

BEAUTY - DEATH VALLEY



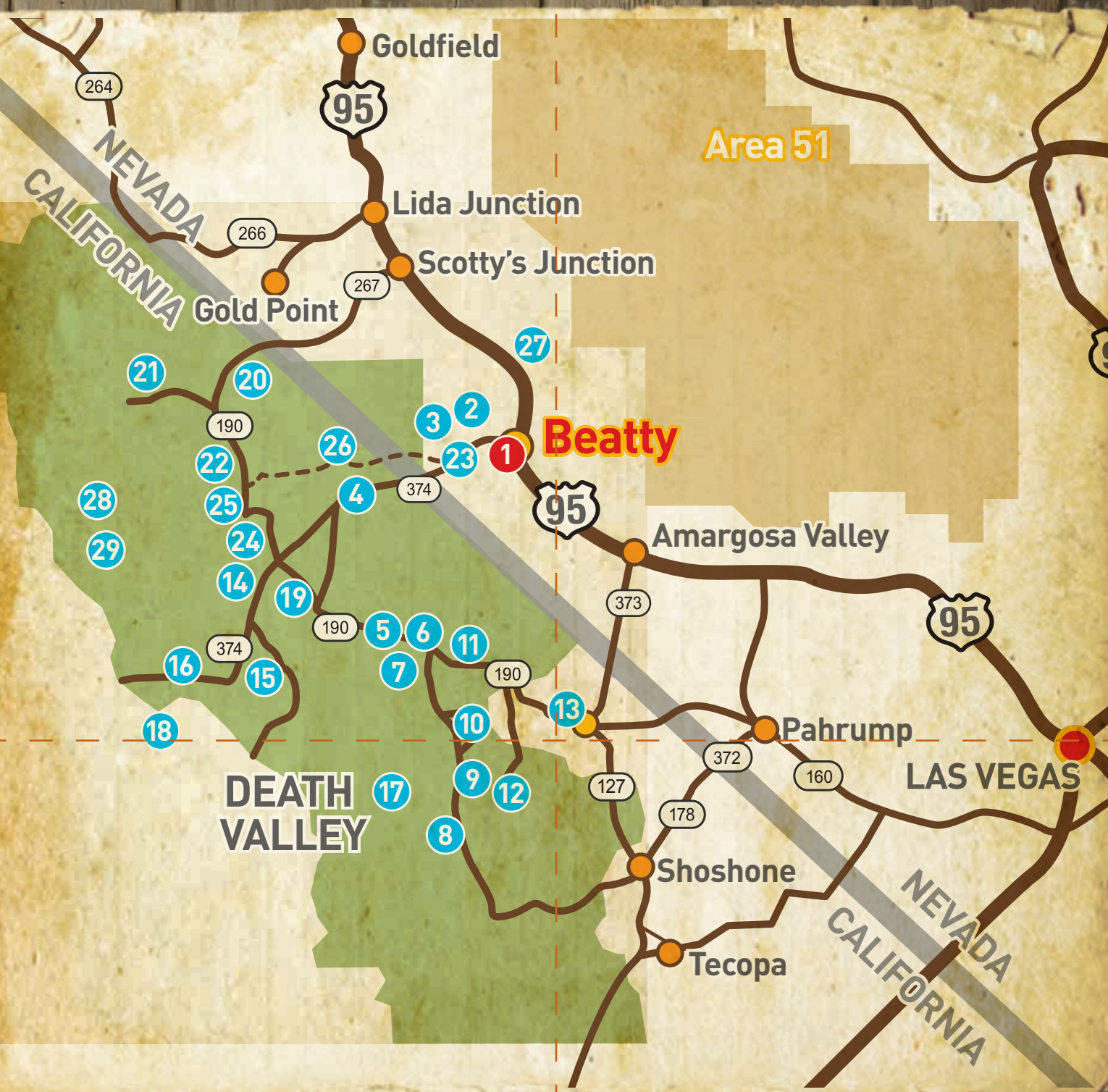
GOLDWELL OPEN AIR MUSEUM



RHYOLITE GHOST TOWN



AMARGOSA OPERA HOUSE



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NORTHERN CASTLE TOUR

SCOTTY'S CASTLE: Begin your day trip by stocking up on food and water, then take Hwy. 95 North approximately 38 miles to Scotty's Junction, turn west on Hwy 267 then travel another 23 miles to the Castle. You can anticipate spending 2 hours at the

