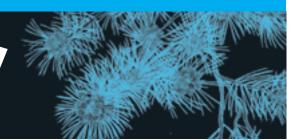
Yosemite Today



August 15 - 28, 2001

Yosemite Valley

Valley Visitor Center

Open daily 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village just west of the main post office (shuttle stops #5 and #9). Information, maps, books, exhibits, and a multilingual One Day in Yosemite program. &

NEW FEATURE Spirit of Yosemite

This inspiring film provides a stunning overview of Yosemite's splendor. It is shown every hour from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Visitor Center's newly renovated West Auditorium Theater. Closed captioning available.

Yosemite Museum

Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. &

FEATURES

Indian Cultural Exhibit

Open daily 9:00 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Displays interpret the cultural history of Yosemite's native Miwok and Paiute people from 1850 to the present. Demonstrations of basket-weaving, beadwork, and/or traditional games are presented.

Museum Gallery

Open daily 10:00 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. An opportunity to view historic Yosemite Valley photographs taken by renowned photographer George Fiske (1835-1918).

Yosemite Museum Store

Open daily 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Offering traditional American Indian arts and crafts and books on related subjects.

The Indian Village of Ahwahnee

Located behind the Yosemite Museum and open during daylight hours. There is sometimes the opportunity to join Indian Cultural Program staff for demonstrations or programs about Ahwahneechee skills and culture. &

The Ansel Adams Gallery

Open daily 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. The Gallery offers work of Ansel Adams, contemporary photographers, and other fine artists. In addition, a wide selection of handcrafts, books, gifts, and photography supplies is available. For more information, call the Gallery at 209/372-4413 or visit their web site at www.anseladams.com. &

Gallery Exhibit

Chasing the Light, photographs by local Yosemite photographer, Jeff Grandy.

Nature Center at Happy Isles

Open daily 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed for lunch). This family-oriented nature center includes natural history exhibits, interactive displays, and a bookstore geared to nature-exploring families. Nearby are short trails focusing on the area's four different environments; forest, river, talus, and fen. You can also see substantial evidence of the huge 1996 rockfall from the Glacier Point cliff far above the



Illustration by Lawrence Ormsby

Nature Center. A new outdoor exhibit details the geologic story of rockfalls in Yosemite. The Center is a short walk from shuttle stop #16. &

LeConte Memorial Lodge

Open Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Located at shuttle stop #12. The LeConte Memorial Lodge, Yosemite's first public visitor center, is operated by the Sierra Club and features a children's corner, library, and a variety of environmental education and evening programs. For more information, call 209/372-4542.

Yosemite Cemetery

This historic cemetery is located across the street and just west of the Yosemite Museum, People buried here include Native Americans, casual park visitors, and people who played important roles in the development of what is now Yosemite National Park. A Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery is available at the Valley Visitor Center.

Wilderness Center

Open daily 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village between The Ansel Adams Gallery and the post office. One-stop resource for backpackers in need of wilderness permits, bear canisters, maps, and guidebooks. Displays and information on pre-trip planning, minimum impact camping techniques, and Yosemite's wilderness. &

Discover Yosemite Family Program

Explore Yosemite's natural and cultural history with a professional naturalist and a small group of families. This program includes hiking, hands-on science activities, and games and stories for kids 15 and under and their parents. See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times. Registration and information at any tour desk.

Self-Guiding Trails

There are four self-guiding trails in Yosemite Valley: two near the Valley Visitor Center in the Yosemite Village area, one at the east end of the Valley near Mirror Lake, and one commemorating the history of Curry Village.

The Miwok in Yosemite is a short loop trail that winds through the Indian Village of Ahwahnee, a reconstructed Miwok-Paiute village. A booklet is available at the trailhead and in the Visitor Center. Large print materials are available in the Visitor Center for the visually impaired. The trail begins behind the Yosemite Museum. &

A Changing Yosemite is a 1-mile trail that begins in front of the Visitor Center, near shuttle stop #5. It winds through a nearby meadow and explores the changes that have led to the Yosemite we experience today. A booklet is available at the trailhead, and large print materials are available for the visually impaired at the Visitor Center. &



Vernal Fall

NPS Photo

Mirror Lake Interpretive Trail is a short loop adjacent to Mirror Lake, a seasonal lake on Tenaya Creek. Exhibits focus on the rich natural history of the area, Native American use, and history of this popular destination. To reach the start of the trail, walk 1 mile from shuttle stop #17 to the disabled parking spaces near the lake. The self-guiding trail begins here. &

The Legacy of Curry Village is an easy stroll commemorating the early days of Camp Curry. Pick up a map and guide at the Curry Village front desk or tour desk.

Tuolumne Meadows

Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center

Open 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. daily. Park orientation, trail information, books, maps, and displays. Phone 209/372-0263 &

Parsons Memorial Lodge and Soda Springs

Discover the natural and human history of Tuolumne Meadows and hike to the place where John Muir and Robert Underwood Johnson conceived the idea of establishing Yosemite National Park. This area is an easy 1-mile (30 minute) walk from Lembert Dome parking area or from the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. Staffed by park volunteers, the Lodge is usually open from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Free Tuolumne/Olmsted **Point/Tioga Pass Shuttle Bus**

Free shuttle bus service is available during the summer along the Tioga Road from Olmsted Point to Tioga Pass. Due to limited trailhead parking, use of the free shuttle buses is strongly advised.

Shuttles travel between Tuolumne Lodge and Olmsted Point with stops along the Tioga Road, including Tuolumne Campground and the Tuolumne Visitor Center. The shuttle also makes two morning (9:00 a.m. and Noon) and two afternoon (3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.) runs to

Service begins at Tuolumne Lodge at 7:00 a.m. Shuttle buses arrive at approximately 30-minute intervals between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. The last shuttle bus leaves Olmsted Point at 6:30 p.m. Schedules are subject to change. Please check route maps at the Tuolumne Visitor Center or shuttle stops for details.



Cathedral Peak as seen from Tuolumne Meadows

NPS Photo

Ranger Walks and Talks

Join a ranger to explore the Tuolumne area and learn about geology, birds, flowers, Indians, history, and more. These walks range from 1 to 8 hours and all but the long walks are fairly easy. Twice a week, longer hikes are offered to lakes,

domes, or passes. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water, lunch, and rain gear.

On Fridays, end your perfect day with the Music for Parks Walk. This easy, early evening stroll will inspire and delight.

See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

Just for Kids

Programs for children include Junior Rangers two days a week. Junior Rangers is a 2-hour program in which children (ages 8-10) join a ranger to explore Yosemite's high country.

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Tuolumne Meadows

Evening Activities

Come to a campfire and take part in a tradition!

