# Canyon Overlook

Canyon de Chelly National Monument National Park Service U.S. Department of the Interior





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#### What time is it?

- Daylight Savings Time is observed on the Navajo Reservation from April to October.
- The Navajo Reservation will be on the SAME TIME as New Mexico, Colorado and Utah, but ONE HOUR AHEAD from the rest of Arizona.

### Welcome to Canyon de Chelly National Monument

Millions of years of land uplifts and stream cutting created the colorful sheer cliff walls of Canyon de Chelly. Natural water sources and rich soil provided a variety of resources, including plants and animals that has sustained families for almost 4,000 years.

The Ancient Puebloans found the canyons an ideal location to plant crops and raise families. The first settlers built pit houses that were then replaced with more sophisticated homes as more families migrated into the area. More homes were built in alcoves to take advantage of the sunlight and natural protection. People thrived until the mid-1300's when the Puebloans left the canyons to move to better farmlands.

Descendants of the Puebloans, the Hopi migrated into the canyons to plant orchards of peaches. Although the Hopi permanently settled on the mesa tops, the Hopi still hold on to many of their traditions that are evident from their homes and kivas.

Related to the Athabaskan people of northern Canada, the Navajo or Dine', settled the Southwest between the four sacred mountains. The Dine' continue to raise families and plant crops just as the "ancient ones" had, The farms, livestock and hogans of the Dine' are visible from the canyon rims.

Canyon de Chelly National Monument was authorized in 1931 by President Herbert Hoover in large measure to preserve the important archeological resources that span nearly 5,000 years of human occupation. It encompasses approximately 84,000 acres of lands located entirely on the Navajo Nation with roughly 40 families residing within the park boundaries. The National Park Service and the Navajo Nation share resources and continue to work in partnership to manage this special place.

# Canyon de "Shay" or "Shelly"?

The Dine' call the canyon "Tseyi", which is pronounced "say-yee" and literally means 'in the rock.' When the Spanish explorers came into the area, the word 'Chegui' was found in their diaries and maps and was most likely spelled according to what was heard. As American settlers moved to the area, the Spanish name 'Chegui' was misspelled and mispronounced once again when they assumed the word was Spanish for canyon. Chegui consequently became Canyon de Chelly ("da shay"). The Dine' named the nearby town of Chinle for its location. Ch'inli', pronounced "Chin-lee", refers to the mouth of the canyon and literally means 'where the water flows out.' As with many towns across the reservation, Chinle began as a trading post in 1882 when Sam Day built the present day Thunderbird Lodge. Traders influenced missionaries, schools, and government agencies to set up nearby as the trading posts became a central meeting place for people. Chinle's first mission was established in 1904 and the first government school was built in 1910.

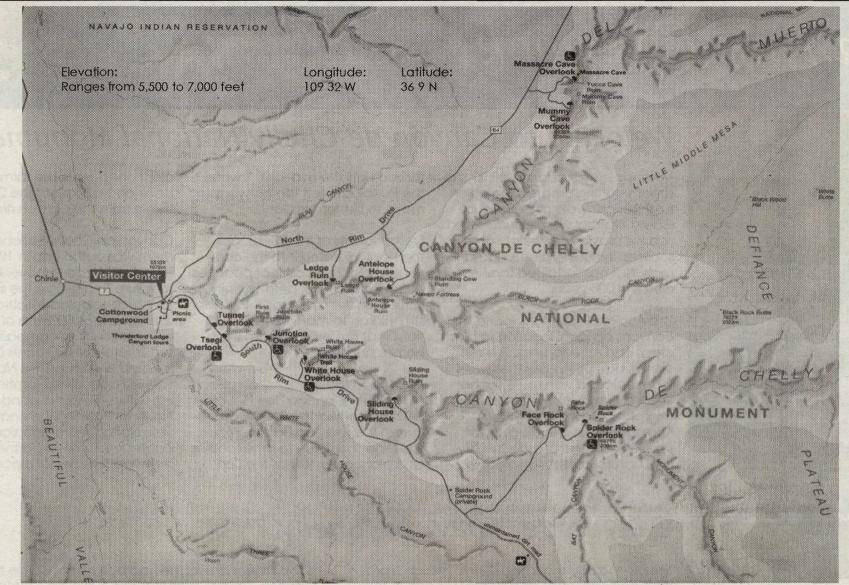
### Your Donation at Work

Unlike most National Parks and Monuments that collect entrance fees, Canyon de Chelly National Monument is one of few parks with no fees for entrance or camping. The park's enabling legislation established the park as a non-fee area mainly because Canyon de Chelly National Monument works in partnership with the Navajo Nation.

