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Yosemite Today

May 31 - June 13, 2006

Yosemite National Park

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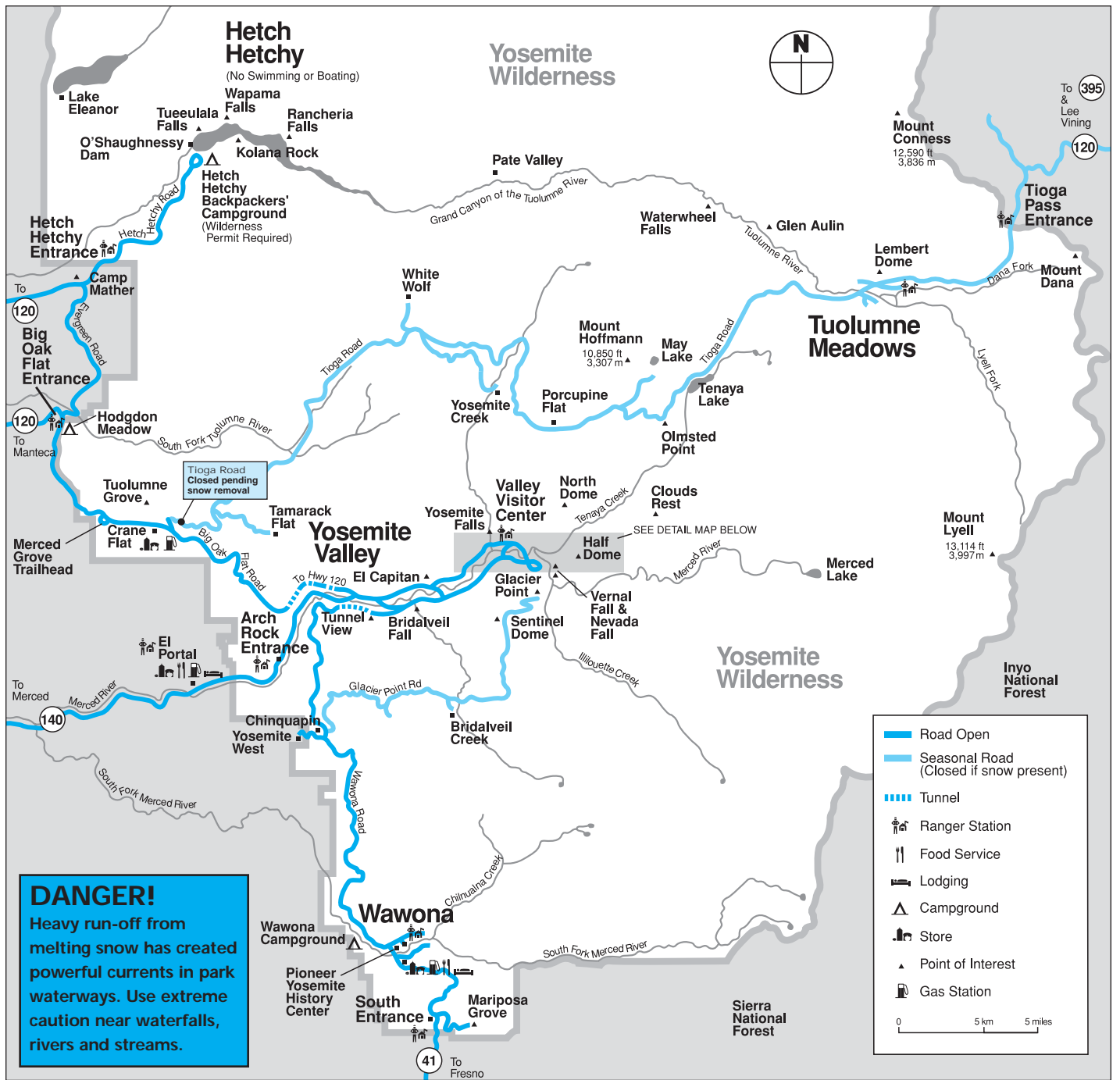
Construction may cause short delays or detours on some park roads. Call 209/372-0200 for recorded road information.