Join a ranger for campfire singing, storytelling,

and answers to some of your questions about

the campground, Tuolumne Meadows Lodge,

Yosemite. Program topics vary and are posted at

Wilderness Center Open daily 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Located just off the Tioga Road, along the roadway leading to Tuolumne Lodge, shuttle stop #3. Trail information, wilderness permits, bear canister

rentals, maps, and guidebooks available. &



Indicates facilities accessible for visitors in wheelchairs, with assistance.

Promenade EN FRANÇAIS

15h00, 2h de durée. Se rencontrer au parking de Lembert Dome, Tuolumne Meadows (NPS).

Free Art Classes

Free, informal outdoor classes in various art mediums are available for adults through the Art Activity Center, located at the east end of Yosemite Village next to the Village Store. Supplies are available for purchase at the Center, which is open 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily. Classes begin at 10:00 a.m. and continue until 2:00 p.m.



August 13-19 **Anne Longman** *Pen/Pencil on*

Watercolor Paper

August 20-August 26 **David Deyell** *Watercolor*

August 27-September 2 **Chris VanWinkle** *Watercolor*

Special Events Parsons Memorial Lodge

All programs begin at 2:00 p.m. and last approximately 1 hour. Allow 30 minutes walking time to Parsons Memorial Lodge from either Lembert Dome parking area or the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. Admission is free.

Saturday, August 18 and 19 Fifth Annual Tuolumne Meadows Poetry Festival

Ellery Akers, Francisco X. Alarcon, and Patti Trimble with guitarist Bill Horvitz

Sunday, August 25 **Granite and the Range of Light**

Slide presentation by Professor Doris Sloan, UC Berkeley

The Parsons Memorial Lodge
Summer Series is supported by the
National Park Service,
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Endowment for the Arts, ASCAP.

YCS = Yosemite Concession Services

NPS = National Park Service

AAG = Ansel Adams Gallery

YI = Yosemite Institute

\$ = Programs offered for a fee

Indicates programs accessible for visitors in wheelchairs, with assistance.

