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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!



Where to Look for Paystreaks



Places where gold naturally concentrate in an environment of streams and drainages are known as paystreaks. No matter if you are panning, sluicing, dry washing, or metal detecting, in many ways your success at gold prospecting comes down to locating these elusive natural pay streak concentrations. Keep in mind that most gold paystreak formations occur

during times of flooding and that many factors affect how gold gets deposited. Perhaps the biggest factor is that gold is dense and is more than 19 times heavier than water. The denser an object, the more easily it will resist the flow of moving water. That means it takes a very strong and fast moving water flow to move along a nugget the size of a pea.

When deciding where to start sampling, it's helpful if you think of a river or stream as a sluice box. Waterways obviously don't have aluminum riffles and matting, however, they do have natural gold traps that do the same thing that a sluice will do— allow gold to settle out of gravels and be caught while the bulk of the sands continue downstream. Heavy material such as gold doesn't get spread along evenly, it is most likely caught in certain areas. The

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Watch for Snakes This Season!

Depending on where you live, spring is in the air, either a little or a lot. What that mostly means is we're all getting out and about more to prospect for gold, metal detect, and just clean up around our property. Especially as restrictions from Covid-19 are lifted, we're hankering to get out and have fun. In general, springtime ushers in rain, warmer temperatures, and blooming flowers. You can add something else to that list: snakes.

Snakes love warmer days. As reptiles, their body temperature mirrors air temperature, so it's common to begin seeing many more snakes this time of year. And that means spring is also a good time to be extra vigilant about where you step and sit. Most rattlesnake bites occur when you accidentally step on or near a snake and startle it. That's easy to do when you're zoning out swinging a detector or hiking in tall grass toward your favorite gold-bearing river. When you are otherwise distracted by gold fever or a chore (stacking wood, cleaning out

downstream parts of inside bends in a stream are favorable places to look for pay streaks. Just how good depends on how sharp the bend in the stream actually is. Usually the sharper the bend, the better the pay streak. If a tributary is known to have coarse gold, look at the intersection of the tributary and the main channel. [Article continued here...](#)

Garrett Metal Detector Spring Specials

The advertisement is split into two main sections. The top section features a man in a black t-shirt and headphones kneeling in front of a red building. To his right, the text reads "SPRING SAVINGS!" in large yellow letters. Below that, it says "SAVE! \$134.90" in a white oval. Further right, the "AT PRO" logo is shown with "PN: 1140463" underneath. A small text box says "Purchase a new Garrett AT Pro and receive a discounted Pro-Pointer AT and Edge digger." Below this is an image of the AT Pro metal detector. The bottom section features a man in camouflage and headphones kneeling in a field. To his left, the text reads "ACE 400" in large yellow letters with "PN: 1141263" underneath. Below that, it says "SAVE! \$134.90" in a white oval. Further right, it says "Purchase a new Garrett ACE 400 and receive a discounted Pro-Pointer AT and Edge digger." Below this is an image of the ACE 400 metal detector. At the bottom of the ad, there is a "GARRETT METAL DETECTORS" logo, an image of a Garrett Edge Digger, a Garrett Pro-Pointer AT, and a small American flag with "MADE IN THE USA" text. A small disclaimer at the very bottom reads: "*Offer valid March 1 through May 31, 2021 at participating dealers only. Savings based on cost of accessories items purchased separately. Accessories items are subject to change."

Spring is in the air, and Garrett is making it a little easier on your wallet to get out there and start swinging a new metal detector! For a limited time, Garrett is offering two specially-priced packages. Each package includes a metal detector, headphones, an AT Pinpointer, and Garrett Edge Digger. You save \$134.90 on a package as compared to buying each component separately. Both packages have FREE SHIPPING, too! [Details on Garrett Spring Specials here.](#)

NEW! Vortex Dream Mat Captures Fine Gold

your shed, landscaping), you might not be thinking about where you're putting your hands and feet. [Article continued...](#)

Earthquake Saves Your Tired Back!



Save your poor tired back! No stooping, squatting, bending or bucket shaking required with the "Earthquake" vibrating bucket gold classifier! Built with a UV and water resistant coating, the sturdy Earthquake is extremely effective for screening both desert and river material, and has been tested using bucket style classifiers from 1/2 inch through 100 mesh screens. The Earthquake will classify a 5 gallon bucket of dry or wet material in 3 to 5 minutes— just add your own classifiers and a battery and you are ready to get the GOLD without a lot of muscle power! [Details and video of Earthquake Classifiers here.](#)

Gold Well Vortex Drop Riffle Sluice



No more carpets, matting, or miner's moss to clean up! Sluiceboxes haven't changed much in the last 100+ years... until now. The Gold Well Vortex Drop Riffle Sluice was



Over the years, you may have tried many different types of mats, carpets, riffles, and miners moss, but Dream Mat was inspired solely to help prospectors work less to get more gold! This new Vortex Dream Mat is the first sluice mat ever to be scientifically engineered and designed using advanced fluid dynamic principles and

physics. The mini Hydro-Cyclone inspired vortex cells classify, separate, capture and hold gold naturally. Dream Mat's vortex cells exploit nature's own forces in a patented system that's ideal for fine gold recovery. These mini cells are engineered to capture the tiny gold without needing huge amounts of water to maintain good exchange. This mini cell system is designed for classified feeds — 8 mesh is a good screen size, but you can screen lower if desired. Big gold can be caught easily in just about any system. Bigger gold is really heavy and Dream Mat captures and holds the bigger gold in its vortex holding cells, just like it does with fine gold. [Vortex Dream Mat available in a 6 x 24 inch sluice](#), or [get Vortex Dream Mat in a small power sluice kit](#) as shown.

FREE SHIPPING on Rock Crushers

Rocks are rocks, unless they contain valuable minerals, metals, or elements. When a rock has values in it, it's then called ore. In order to liberate the minerals, it needs to be crushed down. In days of yore, a stamp mill was the primary form of crushing rock, but in the modern world, there are faster and easier crushers. Each has its own pros and cons -- and price tags. Whether you're looking for a gas or electric powered rock crusher, or a manual version, [shop for rock crushers here](#).



History Nugget: Black Hills Gold Rush

designed to recover ultra fine gold that traditional sluice boxes just might be missing. Since the majority of the gold in the world is micro fine and ultrafine gold in the 30 micron (.0011 inch) range, you want a sluice that can collect that gold and keep it from running out the end. The Gold Well Vortex Drop Riffle Sluice works by creating a gentle, vertically oriented vortex. This vortex keeps material in the spiral shaped Wells in motion, causing light material to be flushed out easily and concentrating heavy material.

[Details and video about Gold Well Sluices here](#).

Sluice Setter Digital Pitch Gauge

The [Sluice Setter Digital Pitch Gauge](#)



is for gold miners who realize the importance of consistently getting the correct pitch on their sluice box. This varies based on the water volume, water speed, and amount and type of material you run. Once you figure out what pitch keeps all the gold but doesn't clog up the box, you'll want to check the pitch every time you reset.

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Nearly all of South Dakota's gold-bearing deposits are concentrated in one area—the 65 mile wide by 125 mile long Black Hills National Forest. In addition to gold, this scenic recreation area is filled with forests so thick they look black from a distance (hence the name), rugged rock formations, cool caves, rushing rivers, and an abundance of national memorials and parks. The wildlife is plentiful, too—thousands of free-roaming buffalo, spry pronghorns, shaggy bighorn sheep, and even shy prairie dogs. Besides the outdoor beauty, this region is best known for the Black Hills Gold Rush of 1876. [Article continued...](#)



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