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# Yosemite Today

October 7 - November 3, 2003

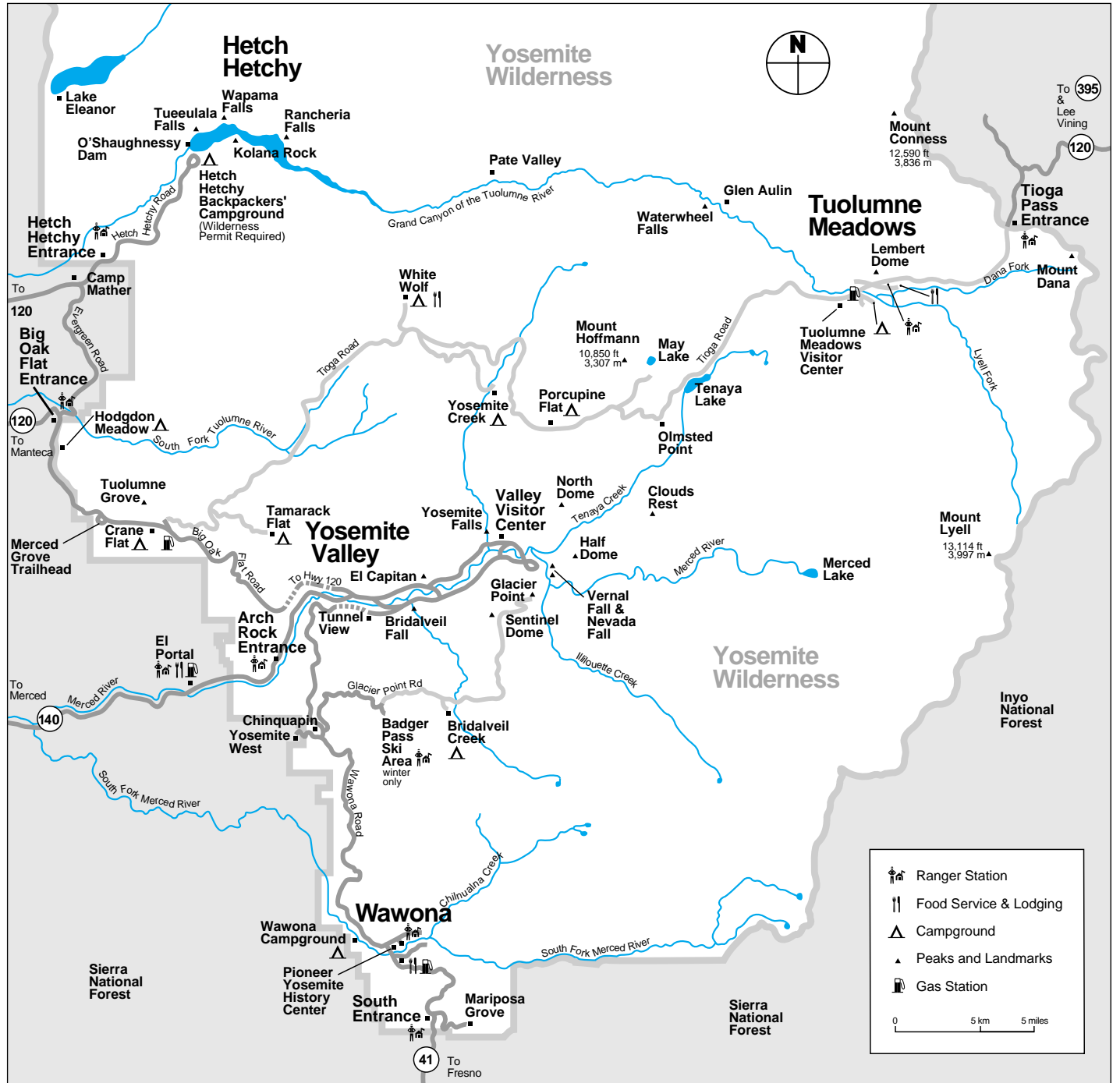
## Yosemite National Park

### ROAD INFO

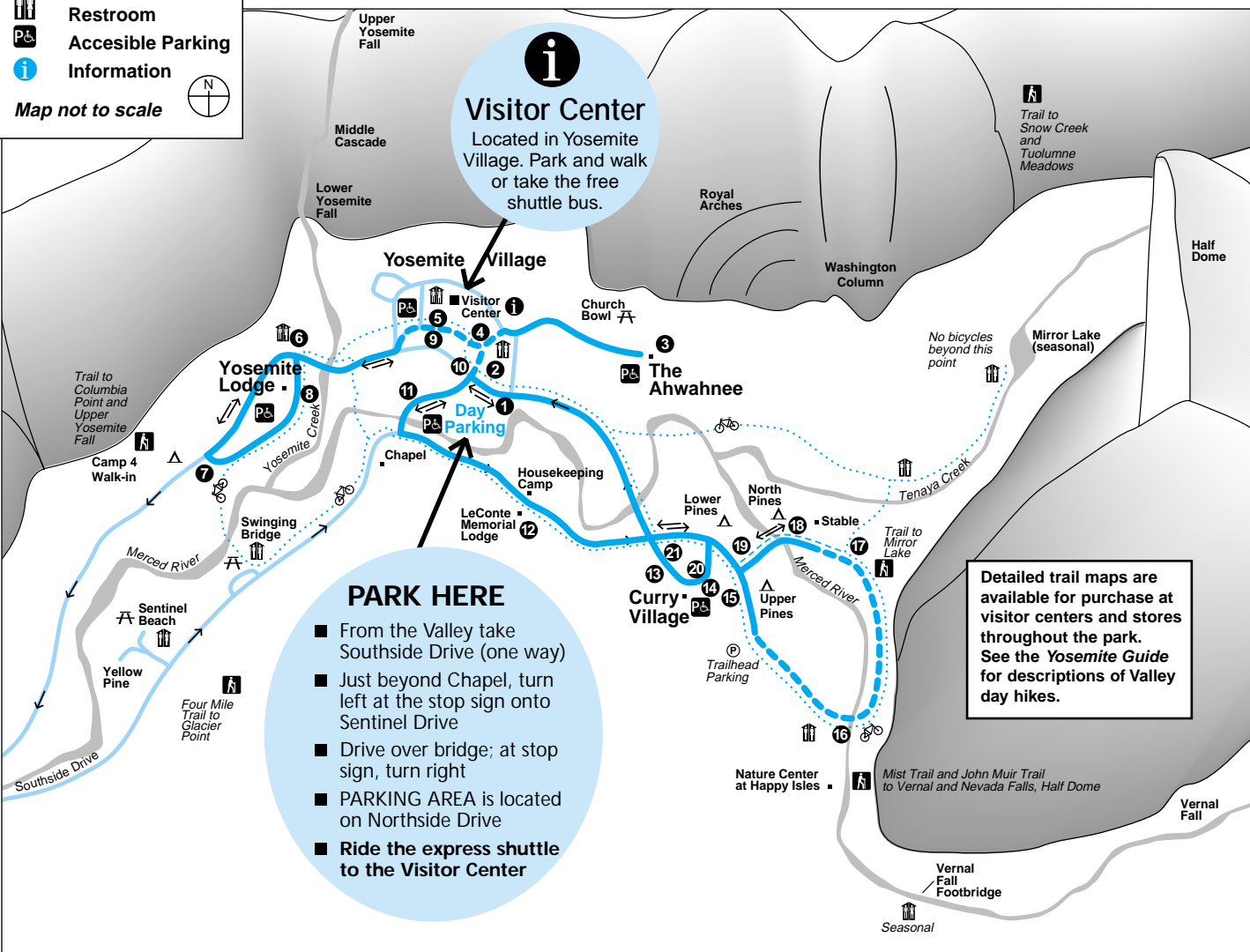
Due to construction, you may experience short delays or temporary detours on some park roads. Call 209/372-0200 for recorded road information.

