

# Food and Dining – Death Valley

**Dining & General Stores** in Death Valley are concessions licensed by the National Park Service – there is no competition and prices are high at “resort” levels.

**Bottled water, snacks & happy hour beverages** – Consider bringing your own from home. This is being frugal and wise. Also, you will always need to carry extra water and snacks in your car.

**Happy Hour will be nightly** ~ 8 P.M. at the Ranch. Outdoors at a fire pit near the entrance or in the “Square”. Location may change if we get too rowdy. Call to find everyone. This is an “option” event; if no one shows up, we are out taking great photos or a nap.

**General Stores** are available at Furnace Creek and Stovepipe Wells. These are well stocked and have snacks, water, beverages, packaged sandwiches, gifts, ice, etc. There are also stores & restaurants in Beatty ~ 25 miles from Furnace Creek Ranch.

**Dining** is limited but there is a reasonable variety for this wilderness area. The Furnace Creek area is the “hub”, **the Ranch** is like a western town with many rooms, RV campgrounds, stores, a gas station and places to eat and gather. It’s a fun place.

We don’t have any large group meals planned as reservations and service are usually poor for groups. Just group up in parties of 4 or 5 people.

**Inn at Furnace Creek Dining Room** is upscale and a worth-while experience. Great views if you get a window seat. Has a good veranda outside for “long views”.

**The 19<sup>th</sup> Hole at the Golf Course** has typical Bar & Grill fare with sandwiches, salads, dogs and light snacks. Good reviews for excellent hamburgers.

**Wrangler Buffet & Steakhouse at the Furnace Creek Ranch.** A very good buffet for breakfast and lunch. In the evening, it converts to a Steakhouse plus a soup and salad bar.

**Forty Niner Café at the Furnace Creek Ranch.** Features “American” western fare (comfort food) for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Can get sandwiches “to go” so you can eat on the run while out finding the perfect photo location and time. Very good reviews.

**Corkscrew Saloon at the Furnace Creek Ranch.** Typical saloon fare including snacks, brews and booze. Casual and comfortable. Can be noisy/lively with a jukebox.

**Stovepipe Wells** has the **Toll Road Restaurant** featuring western fare with a buffet for breakfast (\$12) and dinner. No lunch service. The **Badwater Saloon** offers light lunch and snacks plus the typical western booze. There is gift shop in the Hotel Lobby area. Across the street is **the General Store** which is well stocked plus many good souvenirs and gifts at ok prices. Behind this is a gigantic RV/Campground.

**Panamint Springs** near DV’s west entrance. Avoid at all costs unless your car is out of gas or you are desperate. Fuel up in Bishop or Lone Pine before you get this far.