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**GUIDE MAP
AND
MANUAL
YOSEMITE
NATIONAL PARK
CALIFORNIA
OPEN ALL THE YEAR
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**YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK BELONGS
TO YOU. HELP TAKE CARE OF IT.**

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WELCOME TO YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

In bidding you welcome the National Park Service asks you to remember that you are visiting a great playground that belongs in part to you, and that while you are at liberty to go anywhere in the park with perfect freedom, you owe it to yourself and to your fellow citizens not to do anything that will injure the trees, the wild animals or birds, or any of the natural features of the park.

The park was set apart from the public domain by Congress in 1890 but its boundary lines were changed in several important respects in 1905 and 1906. It was during the latter year that the Yosemite Valley and the Mariposa Grove of Big Trees were ceded by the State of California and became a part of the Yosemite National Park.

In creating the park Congress specified that it should forever remain inviolate for the benefit and enjoyment of the people. Thus we of the present generation are obliged legally and morally to so use and enjoy the park that it will remain forever in essentially its natural state.

Help, then, to protect Yosemite National Park and especially its things of beauty that are so often desecrated by the carved initial or other inscription.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Yosemite National Park is much larger in area and more beautiful than is generally known. Nearly all Americans who have not explored it consider it identical with the far-famed Yosemite Valley. The fact is that the valley is a very small part indeed of this glorious public pleasure ground which has an area of 1,176 square miles, or 752,640 acres.

Little need be said of the Yosemite Valley. After these many years of visitation and exploration it remains incomparable. It is often said that the Sierra contains "many Yosemites," but there is no other of its superabundance of sheer beauty. It has been so celebrated in book, magazine, and newspaper that the Three Brothers, El Capitan, Bridalveil Fall, Cathedral Spires, Mirror Lake, Glacier Point, and all the rest are old familiar friends to millions who have never seen them except in picture.