### Easy Access to Lower Yosemite Fall

During construction at Lower Yosemite Fall, you are encouraged to park in the designated day-visitor lot at Yosemite Village and take the free shuttle bus as you explore the Valley. Shuttle buses run every 10 minutes from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., and all are wheelchair lift equipped. See route on map below.



## Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus Map



### Ride the Free Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus

Schedules and routes may vary. Shuttle buses operate daily at 10-minute intervals, except during early morning and late evening hours when intervals may be 25 minutes. All buses follow the same route, serving stops in numerical order.

#### SCHEDULE

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

- 1 Yosemite Village/Day Parking
- 2 Yosemite Village
- 3 The Ahwahnee
- 4 Yosemite Village/Degnan's Complex
- 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 Bicycle Rental Stand
- 14 Curry Village
- 15 Upper Pines Campground\*
- 16 Happy Isles/John Muir Trailhead\*
- 17 Mirror Lake Junction\*
- 18 Stable\*
- 19 Lower Pines Campground
- 20 Curry Village
- 21 Bicycle Rental Stand

\*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.yarts.com](http://www.yarts.com)

# Yosemite Village, Yosemite Lodge, & Curry Village

- Shuttle Bus Stop
- Campground
- Parking
- Accessible Parking
- ATM
- Visitor Information
- Restrooms
- Gas Station  
*(no gas in Yosemite Valley)*
- Paved Bike Path
- Hiking Trail
- Roadway
- Roadway for Shuttle Bus Only

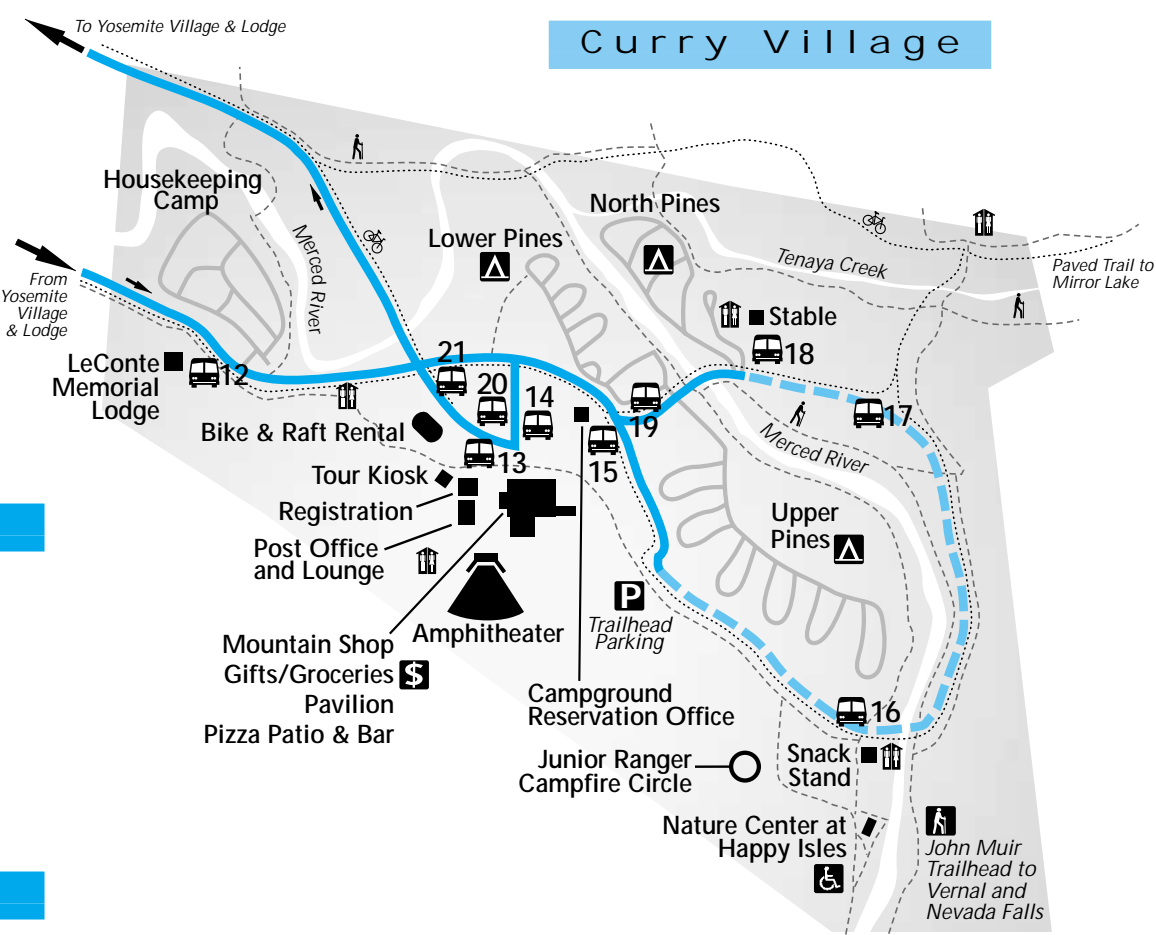
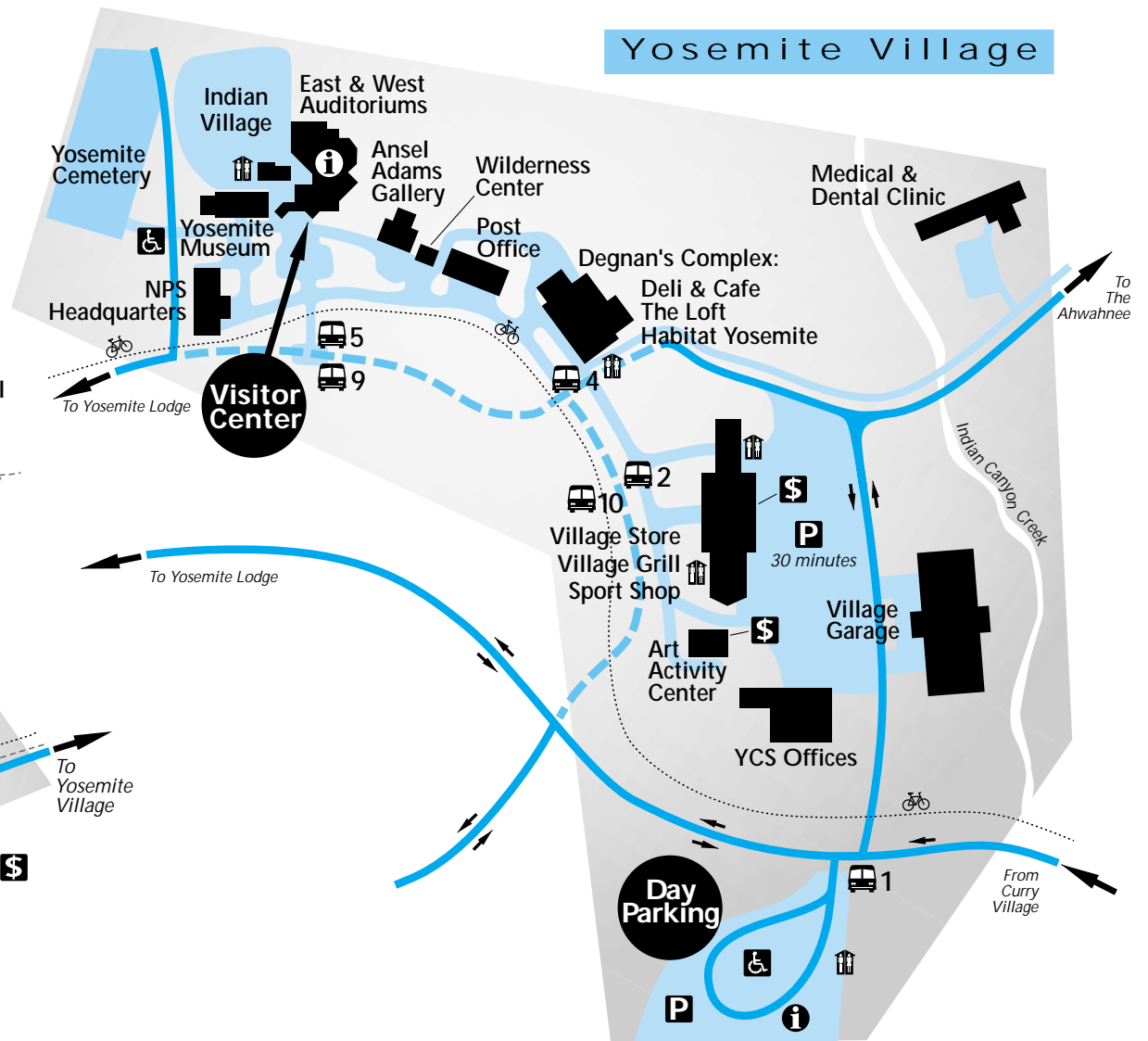
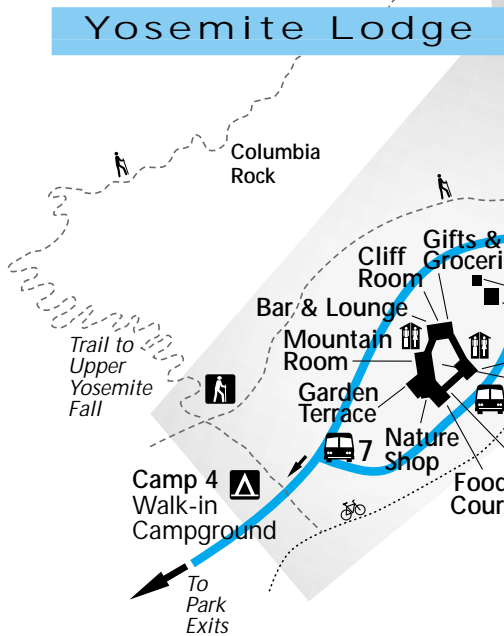


**NORTH**

Maps not to scale.

See page 12 of the *Yosemite Guide* for a description of Valley trails and day hikes.

Detailed trail maps are available for purchase at visitor centers and stores throughout the park.



## Food & Beverage Service

These hours of operation are approximate. Current hours of operation are posted at each front desk or facility.

### YOSEMITE VILLAGE

**Degnan's Delicatessen**  
7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**The Loft at Degnan's**  
5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. weekdays  
Noon to 9:00 p.m. weekends

**Village Grill**  
11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

### YOSEMITE LODGE

**Food Court**  
Breakfast - 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.  
Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Dinner - 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Food to go - 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Light menu served between meal periods

**Mountain Room Bar & Lounge**  
4:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. weekdays  
Noon to 10:30 p.m. weekends

**Mountain Room Restaurant**  
Through October 26:  
5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Beginning October 26:  
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sun - Thurs  
5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Fri - Sat

### THE AHWAHNEE

**Dining Room**  
Breakfast - 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., Mon - Sat  
Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Mon - Sat  
Sunday Brunch - 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Dinner - 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Reservations and appropriate attire are respectfully requested. 209/372-1489

**The Ahwahnee Bar**  
10:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.  
Food Service - 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

### CURRY VILLAGE

**Coffee Corner**  
6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

**Pavilion Buffet**  
*(Closed for the season November 2)*  
Breakfast Buffet - 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.  
Dinner Buffet - 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Pizza Patio**  
Noon to 9:00 p.m. daily  
Beginning October 13:  
5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., weekdays  
Noon to 9:00 p.m., weekends  
Beginning October 27:  
5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., daily

**Bar**  
*(Closed for the season November 1)*  
4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Mon - Thurs  
4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., Friday  
Noon to 11:00 p.m., Saturday  
Noon to 10:00 p.m., Sunday  
Beginning October 12:  
5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., daily

**HAPPY ISLES**  
**Snack Stand**  
*(Closed for the season October 12)*  
11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## Groceries

**Yosemite Lodge Gift/Grocery**  
8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Village Store** 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Degnan's Delicatessen**  
7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Housekeeping Camp**  
*(Closed for the season October 13)*  
8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Curry Village Gift/Grocery**  
8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

## Gifts, Books, & Apparel

**YOSEMITE VILLAGE**  
**The Ansel Adams Gallery**  
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Yosemite Bookstore**  
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Inside Visitor Center

**Yosemite Museum Store**  
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Village Store** 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Habitat Yosemite** 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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

**Wilderness Center**  
*(Closed for the season October 15)*  
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**YOSEMITE LODGE**  
**Gift/Grocery** 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Nature Shop** 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**THE AHWAHNEE**  
**Gift Shop** 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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

**CURRY VILLAGE**  
**Mountain Shop** 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Gift/Grocery** 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

## Showers & Laundromat

**SHOWERS**  
**Curry Village** 24 hours  
**Housekeeping Camp** 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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

## Recycling

**Village Store Recycling Center**  
Noon to 5:00 p.m.

## 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 - Thursday 11:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.  
Friday 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

## ATM

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

**Yosemite Lodge**  
Inside main registration area

**Curry Village**  
Inside gift/grocery store

## Auto Service, Towing, and Repair (AAA)

**Village Garage**  
8:00 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Towing 24 hours. Propane available until 4:00 p.m.  
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## Yosemite Valley

### Valley Visitor Center

Open 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 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. Beginning October 15, bear canister rental and self-registration for wilderness permits. ♿ TTY

#### 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 30 minutes from Monday to Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Sunday noon to 4:30 p.m. in the Visitor Center's West Auditorium Theater. Closed captioning available. ♿ CC

### Yosemite Museum

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

#### FEATURES

##### Museum Gallery

Open 10:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Historic 19th and 20th century Yosemite landscape paintings from the park's museum collection.

##### Indian Cultural Exhibit

Open 9:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Displays interpret the cultural history of Yosemite's native Miwok and Paiute people from 1850 to the present. Demonstrations of traditional skills are presented. No food or drink permitted.

##### Yosemite Museum Store

Open 9:00 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. ♿

### 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

(Closed for the season October 15)

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 canister rental, maps, and guidebooks. Displays and information on pre-trip planning, minimum impact camping techniques, and Yosemite's wilderness. After October 15, wilderness permits can be obtained by self-registration from the Valley Visitor Center during normal hours of operation. Permits for Little Yosemite Valley are available only at the Valley Visitor Center. ♿

### The Ansel Adams Gallery

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



Tunnel View After a Storm

Photo by Colleen Brown

handcrafts, books, gifts, photography supplies, and camera/tripod rentals are available. For more information, call the Gallery at 209/372-4413 or visit their web site at [www.anseladams.com](http://www.anseladams.com). ♿

#### GALLERY EXHIBITS

##### Through October 27

John Sexton's black and white photography will be presented in the exhibit *Recollections*, a selection of prints that highlight both the artistic expression and technical expertise of one of Ansel Adams' most successful assistants. John is highly regarded for his photographic skills in the field, the darkroom, and as an instructor through the Gallery and his own workshop series.

##### Beginning October 29

The Gallery's fall exhibit will highlight a new body of work by photographer, Carol Henry, including prints made using glass, paper, and found objects. Her use of color, form, and light creates photographic images that are unique and profound.

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



Clouds Rest Summit

Photo by Colleen Brown

## Tuolumne Meadows

### 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. The Soda Springs are small, naturally carbonated springs that often attract birds and deer at sunrise and sunset. This area is an easy 1/2-mile walk from Lembert Dome parking area. Allow 30 minutes walking time.

### Wilderness Permits

Wilderness permits are available by self-registration through October 15 at the Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center. Afterwards, permits can be obtained outside the Tuolumne Meadows Ranger Station.

### Overnight Parking Along Tioga Road

After October 15, parking along Tioga Road will be limited to day use. No overnight parking will be permitted.



Prairie Falcon

Illustration by Lawrence Ormsby

WHAT TO DO



## HELP KEEP YOSEMITE BEARS WILD!

Did you know that during the fall bears must eat 20,000 calories daily to prepare for winter? That's about 1,650 acorns each day (130 chocolate bars for you or me)!

Help keep Yosemite's bears wild. Be sure to store your food, drinks, toiletries, and any scented items according to park regulations while staying at Yosemite National Park. Look for Yosemite Valley programs about the amazing life of bears.

## FIRE IN YOSEMITE

Join a park ranger to learn about fire ecology, history, and the natural role of fire in Yosemite National Park.


Sunday at 10:00am  
1 to 1½ hrs.

Meet at the El Capitan Picnic Area and walk through two recent prescribed burn areas. Located on Southside Drive (exiting the park), approximately 2.5 miles past Yosemite Lodge.

Look for the ranger sign posted on the road at the picnic area.

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

NPS = National Park Service  
AAG = The Ansel Adams Gallery  
DNC = Delaware North Corporation at Yosemite  
YA = Yosemite Association  
YI = Yosemite Institute  
\$ = Programs offered for a fee

 Indicates programs accessible for visitors in wheelchairs, with assistance.