Scheduled Events

		SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY
		August 19 and 26		August 20 and 27		August 21 and 28
Yosemite Valley		SUNRISE HIKE TO MIRROR LAKE (August 26 only) 2 hrs. Shuttle stop #17 (Sierra Club)	9:00am	Camera Walk 2 hrs. Sign up in advance, meet on The Ansel Adams Gallery porch, weather permitting (AAG)		Sunrise Photo Walk 11/2 hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge tour desk (Kodak) DISCOVER YOSEMITE FAMILY PROGRAM
	9:00am	Camera Walk 2 hrs. Sign up in advance, meet on The Ansel Adams Gallery porch, weather permitting (AAG)		JUNIOR RANGERS (kids 8-10) 2 hrs. Nature Center at Happy Isles near shuttle stop #16		3 hrs. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS/YI) \$ Ranger Walk—Ranger's Choice 11/2 hrs. Meet in front of Valley Visitor
		Ranger Walk—Granite and Ice 1½ hrs. Lower Yosemite Falls parking area, shuttle stop #6 & Ranger Walk—Buffalo Soldiers in	1:00pm	Ranger Walk—Buffalo Soldiers in Yosemite (August 20 only) 1-1½ hrs. Meet at Valley Visitor Center &		Yosemite Photo Tips 1/2 hr. Front porch Nature Center at Happy Isles near shuttle stop #16 (Kodak)
		Yosemite (August 26 only) 1-1½ hrs. Meet at Valley Visitor Center &	·	RANGER WALK—YOGI AND OTHER BOO BOOS 1-1½ hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater &	10:30am	Yosemite Photo Tips 1/2 hr. Front porch Nature Center at Happy Isles near shuttle stop #16 (Kodak)
		Ranger Walk—Yosemite's First People 11/2 hrs. Meet behind Valley Visitor Center & Ranger Walk—Scats and Tracks: Yosemite's Wildlife	7:15pm	WEE WILD ONES (August 27 only) 1/2 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater Stories and surprises geared for children 6 &	11:00am	CHILDREN'S STORY TIME 1/2 hr. The Ansel Adams Gallery porch, children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult (AAG) &
	6:30pm	1-1½ hrs. Meet at Curry Village Amphitheater & Twilight Stroll	·	under (YCS) Ranger Program 1 hr. Lower Pines Amphitheater & EVENING PROGRAM—RAVENS AND	·	
	7:00pm	1 hr. Outside The Ahwahnee Sweet Shop (YCS) Twilight Ranger Walk 1½ hrs. Meet at the Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater &	8:30pm	CROWS 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS) & Evening Program	3:00pm	People 11/2 hrs. Meet behind Valley Visitor Center & Ranger Walk—Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Bears
	7:15pm	WEE WILD ONES 1/2 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater Stories and surprises geared for children 6 & under (YCS)		1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (YCS) & Evening Program—Light Dances 1 hr. Ahwahnee Tudor Lounge (YCS)	7:00pm	11/2 hrs. Nature Center at Happy Isles near shuttle stop #16 Twilight Ranger Walk 11/2 hrs. Meet at Yosemite Lodge
	8:00pm	What We Learn in Muir's University of Wilderness (August 19 only)			7:30pm	Amphitheater & OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE PROGRAM WITH S'MORES!
		1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge, shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club) The Beginnings of the John Muir Trail: Mine the Pioneering			8:00pm	11/2 hrs. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS) \$ Yosemite Theater—Spirit of John Muir 11/2 hrs. East Auditorium (behind Visitor Center) Tickets at door or any tour desk
	8:30pm	(August 26 only) 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge, shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club) Evening Program			8:30pm	(YCS) \$ & Evening Program—Yosemite, Picturing Its Treasures 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (Kodak) &
		1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS) & Film—Ansel Adams, Photographer 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Cliff Room/Amphitheater (AAG) &				Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (YCS) &
	9:00pm	STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE VALLEY 1 hr. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS) \$				
Wawona riposa Grove	10:00am	to Noon & 2:00pm to 4:00pm Stage Rides 10 min. Purchase tickets near Wawona	·	Nature Walk with a Ranger 1½ hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead Nature Walk with a Ranger		Nature Walk with a Ranger 11/2 hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead Nature Walk with a Ranger
		Covered Bridge (NPS) \$ Nature Walk with a Ranger 11/2 hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead Nature Walk with a Ranger	·	1½ hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead Twilight Stroll 1 hr. Wawona Hotel Porch (YCS)	8:00pm	11/2 hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Wawona Campground Campfire Circle ද්ය
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Glacier Point		Sunset Talk 1/2 hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) &		Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Bridalveil Creek Campground C Loop &	7.15pm	1/2 hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) &
Tuolumne	9:15am	Day Hike—Mono Pass 6-8 hrs. Mono Pass trailhead—shuttle bus	2:00pm	Walk Along the River 2 hrs. Lembert Dome parking area (NPS)	10:00am	JUNIOR RANGERS (kids 8-10) 2 hrs. Lembert Dome parking area (NPS)
	10:00am	available, bring lunch, water, and rain gear (NPS) Special—Climbers share stories and adventures	8:00pm	Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Dana Circle, Tuolumne Meadows Campground &		Tuolumne's Weather Walk 2 hrs. Tuolumne Lodge, shuttle stop #1 (NPS)
	2:00pm	1 hr. Lembert Dome parking area			8:UUPM	Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Dana Circle, Tuolumne Meadows Campground &
	2:15pm	Allow 30 min. to walk there Tuolumne's Geology Walk 2 hrs. Pothole Dome, shuttle stop #8, road				
	8:00pm	marker T-29 (NPS) Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Dana Circle, Tuolumne Meadows Campground &				
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WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
August 15 and 22	August 16 and 23	August 17 and 24	August 18 and 25
7:00am Sunrise Photo Walk 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge tour desk (Kodak) 9:00am Camera Walk 2 hrs. Sign up in advance, meet on The Ansel Adams Gallery porch, weather permitting (AAG) How Do You Catch a Fish in Yosemite? 2 hrs. Meet in front of the Village Sport Shop (YCS) 10:00am Ranger Walk—Ascending Yosemite (strenuous, carry water) 1½ hrs. Meet at Lower Falls parking area near shuttle stop #6 CHILDREN'S PHOTO WALK 1 hr. Ahwahnee Guest Services Desk, parents must accompany, limited to 15 (Kodak) 1:30pm DISCOVER YOSEMITE FAMILY PROGRAM 3 hrs. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS/YI) \$ 3:00pm Ranger Walk—Bears in Yosemite 1½ hrs. Nature Center at Happy Isles near shuttle stop #16 & 7:00pm Twilight Ranger Walk 1½ hrs. Meet at Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater & 7:30pm OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE PROGRAM WITH S'MORES! 1½ hrs. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS/YI) \$	7:00am Sunrise Photo Walk 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge tour desk (Kodak) 9:30am DISCOVER YOSEMITE FAMILY PROGRAM 3 hrs. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS/YI) \$ 10:00am Ranger Walk—Yosemite's Legacy 1½ hrs. Meet in front of Valley Visitor Center Yosemite Photo Tips ½ hr. Front porch Nature Center at Happy Isles near shuttle stop #16 (Kodak) 10:30am Yosemite Photo Tips ½ hr. Front porch Nature Center at Happy Isles near shuttle stop #16 (Kodak) 11:00am CHILDREN'S STORY TIME ½ hr. The Ansel Adams Gallery porch, children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult (AAG) & 1:30pm DISCOVER YOSEMITE FAMILY PROGRAM 3 hrs. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS/YI) \$ 2:00pm AQUATIC FIELD TRIP (August 23 only) 2 hrs. Shuttle stop #16 (Sierra Club) 3:00pm Ranger Walk—Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Bears (August 23 only) 1½ hrs. Nature Center at Happy Isles near shuttle stop #16 & 6:00pm ANIMALS AND THEIR SENSES (August 23 only) 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge, shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club) 7:15pm WEE WILD ONES ½ hr. Curry Village Amphitheater Stories and surprises geared for children 6 & under (YCS)	7:00am Sunrise Photo Walk 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge tour desk (Kodak) 10:00am Ranger Walk—Yosemite Inspirations 1½ hrs. South Tunnel View parking area (off the Wawona Road/Highway 41) 10:30am ALL ABOUT BEARS (August 24 only) 2 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge, shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club) 1:30pm DISCOVER YOSEMITE FAMILY PROGRAM 3 hrs. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS/YI) \$ 2:30pm Ranger Walk—Industries of the Ahwahneechee 1½ hrs. Meet behind Valley Visitor Center & Amyahitheater & Amphitheater & WALK BACK IN TIME (August 24 only) 2 hrs. Shuttle stop #18, bring flashlight and bug repellent (Sierra Club) OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE PROGRAM WITH S'MORES! 