Where to Go and What to Do in Yosemite National Park

Yosemite Today

Experience Your America

September 5 -October 2, 2007

Yosemite National Park

ROAD INFO short delays or detours on some park roads. Call 209/372-0200 for recorded road information.

CHECK YOUR GAS GAUGE!

Crane Flat Gas Station will be closed from September 10 – October 19 for system upgrades. Gasoline will <u>not</u> be available at this time.



Following are the nearest locations to Yosemite Valley where you may purchase fuel:

El Portal: Hwy 140 west toward Mariposa 14 miles

Wawona: Hwy 41 south toward Fresno 25 miles

Tuolumne Meadows (closes September 30): 120 east toward Nevada 54 miles

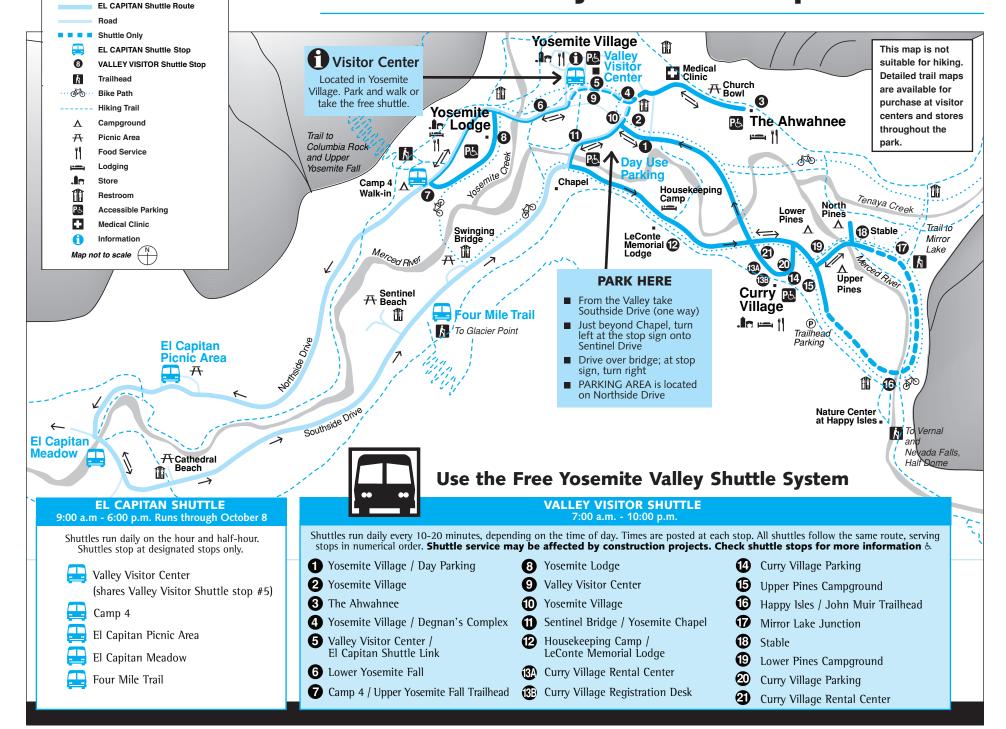
All distances are calculated from Yosemite Valley – plan ahead!