# Scheduled Events

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Yosemite Valley	<p>9:00am <b>Photography Walk</b> 2 hrs. Limited space, advance sign up required. Meet at The Ansel Adams Gallery. Weather permitting (AAG)</p> <p>10:00am <b>Ranger Walk—Through the Eyes of a Buffalo Soldier, 1904</b> 1½ hrs. Meet in front of Visitor Center (NPS)</p> <p><b>Ranger Walk—Fire in Yosemite</b> 1 to 1½ hrs. Meet at El Capitan Picnic Area see left column for details (NPS)</p> <p>11:00am <b>WEE WILD ONES</b> 45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 &amp; under. The Ahwahnee Great Lounge fireplace (DNC) &amp;</p> <p>2:30pm <b>Ranger Walk—Trees</b> 1½ hrs. Meet at The Ahwahnee Shuttle stop #3 (NPS)</p> <p>3:00pm <b>Historic Ahwahnee Tour</b> 1 hr. Sign up required at concierge desk (DNC)</p> <p>7:30pm <b>Film—Ansel Adams</b> (except Oct. 19) 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge, check local postings for venue (AAG) &amp;</p> <p><b>Centennial Event: Teddy Roosevelt's Yosemite</b> (Oct. 19 only) 1 hr. Slideshow tribute to the president's historic visit. Yosemite Lodge, check local postings for venue (DNC) &amp;</p>	<p>8:30am <b>Autumn Photo Walk</b> 2 hrs. Sign up/meet at The Ahwahnee front desk (DNC)</p> <p>2:30pm <b>Ranger Walk—Yosemite's First People</b> 1½ hrs. Meet behind the Visitor Center (NPS)</p> <p>3:00pm <b>Historic Ahwahnee Tour</b> 1 hr. Sign up required at concierge desk (DNC)</p> <p>7:30pm <b>Evening Program</b> 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge, check local postings for venue (DNC/NPS) &amp;</p>	<p>9:00am <b>Photography Walk</b> 2 hrs. Limited space, advance sign up required. Meet at The Ansel Adams Gallery weather permitting (AAG)</p> <p>12:00pm <b>Yosemite Forum—Ecology of Non-Native Plants in National Parks of the Sierra</b> (Oct. 14 only) 1 hr. Interactive lecture with Yosemite Ecologist, Peggy Moore. Visitor Center West Auditorium (NPS) &amp;</p> <p>2:30pm <b>Ranger Walk—Bears</b> 1½ hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater (NPS)</p> <p>7:30pm <b>Evening Program</b> 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge, check local postings for venue (DNC) &amp;</p>
Wawona			<p>5:30pm <b>Vintage Music of Yosemite</b> 4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer, Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel Lounge (DNC) &amp;</p>
Glacier Point	<p>6:00pm <b>Sunset Ranger Talk</b> (Oct. 12 only) ½ hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) &amp;</p>	<p>2:00pm <b>Ranger Walk</b> (Oct. 13 only) 2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Road (NPS)</p> <p>6:00pm <b>Sunset Ranger Talk</b> (Oct. 13 only) ½ hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) &amp;</p>	<p>2:00pm <b>Ranger Walk</b> (Oct. 7 only) 2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Road (NPS)</p> <p>6:00pm <b>Sunset Ranger Talk</b> (Oct. 7 only) ½ hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) &amp;</p>



## YOSEMITE THEATER LIVE PRESENTS The Tramp and the Roughrider

In May of 1903, President Theodore Roosevelt, planning a tour of the western forests, invited the naturalist John Muir to a four-day camping trip in the Yosemite wilderness. The Tramp and the Roughrider illuminates this extraordinary encounter, with the action unfolding at sunset on Glacier Point, overlooking the magnificent Yosemite Valley.

Both of these characters were feisty and opinionated, and had sharp disagreements on issues like hunting, animal rights, and forest management. Muir's poetic and evangelistic temperament, clashing with Roosevelt's political (and boyish) enthusiasms, naturally spawned both tension and humor. Both skillful storytellers, it seems natural that the two men would seek to top one another by relating some of their many adventures in the American wilderness—Roosevelt bringing a frontier ruffian to justice, for example, or Muir telling of his hair-raising "interview" with a Yosemite bear.

At the time of this historic meeting, many millions of acres of our western forest, with little or no governmental supervision, were being exploited and abused by hunting, lumber, stock, and mining interests. The federal government had established only five national parks and one small wildlife preserve and was without a National Park Service. The Yosemite Valley, though surrounded by a national park, was controlled by the State of California, and was unkempt and neglected.

But around the campfire, in sifting through their histories and their hopes, these very different men slowly discovered how the other had been shaped by the wilderness they loved, opening up some rich possibilities of "doing some forest good." By the end of Roosevelt's presidency, America could boast of an additional 200 million acres of forest wilderness, five more national parks, and 65 wildlife preserves. Bully!

Whether you're a naturalist, a sportsman/sportswoman, or both, you will be captivated by this passionate performance by Lee Stetson as John Muir and Alan Sutterfield as Theodore Roosevelt.

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## WEDNESDAY

## THURSDAY

## FRIDAY

## SATURDAY

11:00am **WEE WILD ONES**  
45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 & under. The Ahwahnee Great Lounge fireplace (DNC) ☺

2:00pm **NPS Open House**  
(Oct. 22 only)  
4 hrs. Learn about park improvement efforts, Visitor Center East Auditorium (NPS) ☺

2:30pm **Ranger Walk—Granite & Ice**  
1½ hrs. Meet in front of Visitor Center (NPS)

3:00pm **Historic Ahwahnee Tour**  
1 hr. Sign up required at concierge desk (DNC)

7:30pm **Evening Program**  
1 hr. Yosemite Lodge, check local postings for venue (DNC/NPS) ☺

9:00am **Photography Walk**  
2 hrs. Limited space, advance sign up required. Meet at The Ansel Adams Gallery weather permitting (AAG)

2:30pm **Ranger Walk—Bears**  
1½ hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater (NPS)

7:30pm **Evening Program**  
1 hr. Yosemite Lodge, check local postings for venue (DNC) ☺

**FIRESIDE STORYTELLING FOR ALL AGES**  
1 hr. The Ahwahnee Great Lounge fireplace (DNC) ☺

2:30pm **Ranger Walk—Rivers and Waterfalls**  
1½ hrs. Meet at Sentinel Bridge Shuttle stop #11 (NPS)

5:00pm **Autumn Twilight Stroll**  
(Oct. 10 and 17 only)  
1 hr. The Ahwahnee patio (DNC)

7:00pm **HALLOWEEN FAMILY NIGHT**  
(Oct. 31 only)  
2 hrs. Nature Center at Happy Isles Near shuttle stop #16, see box below for details (DNC)

7:30pm **Evening Program**  
1 hr. Yosemite Lodge, check local postings for venue (DNC/NPS) ☺

