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Yosemite Today

June 4 - July 1, 2002

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 FILM

Spirit of Yosemite

This inspiring state-of-the-art visitor orientation film provides a stunning overview of Yosemite's splendor. It is shown every hour on the half-hour from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Visitor Center's newly remodeled West Auditorium Theater. Closed captioning available. ♿

Yosemite Museum

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

FEATURES

Museum Gallery

Open daily 10:00 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. *Edges and Intersections*, an exhibit honoring the 100th anniversary of Ansel Adams' birth and the centennial anniversary of Best's Studio (known today as The Ansel Adams Gallery). *Opening reception June 7, 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.*

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.

Yosemite Museum Store

Open daily 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 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. ♿

Yosemite Cemetery

This historic cemetery is located across the street and just west of the Yosemite Museum. People buried here include American Indians and others who played an important role 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 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 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. ♿



American Dipper
Illustration by Lawrence Ormsby

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

Through June 10

Rare Views in a Rare Light. The color landscape photography of Robert Turner. A dramatic collection of prints that capture the magical light of the western landscape.

June 11-July 1

Centennial Celebration. An exhibit of photography by Olivia Parker, John Sexton, and Jerry Uelsmann. Students, assistants, and long-time friends of Ansel Adams, the work of the featured presenters at the Centennial Symposium, *Edges and Intersections—The Evolution of Change*.

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 Theater

Come help Yosemite Theater celebrate its 19th season! The National Park Service recognizes Yosemite Theater as the best interpretive program of its type in the National Park System. Tickets may be purchased at any tour desk in Yosemite Valley or if seating is still available, at the time of performance. Most shows are given in the East Auditorium located behind the Valley Visitor Center in Yosemite Village, near shuttle stop #5. See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times. ♿

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 Cook's Meadow and explores the changes that have led to the Yosemite we experience today. ♿



Yosemite Falls

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, American Indian 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 5:00 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 1/2-mile walk from Lembert Dome parking area or from the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. Parsons Memorial Lodge, staffed by park volunteers, is usually open from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Free Tuolumne/Olmsted Point/Tioga Pass Shuttle Bus

Begins June 14

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 Meadows Lodge and Olmsted Point with stops along the Tioga Road, including Tuolumne Campground and the Tuolumne Meadows 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 Tioga Pass.

Service begins at Tuolumne Meadows 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 Meadows Visitor Center or shuttle bus stops for details.



Mammoth Peak as seen from Soda Springs in Tuolumne Meadows

Photo by G. Born

Just for Kids

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

Ranger Walks

Join a ranger to explore new areas and learn about geology, birds, flowers, American 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. End your perfect day with a *Music Walk*. This easy, early evening stroll will inspire and delight.

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

Yosemite. Program topics vary, and are posted at the campground, Tuolumne Meadows Lodge, and Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. A campfire for children is scheduled Wednesday at the Conness Circle in the "C" loop of the campground. End your day with a *Star Program* or *Night Prowl*. Bring a pad to sit on for the Star Program and dress warmly. Programs will be canceled if the sky is overcast. Sign-up for the *Night Prowl* at the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center.

Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center

Open daily 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch). 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.

WHAT TO DO

Scheduled Events

Programs printed in color are especially for children and their families.

NPS = National Park Service
AAC = American Alpine Club
AAG = The Ansel Adams Gallery
YCS = Yosemite Concession Services
YA = Yosemite Association
YI = Yosemite Institute
S = Programs offered for a fee

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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 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily. Classes begin at 10:00 a.m. and continue until 2:00 p.m.



June 3-9
Frank Poulsen
Drawing/Pastel/Watercolor
 June 10-16
Dick Keyes
Watercolor Pencils & Ink
 June 17-23
Tom Fong
Watercolor
 June 24-30
Sonja Hamilton
Watercolor
 July 1-7
Doug Castleman
Watercolor

White Wolf Big Oak Flat Crane Flat

Wednesday, June 26
DISCOVERY VANS
 Hodgdon Meadow. Visit this interactive and informative traveling program, featuring science and natural history lessons for kids ages 8-12. Presented by the Discovery Center Museum of Science & Natural History.

Saturday, June 29
 1:00pm to 5:00pm
Walk-Through Tour of Yosemite's Proposed Environmental Education Campus
 Visit Yosemite Institute's Crane Flat campus to learn more about this proposed new facility. Public comments are welcomed. Located on the Tioga Road, east of the Tuolumne Grove parking area.

