Gateway to Death Valley!

Beatty is known as the "Gateway to Death Valley." We are 7 miles from Death Valley, 13 miles from the Nevada California border, 100 miles north of Las Vegas and 330 miles south of Reno. Our town is nestled in a small valley, surrounded by three Peaks; Bare Mountain, Sawtooth Mountain, and the Bullfrog Hills. We hope you will enjoy our clean fresh air, friendly people, spectacular scenery, and our great quality of life.

DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK
Scotty's Castle
Rhyolite Ghost Town
Tom Kelly Bottle House
Hard Luck Castle
Goldwell Open Art Air Museum with Sculptures, The Last Supper, Painted Lady, and more
Chloride City Ghost Town
Titus Canyon (High Clearance or 4X4 Track)
Amargosa Big Dunes-Sand Dunes
Ash Meadows National Wildlife Refuge
Marta Becket's Amargosa Opera House
Gateway to DEATH VALLEY!
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POPULATION: Approximately 1,100
LOCATION: Southwest Nye County, 13 miles from the California Border.
COUNTY SEAT: Tonopah, Nevada, 93 miles North of Beatty.
GOVERNMENT: Beatty is an unincorporated town governed by a five member elected board.
ELEVATION: 3,108 feet above sea level.
MEDICAL FACILITIES: One medical clinic with trauma area, ambulance, and air flight.
INDUSTRY: Mining, retail trade, public administration, tourism, gaming.

ANNUAL EVENTS
(dates to be announced)
4th of July – All Day Event with Parade and Fireworks Display
Beatty Days (starts the last Friday in October)
Motorcross Races
Spicer Trails Mountain Bike Festival
VFW Historical Poker Run
Christmas Lighting Contest

DESSERT TRAVEL TIPS
• Plan your trip & make room reservations in advance!
• Leave general itinerary with loved ones.
• Carry at least 1 gallon of water per person per day & drink frequently.
• Dress for the desert, carry and use plenty of sunscreen.
• If traveling in an older vehicle carry water to refill the radiator.
• Don’t rely primarily on your GPS System, as it may show old roads that no longer exist. Also cell service is unlikely in remote areas.

FACTS ABOUT BEATTY
1. Beatty is the "Gateway to Death Valley."
   Park Entrance - just 10 minutes away.
2. Experience Hell's Gate – just 19 miles away.
3. Visit Rhyolite Ghost Town – just 4 minutes away.
4. Closest entrance to Titus Canyon – 5 miles away.
5. 20 degrees cooler than Death Valley.
6. Just 45 miles from Furnace Creek, 55 miles from Scotty's Castle and 34 miles to Stove Pipe Wells Village.
7. Reasonable room rates.
8. Visit the Old West in downtown Beatty and catch a glimpse of a shoot-out.

8 REASONS TO STAY IN BEATTY WHILE VISITING DEATH VALLEY

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**The BEATTY MUSEUM, and Historical Society is an ever-evolving effort to preserve the history of the town, the county, and the Bullfrog Mining District, a collection of documents, books, photos, and other artifacts. The latest addition to the museum is an outdoor display of equipment used in the old mining district. The Beatty Museum and Historical Society is open Monday through Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information visit: www.beattymuseum.org.**

**TRAILS OV, A Beautiful Place to Ride,** located in Beatty, NV offers a multilevel trail system for beginners to the most experienced rider. Home of the “Tinker Classic Mountain Bike Festival”. With over 40 miles of marked trails and beautiful scenery here in Oasis Valley. Our Oasis in the desert offers shade and wildlife viewing at the “Spicer Ranch”, through Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information visit: www.beattymuseum.org.

**BIRDING IN BEATTY:** Beatty and the Oasis Valley are noted primarily as a vital flyway for migratory birds. A true oasis from the harsh environments of the Mohave and Great Basin Deserts — the trees, wetlands and open spaces along the Amargosa River also give habitat to year-round resident birds and nesting seasonal birds, regularly supporting 21 species that have been identified as NV Partners in Flight conservation priorities. Waterfowl, raptors, land birds, and shorebirds: recent surveys have recorded some 100 species of Neotropical migrants that make use of this area during spring or fall migration. The area also hosts a significant number of single-species concentrations, with more than 25,000 individuals from four groups of the wood warbler family passing through in spring. For optimal viewing, birders should checkout areas along the Amargosa River, Species Springs, Vanderbilt Springs, and Indian Springs.

**DESSERT ADVENTURES & OFF-ROADING:** Maybe your scene is hang-gliding or endurance racing, sandboarding or rock climbing, mountain biking or ATV exploration. Or maybe you just like long walks or plein-air painting in the clean desert air. No matter. Prepare to get up-close and personal with a whole new level of outdoor adventure: Beatty and the ocean of public lands surrounding backcountry roads offer excitement to the adventure traveler visiting the Beatty area. These roads require, at a minimum, a vehicle with high ground clearance, but four-wheel drive is necessary to maneuver through the rugged passages. Be sure to stock up on emergency provisions and water in Beatty before you hit the backcountry.