Castle if you take the Living History House Tour and the Underground Mystery tour. There are also several trails to hike and other tours offered throughout the year. Stop and have lunch on the lawn before returning to the main road. Turn right, heading west for about 5 miles to the turn off for the Ubehebe Craters.

UBEHEBE CRATERS: These craters were formed by Steam Eruptions. The Ubehebe, itself is about 600 feet deep and there is an easy trail to the bottom...the trail back up is not quite so easy! Retrace your route to the main road and turn to the right.

ALUVIAL FAN BILLBOARD: This minature Geology Lesson about Aluvial fans and the geology of Death Valley has some astounding information about the area. Continue traveling southbound.

TITUS CANYON: While this is a one-way 4-wheel drive road, you can take the two-way road to the parking lot and go for a short hike into the mouth of the canyon or take the trail head for a longer stroll. Make sure you have ample water with you! Continue south on the main highway.

WAGON ROADS HISTORICAL MARKER: Standing at this marker you can still see the old wagon roads that crossed the valley. They have not been used for over half a century, but they are still visible. Continue south to the Beatty turn-off and follow the road back to Beatty for the evening.



THE TITUS CANYON TOUR

(A 4-wheel drive is required for this 23 mile, 3 hour excursion. Consider renting a jeep at Furnace Creek.) No ATV's allowed.

TITUS CANYON: Leaving Beatty, follow SR-374 for 5 miles to the Entrance to Titus Canyon.

This is a three hour, one-way trip back through history. You will cross over Red Pass which offers some great vistas. Further on, you will come to the Leadfield ghost town.

Leadfield "boomed" for less than a year in 1926-27 because the lead deposits bottomed out quickly. Today, all that is left are a few shacks and a number of mines. Many of the mines may be open, but do not enter, for no mine is considered safe and you may also find that the tunnel is home to local animals or reptiles that do not wish to be disturbed.

Just past Leadfield, you will enter Titus canyon itself, with limestone cliffs rising above the wash. With Klare Spring nearby this is a great place to view Bighorn Sheep and other wildlife that depend on the water the spring provides.

The Shoshone Indians came to the spring to hunt the bighorn and they left behind petroglyphs etched into the rock. These ancient designs are irreplaceable. Please have respect for their historical and cultural value, and do not vandalize them.

The final 1.5 miles of the canyon is the narrowest. The walls squeeze down to less than 20 feet apart in some places.

There are several possible hikes you might want to take to make this a true outback adventure and to view more of the splendor of the canyon.

GOLFING AT FURNACE CREEK RANCH: If you enjoy a round of golf you might want to travel back to Furnace Creek Ranch to spend a few hours on the local golf course.



RACE TRACK TOUR

(4-wheel suggested, high clearance required. Consider renting a jeep at Furnace Creek.)

Once you leave the pavement you will want to slow down or you just might rattle yourself right off the road! It can get pretty rough.

Take hwy. 95 North approximately 38 miles to Scotty's Junction, where you will turn left onto SR-267 Scotty's Castle Road, traveling past the castle for about 5 miles. Turn right onto Race Track Road. If you have not yet visited the Ubehebe Craters you could do so now! Just follow the signs. Back on the main road again for about 20 miles you will come to Teakettle Junction, a one time Geocaching site.

About 2 miles after Teakettle Junction you will turn left to stay on the Racetrack Road.

At the Racetrack you will want to check to make sure the lake surface is dry....if there is any sign of moisture DO NOT go any further, as you will disturb the surface which could affect the travel of the moving rocks.

Once you have enjoyed the Racetrack, retrace your route back to Beatty.