Check local bulletin boards for additional program information

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Yosemite Valley	7:30am Sunrise Walk to Mirror Lake (June 16 only) 1 hr. Valley Stable, shuttle stop #18 (Sierra Club)	8:30am Camera Walk 2 hrs. Sign up/meet at The Ahwahnee front desk (YCS)	6:30am Sunrise Photo Walk (begins June 18) 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk (Kodak)
	10:00am Ranger Walk/Talk—Yosemite Inspirations 1 to 1½ hrs. Meet at Tunnel View, Wawona Rd. (Hwy. 41)	10:00am Ranger Walk—Buffalo Soldiers in Yosemite 1 to 1½ hrs. Valley Visitor Center &	9:00am Photography Walk 2 hrs. Space limited, sign up in advance. Meet on The Ansel Adams Gallery porch. Weather permitting (AAG)
	11:00am Wilderness Quilt Project (June 16 only) 2 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)	7:30pm OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE WITH THE RECYCLED STRING BAND (begins June 17; except June 26) 1½ hrs. Tickets at the Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk (\$) (YCS)	10:00am Ranger Walk—Rivers and Waterfalls 1 to 1½ hrs. Sentinel Bridge Shuttle stop #11 &
	1:00pm Ranger Walk—Yosemite's First People (June 9 & 30 only) 2 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)	8:00pm Yosemite Theater Live—Wild Stories with John Muir 1½ hrs. Visitor Center East Auditorium. Tickets at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk or at the door (\$) (YCS) &	Photo Tips, Demos, & Answers (begins June 18) 1 hr. (ongoing) Behind the Valley Visitor Center (Kodak)
	7:00pm WEE WILD ONES (begins June 16) 45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 & under. Curry Village Stage (YCS)	8:30pm Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (YCS/NPS) &	7:30pm YOSEMITE THEATER LIVE—CAMPFIRE WITH JOHN MUIR 1½ hrs. Near Curry Village. Tickets/information at any lodge tour desk (\$) (YCS)
	8:00pm Evening Program 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club) June 9 Exploring the Wilderness Idea June 16 Art & Science of John Muir June 23 Rambles of Muir & Carr, 1873 June 30 The John Muir Trail, Part IV	Evening Program (begins June 10) 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS) &	8:00pm Yosemite Theater Live—Sarah Hawkins Contemplates a Fourth Marriage: Stories of a Pioneer Woman 1½ hrs. Visitor Center East Auditorium. Tickets at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk or at the door (\$) (YCS) &
	8:30pm Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS) & Film—Ansel Adams, Photographer 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (AAG) &		Evening Program (June 4 only) 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS/YI) &
			8:30pm Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (YCS) & Evening Program (begins June 11) 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS/Kodak) &
Wawona Mariposa Grove	10:00am to Noon & 2:00pm to 4:00pm Stage Rides (June 30 only) 10 min. Purchase tickets near Wawona Covered Bridge (\$) (NPS)	10:00am Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove (July 1 only) 1½ hrs. Lower Grove Trailhead (NPS)	5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite 4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer, Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel Lounge (YCS)
	10:00am Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove (June 30 only) 1½ hrs. Lower Grove Trailhead (NPS)	2:00pm Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove (July 1 only) 1½ hrs. Lower Grove Trailhead (NPS)	
	10:30am Visit Yosemite's Past (June 30 only) 1 hr. Tour of Pioneer Yosemite History Center. Meet at Wawona Covered Bridge (NPS)	8:00pm Campfire (July 1 only) 1 hr. Wawona Campground Campfire Circle (NPS) &	
	11:00am to 3:00pm Stage Rides (June 23 only) 10 min. Purchase tickets near Wawona Covered Bridge (\$) (NPS)	9:00pm STARRY SKIES OVER WAWONA (begins June 24) 1 hr. Sign up at Wawona Hotel front desk (\$) (YCS)	
	2:00pm Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove (June 30 only) 1½ hrs. Lower Grove Trailhead (NPS)		
	2:30pm Visit Yosemite's Past (June 30 only) 1 hr. Tour of Pioneer Yosemite History Center. Meet at Wawona Covered Bridge (NPS)		
	8:00pm Campfire (June 30 only) 1 hr. Wawona Campground Campfire Circle (NPS) &		
Glacier Point	2:00pm Ranger Walk 2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on the Glacier Point Road		
	8:00pm Sunset Talk ½ hr. Glacier Point Railing (NPS) &		
Tuolumne Meadows	2:00pm Ranger Walk—View from the Top (begins June 23) 2 hrs. Meet at Pothole Dome shuttle stop#8, road marker T-29	2:00pm Ranger Walk—Along the River (begins June 24) 2 hrs. Meet at Lembert Dome parking area	10:00am JUNIOR RANGERS (begins June 25) 2 hrs. Meet at Lembert Dome parking area
	8:00pm Campfire (begins June 23) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground	8:00pm Campfire (begins June 24) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground	2:00pm Ranger Walk—Lake Exploration (begins June 25) 2 hrs. Meet at Pothole Dome Shuttle stop #8, road marker T-29
			8:00pm Campfire (begins June 25) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