1½ hrs. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS/YI) \$ 8:00pm Yosemite Theater—Spirit of John Muir 1½ hrs. East Auditorium (behind Visitor Center) Tickets at door or any tour desk	7:00am Sunrise Photo Walk 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge tour desk (Kodak) 9:00am Camera Walk 2 hrs. Sign up in advance, meet on The Ansel Adams Gallery porch, weather permitting (AAG) 9:30am DISCOVER YOSEMITE FAMILY PROGRAM 3 hrs. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS/YI) \$ 10:00am YOSEMITE FAMILY ADVENTURE (August 25 only) 4 hrs. Shuttle stop #16, bring lunch and water (Sierra Club) CHILDREN'S PHOTO WALK 1 hr. Ahwahnee Guest Services Desk, parents must accompany, limited to 15 (Kodak) 1:00pm Ranger Walk—River of Mercy 1½ hrs. Meet at shuttle stop #11 1:30pm DISCOVER YOSEMITE FAMILY PROGRAM 3 hrs. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS/YI) \$ 3:00pm Ranger Walk—Tree Life in Yosemite 1½ hrs. Meet at The Ahwahnee near shuttle stop #3 Fine Print Viewing 1 hr. Sign up in advance at The Ansel Adams Gallery (AAG) 6:30pm Twilight Stroll 1 hr. Outside The Ahwahnee Sweet Shop (YCS) 7:30pm EVENING ADVENTURE: LIFE AFTER DARK (August 25 only) 2 hrs. Shuttle stop #11, bring flashlight and bug repellent (Sierra Club)
8:00pm Yosemite Theater—Spirit of John Muir 1½ hrs. East Auditorium (behind Visitor Center) Tickets at door or any tour desk (YCS) \$ & 8:30pm Evening Program—Hetch Hetchy, Yosemite's Lost Twin 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS) & Evening Program—Yosemite, Picturing Its Treasures 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (Kodak) & Evening Program—They Climb in Beauty 1 hr. Ahwahnee Tudor Lounge (YCS) 9:00pm STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE VALLEY 1 hr. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS) \$	7:30pm OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE PROGRAM WITH S'MORES! (August 23 only) 1½ hrs. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS) \$ 8:00pm Ranger Program (August 23 only) 1 hr. Lower Pines Amphitheater & Yosemite Theater—John Muir: Conversation With a Tramp 1½ hrs. East Auditorium (behind Visitor Center) Tickets at door or any tour desk (YCS) \$ & The Beginnings of the John Muir Trail: Theodore S. Solomons (August 23 only) 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge, shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club) 8:30pm Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS) & Evening Program—Wildlife of Yosemite 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (YCS) &	How Writers Imagine and Experience the Wilderness (August 17 only) 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge, shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club) The Beginnings of the John Muir Trail: Evolution Valley (August 24 only) 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge, shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club) 8:30pm Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (YCS) & Evening Program—Yosemite, Picturing Its Treasures 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (Kodak) &	8:00pm Ranger Program 1 hr. Lower Pines Amphitheater & John Muir's Literary Strategy to Save the World (August 18 only) 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge, shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club) The Beginnings of the John Muir Trail: Muir Pass (August 25 only) 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge, shuttle stop #12 (Sierra Club) 8:30pm Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS) & Evening Program—Yosemite, Picturing Its Treasures 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (Kodak) & STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE VALLEY 1 hr. Sign up at any tour desk (YCS) \$
12:30pm Nature Walk with a Ranger 11/2 hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead 2:00-4:00pm Stage Rides 10 min. Purchase tickets near Wawona Covered Bridge (NPS) \$ 2:30pm Nature Walk with a Ranger 11/2 hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead 8:00pm Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Wawona Campground Campfire Circle & 8:30pm Evening Program—Vintage Songs of Yosemite or History of Wawona with Tom Bopp 1 hr. Wawona Hotel Lounge (YCS)	10:00am to Noon & 2:00pm to 4:00pm Stage Rides 10 min. Purchase tickets near Wawona Covered Bridge (NPS) \$ 12:30pm Nature Walk with a Ranger 1½ hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead 2:30pm Nature Walk with a Ranger 1½ hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead 8:00pm Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Wawona Campground Campfire Circle & 8:30pm Evening Program—Vintage Songs of Yosemite or History of Wawona with Tom Bopp 1 hr. Wawona Hotel Lounge (YCS)	10:00am to Noon & 2:00pm to 4:00pm Stage Rides 10 min. Purchase tickets near Wawona Covered Bridge (NPS) \$ 12:30pm Nature Walk with a Ranger 1½ hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead 2:00pm Big Trees Photo Walk 2 hrs. Meet in front of the Mariposa Grove Gift Shop (YCS) 2:30pm Nature Walk with a Ranger 1½ hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead 8:00pm Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Wawona Campground Campfire Circle &	10:00am to Noon & 2:00pm to 4:00pm Stage Rides 10 min. Purchase tickets near Wawona Covered Bridge (NPS) \$ 12:30pm Nature Walk with a Ranger 1½ hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead 2:30pm Nature Walk with a Ranger 1½ hrs. Lower Mariposa Grove Trailhead 8:00pm Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Wawona Campground Campfire Circle &
7:15pm Sunset Talk 1/2 hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) &	2:00pm Ranger Walk (August 16 only) 2 hrs. Taft/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Road 6:45pm Alpenglow Photo Shoot 1 hr. Glacier Point Amphitheater, check for transportation details at Yosemite Lodge tour desk (Kodak)	9:30am Ranger Walk (August 17 only) 21/2 hrs. Meet at phone booth at Bridalveil Creek Campground 7:15pm Sunset Talk 1/2 hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) & 8:30pm Stars over Yosemite 1-2 hrs. Glacier Point Amphitheater, subject to cancellation if overcast (NPS)	2:00pm Ranger Walk 2 hrs. Taft/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Road 7:15pm Sunset Talk 1/2 hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) & 8:30pm Stars over Yosemite 1-2 hrs. Glacier Point Amphitheater, subject to cancellation if overcast (NPS)
9:00am Day Hike—Cascades and Domes on the Trail to Glen Aulin 6 hrs. Lembert Dome parking area, bring lunch, water, and rain gear (NPS) 10:00am Animal Walk 2 hrs. Lembert Dome parking area (NPS) 1:30pm History Walk 2 hrs. Lembert Dome parking area (NPS) 7:00pm KIDS' CAMPFIRE 1 hr. Conness Circle, Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS) 8:00pm Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Dana Circle, Tuolumne Meadows Campground & 9:30pm Star Party 1 hr. Tuolumne Campground entrance, dress warmly (NPS)	2:00pm Miwok and Paiute People Walk 2 hrs. Lembert Dome parking area (NPS) 8:00pm Ranger Campfire, 1 hr. Dana Circle, Tuolumne Meadows Campground & 9:15pm Night Prowl 1½ hrs. Sign-up in advance at Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center 209/372-0263 (NPS)	10:00am JUNIOR RANGERS (kids 8-10) 2 hrs. Lembert Dome parking area (NPS) 2:15pm 2 hrs. Pothole Dome, shuttle stop #8, road marker T-29 (NPS) 6:30pm Music for Parks Walk 11/4 hrs. Lembert Dome parking area (NPS) 8:00pm Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Dana Circle, Tuolumne Meadows Campground &	7:30am Bird Walk 2½ hrs. Lembert Dome parking area, binoculars available (NPS) 9:15am Day Hike—Gaylor Lakes Basin 6-8 hrs. Meet at Tioga Pass—shuttle bus available, bring lunch, water, and rain gear (NPS) 11:00am Bear Walk 1½ hrs. Tuolumne Campground entrance, parking limited, take shuttle (NPS) 2:00pm Special Event—Poetry Festival (August 18 only) 1 hr. Parsons Memorial Lodge Allow 30 min. to walk there Special Event—Granite and the Range of Light (August 25 only) 1 hr. Parsons Memorial Lodge Allow 30 min. to walk there 6:30pm Special—A Place for Music Walk (August 18 only) 1¼ hrs. Lembert Dome parking area (NPS) 8:00pm Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Dana Circle, Tuolumne Meadows Campground &
Check Local Bulletin Boards for Additional Program Information	8:30am Bird Walk 1½ hrs. White Wolf Campground entrance (NPS) 1:00pm Walk Among the Giants 2½ hrs. Tuolumne Grove parking area (NPS)	1:00pm Bear Walk 1½ hrs. White Wolf Campground entrance (NPS) 7:30 pm Ranger Campfire 1 hr. Crane Flat Campground &	1:00pm Walk Among the Giants 21/2 hrs. Tuolumne Grove parking area (NPS) 7:30pm Ranger Campfire 1 hr. White Wolf Campground &
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Glacier Point