SPIRIT OF YOSEMITE

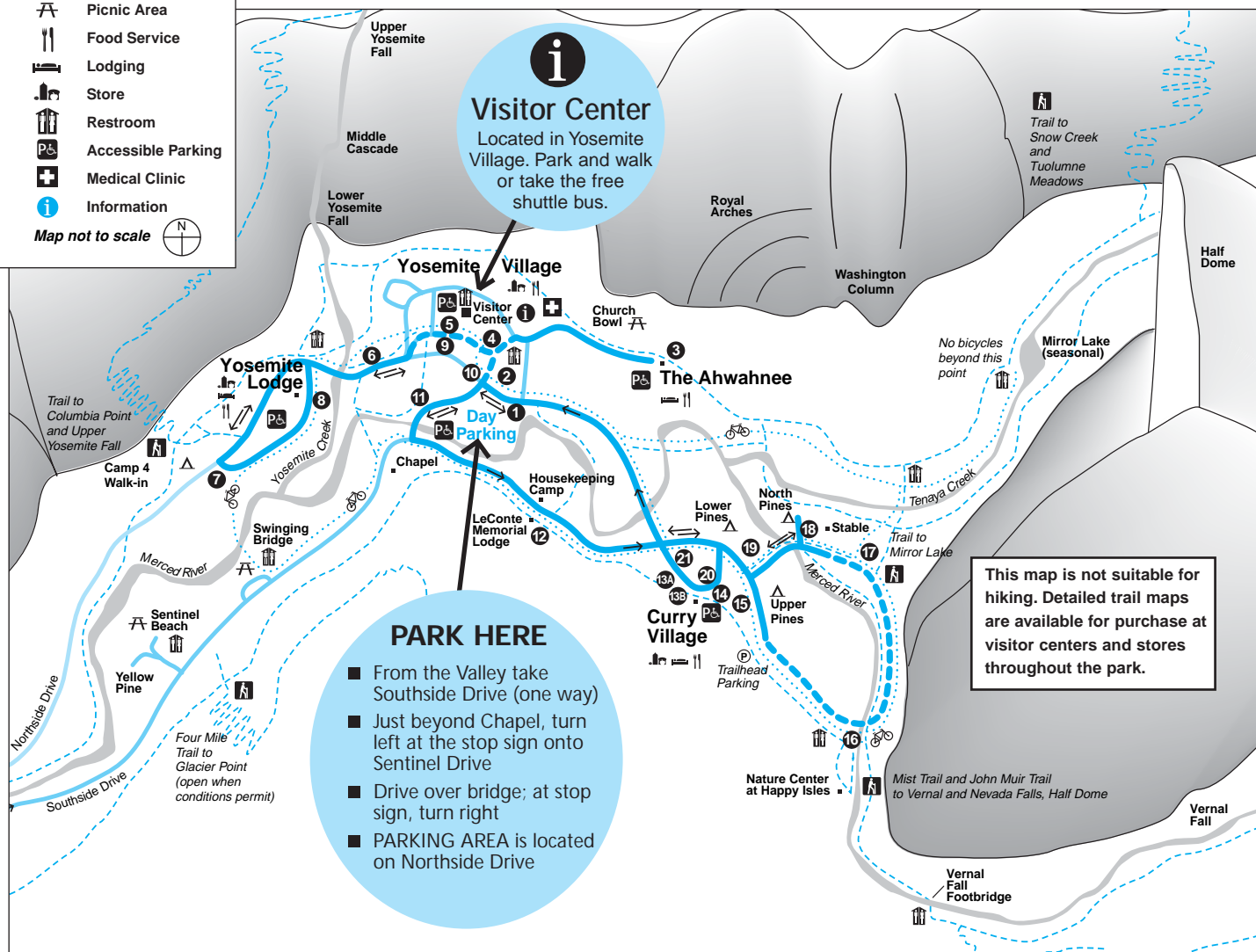


Don't miss this award-winning film! Shown free of charge every 30 minutes at the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center Theater. See map below.

DANGER! Heavy run-off from melting snow has created powerful currents in park waterways. Use extreme caution near waterfalls, rivers and streams.



Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus Map



Ride the Free Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus

Shuttle buses operate daily every 15-30 minutes, depending on the time of day. Times are posted at each stop. All buses follow the same route, serving stops in numerical order. Shuttle bus service may be affected by construction projects. Check bus stops for more information.

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 Valley Visitor Center
- 6 Lower Yosemite Fall
- 7 Camp 4 / Upper Yosemite Fall Trailhead
- 8 Yosemite Lodge
- 9 Valley Visitor Center
- 10 Yosemite Village
- 11 Sentinel Bridge / Yosemite Chapel
- 12 Housekeeping Camp / LeConte Memorial Lodge
- 13A Curry Village Rental Center
- 13B Curry Village Registration Desk
- 14 Curry Village Parking
- 15 Upper Pines Campground
- 16 Happy Isles / John Muir Trailhead
- 17 Mirror Lake Junction
- 18 Stable
- 19 Lower Pines Campground
- 20 Curry Village Parking
- 21 Curry Village Rental Center

YOSEMITE AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM



YARTS bus stops are located in Yosemite Valley at The Ahwahnee, Curry Village, Valley Visitor Center, and Yosemite Lodge at the Falls. For bus schedules to and from the Yosemite area, call 1-877-98-YARTS, or visit YARTS online at www.yarts.com.

