

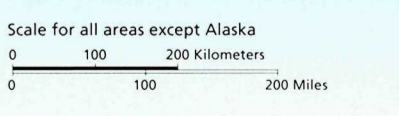
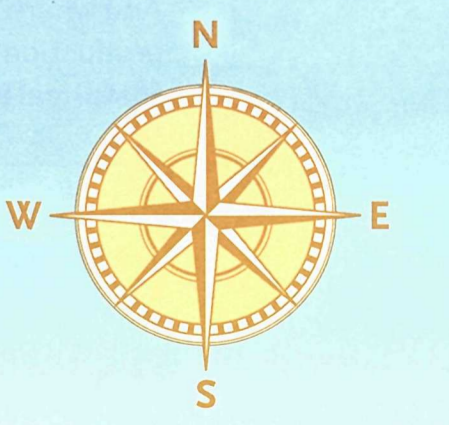
FIND YOUR PARK

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Use this map to keep track of parks you've visited—circle the names, mark with pushpins, or even use stickers.

Abbreviations for National Park System Areas

IHS	International Historic Site
NB	National Battlefield
NBP	National Battlefield Park
NBS	National Battlefield Site
NHP	National Historical Park
NHP & PRES	National Historical Park and Preserve
NH RES	National Historical Reserve
NHS	National Historic Site
NL	National Lakeshore
NM	National Monument
NM & PRES	National Monument and Preserve
NMP	National Military Park
N MEM	National Memorial
NP	National Park
NP & PRES	National Park and Preserve
N PRES	National Preserve
NR	National River
NRA	National Recreation Area
NRRR	National River and Recreation Area
N RES	National Reserve
NS	National Seashore
NSR	National Scenic River/Riverway
NST	National Scenic Trail
PKWY	Parkway
SRR	Scenic and Recreational River
WR	Wild River
WSR	Wild and Scenic River





The Power of Nature

Measuring 2,425 feet, Yosemite Falls is the tallest waterfall in North America and a popular destination in **Yosemite National Park**. If visitors are planning to see this dramatic water feature, it's best to visit during May or June, when most of the snowmelt occurs. By August, the falls are often only a trickle or completely dry.



National Parks Go To The Movies

Some of Hollywood's biggest hits use national park landscapes to create the perfect setting. Here are a few that might surprise you ...

Redwood National and State Parks has seen its share of strange creatures ...

from dinosaurs in *The Lost World: Jurassic Park*, to space aliens in *ET: The Extra Terrestrial*.

Death Valley National Park pops up in dozens of films, providing the perfect backdrop for everything from *Spartacus*, to *Star Wars: Episode I - A New Hope*.

Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid's stunning visuals came courtesy of **Zion National Park**'s wild landscape of sandstone cliffs, narrow canyons, arid grasslands, and pinyon forests.

What do *Monty Python and the Holy Grail*, *Maverick*, and *The Caine Mutiny* all have in common? They have scenes shot in **Yosemite National Park**.

And where can you see the world's first motion picture production studio? It's part of **Thomas Edison National Historical Park**.

Our national parks help identify our history, culture, and most magnificent natural landscapes. The National Park Foundation helps ensure these treasures continue to enrich our lives. That's why we support projects that help **protect** America's special places and **connect** people to the parks, inspiring the next generation of national park stewards. **This map shows examples of what the National Park Foundation protects across the nation with support from friends like you.**



They Can Be A Little Prickly

The Saguaro cactus is an iconic symbol of the American west and is protected in Arizona's **Saguaro National Park**. Reaching forty feet in height, it is the largest cactus in the United States.

