

---FUN DESTINATIONS---

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For some mood music while you read this "Fly me to the moon..."

Submitted by Matt DeBergalis on 5/24/15

0Q5 Shelter Cove

Shelter Cove might by my single favorite place to fly. I've been many times: in 56K, 1GG, 61X, and these days in N858JM, my 1966 Beechcraft Baron. It's one of the most scenic approaches in all California. The runway sits on a little spit of land and runs right through the center of town and its 9 hole golf course.

The best way to do a day trip: get fish and chips for lunch at the deli near the approach end of 30 and then walk down to the tidal pools down below the lighthouse. Time your visit for low tide. If you like backpacking there's an even better option. Shelter Cove is the southern end of Humboldt County's 25 mile long Lost Coast trail that stretches up to the Mattole River. Park in the transient parking at the north end of the field, strap on your packs, and start walking. You'll be on the black sand beach in 30 minutes, and from there you can go for days. On this trip, four of us took a long weekend in 1GG. After arriving Friday we set up camp at Buck Creek (about 5 miles up the beach), where we spent the weekend watching whales and otters, throwing rocks, and sitting around a campfire. We were back home in SF for dinner on Sunday.

0Q5 is an easy 150NM following 101, or just a bit longer if you fly over the Golden Gate and then up the coast. There is no fuel or services. Check the online webcams before you go since it can often fog in and there are no instrument approaches.





Submitted by Ron Lem on 5/26/15

Grand Canyon Trip

Here is a short briefing on our trip to the Grand Canyon:

My daughter Mary and I flew 111GG to the Grand canyon over Memorial day weekend. While there, we spent our time hiking and exploring with Sara and Harvard Holmes. We enjoyed the El Tovar restaurant, Bright Angel Cafe and the "Deli". During the trip, we landed 111GG at Fox Field Lancaster, Grand Canyon Airport, Boulder City Airport, Mammoth Airport and of course back at Bucannon Field (a nasty crosswind landing on 19L with gusting winds from 240 degrees!). Total airtime-11.3 hours, average fuel burn-15 gph, oil used-0. We enjoyed the trip and are working on planning more trips in late summer or early fall!

Between Bishop and Mammoth Lakes:



Hoover Dam:



West end of the Grand Canyon:

