







LOCATION: Pollock Pines, California
RESORT TYPE: Coast Classic

SEASON: Year-round

WEBSITE: coloradoriveradventures.com

Slip into the slow lane in in the Sierra foothills

couple of years ago, Colorado River Adventures purchased Ghost Mountain Ranch with the aim of transforming the aging Northern California RV resort into a first-class destination. Since then, they've paved and painted, trimmed and landscaped, decked out the pool area and spruced up the rental cabins. With more improvements in the works, Ghost Mountain Ranch is well on its way to becoming a jewel in the Colorado River Adventures crown.

Perched at 3,700 feet in the Sierra Nevada foothills, halfway between Napa and Sacramento, Ghost Mountain is far from the hassles of city life. Breathe in the pinescented air as you pull through Ghost Mountain's security gate and check in to a cozy rental cabin or shady campsite.

The resort's outdoor pool area is the place to relax and leave the world behind. Shaped like a cowboy hat, the pool is a favorite gathering place, with an inviting grassy area, new sidewalks and a children's wading pool. After some downtime, take the family to the fishing pond or explore miles of wooded trails. You can borrow sports equipment from the office to play horseshoes, basketball or sand volleyball.

The rustic centerpiece of the 325-acre Coast Classic Resort is the ghost town that served as Main Street in the long-running TV western *The Virginian*. Spiffing up the clubhouse, restaurant, bar and general store housed in the row of Western storefronts

is the resort's next order of business.

Planned activities throughout the summer range from karaoke nights to outdoor dances. A seasonal snack bar keeps your whole crew energized with meals for a mere \$5. The friendly staff members not only provide top-notch service, they make everyone feel like part of the family.

Ghost Mountain is a short drive from the historic gold mining town of Placerville. Try your luck panning for gold, then take a scenic drive through the neighboring farm country or ride the rapids on the American River. As you head home, don't miss magnificent Lake Tahoe, a two-hour trip from the resort.