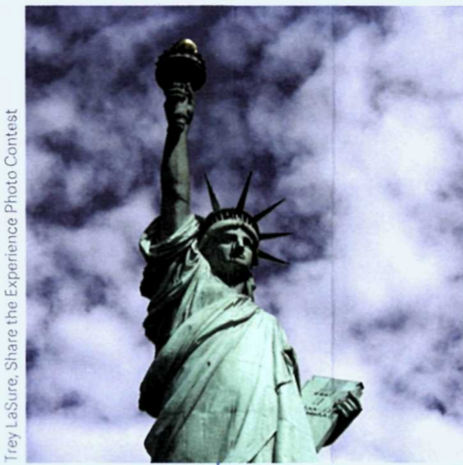
Saguaros can live up to 150-175 years, though it takes the cacti 50-70 years before their famous branches begin forming. The pleated folds inside the cacti help soak up large amounts of water, expanding like an accordion.



A Wild Adventure Begins

Soon after hatching from nests on **Padre Island National Seashore**'s beaches, tiny sea turtles use their little flippers to head toward the Gulf of Mexico. Five different species of these threatened or endangered sea turtles come to the park's beaches to nest

each year. In fact, Kemp's Ridley sea turtles nest here more than anywhere else in the United States. Visitors can help by alerting authorities immediately if they see unflagged sea turtle nests, turtle tracks or hatchlings, and by leaving nests undisturbed.



You Read That Correctly

Sometimes you just want to sit in a quiet place and reflect. Fortunately, our national parks have lots of interesting options to consider. If you're a book lover or history buff, check out the literary collections at these national parks:

The Stone Library at **Adams National Historical Park** houses an expansive collection of more than 12,000 volumes. The grand library's holdings reflect the literary tastes of four generations of Adams men and women, beginning with President John Adams in 1768.

A highlight for literati visiting **Frederick Douglass National Historic Site** is the abolitionist's warm, well-lit library at his estate, Cedar Hill. You won't be able to get close enough to inspect the titles, but the National Park Service does have online search lists of his vast collection.

Visiting the **Statue of Liberty National Monument**? The Bob Hope Memorial Library at Ellis Island Immigration Museum is open to the public and contains books, photographs, oral history interviews, and other research materials relating to the history of the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, immigration history, and the National Park Service.



Shipwrecked!

Shipwrecks captivate the imagination and offer an interesting "dive" into the country's past. Florida's **Biscayne National Park** hosts the Maritime Heritage Trail, the National Park Service's only underwater archaeological trail. It is also home to shipwrecks that

SCUBA divers and snorkelers can explore,* such as:

Arratoon Apcar, an iron-hulled steamer, met its demise in 1878 when the captain miscalculated his position while steaming to Havana.

Eri King, a three-masted auxiliary steamship, was en route to New Orleans from England when it ran aground and sank in 1891.

Alicia was laden with silks, silverware, and other fine household items at the time it sank in 1905.

Lugano was the largest vessel ever to wreck in the Florida Keys at the time of its grounding in 1913.

The steel-hulled schooner *Mandalay* was known as the "red carpet ship of the windjammer fleet" when it ran aground on New Year's Day of 1966.

* Some sites are best suited to exploration by SCUBA divers. Please plan appropriately.

DID YOU KNOW?

The National Park System has over **400 sites**

Over **300 MILLION** people visit national parks each year

More than **1,000 PLANTS AND ANIMALS** in national parks are considered rare or endangered

And, more than **27,000 HISTORIC STRUCTURES** and **76,000 ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES** are preserved across the nation

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THE MISSION OF THE NATIONAL PARK FOUNDATION

As the official nonprofit partner of the National Park Service, the National Park Foundation generates private support and builds strategic partnerships to protect and enhance America's national parks for present and future generations.

Chartered by Congress in 1967, the National Park Foundation is rooted in a legacy that began more than a century ago, when private citizens from all walks of life took action to establish and protect our national parks. Today, the National Park Foundation carries on that tradition as the only national charitable nonprofit whose mission is to directly support the National Park Service.

Your support of the National Park Foundation ensures that the evolving history and rich heritage of our nation remain vital and relevant.

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Using Every Dollar Wisely — The National Park Foundation is a Platinum Participant of GuideStar Exchange. This certification demonstrates the National Park Foundation's commitment to fiscal transparency and strong financial stewardship, using what you contribute to help preserve and protect national parks as places of enjoyment, education, and enrichment for all Americans.

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