

Sand Harbor

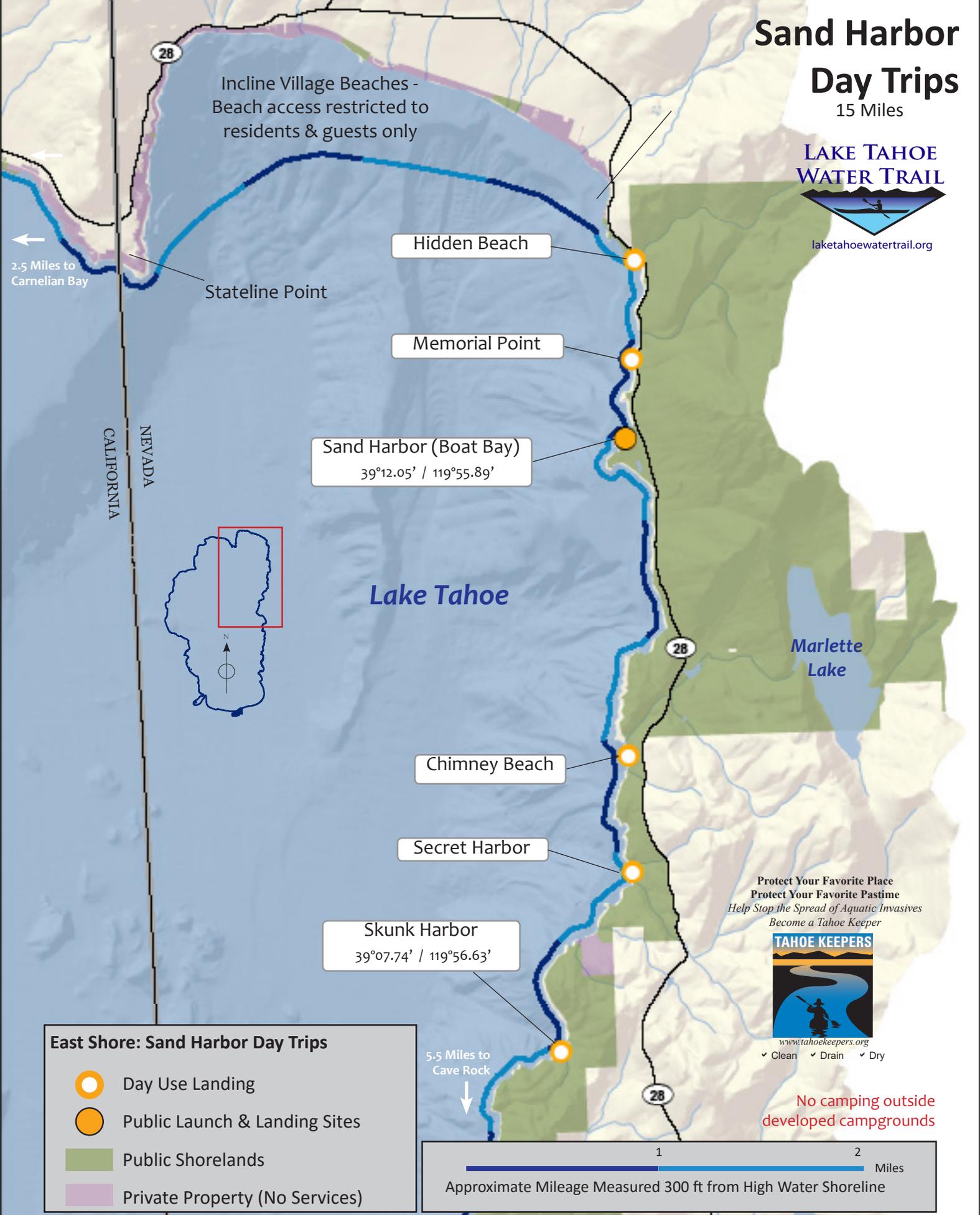
Day Trips

15 Miles

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East Shore: Sand Harbor Day Trips