8:00pm **Yosemite Theater Live—The Tramp and the Roughrider**  
(Oct. 17 only)  
1½ hrs. Visitor Center West Auditorium See info below for details \$ (NPS/DNC/YA/YI) ☺

9:00am **Photography Walk**  
2 hrs. Limited space, advance sign up required. Meet at The Ansel Adams Gallery Weather permitting (AAG)

2:30pm **Ranger Walk—Bears**  
1½ hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater (NPS)

3:00pm **Fine Print Viewing**  
1 hr. Very limited space. Sign up in advance Meet in The Ansel Adams Gallery (AAG)

4:00pm **CHILDREN'S STORY TIME**  
½ hr. Front porch of The Ansel Adams Gallery. Children 7 and under & must be accompanied

7:30pm **Evening Program**  
1 hr. Yosemite Lodge, check local postings for venue (DNC/NPS) ☺

8:00pm **Yosemite Theater Live—The Tramp and the Roughrider**  
(Oct. 18 only)  
1½ hrs. Visitor Center West Auditorium See info below for details \$ (NPS/DNC/YA/YI) ☺

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

8:30pm **Vintage Yosemite Music/Wawona History**  
(On some nights; check at front desk)  
4 hrs. Live music and/or history slide show Wawona Hotel Sunroom (above golf shop) (DNC)

**Centennial Event: Teddy Roosevelt's Yosemite**  
(Oct. 16 only)  
1 hr. Slideshow tribute to the president's historic visit. Wawona Hotel Sunroom, above golf shop (DNC)

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

8:30pm **Vintage Yosemite Music/Wawona History**  
(On some nights; check at front desk)  
4 hrs. Live music and/or history slide show Wawona Hotel Sunroom (above golf shop) (DNC)

12:30pm **Centennial Re-enactment: President Theodore Roosevelt and John Muir Visit Glacier Point**  
(Oct. 18 only)  
1 hr. Glacier Point Amphitheater See info below for details (NPS/DNC/YA/YI) ☺

6:00pm **Sunset Ranger Talk**  
(Oct. 11 only)  
½ hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) ☺

7:00pm **Stars Over Yosemite National Park**  
(Oct. 11 only)  
1 to 2 hrs. Glacier Point Amphitheater (NPS) ☺

### 100th Anniversary of Theodore Roosevelt's Yosemite Visit

YOSEMITE THEATER LIVE PRESENTS  
**The Tramp and the Roughrider**  
October 17 & 18 at 8:00 p.m.  
Yosemite Valley Visitor Center West Auditorium  
*Tickets available at the door*

Re-enactment of Muir & Roosevelt's Historic Meeting on Glacier Point  
October 18 at 12:30 p.m.  
FREE at the Glacier Point Amphitheater  
*(Transportation available. Contact Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk for details.)*

A Slideshow Tribute:  
**Teddy Roosevelt's Yosemite**  
October 19 at 7:30 p.m.  
Free at Yosemite Lodge  
*(Check local postings for venue)*

October 16 at 8:30 p.m.  
Free at the Wawona Hotel  
*(Check at front desk for exact location)*

## HALLOWEEN FAMILY NIGHT

October 31 at 7:00 p.m.  
2 hours  
Nature Center at Happy Isles

Join park interpretive staff at the Nature Center at Happy Isles for an evening of "super-natural" fun for the whole family. Stations will be set up investigating some of Yosemite's night life, like spiders, scorpions, bats, and owls. You can also go on a night prowling and enjoy the nature stories finale with goodies and hot drinks for attendees.

The Nature Center is a short walk from shuttle stop #16; shuttle service will continue out to Happy Isles until 9:30 p.m. for this event. ☺

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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.

See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

### Overnight Parking Along Glacier Point Road

After October 15, parking along Glacier Point Road will be limited to day use. No overnight parking will be permitted.

Illustration by Lawrence Ormsby



View from Glacier Point

Photo by Colleen Brown

## Wawona & Mariposa Grove



Inside the Telescope Tree

Photo by Colleen Brown

### Wilderness Permits

Self-registration for wilderness permits will be available on the front porch of Hill's Studio (near Wawona Hotel) for Chilnualna Falls and Alder Creek trails only. Permits for all other trails are available at the Yosemite Valley Wilderness Center.

### Evening Programs

Join pianist/singer Tom Bopp in the Wawona Hotel lobby from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, 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. ♿

### 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 from the South Entrance to Mariposa Grove.

### Free Mariposa Grove & Wawona Shuttle Bus

The shuttle bus stops at the Wawona Store, South Entrance, and Mariposa Grove. Shuttles operate throughout the day beginning at 9:00 a.m. Last shuttle leaves the Grove at 6:00 p.m. Visitors may

park at the Wawona Store to board the shuttle bus. 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.

### 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 in Spanish, German, French, and Japanese.

### 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 30 minutes from the boarding area. Tours will operate until the first snow.

### Mariposa Grove Museum Through October 13

Giant sequoia displays and store offering books, maps, and information open daily 9:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Located in the upper portion of the Mariposa Grove.

#### 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

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

## Crane Flat & Big Oak Flat

### Big Oak Flat Information Station Closed for the season November 2

Open Friday - Monday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed for lunch. Station is located just inside the park at the Big Oak Flat Entrance Station (Highway 120 West), and offers park orientation material, trail information, bear canister rental, books, and maps. For more information call 209/379-1899. ♿

### Wilderness Permits

Self-registration for wilderness permits on porch of the Big Oak Flat Information Station.

### 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 4-mile roundtrip 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 3 hours for the round-trip hike to this group of about 20 sequoias.