A small percentage of the fees collected in other parks are distributed to non-fee parks, such as this one. Most importantly, as a non-fee park, Canyon de Chelly National Monument relies on your generous donations to help the park with maintenance of facilities and improvements to visitor services. An example of your donation at work can be seen this year with the addition of a new comfort station to the public picnic area as to provide needed restroom facilities for visitors.

For your convenience, donation boxes are located inside the Visitor Center and at the entrance of Cottonwood Campground. We appreciate your support in the effort to provide better visitor services.

# Park Map



#### Please lock your car and secure valuables when your vehicle is unattended. Thefts from vehicles do occur at the Rim Drive Overlooks. Report any unusual or suspicious activity to a Park Ranger immediately.

Both Rim Drives and the White House Trail are open 24 hours and are accessible without a guide. All other access into the canyon requires hiring an authorized Navajo guide whether by hiking, on horseback or vehicle tours. Please be advised that guides are not to solicit from the overlooks. All authorized Navajo guides certified by the park are identified by an I.D. badge that must be worn and signed by the Superintendent.

Unauthorized guides and unguided visitors without an NPS permit obtained from the Visitor Center will be escorted out of the canyon and possibly cited. Unauthorized recreational vehicles (motorcycles, ATVs, mountain bikes) are prohibited from entering the canyon. There are no biking trails in the park. A Navajo Nation backcountry permit is required for camping, hiking, backpacking, and off-road driving on reservation lands that are outside park boundaries.

#### For Emergencies:

- Contact the Park Ranger at 674-5500 ext. 270 or after hours at 674-5523.
- Contact Navajo Nation Police at 674-2111 or 911.

# Traveling in the Canyon

Quicksand, deep dry sand, and flash floods make the canyons hazardous. At certain times of the year, the Superintendent may restrict travel when ice or high waters make the canyon impassable. Travel into the canyon is at your own risk. The National Park Service assumes no responsibility for vehicle damage, loss or towing within Canyon de Chelly National Monument.

For the safety of visitors, the protection of archeological sites, and privacy of canyon residents, travel into the canyon is permitted only with a Park Ranger or authorized Navajo guide. Canyon de Chelly is different than most parks because the Navajo people still reside within the canyon, while the National Park Service administers the area resources.

Mileage from Visitor Center to: White House Overlook Spider Rock Overlook Antelope House Overlook Mummy Cave Overlook

5.7 miles9.2 kilometer16.0 miles25.8 kilometer8.5 miles13.7 kilometer15.2 miles24.5 kilometer

# Park Regulations

Canyon de Chelly National Monument holds many important clues to the past that need to be protected and preserved for future generations. Please be respectful of the canyon's cultural and natural features when visiting. Help minimize the impact on the park's resources by following these simple rules:

- Use established paths or trail. Foot traffic is the most damaging impact on resources. Off-trail hiking is prohibited.
- Do not enter archeological sites. Most of the dwellings are not stabilized and can collapse; therefore, the sites are fenced.
- Do not sit, lean, walk or climb on boulders or rock walls. The rocks or walls may loosen and collapse under the pressure causing harm or irreparable damage.
- Do not touch natural features. Collecting rocks, plants or animals disturb the natural surroundings.
- Do not disturb artifacts, structures or rock art panels. Leave these valuable records untouched because they hold clues and may be irreparably damaged by hands.
- Leave no trace of your visit. Carry out and dispose of trash in trashcans. Do not write, draw or carve on rock walls. Defacing the canyon walls dishonor the value and quality of these special places.
- Do not attempt to feed or capture animals. A variety of wild and domestic animals that may charge or bite make their home in the canyon.

# On Your Own

#### **The Visitor Center**

The Visitor Center is a great place to plan your stay. The staff at the information center can assist with park information and answer questions you may have. The center features a museum that provides some insight into the native cultures that have lived here for generations. A 23-minute video, Canyon Voices, that details the cultural significance of the canyon is available for viewing. A non-profit bookstore offers a large selection of interpretive books. Information about guided services with authorized Navajo guides is available.