6:30am **Sunrise Photo Walk**
(begins June 19)
1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk (Kodak)

10:00am **CHILDREN'S PHOTO WALK**
(begins June 19)
1 hr. Ahwahnee Concierge Desk, parents must accompany, limited to 15 (Kodak)

Ranger Walk—Yosemite's Legacy
1 to 1½ hrs. Valley Visitor Center &

11:00am **Wilderness Quilt Project**
2 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

1:00pm **Ranger Walk/Talk—Bears**
1 to 1½ hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater &

2:00pm **History Walk**
(June 5 only)
1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

NPS Open House (June 26 only)
Until 9:00pm Learn about the latest Yosemite improvement projects
Visitor Center East Auditorium (NPS) &

7:30pm **OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE WITH THE RECYCLED STRING BAND**
(begins June 19)
1½ hrs. Tickets at the Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk (\$) (YCS) &

8:00pm **Yosemite Theater Live—Wild Stories with John Muir**
(except June 26)
1½ hrs. Visitor Center East Auditorium
Tickets at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk or at the door (\$) (YCS) &

Evening Program
(June 5 only)
1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS/YI) &

8:30pm **Evening Program**
1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (YCS/Kodak) &

Evening Program
(begins June 12)
1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS) &

9:00pm **STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE VALLEY**
(begins June 26)
1 hr. Meet near Yosemite Lodge. Sign up/details at any lodge tour desk (\$) (YCS)

6:30am **Sunrise Photo Walk**
(begins June 20) 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk (Kodak)

9:00am **Photography Walk**
2 hrs. Space limited, sign up in advance
Meet on The Ansel Adams Gallery porch
Weather permitting (AAG)

10:00am **Photo Tips, Demos, & Answers**
(begins June 20) 1 hr. (ongoing)
Meet behind Valley Visitor Center

Ranger Walk—Trees
1 to 1½ hrs. The Ahwahnee, shuttle stop #3

11:00am **CHILDREN'S STORY TIME**
½ hr. The Ansel Adams Gallery, kids all ages
Under 7 must be accompanied by adult (AAG) &

Wilderness Quilt Project (June 6 only)
2 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

2:00pm **History Walk** (June 6 only)
1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

Wilderness Quilt Project
(June 20 & 27 only)
2 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

Nature Journal Keeping (June 13 only)
1½ hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

7:00pm **WEE WILD ONES**
(begins June 13) 45 min.
Stories and activities for kids 6 & under
Curry Village Stage (YCS)

7:30pm **YOSEMITE THEATER LIVE—CAMPFIRE WITH JOHN MUIR**
(begins June 13)
1½ hrs. Near Curry Village. Tickets/information at any lodge tour desk (\$) (YCS)

Animals and Their Senses (June 3 only)
1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

8:00pm **Evening Program—The John Muir Trail, Part I** (June 27 only)
1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

Yosemite Theater Live—Sarah Hawkins Contemplates a Fourth Marriage: Stories of a Pioneer Woman
1½ hrs. Visitor Center East Auditorium
Tickets at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk or at the door (\$) (YCS) &

8:30pm **Evening Program**
1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS) &

Evening Program
1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (YCS) &

6:30am **Sunrise Photo Walk**
(begins June 21) 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk (Kodak)

10:00am **Ranger Walk—Wildlife in Yosemite**
1 to 1½ hrs. Sentinel Bridge
Shuttle stop #11 &

All About Bears (June 14 only)
1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

11:00am **Wilderness Quilt Project** (June 7 only)
2 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

2:00pm **History Walk** (June 7 only)
1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

Wilderness Quilt Project
(June 14 & 28 only)
2 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

Nature Journal Keeping (June 21 only)
1½ hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

3:00pm **Museum Gallery Reception—Edges & Intersections**
(June 7 only) 3 hrs. New exhibit celebrates the 100th anniversary of Ansel Adams' birth and the opening of Best's Studio Yosemite Museum (AAG) &

7:30 pm **OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE & SING-ALONG** (except June 14)
1½ hrs. Near Curry Village. Tickets/information at any lodge tour desk (\$) (YCS)

Evening Walk—Life After Dark
(June 14 only) 1 hr. Sentinel Bridge, shuttle stop #11 (Sierra Club)