Ranger Walks

Join a ranger for a walk to discover Yosemite's unique, tucked-away places. See a pioneer cabin near a beautiful meadow, explore the red fir forest in the Canadian life zone, or hike to a seldom-seen waterfall. See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

Evening Programs

Meet a ranger to enjoy the lengthening shadows in Yosemite Valley and the alpenglow on the Sierra high country, or come for the sunset and stay for the moonrise. On some evenings, a star program will be co-hosted by rangers and volunteers from astronomical societies. Bring warm clothing.

On Thursday evenings, photographers will not want to miss the Alpenglow Photo Shoot, led by representatives from Kodak (in association with Yosemite Concession Services).

See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

Illustration by Jane Gyer



Half Dome from Glacier Point

NPS Photo

Wawona &

Mariposa Grove



Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias

NPS Photo

Wawona Information Station at Hill's Studio

Open daily 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch). Offers information about park activities, trail information, books, and maps. Located on the grounds of the Wawona Hotel, Hill's Studio was the gallery and art studio of famous 19th century landscape painter, Thomas Hill. Walk from the hotel or park at the Wawona Store parking area and follow the path up the hill. For more information call 209/375-9531. &

Wawona Wilderness Center

Open daily 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch). Located inside the Information Station. Wilderness permits, bear canister rentals, trail information, books, and maps.

Evening Programs

Come to a campfire! Share in a park tradition by joining a ranger for an hour of stories, legends, and fun. Program topics vary each night and are posted in the Wawona Campground. Meet at the amphitheater in the "B" loop of the Wawona Camparound.

Discover Wawona's human and natural heritage in a 1-hour presentation offered by Yosemite Concession Services (YCS) staff at the Wawona Hotel.

See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

Pioneer Yosemite History Center

See horse-drawn wagons, walk across a covered bridge, and visit historic buildings out of Yosemite's past. A visit to the Pioneer Yosemite History Center will explain how Yosemite was the inspiration for national parks across America and throughout the world. The Center is always open, and explanatory signs and brochures are available. &

Take A Stage Ride

Take a stage ride and experience the adventure of horse-drawn stage travel in Yosemite. These 10minute rides are offered on Wednesdays, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, from 10:00 a.m. to noon and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Purchase tickets near the Wawona Covered Bridge. \$3/adult and \$2/child (ages 3-12).

Free Mariposa Grove & **Wawona Shuttle Bus**

The shuttle bus stops at the Wawona Store, South Entrance, and Mariposa Grove. Shuttles operate daily during the summer beginning at 9:00 a.m. Last shuttle leaves Wawona at 4:30 p.m.; last shuttle leaves the Grove at 6:00 p.m. Visitors may park at the Wawona Store to board the shuttle

bus. Trailers and motor homes are prohibited on the Mariposa Grove Road from South Entrance to the Mariposa Grove. Due to narrow roads and very limited parking, visitors are strongly encouraged to use this free bus service to help alleviate congestion and lengthy parking delays.

To Get to Mariposa Grove

Allow 11/4 hours driving time to the Mariposa Grove from Yosemite Valley. Cars are prohibited beyond the parking area in the Grove, but several giant sequoias can be seen from there. Information about access for the disabled is available at the tram boarding area. The access road to the Grove may close intermittently due to limited parking. Trailers and motor homes are prohibited on the Mariposa Grove Road. Please use the free shuttle service between Wawona and the Mariposa Grove.

Walking through the Grove

The trailhead for walking up through the Grove is located at the far end of the parking area. Interpretive signs between the trailhead and the California Tree provide a self-guiding tour. Written translations are available at the trailhead (Spanish, German, French, Japanese).

DISTANCE & ELEVATION

DESTINATION	DISTANCE FROM TRAILHEAD	ELEVATION GAIN
Grizzly Giant	0.8 mile /1.3km	400ft / 122m
Grove Museum	2.1 miles /3.5km	800ft / 292m
Fallen Tunnel Tre	e 2.5 miles /4.0km	1,000ft / 305m
Wawona Point	3.0 miles /4.8km	1,200ft / 438m

Indicates facilites accessible for visitors in

wheelchairs, with assistance.

Big Oak Flat

Big Oak Flat Information Station

Open 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. daily. Station is located just inside the park at the Big Oak Flat Entrance Station (Highway 120 West), and offers park orientation material, trail information, books, and maps. Phone 209/379-1899 &

Big Oak Flat Wilderness Center

Wilderness permits available 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located inside the Information Station. Bear canister rentals, trail information, and limited map sales.

Yosemite's Other Sequoia Groves

Tuolumne Grove

The Tuolumne Grove of Giant Sequoias is near Crane Flat at the intersection of the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West) and the Tioga Road. The former route of the Big Oak Flat Road leads downhill from Crane Flat into the Tuolumne Grove of Big Trees, a cluster of about 25 sequoias. Now closed to cars, this 2-mile (3.2 km) round-trip has an elevation change of 500 feet (150 meters). The downhill walk is relatively easy, though it is moderately strenuous on the uphill return. Once in the Tuolumne Grove, there is an easy half-mile, self-guiding nature trail

Merced Grove

Yosemite's quietest stand of sequoias is the Merced Grove, accessible only on foot. It's a 2-mile hike into the grove from the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). Located 3.5 miles north of Crane Flat or 4.5 miles south of the Big Oak Flat entrance, the trailhead is marked by a post labeled B-10 and a road sign. Allow about 3 hours for the 4-mile round-trip hike to this small group of sequoias (about 20 trees).

Mariposa Grove Tram Tour

Trams run every day in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias for a 1-hour tour through the lower and upper groves. The first tram is at 9:00 a.m. and the last tram is at 6:00 p.m., running every 15 to 20 minutes from the boarding area.

Mariposa Grove Museum

Open 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch). Offers giant sequoia displays, books, maps, and information.

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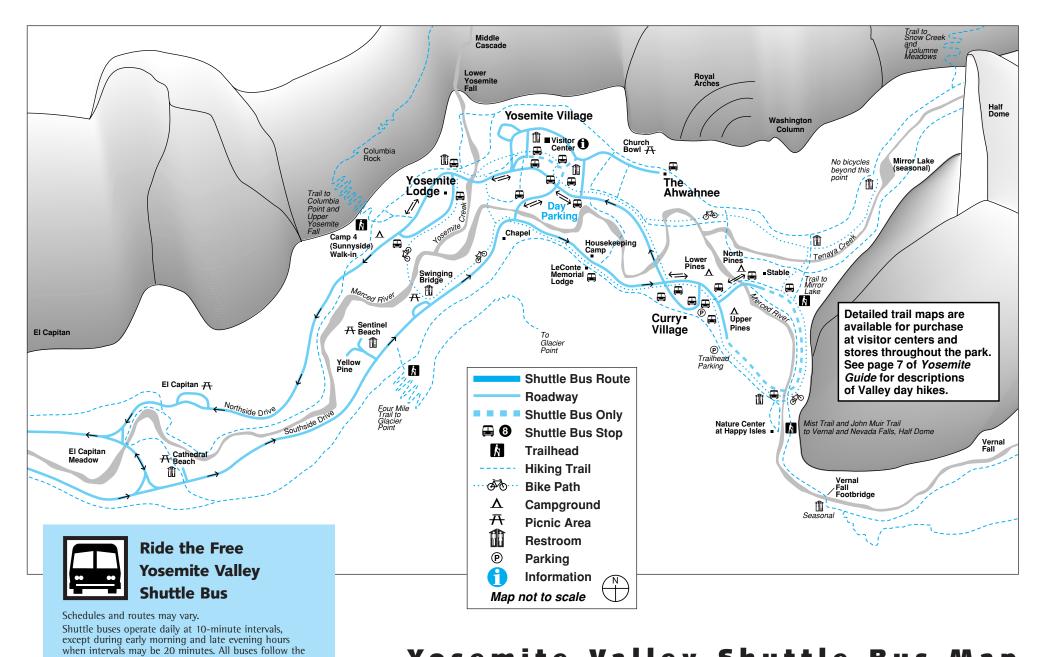