Open every day of the year, except Christmas Day, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for Winter and until 6:00 p.m. for Summer.

#### **Self Guided Activities**

The North and South Rim Drives and overlooks are accessible in your own vehicle and give you excellent views of the canyon below. The North Rim Drive on Route 64 is a paved thorough road to Route 12. The South Rim Drive on Route 7 is paved to the last overlook at Spider Rock. The White House Trail is accessible without a guide and is the only self-guided public trail leading down to the canyon floor. A motoring and trail guide are available for purchase at the bookstore.

#### North Rim Drive

15.2 miles from the Visitor Center to the last overlook. Four overlooks to view Canyon del Muerto. Allow two hours for this drive.

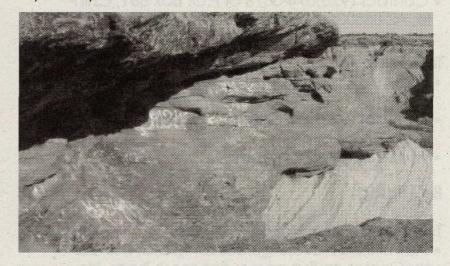
#### South Rim Drive

16 miles from the Visitor Center to the last overlook. Seven overlooks to view Canyon de Chelly. Allow two hours for this drive.

#### White House Trail

5.7 miles from the Visitor Center to the trailhead at White House Overlook. Switchback trail is 11/4 mile one-way with a 600 feet descent. Allow two hours to complete this moderately strenuous trail. Proper clothing, shoes, hat, sunscreen and 2 liters of drinking water are recommended. Pets are NOT allowed on this trail

Under Section 6 of ARPA (Archeological Resources Protection Act) the first significant criminal penalties can now be imposed for the vandalism, alteration, or destruction of historic and prehistoric sites on Federal and Indian lands, as well as for the sale, purchase, exchange, transport, or receipt of any archeological resource if that resource was excavated or removed from public lands or Indian lands or in violation of state or local law. The penalties include up to \$250,000 in fines and up to five years imprisonment.



#### Suggestions if you have:

1 hour

- Visit the first 3 overlooks on the South Rim OR
- Visit the first 2 overlooks on the North Rim.

2 hours

- Drive the South Rim and visit all 7 overlooks OR
- Drive the North Rim and visit all 4 overlooks OR
- Drive to the White House Overlook and hike down the White House Trail.

3-4 hours

- Visit all the overlooks on the South and North Rims OR
- Join a guided tour into the canyon by hiking, horseback or vehicle.

1/2 Day

- Visit all 7 overlooks on the South Rim PLUS hike the White House Trail OR
- Visit all 4 overlooks on the North Rim PLUS hike the White House Trail OR
- Join a guided tour into the canyon by hiking, horseback or vehicle.

#### 1 Day

- Visit all the overlooks on the South and North Rims PLUS hike the White House Trail OR
- Do a 1/2 day activity AND a 1/2 day guided tour OR
- Join an all-day guided tour.

#### 2 Days

- Visit all the overlooks on the both rims PLUS hike the White House Trail AND
- Join a 1/2 day OR all-day tour.

#### By Horseback

#### **Justin's Horse Rental**

- Located at the mouth of the canyon. Prior reservations are suggested.
- Contact (928)674-5678 or P.O. Box 881, Chinle, AZ 86503.

#### Totsonii Ranch

- Located 11/4 miles beyond the end of the pavement on the South Rim Drive.
- Contact (928)755-6209 or P.O. Box 434, Chinle, AZ 86503.
- www.totsoniiranch.com

#### **By Hiking**

#### **Tsegi Guide Association**

- Authorized Navajo guides for hire at the Visitor Center on first-come, first-serve basis. No reservations taken.
- 3-hour minimum, one guide for up to 15 people.
- Overnight camping available. Overnight permits must be obtained at the Visitor Center.
- Discuss details with guide upon arrival.
- Contact (928)674-5500.