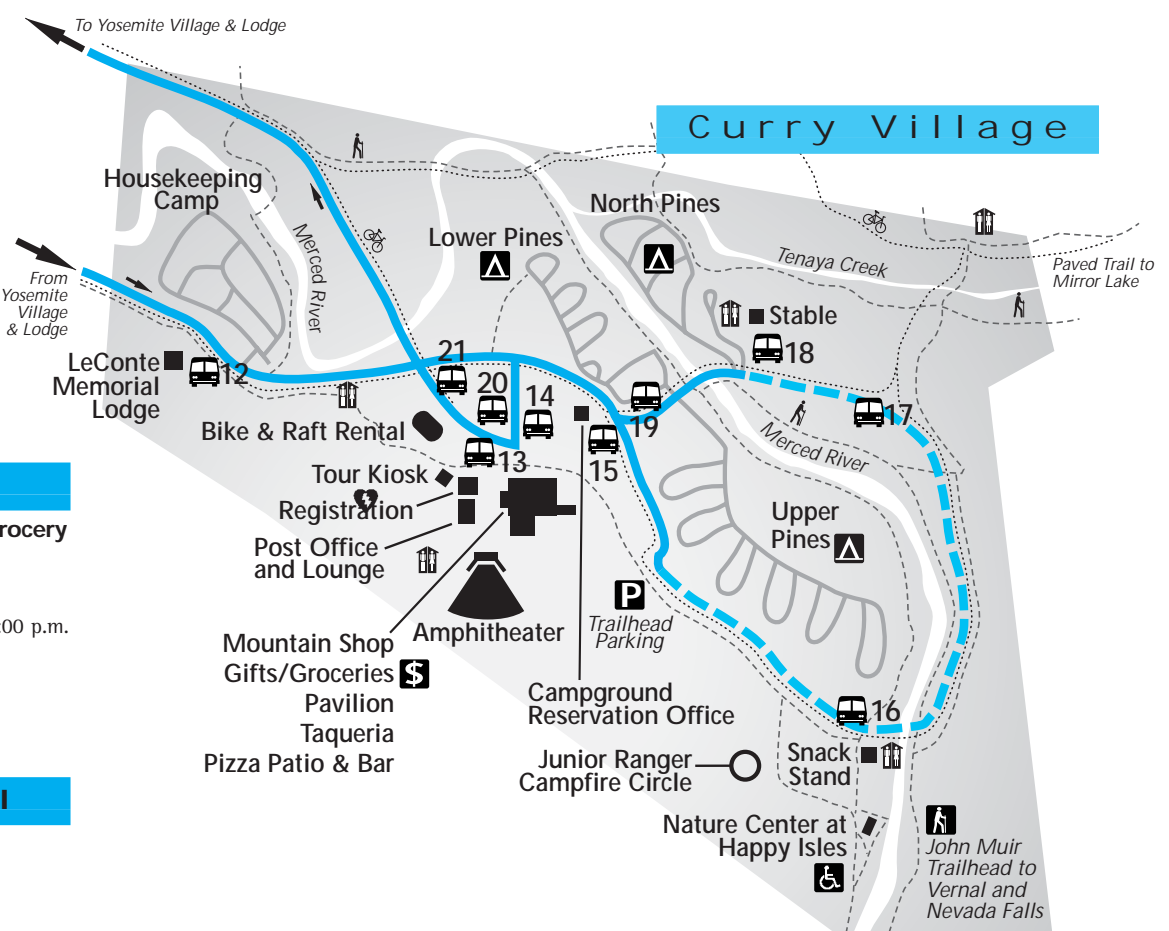
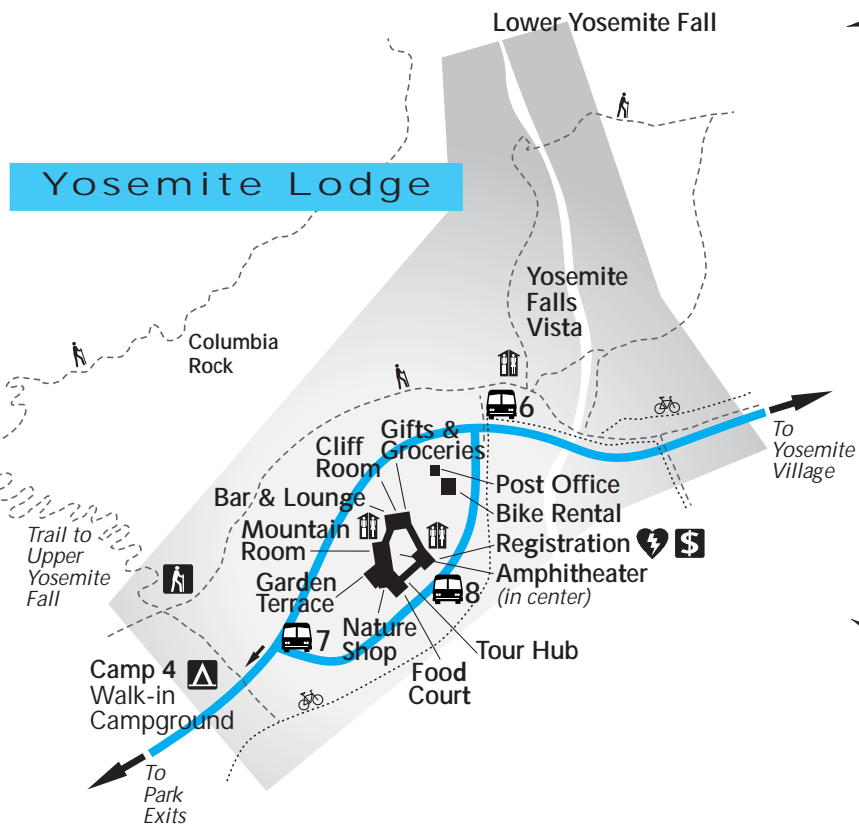
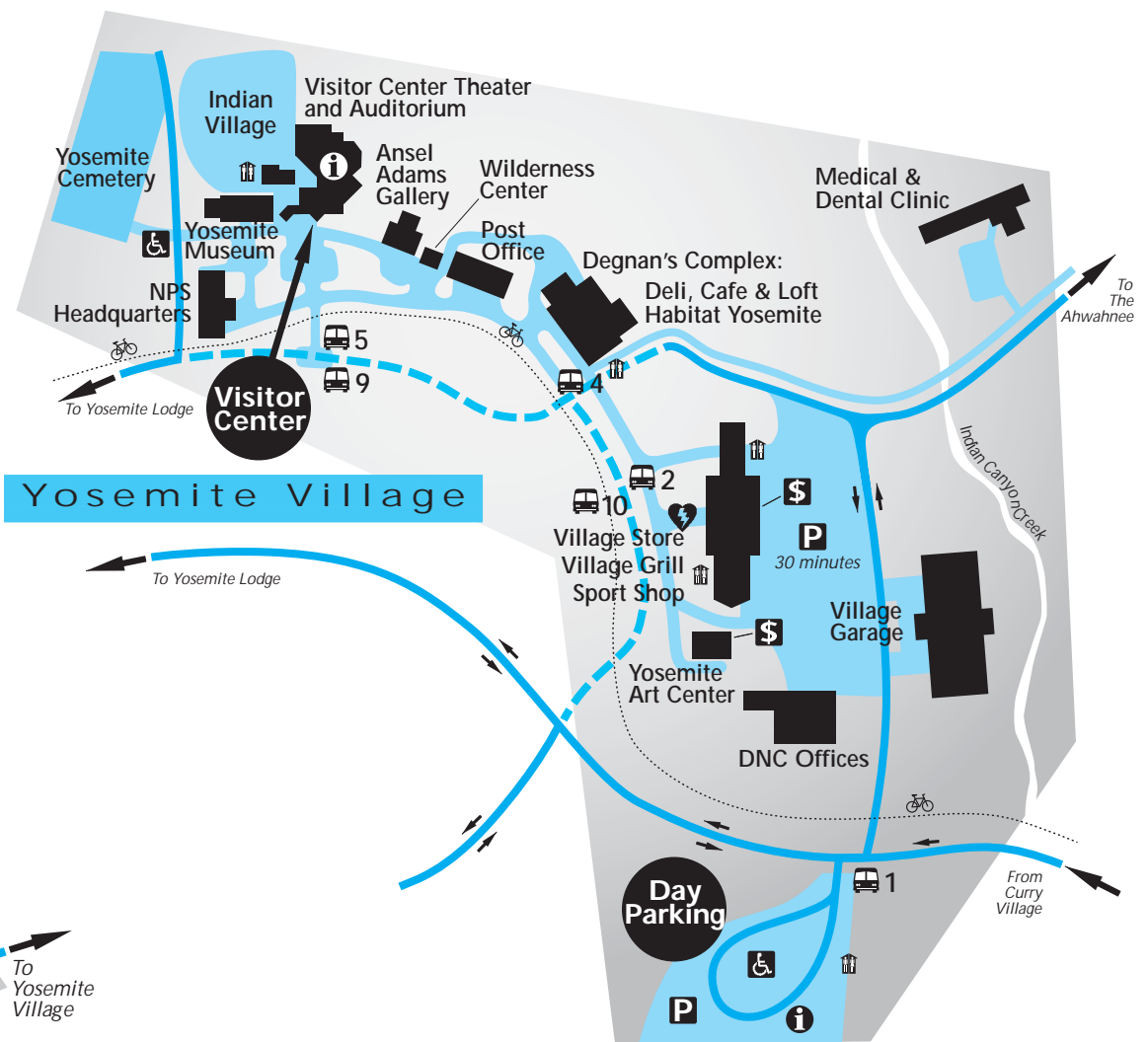
Yosemite Village, Yosemite Lodge at the Falls, & Curry Village