VALLEY VISITOR Shuttle Route



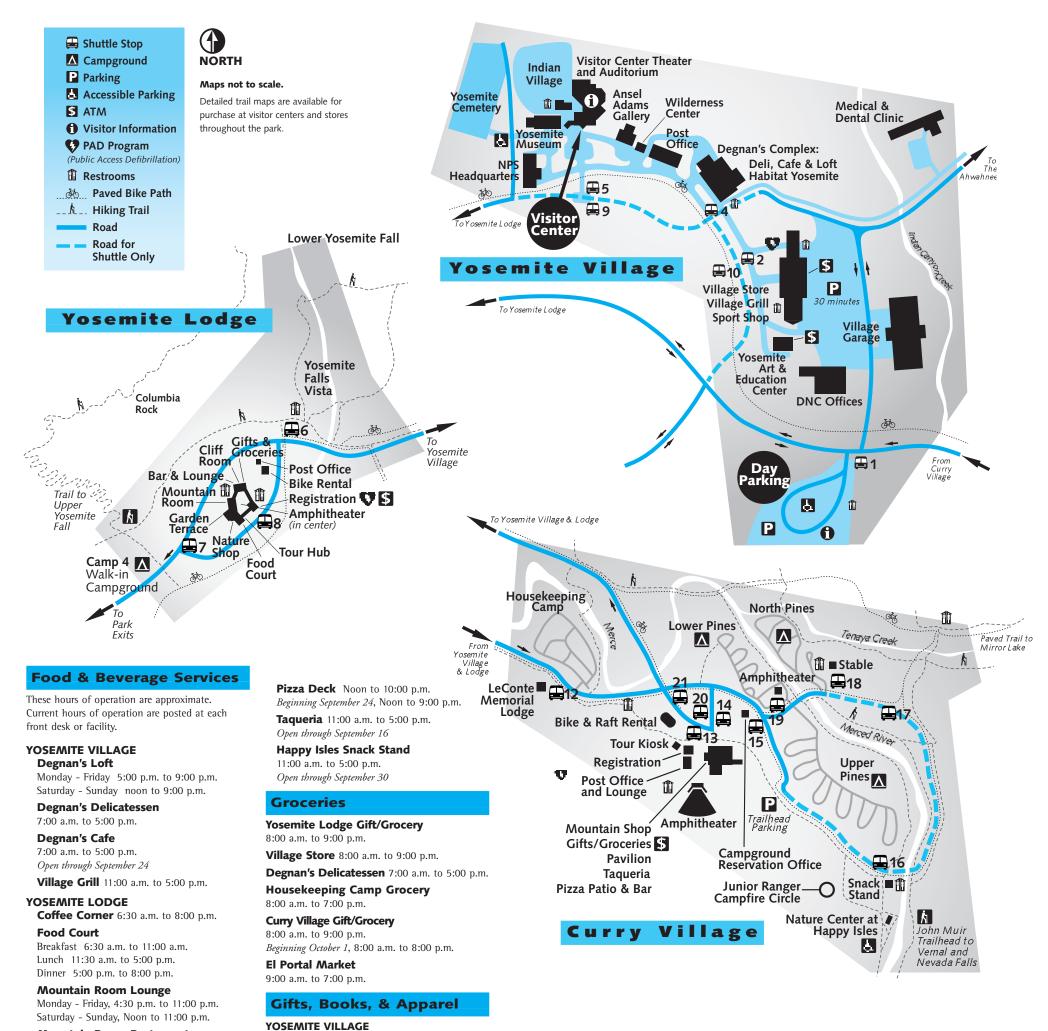
Yosemite Valley Shuttle Map

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Yosemite Village, Yosemite Lodge, & Curry Village El Portal (on Highway 140)



Mountain Room Restaurant

5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Reservations for parties of 8 or more 209/372-1281

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. with ice cream service (ends September 23) Beginning September 24, 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Curry Village Bar Noon to 10:00 p.m. Beginning September 24, Monday - Friday 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday - Sunday Noon to 10:00 p.m.

Pavilion Buffet

Breakfast 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Dinner 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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

Yosemite Art & Education Center 8:30 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 5:00 p.m.

Valley Wilderness Center

8:00 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 5:00 p.m. **Sport Shop** 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

YOSEMITE LODGE

Gift/Grocery

8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Nature Shop 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 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 Daily 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 Post Office Monday - Friday 12:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

El Portal Post Office

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

S ATM

Yosemite Village

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

Yosemite Lodge Inside main registration area

Curry Village Inside aift/arocerv store

El Portal

On Highway 140 at the Yosemite View Lodge and the El Portal Market

Gas Station (outside Yosemite Valley)

El Portal

9:00 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Diesel available.

Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

Auto Service, Towing, and Repair (AAA)

Village Garage

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Towing 24 hours. Propane available until 4:00 p.m. 209/372-8320

WHERE TO GO 2

What's Happening In



Yosemite Today

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September 5 - October 2, 2007

Yosemite Valley



Visit the new Yosemite Park Partners website: www.yosemitepartners.org.

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, and books.