#### **By Vehicle**

#### Canyon de Chelly Tours

- Private 4-wheel drive vehicle and Unimog available.
- Contact (928)674-5433 or P.O. Box 976, Chinle, AZ 86503.
- www.canyondechellytours.com

#### **De Chelly Tours**

- Private 4-wheel drive vehicle available.
- Contact (928)674-3772 or P.O. Box 2539, Chinle, AZ 86503.
- www.dechellytours.com

#### **Thunderbird Lodge Tours**

- All-day or half-day tours in 6-wheel drive vehicles available.
- Contact (928)674-5841, 800-679-2473 or P.O. Box 548, Chinle, AZ 86503.
- www.tbirdlodge.com

#### **Tsegi Guide Association**

- Tours in your 4-wheel drive vehicle.
- Authorized Navajo guides for hire at the Visitor Center.
- Available first-come, first-serve basis. No reservations taken.
- 3-hour minimum, one guide for up to 5 vehicles.
- Contact (928)674-5500.

#### **Tseyi Jeep Tours**

- Private 4-wheel drive vehicle available.
- Contact (928)674-3262 or P.O. Box 2880, Chinle, AZ 86503.
- www.tseyijeeptour.com

### Best Western

Lodging

#### Holiday Inn

- Located near the junction of Highway 191 and Route 7.
- Junction Restaurant open all year.
- Indoor heated pool and gift shop available.
- Contact (928)674-5875 or 800-327-0354.
- Fax: (928)674-3715.
- P.O. Box 295, Chinle, AZ 86503.
- www.canyondechelly.com
- Email: bwcdc@cybertrails.com

- Located 1/4 mile west of the Visitor Center on Route 7.
- Garcia's Restaurant; limited services in Winter.
- Outdoor heated pool and gift shop available.
- Contact (928)674-5000 or 800-HOLIDAY.
- Fax: (928)674-8264.
- P.O. Box 1889, Chinle, AZ 86503.
- www.holiday-inn.com
- Email: holidayinncdc@cyb ertrails.com

#### Thunderbird Lodge

#### Many Farms Inn

- Located 1/2 mile south of the Visitor Center on the South Rim.
- Thunderbird Lodge Cafeteria open all year.
- Gift shop and tours available.
- Contact (928)674-5841 or 800-679-2473.
- Fax: (928)674-5844.
- P.O. Box 548, Chinle, AZ 86503.
- www.tbirdlodge.com
- Email: tbirdlodge@cybertr ail.com

- Located in Many Farms, Arizona, 16 miles north of Chinle, near the junction of Highway 191 and Route 59.
- Dorm style accommodations with shared restroom.
- Operated by students.
- Prior reservations suggested. Leave message for callback.
- Contact (928)781-6362.
- Fax: (928)781-6355/
- P.O. Box 307, Many Farms, AZ 86538.

The National Pak Service does not endorse any commercial establishment listed. This is for information only.

# Area Services

#### **Auto Services**

- General services at Jumbo Automotives in Chinle. (928)674-5877.
- Tire services at 76 Station in Chinle. (928)674-3446.
- Towing services at Speedy Towing at Chinle. (928)674-5405. AAA

#### **Bank and ATM**

- Wells Fargo bank open weekdays only.
- ATMs located at Wells Fargo (928)674-3423, Chevron (928)674-3241 and Thunderbird Lodge (928)674-5841.

#### **Groceries and Snacks**

- Bashas' supermarket in Chinle. (928) 674-3464.
- Baldwin's Mini Mart in Chinle. (928)674-3383.
- Chevron in Chinle. (928)674-3241.
- Mustang; 2 locations in Chinle. (928) 674-8243.

#### Food

- A&W in Chinle. (928)674-5808.
- Burger King in Chinle. (928)674-3700.
- Church's Chicken in Chinle. (928)674-3450.
  Garcia's Restaurant at Holiday Inn. (928)674-
- 5000. • Junction Restaurant at Best Western. (928)674-8443.

- Pizza Edge in Chinle. (928)674-3366.
- Taco Bell in Chinle. (928)674-5376.
- Thunderbird Lodge Cafeteria in the park. (928)674-5841.

#### Gas

- 76 Station in Chinle. (928)674-3446.
- Chevron in Chinle. (928)674-3241.
- Mustang; 2 locations in Chinle. (928) 674-8243.
- Propane available at Ferrel Gas. (928) 674-3303.

#### Hospital

- Emergency services only at Chinle Indian Health Service. (928)674-7001.
- Non emergency services at Sage Memorial Hospital, Ganado, AZ. (928)755-3411.

#### Laundry

- Chinle Laundromat in Chinle. (928)674-5261.
- Mustang in Chinle. (928)674-8243.
- Silver Coin in Chinle. (928)674-5252.

