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Nuggets of News and Knowledge

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Whether you are new to gold prospecting or an experienced old-timer, whether you have just started swinging a metal detector or have been digging targets for years, get the most out of treasure hunting with these nuggets of news and knowledge— tips, ideas, new products and more!



Tips for Summer Beach Mining



Ocean beaches can be compared to the Mother Lode. Why? Because you can find GOLD on many by mining with a highbanker, and by searching with a metal detector. How lucky is that?! TWO ways to find gold at the same location! Think about it, who hasn't lost a ring or coins at the beach? Whether you prefer recovering gold by swinging a detector or shoveling into a high banker, your chances of both are higher by visiting a beach this summer that is located in a gold-bearing area. And a side benefit is that you're outdoors and can easily social distance! So if you're itching to get out of the house now that COVID-19 lockdowns are lifting, here are some tips for mining the beaches this summer in different ways. [Read blog post here...](#)

It's Metal Detecting Season!

Nugget of Knowledge

Cleaning Placer Gold

Sometimes placer gold comes out of the ground or a stream with dirt and/or a thin coating of mercury or other impurity, so it is necessary to clean your gold to bring out its natural luster and shine. The best way to clean gold is to place it in a small water-tight container about half full of water and add a bit of dishwashing liquid. Shake the container vigorously. How quickly you'll see a glittery shine often depends on how much gold is in the container. The more gold you clean at one time, the faster it shines up because of the friction caused by shaking. After you see your gold gleam, be sure to rinse with clean water. Do this several times to remove all traces of soap. Next, dry your gold outdoors in a metal pan over an open fire or on a gas stove. Heat

What is the best metal detector?

This is probably the #1 question that everyone asks. Unfortunately, there is no one single answer. Each metal detectorist has specific needs that cannot be met by one single detector. The easiest way to find the "best" detector is to evaluate YOUR detecting style, your experience level, what items you hope to find, and the time that you will spend metal detecting. After taking all of these things into consideration, then you will be able to find a metal detector that fits your needs and your budget. Metal detecting is one of the easiest, most profitable, and fun ways to find gold and other metallic treasures such as coins, jewelry, and relics. It's so easy to have your metal detector ready to go in its carry bag with extra coils, a digger, scoop, headphones, and spare batteries. Just grab and go! [Browse Garrett metal detectors here.](#) Find [Fisher metal detectors](#) here.



Made in the USA: Woodman's Pal Tool is Back!



Cuts like a machete, chops like an axe! Once you try it, you'll wonder how you ever did without the Woodman's Pal machete! This battle-tested tool has served in all the wars from WWII through Desert Storm and features a sharp, hard-cutting edge on one side, suitable for

chopping down brush, small trees, cane and any other type of growth. On the other side, you'll find a curved hook that's ideal for pulling and cutting vines, pruning limbs and cutting or hacking any type of overhanging brush. Whether you're blazing a trail, building a duck blind, clearing a shooting lane for hunting, or trimming trees, the Woodsman's Pal machete is an American-made hand tool that will last you a lifetime! Kit includes leather sheath, Lansky sharpening stone, and reprints of original 1941 owner's manuals. [Woodman's Pal specs and details found here.](#)

Your Choice: Hand Dredge or DIY Kit

slowly, then cool, and enjoy that beautiful golden glow!

Automatic Spiral Gold Panning Machines



If

you don't have the muscle power or time, let a spiral panning wheel help you separate the gold from your concentrates and black sand much more quickly and easily. Whether you choose the 12 inch Desert Fox, or the 18 or 24 inch Pro Camel, you can considerably increase your gold recovery effectiveness, especially flour gold, and save a lot of time. [Browse gold panning machines here.](#)

Be Safe During Snake Season!



Don't take a chance when in snake country—snake gaiters or boots offer protection and peace of mind. Protect yourself from snake bite, painful cacti needles, thorns, and other dangers while enjoying the great outdoors! [Find snake gaiters and boots here.](#)

Gold can hide down in the deepest part of a crack or crevice or behind a boulder and often is best reached with a hand dredge, also called a "sucker gun" or "suction gun." This gold prospecting tool is ideal for working below the water line when a motorized dredge cannot be used. Since it helps you get the gold out of some really tight spaces, a hand dredge is, well,

handy, when you're prospecting along a river. You can buy a full-size [X-Stream Hybrid Pro Hand Dredge](#), or if you are more of a do-it-yourselfer, get the [Hand Dredge KIT](#) instead and save over \$50!



Gold Rush Nugget Bucket



The Gold Rush Nugget Bucket is the only gold panning kit that concentrates gold dust first. In addition to catching larger gold nuggets and gold flakes, it offers a patented, all-in-one design that concentrates the smallest of flour gold into one small bowl, collecting up to 99% of the finest gold dust. [Learn more about Gold Rush Nugget Bucket here.](#)

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History Nugget: The American Flag



On June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress passed an act establishing an official flag for the new nation. The resolution stated: "Resolved, that the flag of the United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation." The history of our flag is as fascinating as that of America itself. DID YOU KNOW:

- The name Old Glory was given to a large, 10 x 17 foot flag by its owner, William Driver, a sea captain from Massachusetts. Inspiring the common nickname for all American flags, Driver's flag is said to have survived multiple attempts to deface it during the Civil War.
- Between 1777 and 1960 Congress passed several acts that changed the shape, design and arrangement of the flag and allowed stars and stripes to be added to reflect the admission of each new state.
- The colors of the flag are symbolic; red symbolizes hardiness and valor, white symbolizes purity and innocence, and blue represents vigilance, perseverance and justice.
- The first time the American flag was flown overseas on a foreign fort was in Libya, over Fort Derne, on the shores of Tripoli in 1805.
- In 1892, the flag inspired James B. Upham and Francis Bellamy to write

The Pledge of Allegiance.

- When the flag is raised or lowered as part of a ceremony, and as it passes by in parade or review, everyone, except those in uniform, should face the flag with the right hand over the heart.



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