Explore the new exhibit hall and learn how Yosemite's spectacular landscape was formed, how people have interacted with it through the centuries, how wildlife adapts and survives, and how your national park continues to evolve.



Spirit of Yosemite

This inspiring visitor-orientation film provides a stunning overview of Yosemite's splendor. It is shown every 30 minutes 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. **Consequences** *On September 20, the last film will be shown at 4:30 p.m.*



WALKING VIDEO AND AUDIO TOUR -Available 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. \$

Yosemite Museum

Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. \clubsuit

FEATURES

Museum Gallery Open 10 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Chiura Obata: Art of Yosemite Through October 21

Yosemite Museum Store

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

Yosemite Cemetery

This historic cemetery is located across the street 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. *Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery* is available at the Valley Visitor Center.

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 is also available.

Yosemite Theatre – LIVE

Help celebrate the 25th anniversary of Yosemite Theatre! Shows are presented live onstage in the Valley Visitor Center Theater. Hear tales of John Muir or feisty pioneer Sarah Hawkins, or 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 schedule above for dates and times. &

Day-Use Parking Information Station Open through September 30

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.

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. Scheduled activities are listed on the front porch. For more information, call 209/372-4413, or visit *www.anseladams.com*.

GALLERY EXHIBIT

From the Mountains to the Sea August 16 – September 25

Large format black and white photographs by Bob Kolbrener.

Keith Walklet September 27 – November 6

LeConte Memorial Lodge Open through September 30

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.

JOIN THE HABITAT PROTECTORS

Wednesday, September 12 & 26 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Yosemite Valley Visitor Center

Join National Park Service restoration efforts. Volunteers will work on restoration projects and learn about efforts and help restore the Valley. **All ages welcome;** those under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

All volunteers must wear long pants and closed-toe boots. Long sleeves, water, snacks, and sunblock are recommended.

Groups larger than ten are required to pre-register.

To learn more, please contact Sara Grove at 209/379-1304 or Sara_Grove@nps.gov

Nature Center at Happy Isles Open through September 15

Open 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m; the center may close for lunch from noon to 1:00 p.m. Designed for nature-exploring families, this center offers natural history exhibits, and interactive displays. Nearby are short trails through the area's 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.

Tuolumne Meadows

Free Olmsted Point/ Tuolumne/Tioga Pass Shuttle Service ends September 16

Free shuttle 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 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 morning and afternoon runs to Tioga Pass. Service begins at Tuolumne Meadows Lodge at 7:00 a.m. Shuttles arrive at approximately 30minute intervals between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30

Ranger Walks

Join a ranger to explore new areas and learn about geology, birds, flowers, history, the Tuolumne River, and more. These walks range from 1 to 8 hours, and all are fairly easy. Longer hikes are offered each week to lakes, domes, peaks, or passes. Wear sturdy shoes, and bring water, lunch, and raingear.

Evening Activities

Come to the Dana Campfire Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground and take part in a tradition! Join a ranger for campfire, songs, 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.

Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center Open through September 23

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Park orientation, trail information, books, maps, and displays. Phone 209/372-0263 &

Parsons Memorial Lodge, McCauley Cabin and Soda Springs Open through September 21

Two trails, both flat and $\frac{1}{4}$ - mile long, lead to this historic area accessible only by walking. (See the map of Tuolumne Meadows area in this paper.) Parsons Memorial Lodge is open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Soda Springs are small naturally

This exhibit explores the work of artist Chiura Obata (1885-1975), who first visited Yosemite in 1927. He produced watercolors that led to a series of prints made by master woodblock artists in Japan. Come see some of the most beautiful and innovative landscapes ever done of Yosemite.

Indian Cultural Exhibit

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; the museum may close for lunch from noon to 1:00 p.m. 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. carbonated springs that attract birds and deer, especially at sunrise and sunset.

Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center

Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located just south of Tioga Road, along the road to Tuolumne Lodge, at shuttle stop #3. The center offers trail information, Wilderness permits, bear canister rental, maps, and guidebooks. p.m. The last shuttle leaves Olmsted Point at 6:00 p.m. Schedules are subject to change. Please check route maps at the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center or shuttle stops for details.