#### Post Office

• USPS open Monday thru Saturday in Chinle. (928)674-5609. • Mail drop located in the Visitor Center.

#### Showers

• Public showers at Chinle Chapter House. Open weekdays only. Fee charged. (928)674-2052.

#### **Other Services**

- Cell phone services are limited on the Navajo Reservation.
- Internet services for guests at motels. No internet services at Visitor Center.
- Kennel services not available in Chinle.
- Libraries in surrounding towns including Gallup, NM; Farmington, NM; and Flagstaff, AZ. No public library in Chinle.
- Payphones at all motels and gas stations. No public phones at Visitor Center.
- RV Parks with full hookups unavailable in Chinle or in the park.



# Camping

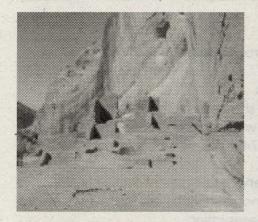
#### Cottonwood Campground

- Primitive campsites maintained by the National Park Service located 1/4 mile southwest of the Visitor Center.
- Non-fee area. Donation box located at campground entrance.
- Open all year on first-come, first-serve basis. No reservations required.
- Limited facilities in the Winter.
- 93 sites with restroom facilities. No shower or hookups available. Dumpstation with water on site.
- Groups of 15-50 people for tent camping only may make reservations for group campsites. Contact park at (928)674-5500.
- No ground fires permitted; wood for grilling cannot be collected within the park.
- Campground cannot accommodate RV's longer than 40 feet. 13 pullthroughs available.
- RV parks with full hookups located in Gallup, NM; Holbrook, AZ; Farmington, NM; Flagstaff, AZ

#### Spider Rock Campground

- Privately owned campground located about 12 miles on the South Rim Drive near the Spider Rock turnoff.
- Dry camping only. No hookups.
- Dumpstation privileges and water fill up available for guests.
- Nightly fee charged.
- Contact (928)674-8261 or 877-910-CAMP.

# Visiting Ancient Ruins at Canyon de Chelly National Monument



"Why can't we walk into the ruins at Canyon de Chelly, like we did at Mesa Verde?" This is a common question that we hear quite frequently here at Canyon de Chelly. If you've noticed, our heavily visited sites such as White House, Antelope House, and Mummy Cave have protective fences installed around them. This type of visitor experience is not a possibility here at Canyon de Chelly for several reasons.

Graffiti and vandalism are an ever increasing problem here on the Navajo Reservation and at Canyon de Chelly National Monument. Some archeological sites have been defaced by individuals who have carved their name or the date they visited the site on the pueblo wall or the alcove face. This can be seen most clearly on the white and yellow plastered wall of the upper portion of the ruin at White House Ruins, in Canyon de Chelly. Although most of the vandalism on the upper portion of White House occurred historically, it is happening elsewhere in the canyon today. Graffiti on ruin walls destroys cultural history, which is an irreplaceable resource. This, however, is not the deciding factor for restricting visitor access into sites.

There are several other factors that make entering sites here a different situation

than what visitors experience at other archeological and historical parks. Both Balcony House and Cliff Palace, located in Mesa Verde National Park, have been extensively stabilized, portions even rebuilt, beginning in the early 20th Century. Now in the 21st Century, stabilization of ruins is approached in a very different manner. Currently, the tendency is to complete minimal restoration work to stabilize only what is necessary to keep ruins from collapsing. This is because a lot of early restoration efforts, even worldwide-take the Palace of Knossos on the Greek Island of Crete for example-were restored incorrectly. The restorations can also prevent further archeological work from being completed at the site. In comparison to other parks, we have had very little stabilization work of any kind done on our ruins here at Canyon de Chelly. Of 756 officially recorded archeological sites, just a handful have had minor stabilization.



We do have stabilization issues which are cause for concern, such as rooms that are filled with archeological deposits

in differing levels. Archeologists and stabilization experts call this situation "differential fill." If a room contains a high volume of fill on the inside, and the outside level is less, the interior fill causes a lot of stress on the exterior walls. This pressure can result in the failure of those walls at any time. Much of the early stabilization and rebuilding work that was done here at Canyon de Chelly in the early 20th Century was part of the first efforts in stabilization of archeological ruins in the United States. Nothing was known about the methods and materials which should be used. These pioneering efforts utilized non-native materials such as Portland cement mortar to stabilize and rebuild walls. This cement is much heavier than the native mud, ash, and clay mortar that was used by the Ancestral Puebloan people. The cement does not yield in the cold or wet weather, and its heavier weight also puts pressure on the walls. Some very large cracks are developing in load bearing walls because of these earlier stabilizations. These cracks compromise the stability of the structures. Scientists realized through "trial and error" that these earlier stabilization efforts did not always work, and are constantly correcting the errors today. We need to protect the sites here at Canyon de Chelly, and the visitors that come to see them.

