

# Los Angeles to Mammoth Lakes Tour



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# Tips

1. Be careful with your speed when approaching the towns. The speed limit drops dramatically and you are in danger of getting a ticket if you don't comply.
2. Sometimes you will be driving long distances between towns, so watch your gas gauge. Most of the small towns will have gas stations, but the prices tend to be very high. The best bet is to top off your tank in Mojave.
3. Don't expect to have cell phone coverage on all parts of the drive. Download anything that you want to have available at all times. For example, if you use Google Maps, get the route on your phone while you are in town. It will still be on your phone when you are out of service.

4. You are driving through a desert. You should always carry extra water in your car.
  
5. Mammoth Lakes is 7,800 feet high--and the top of Mammoth Mountain is over 11,000 feet. Many people experience minor effects of altitude sickness, including dizziness, nausea, fatigue, headache, and insomnia. To counteract the effect, you should eat lightly and drink plenty of liquids. Also avoid drinking alcohol during the first 24 hours of your visit.

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