

Hidden Cave Archaeological Tour

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NEVADA Hidden Cave
Archaeological Tour
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In the mid-1920s, the cave was visited by four students, the first 20th century humans to do so. The cave has since been excavated three times: once in 1940, again in 1951, and finally in 1979-1980.

A high proportion of the artifacts found in Hidden Cave were unbroken and arranged in concentrations. That led to the conclusion that 3,500 to 3,800 years ago people used Hidden Cave more for a cache site than for their own shelter.

Hidden Cave tours are offered to the public on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month. Meet the BLM guide at the museum at 9:30am, and watch a short video on the history of Hidden Cave. At 10am, caravan out to the cave site for your tour. No reservations are needed, and the tour is **FREE!** Dress appropriately for the weather, and wear sturdy walking shoes. The trip up the hill is about .25 mile, and the trail is not handicapped accessible. This tour is not suitable for young children because of its length and the climb up the hill. There are restrooms and picnic sites available at Grimes Point, 1.5 miles from the cave area parking lot.

For more information on this tour please visit:

http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/carson_city_field/blm_programs/recreation/hidden_cave.html

