

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE FLAMING GORGE NRA, UTAH & WYOMING

LOCATION: Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area is located on the border in northeastern Utah and southwestern Wyoming. The NRA covers some 324 square miles of river gorge and surrounding mountains, more or less equally divided between the two states. Most of the facilities, however, and the most dramatic scenery is in the southern Utah section. The NRA surrounds Flaming Gorge Reservoir, which stretches some 91 miles north almost to the town of Green River, Wyoming. The lake elevation is around 6,040 feet above sea level, with the mountains rising several thousand feet higher. Activities include boating, fishing for trophy trout, camping, hiking, and mild whitewater rafting through the gorge below the dam. There are two visitor's centers in the Area, one at the dam and another (the Red Canyon Visitor Center) off of UT-44 near Manila. A third visitor's center is located in the town of Green River, Wyoming.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:36	10:37	11:55	13:17	14:27	15:04	14:49	13:49	12:31	11:10	9:58	9:18
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:28	6:32	7:51	8:49	9:52	11:28	11:32	10:38	9:29	7:41	5:45	5:02
AREA OF BLUE SKY	39%	39%	39%	40%	47%	55%	60%	61%	61%	55%	44%	41%
LOW FOR MONTH	-10 °	-5 °	1 °	15 °	26 °	32 °	43 °	39 °	27 °	20 °	6 °	-8 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	11 °	14 °	21 °	29 °	37 °	45 °	52 °	50 °	41 °	31 °	21 °	13 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	35 °	39 °	46 °	56 °	67 °	78 °	85 °	83 °	74 °	62 °	46 °	37 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	48 °	53 °	60 °	70 °	79 °	90 °	92 °	91 °	83 °	74 °	57 °	50 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	97%	97%	92%	70%	26%	3%	0%	0%	15%	55%	88%	95%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	22%	11%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	64%	56%	46%	38%	35%	28%	25%	25%	30%	40%	56%	64%
DRY DAYS	87%	86%	83%	79%	78%	78%	77%	79%	82%	86%	87%	87%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	95%	95%	92%	88%	87%	90%	89%	90%	92%	92%	92%	95%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.06	0.09	0.13	0.21	0.23	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.11	0.07
LIKELY SNOWFALL	7.0"	6.4"	9.1"	5.8"	1.7"	0.1"	0.0"	0.0"	0.4"	3.6"	6.1"	6.2"
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	13%	14%	17%	10%	3%	0%	0%	0%	1%	5%	12%	13%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	0%	1%	2%	5%	14%	18%	24%	23%	12%	4%	1%	1%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	7%	5%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	6%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 67% of the daylight hours of the year. This might range from a low of 54% in December, to a high of 78% in July. The lowest temperature of the year should be close to -12 on some calm and clear winter sunrise, and the highest should be near 94 on some sunny and windless summer afternoon. Sensible temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be up to 4° cooler than actual ones during the warmer months. From late November through the end of February, about one day in three will remain below freezing all day long, and one night in six will drop below zero. Snowfall is extremely variable from place to place and from year to year. June through September brings the area its nicest weather.