**RYOLITIE:** Boom to bust, the story of Rhyolite runs about the same as many early mining towns in Nevada. It certainly boomed and it definitely busted, but what remains of what could-have-been is a must-see for any visitor to Beatty. Just four miles west of Beatty, Rhyolite was founded in 1905, when samples of gold-laced rock were found in the Bullfrog Mining District. Such a discovery resulted in the usual real estate boom. In fact, Rhyolite reached its peak in 1907, with an estimated 8,000-10,000 residents. But even larger than the subsequent population spurt was the potential Rhyolite had – and embraced – to become the next Nevada metropolis. The town had three-story office buildings built of stone and concrete, banks, churches, an opera house, hotels, a school, dozens of saloons, all complete with plumbing, electricity and telephone service. The town even had a stock exchange and gained the attention of investors in New York and San Francisco, as stock promoters sold speculative shares in Rhyolite ventures. Once known as the Chicago of the west with 3 railroads running through... how could a town that seemed set to stand the test of time, crumble to the ghost town status it proclaims today? Rhyolite has been likened to “the culmination of the gold rush era.” Those who had missed out on earlier booms weren’t going to let this one pass them by, but the fervor was really for nothing as Rhyolite was only able to establish one mine. And that one, the Montgomery, wasn’t even profitable, only $2 million in gold was ever taken when it closed in 1911. Be sure to tour the famed Tom Kelly Börtle House (pictured on the inside cover) while visiting this scenic ghost town. For more information visit: www.rhyolitezite.com.

**GOLDWELL OPEN AIR MUSEUM, where modern art meets nature, sits at the outskirts of Rhyolite.** View a life-size interpretation of the woman made of cinder blocks; a steel prospector accompanied by a gnu; a ghostly bike rider; and an exquisitely carved winged woman reaching for the sun from high atop a wooden pillar. For more information visit: www.goldwellmuseum.org.

**DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK:** Hwy 374 holds the most spectacular entrance views of the most extreme environment in the North American continent with 3.4 million acres of pristine and intensely complex desert terrain, and rare flora and fauna uniquely adapted to the Mojave Desert. It is the hottest driest climate in North America, and boasts the lowest elevation in North America. Peak blooming times for wildflowers are Mid-February to early-March on the valley floor; early April to early May at 2,000 to 4,000 feet; late April to early June above 4,000 feet. For more information visit: www.nps.gov/deva.

**AMARGOSA BIG DUNES:** A magnificent, five-square-mile playground of dunes, some reaching 500 feet in height. You’ll find this playground in the Amargosa, approximately 17 miles south of Beatty, off U.S. Highway 95 on Valley View Road, two miles west, then follow the dirt road to the dunes.

**SCOTTY’S CASTLE:** A castle ‘built on lies,’ today you can visit: Current under repair due to a flood in October 2015, the castle is open for limited tours. Call 1-877-444-6777 for information and reservations.

**MAARTA BECKER’S AMARGOSA OPERA HOUSE is an adventure that encompasses dance, theater, and art in a way that you may see nowhere else in the world. An entire audience adorns the walls, filled with characters who might have attended an opera back in the 16th century. Even the ceiling boasts a mural with cherubs, clouds, music playing ladies, and white doves. Reservations are suggested for theatrical events, but even if you cannot make a show, the Opera House itself is worth a visit. For more information and schedules please visit: www.amargosaperahouse.com.**

**OTHER UNUSUAL SITES & EXPERIENCES:** Beatty-Mud Mound | Swiss Cheese Rocks | Hell’s Gate Tour

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**LOCAL EATERIES**

- Beatty VFW/CHOW
- Death Valley Inn
- Death Valley Getway Cabins (Air & B&B)
- El Portal Motel
- Exchange Club Motel
- Motel 6 of Death Valley
- Shady Lady Bed & Breakfast
- Space Station RV Park
- Stagecoach Hotel and Casino

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**LOCAL SHOPS AND SERVICES**

- ARCO/ Rebel
- Beatty Museum and Historical Society
- Beatty Multis Massage Services
- Death Valley Nut and Candy Co.
- DeLe Real Estate
- Janda Ribbons & Awards
- Revers Tree
- Space Station Mini-Mart
- Studio 401 Arts and Hair Salon
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**LOCAL EATERIES**

- Beatty VFW/CHOW
- Death Valley Coffee Time
- Gem’s Cafe
- Happy Bueno Chile and Beer
- Mel’s Diner
- Roadhouse 95
- Smash Hit Subs & Hot Sull Subs (ARCO)
- Smokin’ J’s BBQ
- Snackhouse Saloon & Eatery

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