

# Sequoia and Kings Canyon

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## Summer Information

### Park Facilities and Services

#### PARK INFORMATION

Visitor centers open daily; located at Ash Mountain, Lodgepole, Grant Grove, Cedar Grove and Mineral King. For park information call (209) 565-3456 or 3341. The parks' newspaper, the Sequoia Bark, contains information on services and activities. For recorded message with current road and weather conditions, call (209) 565-3351. For back-packing information call (209) 565-3307 or (209) 565-3306 (recording).

#### PARK ENTRANCE FEES

Please refer to FEE INFORMATION sheet.

#### CAMPING

Approximately 1362 campsites available at various locations at elevations ranging from 2,100 to 7,500 feet. Camping limit 14 days from June 14 through September 14, and 30 days remainder of year. For further camping information and fees refer to CAMPING INFORMATION sheet.

#### TRAILERS

Permitted at Potwisha, Lodgepole, Dorst, Grant Grove and Cedar Grove Campgrounds. No trailer hook-ups. Travel trailer sanitary disposal stations located at each of above campgrounds.

#### INTERPRETIVE SERVICES

Schedules and locations of campfire programs, guided walks and other interpretive activities found in Sequoia Bark, the bi-weekly park newspaper. Visitor centers at Ash Mountain, Cedar Grove and Grant Grove open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, and at Mineral King and Lodgepole, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Crystal Cave open for guided tours May 15-September 28 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; May 15-June 18: Friday through Monday, tours on the hour. June 19-September 14: open daily, tours on the half hour. September 18-September 28: Friday through Monday, tours on the hour.

### Concession Facilities and Services

#### RESERVATIONS FOR LODGING

Call or write: Sequoia and Kings Canyon Guest Services, Reservations Department, P.O. Box 789, Three Rivers, CA 93271; or phone (209) 561-3314. Lodging available at Giant Forest, Stony Creek, Grant Grove and Cedar Grove.

#### MARKET & SOUVENIRS

Food supplies, drug sundries, camping equipment, fishing tackle, fishing licenses, ice, etc., can be purchased at Giant Forest, Lodgepole, Stony Creek, Grant Grove and Cedar Grove.

#### SERVICE STATIONS

Gasoline available at Lodgepole, Stony Creek, Grant Grove and Cedar Grove. Diesel fuel available at Lodgepole. Limited mechanical service at Lodgepole and Grant Grove only.

#### FOOD SERVICE

Variety of prepared meals at Giant Forest, Lodgepole, Stony Creek, Grant Grove and Cedar Grove.

#### PAY SHOWERS & LAUNDROMATS

Available at Lodgepole, Stony Creek, and Cedar Grove. Grant Grove has only pay showers--limited hours to public.

#### HORSEBACK RIDING

Day rides at Wolverton, Grant Grove, Cedar Grove and Mineral King. Also available in several locations adjacent to the parks.

#### PACK TRIPS

For more information contact: Wolverton Pack Station P.O. Box 641, Woodlake, CA 93286; Cedar Grove Pack Station, P.O. Box 295, Three Rivers, CA 93271; and Mineral King Pack Station, P.O. Box 61, Three Rivers, CA 93271.

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## Other Services

### MAIL SERVICE

Post Offices at Lodgepole, and at Grant Grove. Daily service except Sunday. Address mail to guest in care of General Delivery, Sequoia National Park, CA 93262 (Lodgepole); or Kings Canyon National Park, CA 93633 (Grant Grove).

### AIR, BUS, & TRAIN SERVICE

Major airlines serve Fresno. A commuter airline serves Visalia. Bus companies serve Fresno and Visalia. AMTRAK serves Fresno and Hanford. Rent-a-car service available in Fresno and Visalia.

### RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Catholic, Protestant, Latter-Day Saints and Seventh Day Adventists during the summer months, as listed in the Sequoia Bark.

### PRIVATE OPERATIONS

Two private communities within these parks are Wilsonia near Grant Grove in Kings Canyon and Silver City in the Mineral King area of Sequoia. Wilsonia has food, lodging, groceries. Silver City has cabins, food, gas, groceries and pay showers.

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## Other Information

### FISHING

California fishing license required for persons 16 years of age or older. Regulations generally same as for State of California--a yearlong season, except in Kern and Kings Rivers, where season runs from last Saturday in April through November 15. For special closures and restrictions, see park fishing regulations.

### FIREARMS AND HUNTING STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

### PETS

Pets permitted if kept on a leash no longer than six feet. Not allowed on park trails or in public buildings. Concessioner has a few rooms where pets permitted. Notify when making reservations.

### CLOTHING

During summer months, days are warm but nights cool, requiring warm wraps for mornings and evenings. Casual dress is appropriate and hiking shoes recommended.

### TRAIL CONDITIONS

Most trails below 10,000 feet normally open to hikers and stock about mid-summer. Snow and ice may delay use of trails above that elevation. After a normal winter, swollen streams usually hazardous to cross until end of July.

### WILDERNESS PERMITS

Permits required for all overnight trips into backcountry. Reservations for a pre-arranged, firmly committed trail entry date must be made by mail only. Limited number of entry permits available on day of departure on first-come, first-served basis. Any special regulations applicable to the area being used can be obtained at time permit issued, or from Park Headquarters at Ash Mountain. Limitations applied on numbers of people allowed on trails during summer. Schedule trips on days other than weekends to experience lighter crowds and to have a better chance of entering target area on day of choice.