- Shuttle Bus Stop
- Campground
- Parking
- Accessible Parking
- ATM
- Visitor Information
- PAD Program
(Public Access Defibrillation)
- Restrooms
- Paved Bike Path
- Hiking Trail
- Road
- Road for Shuttle Bus Only



NORTH

Maps not to scale.
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 Loft**
Monday - Friday 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday noon to 9:00 p.m.
- Degnan's Delicatessen**
7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Degnan's Cafe**
7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Village Grill** 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

YOSEMITE LODGE AT THE FALLS

- Coffee Corner** 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Food Court**
Breakfast 6:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Dinner 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Mountain Room Lounge**
Monday - Friday 4:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday noon to 11:00 p.m.
- Mountain Room Restaurant**
5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Reservations are recommended. 209/372-1281
- Cone Stand at the Pool**
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. *Weather permitting*

THE AHWAHNEE

- Dining Room**
Breakfast 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Dinner 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Sunday Brunch 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Appropriate attire is respectfully requested for dinner. Reservations are recommended for dinner and Sunday Brunch. 209/372-1489
- The Ahwahnee Bar**
11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

CURRY VILLAGE

- Guest Lounge** 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Coffee Corner** 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Curry Village Bar** Noon to 10:00 p.m.
- Pavillion Buffet**
Breakfast 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
Dinner 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

- Pizza Deck** Noon to 10:00 p.m.
- Taqueria** 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Happy Isles Snack Stand**
11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Groceries

- Yosemite Lodge at the Falls 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 6:00 p.m.
- Housekeeping Camp Grocery**
8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Curry Village Gift/Grocery**
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 Art Center** *Reopens June 5*
9:00 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Yosemite Bookstore**
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Inside Valley Visitor Center
- Yosemite Museum Store**
9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Valley Wilderness Center**
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Village Store** 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Habitat Yosemite** 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Sport Shop** 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- YOSEMITE LODGE AT THE FALLS**
- Gift/Grocery** 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Nature Shop** 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- NATURE CENTER AT HAPPY ISLES**
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed for lunch)
- 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 10:00 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**
10:00 a.m. 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 At the Falls Post Office**
Monday - Friday 11:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

ATM

- Yosemite Village**
South of Village Store (Bank of America)
Inside Village Store
- Yosemite Lodge at the Falls**
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.
209/372-8320



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What's Happening In

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Yosemite Valley

Valley Visitor Center and Bookstore

Open 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and located in Yosemite Village just west of the main post office (shuttle stops #5 and #9), the visitor center offers information, maps, books, and exhibits.

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FILM

Spirit of Yosemite

This inspiring visitor-orientation film provides a stunning overview of Yosemite's splendor. It is shown every 30 minutes from Monday through Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Sunday noon to 5:30 p.m. in the Valley Visitor Center Theater.

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., the gallery offers a variety of exhibits.

June 12 through September 30

Yosemite Gigantea: Mammoth Plate Photographs of the 19th Century

The exhibit includes more than 40 original photographs by Eadward Muybridge, Carleton Watkins, and Charles Weed, photographers who were among the first to record the Yosemite landscape.

Indian Cultural Exhibit

Open 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed for lunch), the exhibit interprets 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 4:30 p.m., the store offers 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, the village offers exhibits on Ahwahneechee life.

Yosemite Cemetery

This historic cemetery is located across the street west of the Yosemite Museum. American Indians and others with an important role in the history of Yosemite are buried here. *Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery* is available at the Valley Visitor Center.

The Ansel Adams Gallery

Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center and open daily from 9:00 a.m. to

6:00 p.m., the gallery offers the work of Ansel Adams, contemporary photographers, and other fine artists. In addition, handcrafts, books, gifts, digital services, and photography supplies are available. For more information, call 209/372-4413, or visit www.anseladams.com.

GALLERY EXHIBIT

Through June 11

Robert Turner

Turner devotes his artistic efforts to large format, fine-art wildlands photography.

Day-Use Parking Information Station

Located in the day-use parking area, and open 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed for lunch), the station offers information about Yosemite.

Valley Wilderness Center

Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and located in Yosemite Village next to The Ansel Adams Gallery, the center offers Wilderness permits, bear canisters, maps, and guidebooks. Information on pre-trip planning, minimum-impact camping, and Yosemite's wilderness are also available.

Nature Center at Happy Isles

Open 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed for lunch). Designed for nature-exploring families, this center offers natural history exhibits and interactive displays. Nearby are short trails through the area's



Yosemite Gigantea: Mammoth Plate Photographs of the 19th Century (see description at left)

forest, river, and fen environments. Evidence of the huge 1996 rockfall from the Glacier Point cliff is visible above. The center is a short walk from shuttle stop #16.

Yosemite Theater Live

Help Yosemite Theater celebrate its 24th season. Shows are presented live onstage in the Visitor Center Theater. Hear historic tales of John Muir, Buffalo Soldier Eliza Boman, or feisty pioneer Sarah Hawkins. See renowned climber Ron Kauk, as filmed by Sterling Johnson. Tickets cost \$8 for

adults and \$4 for children 12 and under and are sold in advance at any tour desk, or at the door (if available). See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

LeConte Memorial Lodge

Open Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and located at shuttle stop #12. 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.

Hetch Hetchy



Hetch Hetchy

NPS photo by Greg Lawler

Yes, It's Worth the Drive!

Sheer cliffs, lofty domes, and two of Yosemite's most beautiful waterfalls await visitors to Hetch Hetchy, one of the least-traveled spots in the park. Famous for an environmental battle fought by John Muir, the Hetch Hetchy Valley was dammed more than 80 years ago to impound the Tuolumne River. Much of the area's natural splendor, and its solitude, remain. The drive from Yosemite Valley takes under two hours.

Waterfalls

Tueeulala (TWEE-lala) and Wapama Falls both drop more than 1,000 feet from cliffs on the north side of the reservoir. It's easy to see and photograph the two together. Late spring is the best time to view them, since Tueeulala Fall dries up in early summer.

Domes and Cliffs

Look for Hetch Hetchy Dome on the north side of the reservoir and conical Kolana Rock on the south side. Kolana Rock is an active breeding area for peregrine falcons.

