon, LLC: Horseback rides and guided tours. Reservations required. Open range style ride. www.antelopeisland.travel • (888) 878-8002



BIRD WATCHING AND WILDLIFE

Nearly 80 percent of Utah's wetlands surround the Great Salt Lake. The lake is habitat for over 250 species of birds and a critical link in the Pacific Flyway between North and South America. Four to six million birds feed and nest on the Great Salt Lake each year. The lake's wetlands host the world's largest nesting population of California gulls and white faced ibis, plus a large concentration of American avocets, black-neck stilts, and newborn pelicans.

Visitors can enjoy viewing mule deer, big horn sheep, pronghorn antelope, coyotes, and over 500 bison who call the Island home.

- Great Salt Lake Bird Festival – May**
 - Cowboy Legends Cowboy Poetry & Music Festival – May**
 - Moonlight Bike Ride on Antelope Island – June/July**
 - Antelope Island Stampede Festival - September**
 - Buffalo Days - September**
 - Annual Bison Range Ride and Roundup – October**
- For more information, visit the calendar of events at www.davisutah.travel

NEED VISITOR INFORMATION?

Stop by the Davis Area Visitor Center for brochures and information on other area attractions: Lagoon Amusement Park, Cherry Hill Waterpark, Boondocks, Hill Aerospace Museum, South Davis Recreation Center, nine golf courses, and more.

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