Just for Kids

Junior Rangers, a 2-hour ranger-led program for children (ages 7-12), is offered on Saturdays.

End your day with a *Star Program*. Bring a pad to sit on for the *Star Program* and dress warmly.

Yosemite Outdoor Adventures

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

North Dome Dayhike with Pete Devine SEPTEMBER 7

Quick Sketching in Watercolor with Chris van Winkle SEPTEMBER 17 - 21

Maclure Glacier Survey with Pete Devine SEPTEMBER 20 - 23

Miwok-Paiute Seedbeater Basketry with Lucy Parker SEPTEMBER 28 - 30

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

Yosemite Association 32nd Annual Members' Meeting Saturday, September 8 Tuolumne Lodge (outside) 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

\$10 per adult, \$7 per child ages 3-12; additional fee for lunch Author/naturalist Jack Laws will speak.
Meeting includes naturalist walks, buffet lunch, raffle, silent auction, and book signings.
Meeting for Yosemite Association members only; or become a member – enrollments will be available on-site.

WHAT TO DO 3

FOURTH ANNUAL **"YOSEMITE FACELIFT"**

Help Participate in an **Intensive Yosemite-wide** Cleanup Effort to **Benefit the Park**

SEPTEMBER 26 – SEPTEMBER 30

Come by and sign-up in front of the Valley Visitor Center between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for a trash bag, litter stick, gloves, and safety vests; and return the bag for weighing and sorting before 5:00 p.m. Each participant will receive a raffle ticket for each day they volunteer. On September 30 hundreds of prizes will be raffled off at a special reception to be held at 6:00pm in the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center Auditorium, See local postings for special scheduled events during this five-day period.

The park entrance fee will be waived for Facelift participants. In 2006, 1,157 participants donated 9,256 hours and collected over 25,000 pounds of trash. Help us make the Yosemite Climbing Association Facelift event an even greater success this year.

sponsored annually by the Yosemite Climbing Association, a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving The Association would like to thank the National Park Service, the of our sponsors for their commitment and support of this event.

For questions and more information, please contact Ken Yager at

Scheduled Events

SUNDAY Sept. 9, 16, 23 & 30

8:00am Coffee with a Ranger 1/2 hr. Bring a mug Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) & 10:00am Eight Women Who Changed Yosemite

11/2 hrs. Stroll starts in front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS) & 2:00pm LeConte Memorial Lodge

OUNDS OF NATURE: POETRY WORKSHOP (September 9 only) 1 hr. Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears 11/2 hrs. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS)

7:00pm LeConte Memorial Lodge **OPEN HOUS** (September 30 only) 2 hrs. Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

8:00pm Ranger Program 1 hr. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

LeConte Memorial Lodge September 9: Sounds Nature Makes September 16: Nature & Spirit Poetry September 23: John Muir – Botanist. Why Love Plants?

1 hr. Shuttle stop #12 (SC) Yosemite Theatre - LIVE: Return to **Balance - High Definition Rock** Climbing Film 11/2 hrs.

MONDAY Sept. 10, 17, 24 & Oct. 1

8:00am Coffee with a Ranger 1/2 hr. Bring a mug Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) と Meet Yosemite – Wildlife Safari 4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center (YA) \$

10:00am Ranger Stroll –Yosemite's First People 11/2 hrs. Front of Yosemite Museum (NPS) & Art Class 4 hrs.

Yosemite Art and Education Center See details at left (YA)

3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears 11/2 hrs. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS)

5:00pm Twilight Stroll (September 10 only) 1 hr. Ahwahnee back lawn (DNC)

6:30pm WEE WILD ONES (September 10 and 17 only) 45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 and under

Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (DNC) & 7:00pm OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE & **SING-ALONG** (September 10 and 17 only)

1¹/₂ hrs. Tickets/info at any tour desk (DNC) \$

TUESDAY Sept. 11, 18, 25, & Oct. 2

7:00am Meet Yosemite – Birds 3 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center (YA) \$

8:00am Coffee with a Ranger $1/_2$ hr. Bring a mug Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

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

10:00am Ranger Stroll - Trees 11/2 hrs. Ahwahnee shuttle stop #3 (NPS)

Art Class 4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center See details at left (YA)