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# Wawona Mariposa Grove Glacier Point

## Food & Beverage Service

### WAWONA HOTEL

#### Dining Room

Breakfast and Buffet – 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.  
 Sunday Brunch – 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
 Lunch – 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
 Dinner – 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
 Reservations taken for 8 or more. 209/375-1425

## Grocery

### Wawona Grocery Store

8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

## Gifts, Books, & Apparel

### WAWONA

#### Wawona Hotel Golf Shop

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

#### Pioneer Gift Shop/Grocery

8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

### MARIPOSA GROVE

#### Gift Shop

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### Museum Shop

*(Closed for the season October 14)*

9:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch)

### GLACIER POINT

#### Gift Shop

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

## Post Office

### Wawona Post Office

Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to noon

## ATM

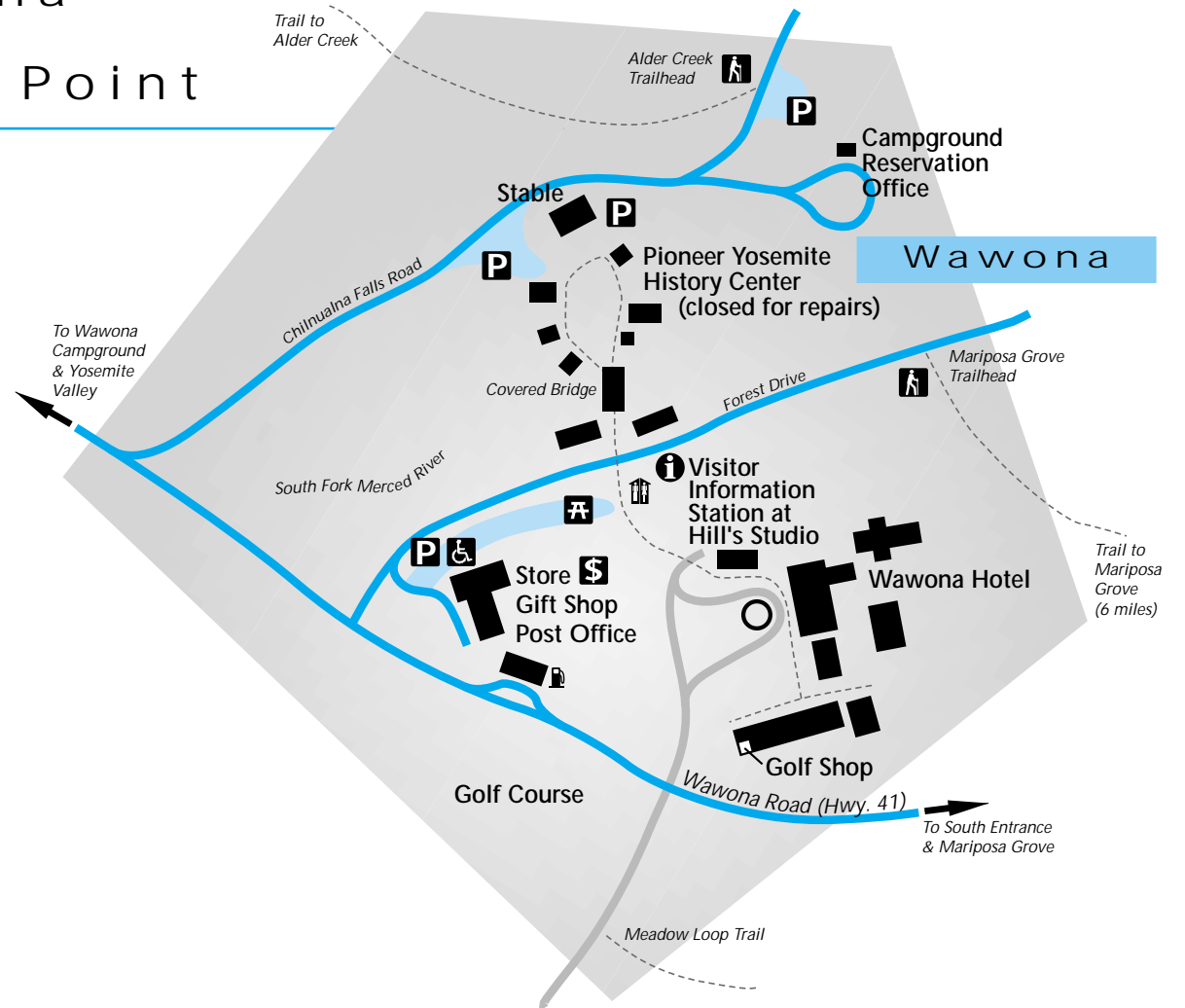
### Wawona

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.



# Crane Flat El Portal

## Grocery

### Crane Flat

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

### El Portal Market

9:00 a.m. to 7:00 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 the Yosemite View Lodge and  
 the El Portal Market.

