A Guide To The Ghost Towns And Mining Camps Of Nye County, Nevada

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At Calico Ghost Town—a California historical landmark—you can explore Maggie Mine, the only formerly used mine in the area that's safe for guests to see. You can also take a ride on Calico Odessa Railroad to see all of the sights. If you’re really feeling daring, you can even participate in one of the spooky ghost tours! Plan your trip. 2 Rhyolite, Nevada. One mile down the road on Alder Gulch is Nevada City, another town that boomed and busted thanks to the Gold Rush. Ride a train between the two cities where you can witness early settlers struggle to survive and actual historic events through living history shows (the hanging of Red Yeager, anyone?). The reality of life in a Gold Rush town is likely to leave you shaking in your (cowboy) boots. Plan your trip. Nevada is home to over 600 ghost towns and mining camps. Many of these towns have well-preserved buildings, and some of the towns only have concrete slabs as a reminder of Nevada’s early mining days. Most of the ghost towns in Nevada are completely abandoned and some are classified as “living ghost towns” because they still have inhabitants. Ghost towns, especially those that are completely abandoned, can be a bit creepy. Let’s take a look at 12 ghost towns in Nevada. 1. Rhyolite - Nye County, NV. Rhyolite was founded in early 1905, and in 1911, the mine was closed because it was operating at a loss. Rhyolite soon became a tourist attraction, and is home to Tom Kelly's Bottle House and Goldwell Open Air Museum.