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Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus Map

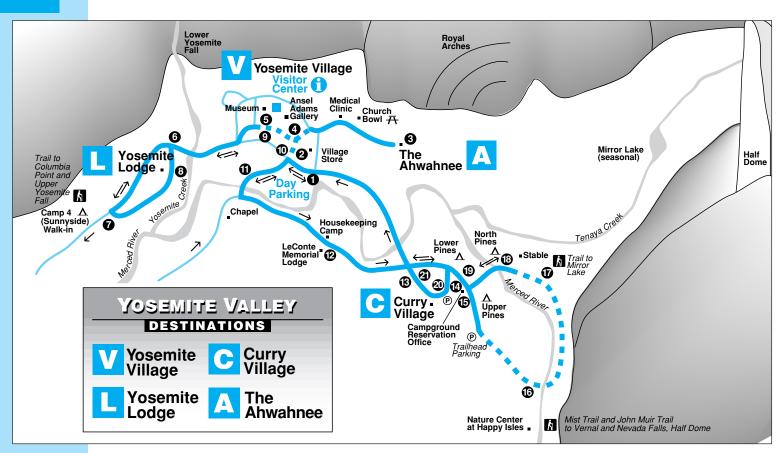
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same route, serving stops in numerical order.

SCHEDULE 7:00 a.m. -10:00 p.m.

- 2 Yosemite Village
- 3 The Ahwahnee
- 4 Degnan's
- 5 Visitor Center
- 6 Lower Yosemite Fall (Service ends at 7:30 p.m.)
- 7 Camp 4/Yosemite Falls Trailhead
- 8 Yosemite Lodge
- 9 Visitor Center
- 10 Yosemite Village
- 11 Sentinel Bridge/Yosemite Chapel
- 12 Housekeeping Camp/ LeConte Memorial Lodge
- 13 Bike & Raft Rental
- 14 Curry Village
- 15 Upper Pines Campground*
- 16 Happy Isles/John Muir Trailhead*
- 17 Mirror Lake Junction*
- 18 Stable*
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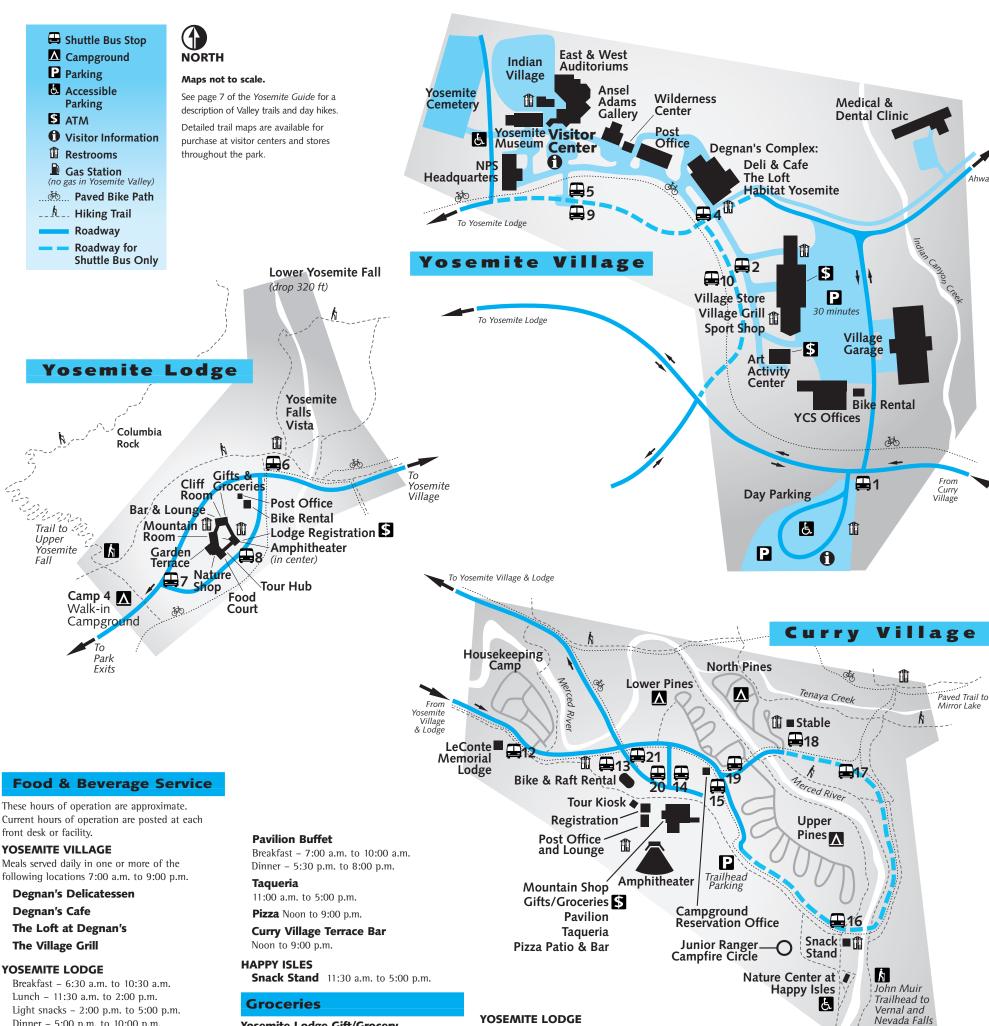
*Service ends at 8:30 p.m.



YOSEMITE AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

For bus schedules to and from the Yosemite area, call 1-877-98-YARTS or visit YARTS online at www.yosemite.com/yarts

Yosemite Village, Yosemite Lodge, and Curry Village



Dinner - 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Food Court

Garden Terrace

The Mountain Room Restaurant Mountain Room Bar & Lounge

Weekdays: 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Weekends: Noon to 10:00 p.m.