It is important to know that throughout the world, managers of heavily-visited archeological sites are imposing new restrictions on their access. In Egypt, until a few years ago, it was still possible to climb the pyramids at Giza. Now this is no longer allowed because of liability issues, damage that has occurred from people's feet, and the increase in graffiti. Nefertari's tomb in the Valley of the Kings is open to only 100 visitors per day, as moisture from breath and sweat are destroying the most beautifully painted tomb ever discovered in Egypt.

Canyon de Chelly does face the illegal entry of archeological sites, which can cause damage to fragile architecture and other features. Canyon de Chelly's more heavily visited sites are fenced because the surface assemblages of artifacts and visible architecture that are present can tell us a great deal about a site, even without excavation. The surface "features" at some sites are so fragile, that even the slightest disturbance can irreparably damage the archeological record. Vibration studies have been performed at Inscription House Ruin in Navajo National Monument. These studies have shown that even a group of four people walking around in the ruin can create enough vibration to compromise the stability of the site. Access is so restricted at Inscription House, that even most trained archeologists cannot enter it. The removal of artifacts from archeological sites is also a very big problem. Canyon de Chelly receives literally hundreds of artifacts in the mail every year from visitors that have taken a piece of pottery or a stone tool as a souvenir, and then later felt guilty, so they return the item. Most people do not remember where they actually found the artifact, and so the information that may be gleaned from the object is forever lost. We want to protect this surface artifact record, and keep adverse impacts to our sites to a minimum. Please do not enter archeological sites or take artifacts, no matter how tempting it may be.

The final and probably most important reason we do not allow entry to the sites has to do with cultural sensitivity. Sites such as White House are religiously important to both the Navajo and Hopi cultures. White House figures prominently in several origin stories and ceremonies of the Navajo, so it is viewed as a sacred place. To have groups of people walking throughout White House would be very insensitive to several cultures. Additionally, since Canyon de Chelly is an area that was almost continually occupied for over 4,000 years, numerous human remains, both Ancestral Puebloan and Navajo, are still present. There has been a great deal of re-use of older archeological sites by later peoples such as the Navajo. Almost every Puebloan site in the canyon contains a later, early historic Navajo component. Frequently, this component is a human burial. We restrict entry to a great majority of the sites in the canyon in respect of the Navajo custom of not disturbing the dead. Because we have a resident population here at the canyon, this is a very important consideration.

We hope that this clarifies the reasons why Canyon de Chelly cannot offer visitors the same type of "hands-on" experience that Mesa Verde does. We are pleased to say that we have recently finished some non-destructive laser mapping of lower White House Ruin which will create the most accurate, detailed, three-dimensional maps of each wall that have ever been produced. The technology that creates the maps is on the cutting edge of archeological documentation today, has no human error which is seen in hand-drawn maps, and the fieldwork can also be completed in less than half the time. The virtual three-dimensional model will be used to monitor minute changes in the condition of White House, and to create future management plans for the ruin and surrounding area. The possibility of creating a three-dimensional "walk through" of the sites with this data, which could be displayed on a computer at our Vistor Center, or even on our NPS website has already been discussed. We hope to receive funding to do this sort of work on our other ruins in Canyon de Chelly National Monument in the near future.

# For Your Information

#### Accessibility

The Visitor Center and several overlooks on the North and South Rim Drives are wheelchair accessible. The park map denotes accessibility to specific overlooks with the universal symbol. There is a designated site in loop 2 of the Cottonwood Campground. Restroom facilities at the Visitor Center and in the campground are also accessible for visitors with disabilities.

