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<u>Tenaja Mesa Ranch</u>

Catron County, New Mexico

Various size ranches at \$1,050 per acre

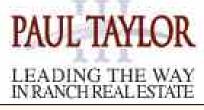


Wide variety of terrain offers diversity at Tenaja Mesa Ranch

Located in the rugged ranch country of Western New Mexico, Tenaja Mesa Ranch is a secluded hideaway offering a variety of terrain ranging from wideopen prairie, spectacular plateaus and rugged mesas. Rich foilage includes pinon trees, small evergreens and towering pines.

Upon entering the ranch, long, winding roads lead the way up and down the hilly countryside. Huge blue skies extend endlessly across the wide horizon. At night, the stars sparkle and flicker, tiny lamps illuminating the jet black sky. This is the Tenaja Mesa Ranch. It is here where you can imagine the Old West as it once was, untouched and unexplored, a southwestern haven perfect for a homesite, or just a place to escape the pressures of everyday life. Hunt, explore, relax.

Welcome to Tenaja Mesa Ranch.



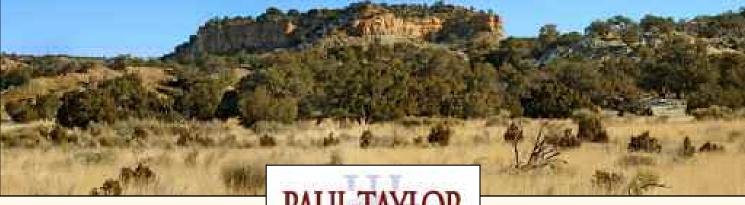
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Frozen winter lakes create a shimmering foreground for ranch plateaus...



...while wide open valley's and rolling hills pepper the landscape on the opposite end of the ranch.

Numerous mesas and plateaus across the ranch create an impressive horizon.





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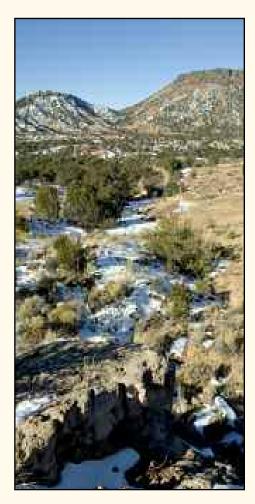
estled across the northern border of Catron County along Hwy. 60, the cozy ranching town of Quemado and its 250 residents enjoy an uncomplicated life. In an area where the elk outnumber the people, hunting, fishing, hiking and camping abound.

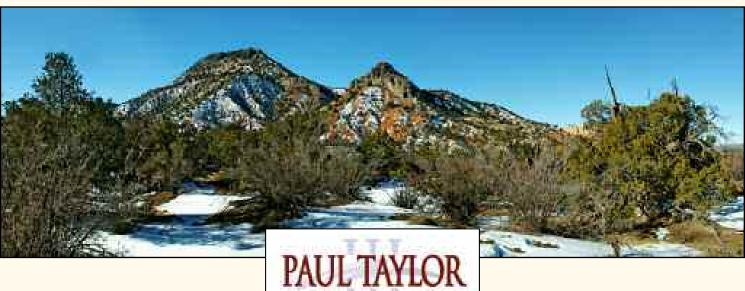
Ranching is still the primary occupation in this region of New Mexico, but real estate development is gaining momentum as the rugged beauty of this country is slowly being

discovered. Quemado was founded as a farming and ranching settlement.

Early pioneers to the region discovered a little river on which the banks had been burned, and they named it "Rito Quemado," which means "burned land" in Spanish. The settlement that grew around that area adopted the name.

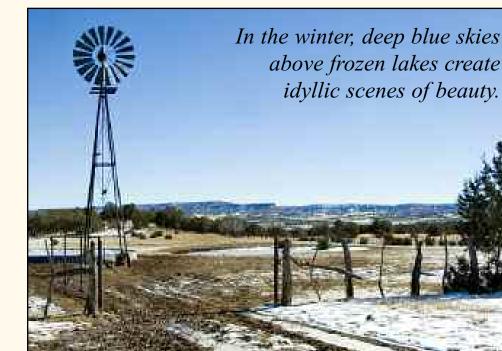
Fourteen miles south of the town is Quemado Lake. If provides wonderful camping, hiking and trout fishing opportunities. An unusual aspect of the area is a large-scale work of art by sculptor Walter De Maria. It is comprised of some 400 polished stainless steel rods of over 20 feet in height inserted into a grid that measures one mile by one kilometer. Known as the "Lightning Field," arrangements can be made to spend the night inside the sculpture area. It is said that the "Lightning Field" puts on quite a show at night.