O'Shaughnessy Dam

When 312 foot high O'Shaughnessy Dam was dedicated in 1923, it was the largest structure on the West Coast. In spring and summer, water may pour over the spillway, creating an artificial waterfall.

Day Hiking

A short trail leads from the Hetch Hetchy Entrance to Lookout Point, which provides a sweeping view of the northwest corner of the park. Take advantage of the easy scenic trail from the dam through the granite tunnel and to Tueeulala and Wapama Falls. It's about 5 miles (8.5 km) round trip and could take up to 4 hours. The trip to Rancheria Fall is an ambitious all-day hike of about 13 miles (21 km) round trip.

Backpacking

The Grand Canyon of the Tuolumne, Laurel Lake, Lake Vernon, Jack Main Canyon, Poopenaut Valley and Smith Peak are a few of the scenic destinations backpackers can choose from in the Hetch Hetchy region. Lake Eleanor and Kibbie Lake may also be reached from O'Shaughnessy Dam, but are more accessible from Stanislaus National Forest. Get a Wilderness permit and go! But don't forget to bring a bear canister, as bears are very active in the Hetch Hetchy area.

Indicates facilities accessible to visitors in wheelchairs. Short, steep inclines may be encountered.

Yosemite Outdoor Adventures

These programs are offered for a fee, part of which is used to support other interpretation and education programs in Yosemite.

Yosemite's Colors and Fragrances with Biochemist Greti Sequin	JUNE 2 - 3
Hiking Poles: Techniques for All Ages with Trekker Jayah Faye Paley	JUNE 3
Functional Fitness for the Trail with Trekker Jayah Faye Paley	JUNE 4
Yosemite's Hawks and Owls with Raptor Biologist Jeff Maurer	JUNE 8 - 11
Photography Backpack to the Unknown Falls of Hetch Hetchy with Photographer John Senser	JUNE 9 - 11
Pioneer Living, Yosemite-style in Historic Wawona with Educator Sue Michael	JUNE 10
Yosemite Waterfalls Grand Tour with Author Suzanne Swedo	JUNE 11
Birds of Big Meadow and Foresta with Naturalist Michael Ross	JUNE 11

For details, call the Yosemite Association at 209/379-2321, or visit www.yosemite.org, or check at the Valley Visitor Center.

WHAT TO DO

Scheduled Events

Free Art Classes

The Yosemite Art Center offers free classes in various art media to adults and highly interested teens Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.* Classes are held outside, weather permitting. Sign up in advance at the Yosemite Art Center, next to the Village Store.



June 5 - 10

Don Fay

Watercolor

June 12 - 17

Sonja Hamilton

Watercolor

*Students provide their own supplies, which are available for purchase at the center.

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

DNC = DNC Parks & Resorts at Yosemite, Inc.

AAG = The Ansel Adams Gallery

AAC = American Alpine Club

SC = Sierra Club

YA = Yosemite Association

YF = Yosemite Fund

\$ = Programs offered for a fee



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During the summer season, a sign language interpreter is available for deaf and hard-of-hearing visitors. Contact the Deaf Services Coordinator at 209/372-0296 (voice/TTY), or the Valley Visitor Center 209/372-4726 (TTY) for information or to request an interpreter. Advance notice of 14 days is requested. Requests on shorter notice can occasionally be accommodated.

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Yosemite Valley	<p>10:00am Ranger Walk – Living History with a Buffalo Soldier (June 4 only) 1 ½ hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS)</p> <p>3:00pm Ranger Walk – Bears 1 ½ hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater (NPS)</p> <p>6:30pm Twilight Waterfall Walk – Lower Yosemite Fall Loop 2 hrs. Tickets/info at any tour desk \$ (DNC)</p> <p>6:45pm WEE WILD ONES 45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 and under Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) &</p> <p>8:00pm Evening Program June 4: Hetch Hetchy: Yosemite's Lost Twin June 11: Nature & Spirit 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge Shuttle stop #12 (SC)</p> <p>Yosemite Theater – LIVE June 4: Return to Balance High-definition film on rock climbing June 11: Sgt. Elizy Boman in Yosemite Through the Eyes of a Buffalo Soldier, 1904 1 ½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater Tickets at tour desks or door \$ (DNC) &</p> <p>8:30pm Film - Ansel Adams 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Amphitheater (AAG) &</p> <p>Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater Check local postings for topic (DNC/NPS) &</p>	<p>10:00am Art Class 4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center See details at left (YA)</p> <p>3:00pm Ranger Walk—Rivers and Waterfalls 1 ½ hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS)</p> <p>8:00pm Yosemite Theater—LIVE Conversation With a Tramp 1 ½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater Tickets at tour desks or at door \$ (DNC) &</p> <p>8:30pm Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Amphitheater Check local postings for topic (DNC) &</p> <p>Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater Check local postings for topic (DNC) &</p> <p>9:00pm STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE VALLEY (June 12 only) 1-1 ½ hrs. Tickets/info at any tour desk \$ (DNC)</p>	<p>9:00am Photography Walk 2 hrs. Limited space Reservations required Sign up/meet at The Ansel Adams Gallery Conditions permitting (AAG)</p> <p>10:00am Art Class 4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center See details at left (YA)</p> <p>1:00pm Yosemite Forum – A Riotous Spot Much of the Time: An Historical Archeology of Crane Flat (June 13 only) 1 hr. Valley Visitor Center Auditorium (NPS) &</p> <p>3:00pm Ranger Walk – Bears 1 ½ hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater (NPS)</p> <p>5:00pm Twilight Waterfall Walk – Lower Yosemite Fall Loop 2 hrs. Tickets/info at any tour desk \$ (DNC)</p> <p>6:45pm WEE WILD ONES (June 13 only) 45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 and under. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) &</p> <p>8:00pm Yosemite Theater – LIVE Sarah Hawkins Contemplates a Fourth Marriage: Stories of a Pioneer Woman 1 ½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater Tickets at tour desks or door \$ (DNC) &</p> <p>8:30pm Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Amphitheater Check local postings for topic (DNC/NPS) &</p> <p>Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater Check local postings for topic (DNC/NPS) &</p> <p>9:00pm STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE VALLEY (June 13 only) 1-1 ½ hrs. Tickets/info at any tour desk \$ (DNC)</p>
Wawona Mariposa Grove			<p>10:00am Ranger Walk – The Role of Fire (June 6 & 13 only) 1 hr. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS)</p> <p>5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite 4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer Tom Bopp Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC)</p>
Glacier Point pending road opening	<p>2:00pm Ranger Walk 2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Road (NPS)</p> <p>7:45pm Sunset Talk ½ hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS)</p>	<p>2:00pm Ranger Walk 2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Road (NPS)</p> <p>7:45pm Sunset Talk ½ hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS)</p>	