Noon Yosemite Forum – Archeological History of the Wawona Hotel (September 11 only) 1 hr. Valley Visitor Center Auditorium (NPS) &

3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears 11/2 hrs. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS)

5:00pm Twilight Stroll 1 hr. Ahwahnee back lawn (DNC)

7:00pm Chat on the Mall with Muir (except October 2)

8:00pm Yosemite Theatre – LIVE: Conversation

1¹/₂ hrs. Visitor Center Theater Tickets at any tour desk or at door (DNC) \$

Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater

Free Art Classes The Yosemite Art & Education Center offers free classes Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Be prepared for a short walk to the painting site, and bring something to sit on. Bring your own supplies, or buy them at the center, located near the Village Store.

Please register in advance. 209/372-1442

September 3 – 8 **Osamu Saito** Watercolor

September 10 – 15 Marcy Wheeler Acrylics

September 17 - 22

Richard D Keyes Pen and Ink

September 24 - 29 Pat Hunter Watercolor

October 1 - 6Kirah Van Sickle Acrylic

Yosemite Valley ¹/₂ hr. Front of Valley Visitor Center (DNC) 8:00pm Yosemite Theatre - LIVE: Sarah Hawkins Contemplates a Fourth Visitor Center Theater Marriage, Stories of a Pioneer Woman With a Tramp Tickets at any tour desk or at door (DNC) \$ (except October 1) (except October 2) **Yosemite Theatre – LIVE: Campfire Chat** 11/2 hrs. Visitor Center Theater with John Muir Tickets at any tour desk or at door (DNC) \$ (September 9 and 16 only) Evening Program 1 hr. $1^{1/4}$ hrs. Happy Isles shuttle stop #16 Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater Join actor Lee Stetson as Muir around an outdoor Check local postings for topic (DNC) & Check local postings for topic (DNC) & campfire. Tickets/info at any tour desk (DNC) \$ Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater Check local postings for topic (DNC) & 8:30pm STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE VALLEY (September 9 only) $1-1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. Tickets/info at any tour desk (DNC) \$ 10:00am Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove* 5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite 4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer 11/2 hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS) Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC) 11:00am - 3:00pm Horse-Drawn Stage Rides 8:00pm Evening Ranger Program 1 hr. Wawona Mariposa Grove 10 min. Purchase tickets from Stage Driver Meeting Room next door to the office in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center of The Redwoods in Yosemite on (NPS) \$ Chilnualna Falls Rd. (NPS) & 2:00pm Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove* 11/2 hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS) 7:30pm Campfire Talk with a Ranger 1 hr. Wawona Campground Amphitheater (NPS) & Hetch Hetchy Crane Flá Check local postings for program schedule Check local postings for program schedule Check local postings for program schedule 2:00pm Ranger Walk - Domes and Meadows 10:00am Ranger Walk - Bears and Other Wildlife 10:00am Ranger Hike – Elizabeth Lake programs. (except September 30) (September 10 and 17 only) (September 11 and 18 only) 1¹/₂ hrs. Tuolumne Meadows Campground 2 hrs. Pothole Dome shuttle stop #8 5 hrs. Moderately strenuous. 5 miles Road Marker T-29 (NPS) Reservation Office (NPS) Tuolumne Meadows Campground Reservation Office 7:30pm Campfire (except September 30) 2:00pm Ranger Walk - Secret Life of Plants ē Bring lunch, water & raingear (NPS) S 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows (September 10 and 17 only)