- Day Use Landing
- Public Launch & Landing Sites
- Public Shorelands
- Private Property (No Services)

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No camping outside developed campgrounds

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From **Sand Harbor**, paddlers access the remote and rocky shoreline of Lake Tahoe. Most of Tahoe's East Shore in this area is publicly owned and small inlets offer just enough beach to land for a quiet picnic lunch. Your favorite iconic photograph of a kayak or paddleboard floating in the crystal clear water above a rocky lakebed was probably taken in this area. The only launch site shown on this map is at Sand Harbor and the parking lot fills up fast during the summer; plan to launch before 10 am so you can spend the day. Support facilities are limited in this area, so practice good trail etiquette for waste products and do not light any fires. No camping outside developed campgrounds.

General Public Access Sites	Launch / Landing Area	Amenities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hidden Beach Located at the outfall of Tunnel Creek, this small undeveloped NV State Park beach offers sand, sun, and great views down the length of Lake Tahoe. 	Landing ONLY	Undeveloped beach. Watch your step. Tahoe Yellow Cress in the area (see description below).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Memorial Point A rocky point with good landing conditions only during average to low water conditions. 	Landing ONLY	NV State Parks developed vista point at the top of the bluff includes restrooms, water, interpretive trail.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sand Harbor The paddle epicenter of Lake Tahoe Nevada State Park, Sand Harbor offers recreational, cultural and natural resource experiences on a wooded peninsula ringed with beautiful sandy beaches. No watercraft are allowed in Diver's Cove or along the western half of the main swimming beach. 	Yes	On-site parking year-round (fee area), kayak & SUP rental, motorized boat ramp, restrooms, group and individual picnic sites, interpretive trail, visitor center, restaurant, special events amphitheater, diving cove, swimming beach. Non-motorized watercraft can launch from the east and west ends of the swimming beach. Parking lots fill by early morning during summer. No parking along the highway. Please use East Shore Express.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chimney Beach US Forest Service beach, also accessible by foot trail from the highway, has a sunny southern exposure and view of the majestic West Shore. 	Landing ONLY	Seasonal restroom is located 1/2 mile north at highway parking lot.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secret Harbor A beautiful and remote harbor protected from afternoon winds with good undeveloped beach landing. 	Landing ONLY	Undeveloped beach. No facilities. Pack it in, pack it out - including dog waste & bags.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skunk Harbor US Forest Service beach located in picturesque cove. Newhall House, a 1923 summer cabin once owned by George Whitell, exists on site. 	Landing ONLY	Historic site with interpretation, but no developed facilities for paddlers. The Washoe Tribe owns the northern section of the harbor and host sacred ceremonies here. Please respect other usage.

> Afternoon summer winds from the south-southwest can create unpredictable and dangerous waves along the East Shore, creating a longer and more arduous paddle back to your vehicle during windy conditions.

> The lake in this remote area is a long way from roadway access and offers very limited opportunities to get off the lake in adverse conditions. Be sure to bring food/water with you and watch the weather.

> Tahoe Yellow Cress (TYC), a small plant that is a member of the mustard family, exists on isolated beaches in this area. TYC is an endemic plant found on sandy beaches at Lake Tahoe and nowhere else in the world. It is easy to miss, so make it a practice to avoid walking or pulling your boat over any shoreline vegetation.

> Much of the North and East Tahoe shoreline is developed with impressive lakefront residential homes; these frontages are private property. In Nevada, the private shoreline contains no public access easement and landing on these beaches is considered trespass unless permission is obtained from the owner. Homeowner association beaches and those in Incline Village look as though they are public beaches, but no general public launching or landing is allowed. *Please land at the public beaches shown on this map.*

> Thunderbird Lodge is a nationally registered Historic Site operated by the non-profit Thunderbird Lodge Preservation Society. Due to security concerns for the historic structures, site access is limited and the small beach, pier and boat house are not open to general public landing. Visit their website for tour days and paddle access program at ThunderBirdTahoe.org