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WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

10:00am **Art Class**
(except May 31)
4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center
See details at left (YA)

1:00pm **NPS Open House**
(May 31 only)
4 hrs. Come and learn about park improvement efforts
Valley Visitor Center Auditorium (NPS) &

3:00pm **Ranger Walk—Geology**
1½ hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS)

6:45pm **WEE WILD ONES**
(except May 31)
45 min.
Stories and activities for kids 6 and under
Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Amphitheater (DNC) &

8:00pm **Yosemite Theater - LIVE**
John Muir Among the Animals
1½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater
Tickets at tour desks or door \$ (DNC) &

8:30pm **Evening Program**
1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater
Check local postings for topic (DNC/NPS) &

Evening Program
1 hr. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Amphitheater
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9:00am **Photography Walk**
2 hrs. Limited space
Reservations required
Sign up/meet at The Ansel Adams Gallery
Conditions permitting (AAG)

10:00am **Art Class**
(except June 1)
4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center
See details at left (YA)

3:00pm **Ranger Walk—Yosemite's Legacy**
1½ hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS)

5:00pm **Twilight Walk—Mirror Lake**
2 hrs. Tickets/info at any tour desk \$ (DNC)

8:00pm **Yosemite Theater- LIVE**
Sarah Hawkins Contemplates a Fourth Marriage: Stories of a Pioneer Woman
1½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater
Tickets at tour desks or door \$ (DNC) &

8:30pm **Evening Program**
1 hr. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Amphitheater
Check local postings for topic (DNC/NPS) &

Evening Program
1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater
Check local postings for topic (DNC/NPS) &

10:00am **Art Class**
(except June 2)
4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center
See details at left (YA)

2:00pm **SKETCHING YOSEMITE**
(June 9 only)
2 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge (SC)

3:00pm **Ranger Walk - Wild about Wildlife**
1½ hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS)

8:00pm **Evening Program**
June 2: **13 Myths About the Formation of Yosemite Valley**
June 9: **AMERICAN INDIAN STORYTELLING & FLUTE**
1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge
Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

Yosemite Theater - LIVE
Spirit of John Muir
1½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater
Tickets at tour desks or door \$ (DNC) &

8:30pm **Evening Program**
1 hr. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Amphitheater
Check local postings for topic (DNC/NPS) &

Evening Program
1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater
Check local postings for topic (DNC/NPS) &

7:30am **Birdwalk with a Ranger**
(June 10 only)
1½ hrs. Lower Yosemite Fall
Shuttle stop #6 (NPS)

9:00am **Photography Walk**
2 hrs. Limited space
Reservations required
Sign up/meet at The Ansel Adams Gallery
Conditions permitting (AAG)

10:00am **Art Class**
(except June 3)
4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center
See details at left (YA)

11:00am **National Trails Day Hike - with Royal Robbins and the Yosemite Fund**
(June 3 only)
1½ hrs. Limited space
Front of Valley Visitor Center (YF)

1:00pm **Hike to Turtleback Dome**
(June 3 only)
Limited to 20 people
4 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge
Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

3:00pm **Ranger Walk—Trees**
1½ hrs. Ahwahnee shuttle stop #3 (NPS)

Fine Print Viewing
1 hr. Very limited space
Sign up in advance inside The Ansel Adams Gallery (AAG)

4:00pm **CHILDREN'S STORYTIME**
½ hr. Nature stories for children 7 and under (must be accompanied by an adult)
Front of The Ansel Adams Gallery (AAG) &

7:00pm **OPEN HOUSE**
(June 10 only)
2 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge
Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

8:00pm **Evening Program**
June 3: **Geology: Uplift & Glaciation of the Sierra**
1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge
Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

8:30pm **Rock Climbing Program**
1 hr. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Amphitheater
Check local postings for topic (AAC) &

Evening Program
1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater
Check local postings for topic (DNC/NPS) &

10:00am **Wawona History Walk**
1 hr. Front of Hill's Studio (NPS)

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

2:00pm **Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove**
1½ hrs. Lower Grove Trailhead
Conditions permitting (NPS)

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4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer
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Glacier Point

All activities pending opening of the road

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.

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Illustration by Lawrence Ormsby



Sentinel Rock

Photo by Colleen Brown

Wawona & Mariposa Grove



Museum in Upper Grove of Giant Sequoias

Photo by Colleen Brown

Wawona Information Station at Hill's Studio

Open daily 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch), the station offers information about park activities, Wilderness permits, trail information, books, bear canister rentals, 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. ♿

Pioneer Yosemite History Center

Go back to a time of horse-drawn wagons, a covered bridge, and log cabins. Explore Yosemite's history and learn how Yosemite was the inspiration for national parks across America and around the world. The center is always open, and interpretive signs and brochures are available. ♿

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 are prohibited on the Mariposa Grove Road. Private vehicles longer than 23 feet may not use this road during the hours of shuttle operation (see below).

FREE MARIPOSA GROVE & WAWONA SHUTTLE BUS

A shuttle bus stops at the Wawona Store, South Entrance, and Mariposa Grove. Visitors may park at the Wawona Store to board the bus. Shuttles

operate beginning at 9:00 a.m. and the last shuttle leaves the grove at 6:00 p.m., or after the last tour. Please use this free bus service to help reduce congestion and parking delays.

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

Walking through the Grove

Trails into the grove extend uphill from the trailhead 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 Museum

Hours vary. Call 209/375-9531 for information. Located in the upper part of the Mariposa Grove, the museum offers displays on giant sequoias and a store with books, maps, and information. ♿

Big Oak Flat & Sequoia Groves

Big Oak Flat Information Station

Open Weekends

Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch), the center offers Wilderness permits, bear canister rental, and information about backpacking in Yosemite.