Pool Cone Stand

Weekdays: Noon to 5:00 p.m. Weekends: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

THE AHWAHNEE **Dining Room**

locations:

Breakfast - 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Sunday Brunch - 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Dinner - 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Reservations and appropriate attire are respectfully requested. Call 209/372-1489 The Ahwahnee Bar 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

CURRY VILLAGE Meals served daily in one or more of the following

Coffee and Ice Cream Corner

6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., noon to 10:00 p.m.

Yosemite Lodge Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Village Store 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Degnan's Delicatessen 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Housekeeping Camp 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Gifts, Books & Apparel

YOSEMITE VILLAGE

The Ansel Adams Gallery 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Yosemite Bookstore

8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Art Activity Center 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

NATURE CENTER AT HAPPY ISLES 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed for lunch)

Curry Village Gift/Grocery

Sweet Shop 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. **CURRY VILLAGE**

Yosemite Museum Store

Village Store 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Habitat Yosemite 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sport Shop 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Village Store Recycling Center Wilderness Center 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Curry Village 24 hours

Bottles and cans may also be returned to place of purchase or park gas stations.

Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Friday - Sunday: 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mountain Shop 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Showers & Laundromat

Housekeeping Camp 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Housekeeping Camp 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Gift Shop 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Monday - Thursday: 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Nature Shop

THE AHWAHNEE

SHOWERS

LAUNDROMAT

Recycling

Post Offices

Main Post Office - Yosemite Village

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to Noon

Yosemite Lodge Post Office

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.)

Curry Village Post Office

Monday - Friday: 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Auto Service, Towing, and Repair (AAA)

Village Garage

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Towing 24 hours. Emergency gasoline & propane available 209/372-8320

Wawona Mariposa Grove **Glacier Point**

Food & Beverage Service

WAWONA HOTEL

Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Dinner - 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Dinner reservations advised for 8 or more, 209/375-1425

Saturday BBQ on Lawn - 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Sunday Buffet - 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Wawona Hotel Lobby Lounge

Service to lobby lounge and verandas 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

GLACIER POINT Snack Stand

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Grocery

Wawona Store

8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Gifts, Books, & Apparel

WAWONA

Wawona Hotel Golf Shop

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Saturday - Sunday 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Wawona Wilderness Center

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

To Wawona Campground & Yosemite Valley **MARIPOSA GROVE Gift Shop** 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. **Museum Shop** 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch) **GLACIER POINT** Gift Shop

Trail to

South Fork Merced River

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Alder Creek

Pioneer Yosemite History Center

Visitor

Meadow Loop Trail

Forest Drive

Information

Hill's Studio

Golf Shop

Wawona Road (Hwy. 41)

Station at

Stable

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Store \$

Golf Course

Gift Shop

Post Office

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Campground Reservation

Wawona

Trail to

Grove

Mariposa

(6 miles)

Trailhead

Wawona Hotel

To South Entrance

Office

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Post Office

9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Wawona Post Office

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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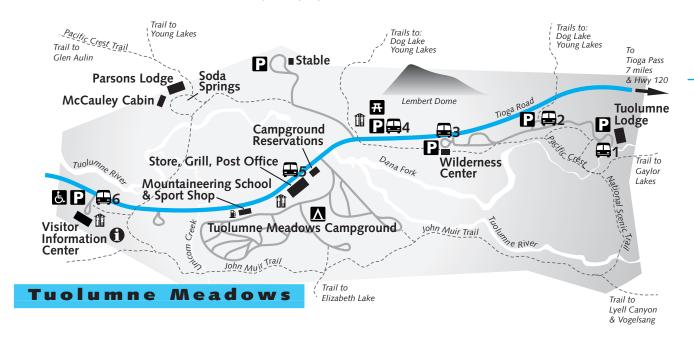
Wawona

Inside Wawona Store

Gas Station

Wawona

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Diesel & propane available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.



\bigcirc Yosemite Village/ Visitor Center **Yosemite Valley** (41) To Free **Yosemite National** To 395 & Lee **Park** Tuolumne Yosemite Valley Inyo National Forest †d Ranger Station Wawona ▲ Campground ▲ Peaks and Lan Gas Station

Sierra National Forest

White Wolf Crane Flat Portal

Food & Beverage Service

White Wolf Lodge

Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Dinner - 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Dinner reservations advised, call 209/372-8416

Grocery

Crane Flat

Convenience store, bear canister rental 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

El Portal Market

8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Post Office

El Portal Post Office

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

\$ ATM

El Portal

On Highway 140 at Yosemite View Lodge.

Gas Station

Crane Flat

8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Diesel available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

Tuolumne Meadows

Food & Beverage Service

TUOLUMNE MEADOWS

Tuolumne Meadows Grill 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Tuolumne Meadows Lodge Dining Room

Breakfast - 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Dinner - 5:50 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Meals are served family style and dinner reservations are required, call 209/372-8413

Grocery

Tuolumne Meadows Store

8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Gifts, Books & Apparel

Mountaineering School and Sport Shop

8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Tuolumne Meadows Bookstore

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Located in the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center

Tuolumne Meadows Store

8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Post Office

Tuolumne Meadows Post Office Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.,

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Gas Station

Tuolumne Meadows

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Propane available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

General Park Information

Emergency 911

Fire - Police - Medical Emergency: Dial 911, 24 hours a day (from hotel room 9-911)

Medical

Yosemite Medical Clinic

Emergency care: 24 hours daily

Drop-in and Urgent Care Daily 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Scheduled Appointments Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to Noon Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Valley, the clinic provides routine and

emergency medical care for park employees, residents, and visitors. Experienced nursing staff, emergency physicians, nurse practitioner, and support staff on duty. Services include a limited pharmacy, lab, x-ray, and physical therapy. 209/372-4637

Paramedic/Ambulance Service 24 hours daily

Dental Services

Adjacent to Medical Clinic. For hours, call 209/372-4200. If no answer, call 209/372-4637.

& Services For Disabled

An accessibility brochure is available at park entrance stations and visitor centers

Wheelchair rental available at Yosemite Medical Clinic, 209/372-4637, and the Yosemite Lodge bike stand, 209/372-1208.

Accommodations

For advanced reservations or information (rooms or activities), call 559/252-4848 (www.yosemitepark.com) For availability on day of arrival, check at any

Bear Canister Rental

Available for \$3 per trip at the Yosemite Valley Wilderness Center, Yosemite Valley Sport Shop, Curry Village Mountain Shop, Big Oak Flat Wilderness Center, Crane Flat Store, Wawona Store, Wawona Wilderness Center, Tuolumne Meadows Mountaineering School and Sport Shop, Tuolumne Meadows Store, and the Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station. Canisters may be rented or returned at any rental location in the park.