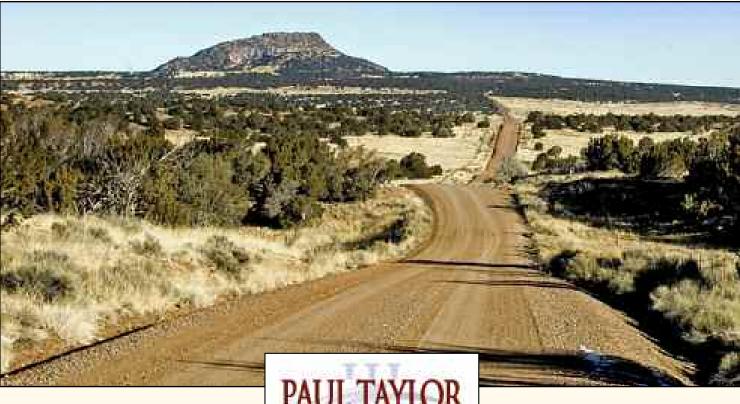






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ecluded and remote, Tenaja Mesa Ranch offers solitude, privacy and peacefulness. Known for its stark beauty, the Western region of New Mexico offers a deep history and a rugged charm unique to the area.

About an hour east of Quemado lies Pie Town. Originally called Norman's



Place, it was changed to Pie Town because the town's gas station owner began selling pies to passing automobile travelers on U.S. Hwy 60 in the 1920s. Every September Pie Town holds its annual "Pie Festival," a community event featuring pie-eating contests, a western style BBQ, a bean dinner, music, local artisans and more. A book by Joan Myers entitled *Pie Town Woman* provides a deeper look into the city's history during troubled times.

Winding roads across rugged terrain allow for exploration of Tenaja Mesa Ranch whether by vehicle, horseback or foot.











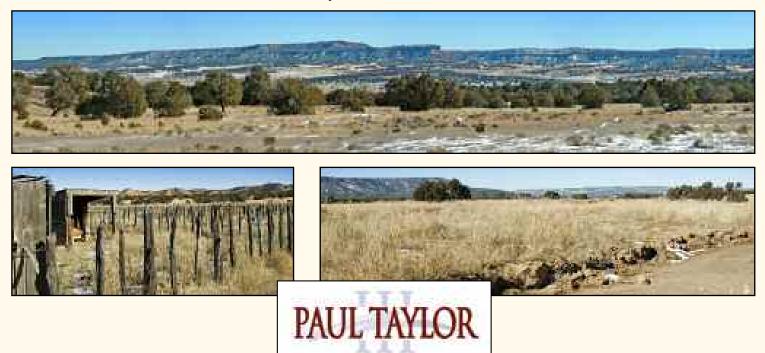
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This view of the Tenaja Mesa Ranch shows the western border of the property.



EL MAL PAIS NATIONAL MONUMENT

This spectacular lava bed is located only 30 miles or so north of Quemado. These volcanoes have long been dormant, some for more than 800 years. The lava flow covers an area 35 by 60 miles. Admission to this natural wonder is free, and the road lead-ing into the monument twists some 30 miles into the dark lava flow. Several cinder cones and craters can be found in this region. Caves here are sometimes filled by ice all year long. Hikes can be taken along the rim of an 800-foot extinct volcano. There is also an ice-cave museum. This is one of New Mexico's exquisite natural wonders.



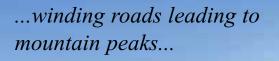
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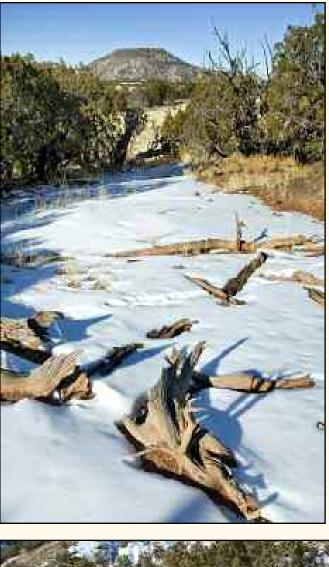


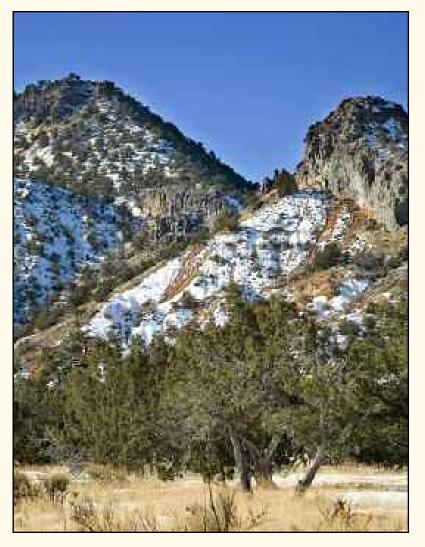
...and rugged mountain terrain are all definitive of the Tenaja Mesa Ranch.





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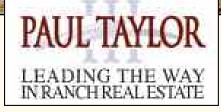
The VLA and the Movie Industry

The VLA is the setting of the beginning of Arthur C. Clarke's novel/film 2010: Odyssey Two. It was also featured prominently in Carl Sagan's science documentary Cosmos and 1985 novel/film Contact, albeit expanded to 131 dishes and renamed the "Argus Array." When the time came for Hollywood to make the motion picture version (Contact, 1997), much of the outdoor footage was shot at the VLA site. In the 1996 film Independence Day the alien invaders were initially detected by SETI at the VLA.

ast of Quemado on Hwy 60, NASA's Very Large Array (or VLA) forms an impressive line of 27 independent radio antennae, each weighing in at 230 tons.

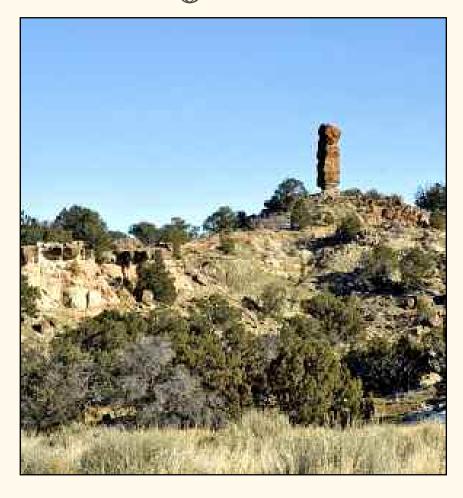
It is here that scientists listen to the stars and make radio maps of the heavens.

The VLA was commissioned in 1972. Guided tours are available.



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Unique rock formations, unusual configurations of a remarkable terrain and peculiar topography make the Tenaja Mesa Ranch one of a kind.

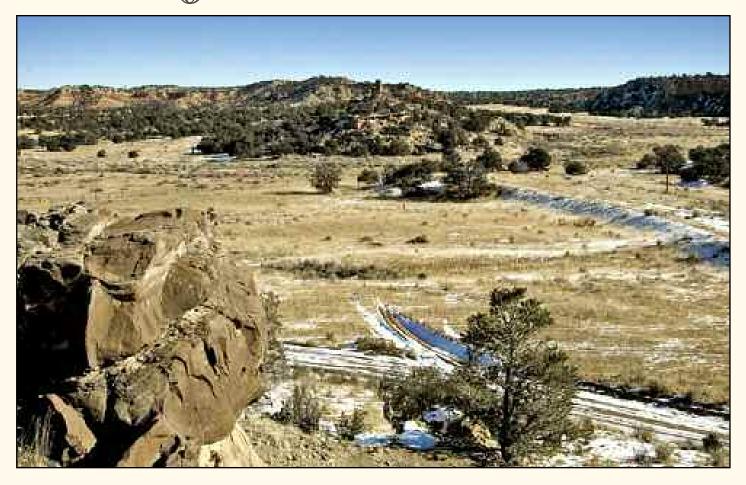






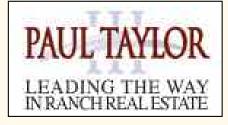


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The Tenaja Mesa Ranch is perfect for a secluded homesite situated in the heart of New Mexico's rugged western ranchland. Don't delay! Lots are available in a variety of sizes and configurations.



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New Mexico's largest lake adds recreational flavor to Tenaja Mesa Ranch

Restled on the shores of New Mexico's largest lake the City of Elephant Butte was named for the resemblance of an extinct volcanic cinder cone, located right behind the dam. The lake is only 193 miles from Quemado.

The New City of Elephant Butte offers the traveler great motels, restaurants, churches, service stations, bait shops, banks, auto/boat sales, repair shops, and more. Located along the Geronimo Byway, the City is a hub for day trips to local historical sites and the Gila National Forest.

This clean and quiet community is a great place to get away from it all for a day or a lifetime. The climate is ideal for year-round outdoor activities and special events.

Fishing is one of the most popular sports at the lake. Elephant Butte is known for black, white and striped bass, channel catfish, crappie, bluegill and walleye.

Camping is available through the State Park Reservation Service, which offers 200 camping and picnicking areas, 100 fully developed RV stations, and areas for large groups.

Bird Watching is abundant at Elephant Butte Lake. Considered to be one of the best birding areas in the state of New Mexico, Elephant Butte has a diverse bird habitat with rare species such as the American Bald Eagle.

Boat rentals, repairs and sales are available in the City of Elephant Butte. Additional rentals and launch sites for boats are at the marinas. Watersports include waterskiing, windsurfing, sailing, jetskiing, rafting and more.

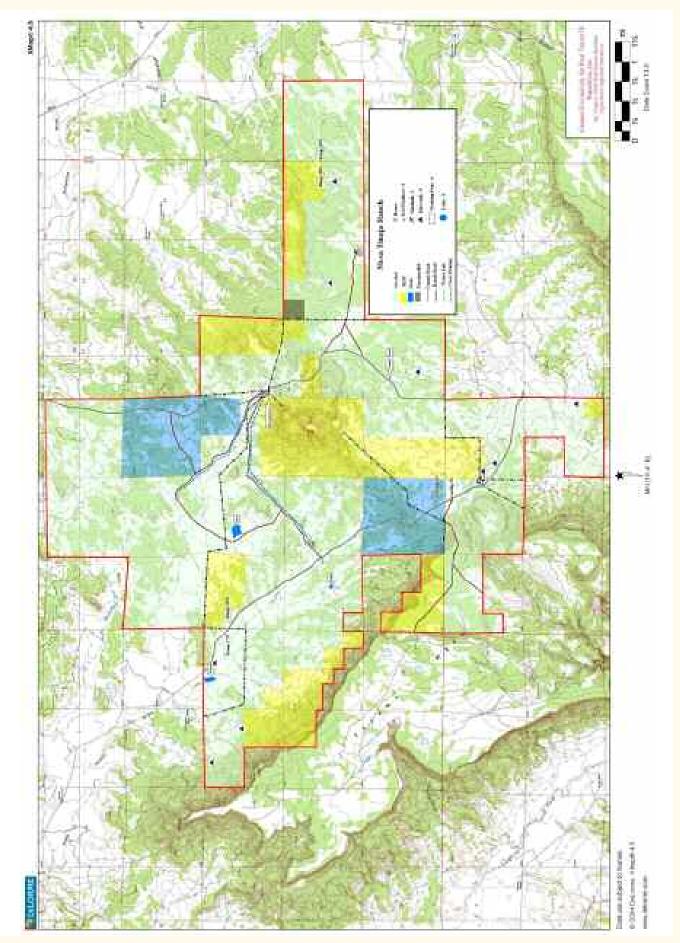
The City of Elephant Butte offers several conference facilities available for conventions, retreats, banquets, weddings and reunions.

Sierra del Rio Golf Course Scheduled to open in early summer, 2007

Snuggled just six miles from the base of Turtleback Mountain and sprawling throughout the wide open landscapes of the high desert, Sierra del Rio honors the majestic spirit of the wild southwest. **Located in Elephant Butte**, **NM** within the 1000 plus acres of Turtleback Mountain Resort, Sierra Del Rio Golf Course, is an 18-hole championship daily fee facility with full amenity clubhouse. Unique. Natural. Unforgettable. *See www.sierradelrio.com*







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Distance from Quemado to:

Albuquerque	.198 miles
Santa Fe	.259 miles
Las Cruces	.269 miles
Silver City	.141 miles
Gallup	.141 miles

Socorro	121 miles
Springerville, Arizona	32 miles
Tuscon, Arizona	
Phoenix, Arizona	
Flagstaff, Arizona	

