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Fishing

Modoc National Forest

The Modoc National Forest may be located in the high desert but we offer some outstanding fishing opportunities. Our Reservoir fishing was recommended in Field and Stream Magazine in the May 2000 issue.

Rivers

The Pit River is the only River that crosses the Modoc NF. The Pit River is the largest river in northeastern California. It drains this part of the state before entering the Sacramento River at Shasta Lake. The north fork of the Pit starts at Goose Lake, while the south fork begins high in the Warner Mountains. The two converge near Alturas, California. The river flows through large mountain valleys and cuts its way through massive basalt flows to form incredible canyons. These canyons exhibit unusual geological formations that promote a variety of wildlife species unique to these landscapes. Fishing is available in the river as well as in several large reservoirs and lakes nearby.

River Fishing	Fish Planted	Type of Fish	Walking Distance in miles (No Auto Access)	Nearest Developed Campground	Approximate Miles From Campground			
		Big Valley	RD					
Pit River	No	Bass Catfish		None				
	Devils Garden RD							
Pit River	No	Bass Catfish		Howard's Gulch				
Warner Mountain RD - South of Hwy 299								
So. Fork Pit River	Yes	Trout		Mill Creek	5			

Natural Lakes

Natural Lakes	Fish Planted	Type of Fish	Walking Distance in miles (No Auto Access)	Nearest Developed Campground	Approximate Miles From Campground			
	Doublehead RD							
Blanche Lake	No	None		Medicine	4			
Bullseve Lake	Yes	Trout		Medicine	4.5			
Little Medicine Lake	Yes	Trout arctic grayling		Medicine	1.5			

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Natural Lakes	Fish Planted	Type of Fish	Walking Distance in miles (No Auto Access)	Nearest Developed Campground	Approximate Miles From Campground
				Medicine	0
Medicine Lake	Yes	Trout		Headquarters	0
				Hemlock	0
	Warner Mou	ntain RD -	North of Hw	y 299	
Cave Lake	Yes	Trout		Cave Lake	0
Lily Lake	Yes	Trout		Cave Lake	1.4
1	Warner Mou	ntain RD -	South of Hv	vy 299	
Patterson Lake	Yes	Trout	6	None - in South Warner Wilderness	
Clear Lake	No	Trout	1	Mill Creek	12
No. Emerson Lake	Yes	Trout	3	Emerson	3
So. Emerson Lake	Yes	Trout	3	Emerson	3
Lost Lake	No	Trout		Patterson	15
Blue Lake	Yes	Trout		Blue Lake	

Reservoirs

Reservoirs	Fish Planted	Type of Fish	Walking Distance in miles (No Auto Access)	Nearest Developed Campground	Approximate Miles From Campground
		Devils G	arden RD		
Beeler Reservoir	No	Bass Bluegill		Howard's Gulch	7
Big Sage Reservoir	No	Bass Catfish Crappie		Big Sage	
Deer Hill Reservoir	No			None	
Duncan Reservoir	Yes	Trout		Howard's Gulch	8
Essex Reservoir	No	Bass Catfish Crappie		None	
Everly Reservoir	No	Bass		None	
Green Springs Reservoir	No	Bass Trout		None	
Householder Reservoir	No	Bass		None	
Janes Reservoir	No	Trout		None	
McGinty Reservoir	No	Trout	1	None	
Reservoir C	Yes	Bass Trout		None	
Reservoir F	Yes	Trout		Howard's Gulch	13

Reservoirs	Fish Planted	Type of Fish	Walking Distance in miles (No Auto Access)	Nearest Developed Campground	Approximate Miles From Campground	
Warner Mountain RD - North of Hwy 299						
Briles Reservoir	Yes	Trout		Plum Valley	6	

Small Streams

Streams	Fish Planted	Type of Fish	Walking Distance in miles (No Auto Access)	Nearest Developed Campground	Approximate Miles From Campground				
Big Valley RD									
Ash Creek	Yes	Trout		Ash Creek					
Willow Creek	No	Trout		Willow Creek					
Toms Creek	No	Trout		None					
		Double	head RD						
Rock Creek	No	Bass		None					
	Warner N	lountain R	D - North o	f Hwy 299					
Pine Creek NO ANGLING	No	Trout		Cave Lake	4				
Twelve Mile Creek	No	Trout		Cave Lake	6				
Dismal Creek	No	Trout		Cave Lake	3				
Bidwell and Mill Creek	No	Trout		Cave Lake	7				
Willow Creek NO ANGLING	No	Trout		Plum Valley	8				
Lassen Creek NO ANGLING	No	Trout		Plum Valley	8				
Franklin Creek NO ANGLING	No	Trout		Plum Valley	5				
Davis Creek NO ANGLING	No	Trout		Plum Valley					
Joseph Creek	No	Trout		Plum Valley	7				
Blick Creek	No	Trout		None					
Soldier Creek	No	Trout	1	Stough	5				
Mill Cr. (Lake Cty Canyon)	No	Trout							
	Warner M	lountain R	D - South o	f Hwy 299					
Thomas Creek	No	Trout		Cedar Pass					

Streams	Fish Planted	Type of Fish	Walking Distance in miles (No Auto Access)	Nearest Developed Campground	Approximate Miles From Campground
Cedar Creek	No	Trout		Stough	1
North Deep Creek	No	Trout		Stough	8
South Deep Creek	No	Trout	1	Stough	9
Parker Cr. Trailhead	No	Trout		Pepperdine	5
Cottonwood Creek	No	Trout	8	None	
Shields Creek	No	Trout		None	
Pine Creek	No	Trout		None	
No. Fork Fitzhugh Cr.	No	Trout	1	None	
Raider Creek	No	Trout	1	None	
Eagle Creek	No	Trout	2	None	
So. Fork Fitzhugh Cr.	No	Trout		Mill Creek	7
Poison Creek	No	Trout	4	Mill Creek	
Mill Creek	No	Trout		Mill Creek	12
Emerson Creek	No	Trout		Emerson	
No. Fork East Creek	No	Trout	4	Patterson	4
East Creek	No	Trout		Patterson	3
Silver Creek	No	Trout		Patterson	12
Parsnip Creek	No	Trout		Blue Lake	3

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