Recreation

Conditions permitting.

YOSEMITE LODGE TOUR DESK

(after-hours ticket sales available at front desk) Monday - Thursday: 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Friday - Saturday: 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

MOUNTAINEERING SCHOOL

Yosemite Mountaineering School offers lessons and guided climbing at all levels, overnight backpacking, and guided day hikes to spectacular areas of Yosemite Valley and the high country.

Curry Village

(located in the Mountain Shop) 8:30 a.m. to Noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Classes meet at 8:30 a.m. 209/372-8344

Tuolumne Meadows

(located at gas station) 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. 209/372-8435

BIKE RENTALS

Daily, weather permitting, with hourly and daily rates. Baby-joggers, wheelchairs, and six-speed bikes with trailers.

Yosemite Village

10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Yosemite Lodge

8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. 209/372-1208

Curry Village

8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. 209/372-8319

SWIMMING POOLS

Yosemite Lodge

Weekdays: Noon to 5:00 p.m. Weekends: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Curry Village

10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Wawona

8:00 a.m. to dusk

STABLES

2-hour and 4-hour rides depart daily. All-day rides, private rides, and pack trips into Yosemite's spectacular wilderness may also be arranged. Private horse boarding is available. Call for reservations.

Yosemite Valley

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-8348

Tuolumne Meadows

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-8427 Wawona

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/375-6502

Sightseeing Tours

2-hour open-air tram (weather permitting) or bus tours, or all-day and half-day bus tours depart daily from lodging facilities in Yosemite Valley. Inquire at tour/transportation desks at The Ahwahnee, Yosemite Lodge, Curry Village, Village Kiosk.

Valley Floor Tour

This 26-mile, 2-hour tram tour departs at 10:00, 11:00, and 11:30 a.m. and at 12:00, 1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 6:00, and 7:00 p.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge in Yosemite Valley.*

Glacier Point Tour

A 4-hour round trip from Yosemite Valley to Glacier Point. The Glacier Point Tour also offers a one-way ticket for adventurers to hike back down to Yosemite Valley. Departs at 8:30, and 10:00 a.m., and 1:30, and 5:30 p.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge.*

Big Trees Tram Tour

Trams run every day in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias for a 1-hour tour through the lower and upper groves. The first tram is at 9:00 a.m. and the last tram is at 6:00 p.m., running every 15 to 20 minutes from the boarding area.* Call 209/375-1621 for information.

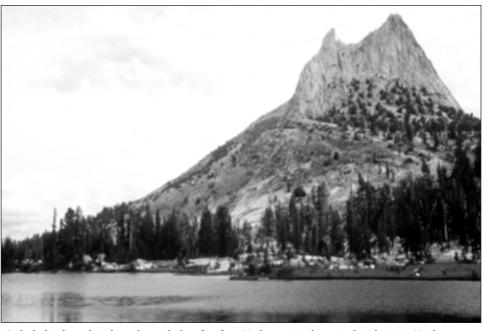
Grand Tour

An 8-hour combination of Big Trees and Glacier Point Tours. Departs 8:45 a.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge.*

Tuolumne Hiker's Bus

Departs from Yosemite Lodge at 8:20 a.m. Return trip departs from Tuolomne Meadows Lodge at 2:05 p.m.*

*Weather permitting.



Cathedral Lake and Peak can be reached on foot from Tuolumne Meadows via the John Muir Trail. Photo by Bryan Harry

General Services

MTA

Yosemite Village

South of Village Store (Bank of America) Inside Village Store

Yosemite Lodge

Inside main registration area

Curry Village

Inside gift/grocery store

Wawona

Inside Wawona Store

El Portal

On Hwy. 140 at Yosemite View Lodge (County Bank)

Miscellaneous

Babysitting

Limited babysitting available for registered guests at Yosemite Lodge and The Ahwahnee. Call front desk or concierge for additional information.

Kennel

Located at the stable in Yosemite Valley. Dogs must be gentle, over 10 pounds, with proof of shots and license required. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-8348

Service Organizations

Yosemite Valley: Wednesday 7:00 p.m., YCS General Office Building (Employee Training Center) Yosemite

Alcoholics Anonymous

Yosemite Valley: Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday 7:30 p.m., YCS General Office Building (Employee Training Center), Yosemite Village

Narcotics Anonymous Yosemite Valley: Saturday 7:30 p.m.,

YCS General Office Building (Employee Training Center), Yosemite Village

Lions Club

Meets first and third Thursdays of each month at noon, The Ahwahnee. Call 209/372-4475 for information.

Rotary International Meets Thursdays for lunch at noon in The

Ahwahnee Mural Room. Visiting Rotarian families and guests welcome. For meeting reservations or information, call 209/372-1016.

Religious Services

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Inquiries, directions, other services, contact Ron Skelton, 209/379-2307

El Portal Chapel

Worship Service: Sunday 9:00 a.m.

YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH

(Nondenominational Christian) Pastor Brent Moore 209/372-4831

Yosemite Valley Chapel (year-round) **Worship Service**

Sunday 9:15 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Thursday 7:00 p.m.

Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Wawona Campground

Sunday 9:00 a.m. **Tuolumne Campground Dana Campfire Circle**

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

Doug Warcup 209/722-7623 Thomas Weed 209/723-8244

Yosemite Valley Sacrament Service

1:00 p.m. daily at Yosemite Chapel

ROMAN CATHOLIC Rev. Dennis Alvernaz, Resident Pastor 209/372-4729

Mass in Yosemite Valley Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 10:00 a.m., Visitor Center West Auditorium

Friday 4:00 p.m., Yosemite Chapel Mass in Wawona

Saturday 4:00 p.m., Old School House

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

Don Crisp 559/658-8361

Sabbath School Saturday 10:00 a.m.

Worship Service Saturday 11:00 a.m. Yosemite Valley at Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (near shuttle bus stop #19)

CROSSWAY CHURCH (Christian Protestant)

Pastor Steve Hughes, Pastor Matt Bates 209/379-2428 www.byhisgrace.com/crossway

Worship Service

Sunday 7:00 p.m., Yosemite Chapel 10:00 a.m., El Portal Community Hall

Bible Study Wednesday 7:00 p.m., Girls Club/Library **Solid Rock/Climbers for Christ**

www.srcfc.org **EL PORTAL COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Pastor Russ Marsh 209/379-2255

Worship Service Saturday 7:30 p.m., El Portal Chapel (first and third weekends) Sunday 10:30 a.m., El Portal Chapel (second, fourth, and fifth weekends)

WAWONA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Pastor David Adamcik 209/966-3039 **Wawona Community Center** Worship Service Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Women's Bible Study

Wednesday 1:00 p.m.



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