#### **Junior Ranger**

This special program is designed for young visitors who want to learn more about



the park, what makes this park special and why the park should be saved. Simply pick up a brochure at the Visitor Center, complete the activities and return it to a Park Ranger to earn a badge and certificate to become an

# Ranger Programs

Canyon de Chelly National Monument offers interpretive programs throughout the summer season usually from Memorial Day though Labor Day. Regularly scheduled programs include the following:

#### Campfire Program

60 minute presentation featuring cultural demonstrations or topics such as archeology, geology, traditions or history. Given at the amphitheater several nights a week.

#### Canyon Hike

3-4 hour hike into the canyon highlighting ancient Pueblo homes, pictographs and petroglyphs. Offered from the Visitor Center each week.

#### Hogan Talk

30 minute talk sharing general information about Navajo history and lifeways. Given in the hogan next to the Visitor Center several times a day.

#### Special Program or Activity

Announcements for special presentations will be posted at the Visitor Center. Please check at the Visitor Center or bulletin boards for updates and schedules. Activities may be cancelled or changed due to adverse weather, staff availability or unforeseen circumstances. official Junior Ranger at Canyon de Chelly National Monument. Ask at the Visitor Center for details.

#### Pets

Please be aware of the following when planning your visit. There are no kennel or boarding services in the park or surrounding area. For your safety, pets must be on a leash when at the overlooks, in the parking lot and in the campground. Pets are not allowed in the Visitor Center, on hiking trails or on guided tours. Service dogs only are allowed in the Visitor Center.

The Navajo Reservation has an overpopulation of stray dogs. If you encounter dogs within the park, please do not feed them. Feeding them will only exacerbate the problem.

### Trash

The beauty and wonder of Canyon de Chelly National Monument should inspire us to protect our natural and cultural heritage. This message may not seem true when you see the trash in the canyons and along the roadsides. The Navajo communities, local agencies and tribal government are working on solutions to the litter problem.

In the meantime, the park encourages visitors and residents to help us tackle the trash. You can help by disposing of litter in trashcans and carrying out your trash upon leaving the canyon. Remember cigarette butts should also be properly distinguished and disposed of because they have the potential to harm plants and animals or even cause a wildfire.

If you would like to volunteer to pick up trash in the park, please ask for trash bags at the Visitor Center. Be a part of the solution by keeping our planet clean and healthy for future generations to enjoy!



#### Photography

A great way to capture and share the memories of your visit is with pictures. The following are suggestions when taking pictures during your stay:

- As common courtesy, ask permission before taking photos of Navajo people, their homes or animals.
- With respect to sunlight, photos are best taken in the morning on the North Rim and in the afternoon on the South Rim.



# Other Areas of Interest

#### Arizona

- Hubbell Trading Post NHS
   928-755-3475
- Glen Canyon NRA 928-608-6200
- Grand Canyon National Park 928-638-7888
- Navajo National Monument 928-672-2700
- Petrified Forest National Park 928-524-6228

#### Colorado

 Mesa Verde National Park 970-529-4465

#### **New Mexico**

- Aztec Ruins National Monument
   505-334-6174
- Chaco Canyon National Historical Park
   505-786-7014
- El Malpais National Monument 505-783-4774
- El Morro National Monument 505-783-4226

#### Utah

- Arches National Park 435-719-2299
- Canyonlands National Park 435-719-2313
- Hovenweep National Monument 970-562-4282
- Natural Bridges National Monument
   435-692-1234
- Mavajo Tribal Park
   Monument Valley Tribal Park 435-727-5870

### Sunrise and Sunset

	Sunrise	Sunset		
Mountain Standard Time				
Jan 1	7:29	5:14		
Jan 15	7:28	5:27		
Feb 1	7:19	5:44		
Feb 15	7:06	5:59		
Mar 1	6:49	6:12		
Mar 15	6:29	6:25		
Apr 1	6:05	6:39		
Daylight Savings Time				
Apr 15	6:45	7:51		
May 1	6:25	8:05		
May 15	6:12	8:17		
Jun 1	6:02	8:29		
Jun 15	6:00	8:37		
Jul 1	6:04	8:40		
Jul 15	6:12	8:36		
Aug 1	6:25	8:24		
Aug 15	6:36	8:10		
Sep 1	6:49	7:47		
Sep 15	7:00	7:27		
Oct 1	7:13	7:03		
Oct 15	7:24	6:44		
Mountain Standard Time				
Nov 1	6:40	5:23		
Nov 15	6:54	5:11		
Dec 1	7:10	5:04		
Dec 15	7:21	5:05		

# Books and more ....

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