

EASTERN SIERRA



Much of US 395 is a narrow asphalt ribbon that separates the steep, eastern Sierra escarpment from the desert lands to the east. In only a few scattered places are there passes through the high mountains that allow roads to climb westward over the summit. Highway 120's Tioga Pass into Yosemite National Park, is one of those passes, and it's the highest Sierra pass at 9,945 feet above sea level.

There are several roads along US 395 that meander to the base of the mighty mountains where small lakes and streams with camping, fishing and hiking opportunities abound. For those seeking even higher elevations, Whitney Portal, located west of Lone Pine, offers access to the trail that leads to the heavens—or at least to the top of Mount Whitney, at 14,494 feet, the highest point in the lower 48 states.

-  1. Bridgeport Valley
-  2. Bodie State Historic Park
-  3. Mono Lake
-  4. June Lake Loop
-  5. Devil's Postpile National Monument & Rainbow Falls
-  6. Mammoth Lakes
-  7. Convict Lake
-  8. Laws Railroad Museum & Historical Site
-  9. Ancient Bristlecone Forest
-  10. Big Pine Palisades Glacier
-  11. Eastern California Museum (Independence)
-  12. Manzanar National Historic Site
-  13. Beverly & Jim Rogers Museum of Lone Pine Film History
-  14. Alabama Hills
-  15. Whitney Portal/Mt. Whitney