Merced Grove

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

Tuolumne Grove

This cluster of about 25 sequoias is near Crane Flat at the intersection of Big Oak Flat and Tioga roads. The former route of the Big Oak Flat Road leads downhill from Crane Flat into the grove. Now closed to cars, this path drops 500 feet (150 meters) in one mile. The trip is moderately strenuous on the uphill return. Within the Tuolumne Grove there is an easy, half-mile, self-guiding nature trail.

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Indicates facilities accessible to visitors in wheelchairs. Short, steep inclines may be encountered.

Wawona Mariposa Grove Glacier Point

Food & Beverage Service

WAWONA HOTEL

Dining Room

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.
Saturday BBQ – 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Brunch – 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Reservations taken for 8 or more. 209/375-1425

Guest Lounge 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

GLACIER POINT

Snack Stand *Pending road opening*
9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Grocery

Wawona Store & Pioneer Gift Shop

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

Gifts, Books, & Apparel

WAWONA

Golf Shop & Snack Stand

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

Wawona Store & Pioneer Gift Shop

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

Wawona Information Station at Hill's Studio

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch)

MARIPOSA GROVE

Big Trees Gift Shop

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

Museum Shop

Hours vary. Call 209/375-9531 for information

GLACIER POINT

Gift Shop *Pending road opening*
9:00 a.m. to 7:00 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

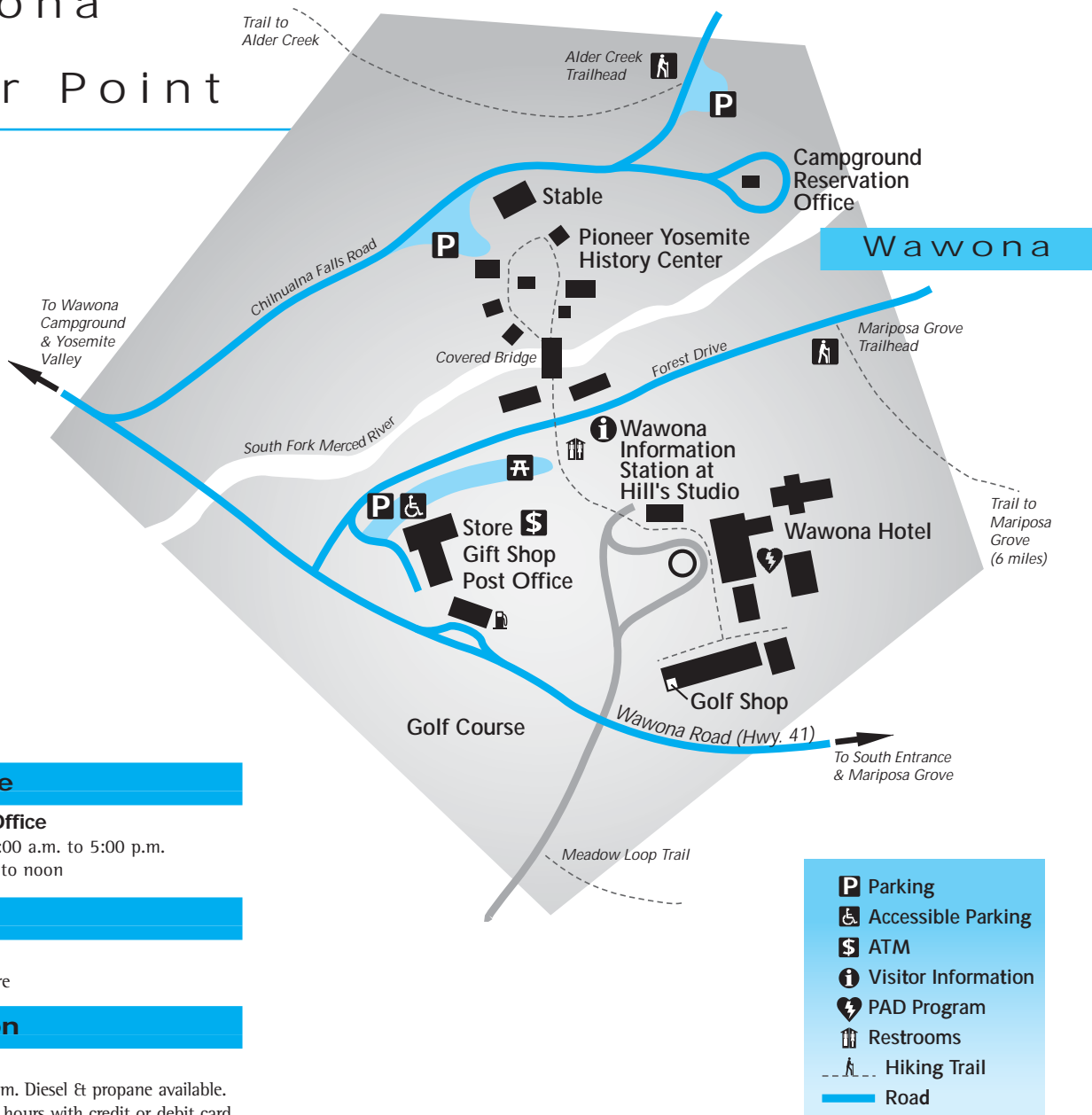
Wawona

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.



Tuolumne Meadows

Tioga Road Still Under Snow

All services are closed pending snow removal from Tioga Road. Campground and service reopening process will begin upon opening of Tioga Road.

A heavy snowpack left from the winter of 2005-2006 has delayed the opening of Tioga Road. Snow-removal crews began work near Crane Flat on May 1. During road clearing, they have encountered snow depths averaging 10 feet, submerged trees up to three feet in diameter, and many rocks in the snowpack. Several factors can make opening the road a labor-intensive and difficult process:

- 26 potential avalanche zones, including Olmsted Point, which requires charcoal application and blasting to make it passable and safe for workers
- Heavy snowpack
- Fallen trees, which can damage equipment and halt operations
- Rock slides buried by snow, which can damage equipment and halt operations
- Snowstorms during road-opening operations, which require diverting equipment to other areas of the park
- Road repairs, plus ditching and brushing operations, once the snow is cleared



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General Park Information

Emergency 911

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

Information

Road, Weather, and General Park Information

209/372-0200 www.nps.gov/yose
Campground Reservations
800/436-7275 reservations.nps.gov

Medical

Yosemite Medical Clinic

Emergency care: 24 hours daily
Drop-in and urgent care: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Appointments

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday – Friday

Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Valley, the clinic provides routine and emergency medical care, 24-hour paramedic/ambulance services, limited pharmacy, lab, x-ray, physical therapy, and Mountain Crisis Services for victims of domestic violence. 209/372-4637

PAD Program

Yosemite's Public Access Defibrillation (PAD) Program is designed to protect park visitors and staff from sudden cardiac arrest. All automated external defibrillator (AED) cabinets have been placed in high visitor-use locations and are open and accessible to anyone in the event of a medical emergency. For more information about the PAD Program, contact the Yosemite Medical Clinic.