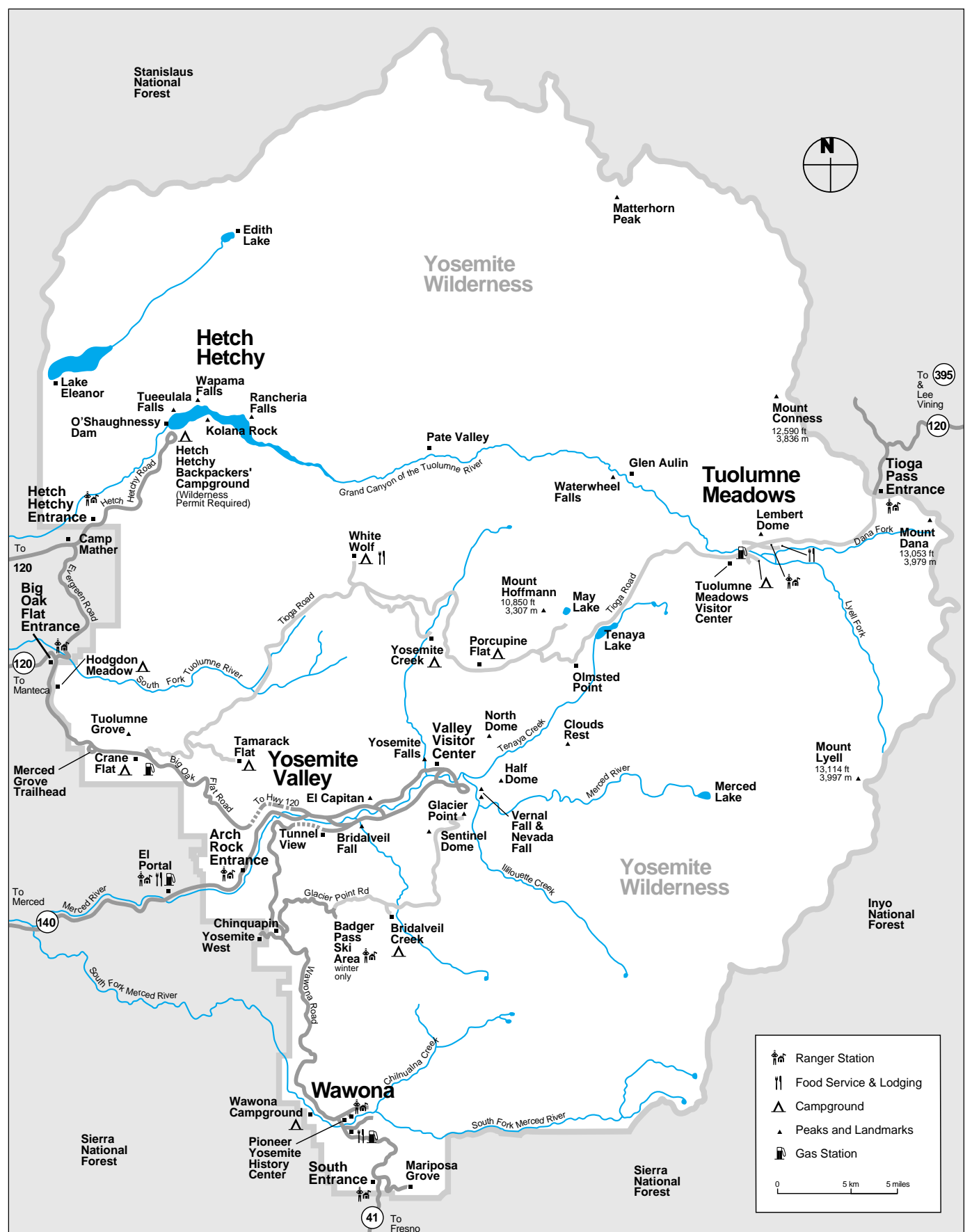
## Gas Station

### Crane Flat

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### El Portal

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 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)

## Information

**Road and Weather**  
**General Park Information**  
209/372-0200 [www.nps.gov/yose](http://www.nps.gov/yose)  
**Campground Reservations**  
800/436-7275 [reservations.nps.gov](http://reservations.nps.gov)

## 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. Services include a limited pharmacy, lab, x-ray, physical therapy, and Mountain Crisis Services for victims of domestic violence. 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

The *Yosemite Accessibility Guide* is available at park entrance stations, visitor centers, and online at [www.nps.gov/yose/trip/access.htm](http://www.nps.gov/yose/trip/access.htm).  
TTYs are available inside the Valley Visitor Center, The Ahwahnee, Yosemite Lodge, and outside the Curry Village front desk.  
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](http://www.yosemitepark.com))  
For availability on day of arrival, check at any front desk.

## Bear Canister Rental

Available for \$5 per trip at the Yosemite Valley Wilderness Center (until October 14; beginning October 15 at Valley Visitor Center), Big Oak Flat Information Station, Crane Flat Store, and the Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station. Canisters may be rented or returned at any rental location in the park. Drop bins are available for after-hour returns, including the Yosemite Valley trailhead parking area, near Happy Isles.

## Recreation

Conditions permitting.

**YOSEMITE MOUNTAINEERING SCHOOL AND GUIDE SERVICE**  
Yosemite Mountaineering School and Guide Service 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

**BICYCLE RENTAL**  
Daily, weather permitting, with hourly and daily rates. Baby-joggers, wheelchairs, and six-speed bikes with trailers. Bikes must be returned by 5:45 p.m.

**Yosemite Lodge**  
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. 209/372-1208

**Curry Village**  
Located at shuttle stops #13 & 21  
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. 209/372-8319

**STABLE**  
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**  
Located at shuttle stop #18  
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-8348

## Tours

Inquire at tour/transportation desks at the following locations.

**Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk**  
8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Sunday – Thursday  
8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday – Saturday

**Yosemite Village Tour Kiosk**  
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**SIGHTSEEING TOURS\***  
**Valley Floor Tour**  
This 26-mile, 2-hour tram tour departs several times daily from Yosemite Lodge in Yosemite Valley. Check at tour desk for hours. **Most tours are now conducted by National Park Service Rangers.**

**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 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 1:00 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 5:00 p.m. Tours will operate until the first snow. 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.

\*Weather permitting

## Night Sky Information

Take advantage of the opportunities in Yosemite to view the wonders of the night sky. Here are some sights to look for while you are out during the night hours.

**October 9:** Full Moon tonight, called the Hunter's Moon.

**October 16:** The moon shines in the east after midnight tonight (on the morning of the 17th). The "star" just to its lower right is Saturn.

**October 20:** The Moon shines in the east before and during dawn this morning. The bright "star" below it is Jupiter.

**October 31:** The first-quarter Moon shines in the south in early evening. Look well to its left and a little higher to spot orange Mars. Fomalhaut is below Mars.

**November 3:** Mars glows to the Moon's right this evening.



# General Services

## ATM

**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 and the El Portal Market

## Miscellaneous

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

## Service Organizations

**Al-Anon**  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.  
YCS General Office Building  
(Executive Conference Room) Yosemite Village

**Alcoholics Anonymous**  
Sunday 8:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, and Thursday 7:30 p.m.  
YCS General Office Building  
(Employee Training Center) Yosemite Village

**Narcotics Anonymous**  
Saturday 8:00 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 209/372-1401.

## Religious Services

**YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
(Nondenominational Christian)  
Pastor Brent Moore 209/372-4831

**Yosemite Valley Chapel** (year-round)  
**Worship Services**  
Sunday 9:15 a.m. (*Children's Church and Nursery*)  
Thursday 7:00 p.m.

**ROMAN CATHOLIC**  
Rev. Raymond J. Duffy 209/372-4729

**Mass in Yosemite Valley**  
Visitor Center West Auditorium  
Sunday 10:00 a.m.  
*Note: November 1 (All Saints Day) is not a holy day of obligation this year in the U.S.*

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Ron Skelton 209/379-2307

El Portal Chapel  
Worship Service  
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

**CROSSWAY CHURCH**  
(Christian Protestant)  
Pastor Steve Hughes 209/379-2428

**Worship Service**  
Sunday 7:00 p.m. Yosemite Chapel

**Men's Bible Study**  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

**Women's Bible Study**  
Call for time and location

**EL PORTAL COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Pastor Russ Marsh 209/379-2255  
El Portal Chapel

**Worship Service**  
First and third Saturday 7:30 p.m.  
Second, fourth, and fifth Sunday 10:30 a.m.

**WAWONA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
Pastor David Adameik 209/966-3039

**Wawona Community Center**  
**Worship Service**  
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

**Women's Bible Study**  
Wednesday 1:00 p.m.



Ranger-led tram tour  
Photo by Raye Santos