8:00pm **Evening Program**
1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

June 7 Our National Park System
June 14 Rambles of Muir & Carr, 1873
June 21 Ansel Adams & John Muir
June 28 The John Muir Trail, Part II

Yosemite Theater Live—Wild Stories with John Muir
1½ hrs. Visitor Center East Auditorium
Tickets at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk or at the door (\$) (YCS) &

8:30pm **Evening Program with a Ranger**
1 hr. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS/Kodak) &

Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (YCS/AAC) &

6:30am **Sunrise Photo Walk**
(begins June 22) 1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk (Kodak)

9:00am **Photography Walk**
2 hrs. Space limited, sign up in advance
Meet on The Ansel Adams Gallery porch
Weather permitting (AAG)

10:00am **CHILDREN'S PHOTO WALK**
(begins June 22)
1 hr. Ahwahnee Concierge Desk, parents must accompany, limited to 15 (Kodak)

Ranger Walk—Granite and Ice
1 to 1½ hrs. Lower Yosemite Fall parking area, near shuttle stop #6

1:00pm **Ranger Walk/Talk—Bears**
1 to 1½ hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater &

Aquatic Field Trip (June 15 only) 1 hr.
Happy Isles, shuttle stop #16 (Sierra Club)

Rockclimbing Then & Now
(June 22 only) 6 hrs. Yosemite Valley \$95
Call 209/379-2321 for info or to enroll (YA)

2:00pm **Wilderness Quilt Project** (except June 15)
2 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

NPS Open House (June 29 only)
Until 9:00pm Learn about the latest Yosemite improvement projects
Visitor Center East Auditorium (NPS) &

3:00pm **Fine Print Viewing**
1 hr. Space limited, sign up in advance
Meet in The Ansel Adams Gallery (AAG)

4:00pm **NATURE STORIES FOR CHILDREN**
½ hr. The Ansel Adams Gallery
For kids 10 and under, must be accompanied by a parent (AAG)

7:00pm **Spring Twilight Stroll** (begins June 15)
1 hr. The Ahwahnee patio (YCS)

7:30pm **A Walk Back in Time** (June 15 only) 1 hr.
Valley Stable, shuttle stop #18 (Sierra Club)

8:00pm **Evening Program**
1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

June 8 The Matterhorn Quadrangle
June 15 Helen Hunt Jackson
June 22 Environmental Treasure
June 29 The John Muir Trail, Part III

8:30pm **Evening Program with a Ranger**
1 hr. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

Evening Program
1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (YCS/AAC) &

Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (YCS/Kodak) &

9:00pm **STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE VALLEY**
(begins June 15) 1 hr. Sign up at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk (\$) (YCS)

5:30pm **Vintage Music of Yosemite**
4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer, Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel Lounge (YCS)

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10:00am to Noon & 2:00pm to 4:00pm
Stage Rides (June 29 only)
10 min. Purchase tickets near Wawona Covered Bridge (\$) (NPS)

10:00am **Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove**
(June 28 only)
1½ hrs. Lower Grove Trailhead (NPS)

10:30am **Visit Yosemite's Past**
(June 28 only) 1 hr. Tour of Pioneer Yosemite History Center. Meet at Wawona Covered Bridge (NPS)

11:00am to 3:00pm
Stage Rides (June 21 only)
10 min. Purchase tickets near Wawona Covered Bridge (\$) (NPS)

2:00pm **Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove**
(June 28 only)
1½ hrs. Lower Grove Trailhead (NPS)

2:30pm **Visit Yosemite's Past**
(June 28 only) 1 hr. Tour of Pioneer Yosemite History Center. Meet at Wawona Covered Bridge (NPS)

5:30pm **Vintage Music of Yosemite**
4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer, Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel Lounge (YCS)

8:00pm **Campfire**
(June 28 only) 1 hr. Wawona Campground Campfire Circle (NPS) &

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Stage Rides (June 29 only)
10 min. Purchase tickets near Wawona Covered Bridge (\$) (NPS)

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(June 29 only) 1 hr. Tour of Pioneer Yosemite History Center. Meet at Wawona Covered Bridge (NPS)

5:30pm **Vintage Music of Yosemite**
4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer, Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel Lounge (YCS)

8:00pm **Campfire**
(June 29 only) 1 hr. Wawona Campground Campfire Circle (NPS) &

7:15pm **Alpenglow Photo Shoot**
(begins June 20)
1 hr. Glacier Point Amphitheater, check for transportation details at Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk (Kodak)

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10:30am **Ranger Walk—Bears**
(begins June 28)
1½ hrs. Meet at the Tuolumne Meadows Campground entrance