AEDs can be found at the following locations: Village Store (Yosemite Village); registration desks at Yosemite Lodge at the Falls, Curry Village, The Ahwahnee, and Wawona Hotel; Crane Flat Store; Badger Pass Lodge (winter); and Glacier Point (summer).

Dental Services

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

Accessible Services

The *Yosemite Accessibility Guide* is available at park entrance stations, visitor centers, and online at www.nps.gov/yose/access.

TTYs are available inside The Ahwahnee and Yosemite Lodge at the Falls, and outside the Valley Visitor Center and Curry Village front desk.

Accommodations

For advance reservations or information (rooms or activities), call 559/252-4848, or visit www.YosemitePark.com. For availability on day of arrival, check at any front desk.

Bear Canister Rental

Canisters are available for \$5 per trip at the Valley Wilderness Center, the Wawona Information Station at Hill's Studio, the Wawona Store, the Big Oak Flat Information Station, and the Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station. Canisters can be rented and returned at any of these locations.

Wilderness Permits

Anyone visiting Yosemite's Wilderness overnight must have a Wilderness permit. Permits are available at the Valley Wilderness Center, the Wawona Information Station at Hill's Studio, the Big Oak Flat Information Station, and the Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station.

Weather Radio

The National Weather Service broadcasts weather information for Yosemite National Park 24 hours a day on NOAA Weather Radio station KAG-94, on a frequency of 162.450 MHz. Please note that reception may not be available in remote areas of the park.

Recreation *Weather 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.

Every week, guides lead several hikes ranging from 3½ to 6 hours to beautiful Yosemite Valley destinations.

Curry Village 209/372-8344
8:30 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Classes meet at 8:30 a.m.

BICYCLE RENTALS

Daily, weather permitting, with hourly and daily rates. Baby-joggers, wheelchairs, and six-speed bikes with trailers. Bikes must be returned by 5:15 p.m.

Yosemite Lodge Shuttle stop #8
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. 209/372-1208

Curry Village Shuttle stops #13 & 21
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

TRAIL RIDES

2-hour rides depart daily, depending on conditions. Private horse boarding is available. Call for reservations.

Yosemite Valley Shuttle stop #18
7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-8348

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

SWIMMING POOLS *Weather permitting*

Curry Village
11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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

Wawona
Dawn to dusk

GOLF

Wawona Hotel Golf Course
8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
9-hole, par 35 course

Tours

Inquire at tour/transportation desks at the following locations:

Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Tour Desk
7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Yosemite Village Tour Kiosk
7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Curry Village Tour Kiosk
7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Big Trees Tour Kiosk
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

SIGHTSEEING TOURS

Valley Floor Tour
This 26-mile, 2-hour tram tour departs several times daily from Yosemite Lodge at the Falls in Yosemite Valley. Contact any tour desk for times. **Most tours are conducted by National Park Service Rangers.**

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

Big Trees Tram Tour *Conditions permitting*
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. Call 209/375-1621 for information.

Grand Tour *Conditions permitting*
This 8-hour combination of Big Trees and Glacier Point tours departs at 8:45 a.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge at the Falls.



Explore the Night Sky

One of the great advantages of visiting Yosemite is seeing the park's very dark night sky. Celestial features not visible in many urban areas can be seen here. During the month of June, look for Saturn, Mars, and Mercury in the western twilight. Jupiter is bright in the south at dusk.

June 1 The moon, Saturn, and Mars form a diagonal line (from upper left to lower right) in the west at dusk. The stars Pollux and Castor are to the right of Mars.

June 6 This evening, the star Spica is a little to the left of the moon, while brighter Jupiter is much farther left.

June 10 The orange star just to the upper right of the moon is Antares.

June 11 Tonight is the full moon, known this month as the Hay, Rose, Strawberry, or Honey Moon.

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 is available for registered guests at Yosemite Lodge and The Ahwahnee. Call front desk or concierge in advance for more information.

Kennel

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Located at the stable in Yosemite Valley. Dogs must be gentle, over 10 pounds, with proof of shots and license required. 209/372-8348

Internet Access

Internet access is available to all park visitors at Yosemite Lodge at the Falls in Yosemite Valley. Both wireless (wi-fi) access (\$5.95/half-day and \$9.95/day) and kiosks (\$0.25/minute) are available.



Ranger-led tram tour

NPS Photo by Ray Santos

Service Organizations

AI-Anon 7:00 p.m. Wednesday

DNC General Office Building
(Executive Conference Room) Yosemite Village

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Lions Club

Meets the 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 209/372-8459.

Religious Services

YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH

(Nondenominational Christian)
Pastor Brent Moore 209/372-4831
Various Bible Studies during the week.
Counseling provided. Call pastor for appointment.

Worship Service/Yosemite Valley Chapel

Sunday 9:15 a.m. (Children's Church and Nursery available)
Sunday 6:30 p.m. (no child care)
Thursday 7:00 p.m. (no child care)

Campground Worship Services

Lower Pines (Yosemite Valley), Wawona, Tuolumne Meadows*
9:00 a.m. Sunday
* Will begin when campground opens for season.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Rev. Raymond J. Duffy 209/372-4729

Mass in Yosemite Valley

Yosemite Valley Visitor Center Theater
Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Saturday 7:30 p.m.

Mass in Wawona

Wawona Community Center
Saturday 4:30 p.m.

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
Curry Village Community Center
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

EL PORTAL COMMUNITY CHURCH

Pastor Russ Marsh 209/379-2255 El Portal Chapel

Worship Service Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Small Group Study Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

Coordinators Ray and Edie DeFehr 209/586-4325
Yosemite Valley at Lower River Amphitheater, across bridge from Housekeeping Camp (near shuttle stop #19)

Sabbath School Saturday 10:00 a.m.

Worship Service Saturday 11:00 a.m.

Potluck Picnic Saturday noon