2:00pm **Ranger Walk—History**
(begins June 28)
2 hrs. Meet at Lembert Dome parking area

8:00pm **Campfire**
(begins June 28)
1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground

2:00pm **Ranger Walk**
2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on the Glacier Point Road

8:00pm **Sunset Talk**
½ hr. Glacier Point Railing (NPS) &

9:00pm **Stars Over Yosemite**
1 hr. Glacier Point Railing (NPS) &

9:00am **Ranger Hike—Cascades and Domes on the Trail to Glen Aulin**
(begins June 26) 6 hrs. Moderate, 6 to 8 miles. Meet at Lembert Dome parking area
Bring lunch, water, and raingear

10:30am **RANGER WALK—LUNCH WALK FOR FAMILIES** (begins June 26) 3-4 hrs. Easy
Meet at Tuolumne Lodge shuttle stop #1
Bring a picnic lunch and water

1:00pm **Ranger Walk—Indians in the High Country** (begins June 26)
2 hrs. Meet at Lembert Dome parking area

7:00pm **KIDS' CAMPFIRE** (begins June 26)
1 hr. Meet at Conness Circle, Loop C
Tuolumne Campground

8:00pm **Campfire** (begins June 26) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground

9:15pm **Ranger Walk—Night Prowl**
(begins June 26) 1 hr. Sign up at Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. Phone 209/372-0263

10:00am **JUNIOR RANGERS**
(begins June 27)
2 hrs. Meet at Lembert Dome parking area

2:00pm **Ranger Walk—Geology**
(begins June 27)
2 hrs. Meet at Pothole Dome
Shuttle stop #8, road marker T-29

6:30pm **Ranger Walk—Music for Parks**
(begins June 27)
1½ hrs. Meet at Lembert Dome parking area

8:00pm **Campfire**
(begins June 27)
1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground

10:30am **Ranger Walk—Bears**
(begins June 28)
1½ hrs. Meet at the Tuolumne Meadows Campground entrance

2:00pm **Ranger Walk—History**
(begins June 28)
2 hrs. Meet at Lembert Dome parking area

8:00pm **Campfire**
(begins June 28)
1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground

7:30am **Ranger Walk—Birds**
(begins June 29)
2½ hrs. Meet at Lembert Dome parking area, binoculars available

9:15am **Ranger Hike—Mono Pass**
(begins June 29) 6-8 hrs. Moderate, 8-10 miles. Meet at Mono Pass trailhead
Bring lunch, water, and raingear

2:00pm **Ranger Walk—Mountain Weather**
(begins June 29)
2 hrs. Meet at Tuolumne Meadows Lodge
Shuttle stop #1

8:00pm **Campfire**
(begins June 29) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground

9:30pm **Ranger Talk—Stars**
(begins June 29) 1 hr. Meet at the Tuolumne Meadows Campground entrance
Bring pad to sit on and dress warmly

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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 Saturday evenings, explore the night sky with a ranger (cancelled if the sky is overcast). 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.

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Half Dome, North Dome, and Tenaya Canyon as seen from Glacier Point
Photo by Roger McGehee

Wawona & Mariposa Grove



Visit the Pioneer Yosemite History Center in Wawona.

Photo by John Hawksworth

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, trail information, bear canister rentals, books, and maps. ♿

♿ Indicates facilities accessible for visitors in wheelchairs, with assistance.

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 Campground.

Join pianist/singer Tom Bopp in the Wawona Hotel lobby as he performs songs and stories from Yosemite's past. Tom also features presentations with slides, historic Yosemite music, or Wawona history on some Thursday and Saturday nights.

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 10-minute ride and experience the adventure of horse-drawn stage travel in Yosemite. Purchase tickets near the Wawona Covered Bridge. \$3/adult and \$2/child (ages 3-12). See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

Free Mariposa Grove & Wawona Shuttle Bus

The shuttle bus stops at the Wawona Store, South Entrance, and Mariposa Grove. Shuttles operate daily beginning at 9:00 a.m. Last shuttle leaves Wawona at 4:00 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 1 1/4 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.

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 Tree	2.5 miles /4.0km	1,000ft / 305m
Wawona Point	3.0 miles /4.8km	1,200ft / 438m

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 5:00 p.m., running every 15 to 20 minutes from the boarding area.

Mariposa Grove Museum Opens June 7

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

Crane Flat & Big Oak Flat

Big Oak Flat Information Station

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 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

Open daily 8:00 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located inside the Information Station. Wilderness permits, trail information, bear canister rentals, 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).

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