Programs printed in color are especially for children and their families.NPS = National Park ServiceDNC = DNC Parks & Resorts at Yosemite, Inc.AAG = The Ansel Adams Gallery AAC = American Alpine Club SC = Sierra ClubYA = Yosemite Association YMS = Yosemite Mountaineering School\$ = Programs offered for a fee	Tuolumne Meadow Sunday, September 23 will be the last day	Campground (NPS)	2 hrs. Lembert Dome Picnic Area (NPS) 7:30pm Campfire (September 10 and 17 only) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)	 2:00pm Ranger Walk – In Muir's Footsteps (September 11 and 18 only) 2 hrs. Pothole Dome shuttle stop #8 Road Marker T-29 (NPS) 7:30pm Campfire (September 11 and 18 only) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)
 * Nature Walks in the Mariposa Grove made possible by a donation from Indicates facilities accessible to visitors in wheelchairs. Short, steep inclines may be encountered. Assisitive Listening Devices are available 	Glacier Point	10:30am Ranger Walk – Find a Secret Meadow (except September 16) 2 hrs. Meet at McGurk Meadow Trailhead, approximately 7 miles east along the Glacier Point Road (NPS)	2:00pm Ranger Walk – Cliffs and Domes 2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Road (NPS)	6:15pm Sunset Ranger Talk (September 25 and October 2 only) ½ hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) යි 6:30pm Sunset Ranger Talk (September 11 and 18 only) ½ hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) යි
upon advanced request. Inquire at a visitor center.	White Wolf	Check local postings for program schedule	Check local postings for program schedule	Check local postings for program schedule

September 5 - October 2, 2007 **THURSDAY** Sept. 6, 13, 20 & 27

WEDNESDAY Sept. 5, 12, 19 & 26

8:00am Coffee with a Ranger 1/2 hr. Bring a mug Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

9:00am Habitat Restoration Volunteer Program (September 12 and 26 only) 4 hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center. Details on page 3 (NPS) Meet Yosemite—Death and Disaster 4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center (YA) \$

10:00am Ranger Stroll - Wild About Wildlife 11/2 hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS) & Art Class 4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center

See details at left (YA) 1:00pm NPS Open House (September 26 only) 4 hrs. Come and learn about park improvement efforts

Valley Visitor Center Auditorium (NPS) & 3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears 11/2 hrs.

Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) 8:00pm Yosemite Theatre - LIVE: Sarah

Hawkins Contemplates a Fourth Marriage, Stories of a Pioneer Woman 11/2 hrs. Visitor Center Theater Tickets at any tour desk or at door (DNC) \$

National Parks in the Sky - the Beauty of Our Universe 1 hr. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater Check local postings for topic (DNC) &

Evening Program (September 5 only) 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater Check local postings for topic (DNC) &

8:30pm STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE VALLEY (September 5 only) 11/2 hrs. Tickets/info at any tour desk (DNC) \$

8:00am Coffee with a Ranger 1/2 hr. Bring a mug Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) & 9:00am WEE WILD ONES (September 27 only) 45 min.

Stories and activities for kids 6 and under Ahwahnee Great Lounge (DNC) & Photography Walk 2 hrs. Limited space. Reservations required Sign up/meet at The Ansel Adams Gallery

Conditions permitting (AAG) Meet Yosemite—Wildlife Safari 4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center (YA) \$

10:00am Ranger Stroll -Yosemite's Legacy 11/2 hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS) & Art Class 4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center

See details at left (YA) 3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears 11/2 hrs. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS)

6:30pm WEE WILD ONES (September 13 and 20 only) 45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 and under Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (DNC) &

7:00pm Chat on the Mall with Muir (except September 27) ¹/₂ hr. Front of Valley Visitor Center (DNC)

8:00pm Ranger Program 1 hr. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) & **Yosemite Theatre – LIVE: Conversation** with a Tramp (except September 27) 11/2 hrs. Visitor Center Theater Tickets at any tour desk or at door (DNC) \$

Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater Check local postings for topic (DNC) &

Evening Program (September 6 only) 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater Check local postings for topic (DNC) & FRIDAY Sept. 7, 14, 21, & 28

8:00am Coffee with a Ranger 1/2 hr. Bring a mug Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) & 10:00am Ranger Stroll - Geology 11/2 hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS) &

Art Class 4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center See details at left (YA)

3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears 11/2 hrs. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) 5:00pm Twilight Stroll

(except September 7) 1 hr. Ahwahnee back lawn (DNC) 7:00pm OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE & SING-ALONG

(September 7 only) 11/2 hrs. Tickets/info at any tour desk (DNC) \$

8:00pm Ranger Program 1 hr. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) & LeConte Memorial Lodge: September 7: AMERICAN INDIAN STORYTELLING & FLUTE

> September 14: Words from the Wild -Eastern Side of Sierra September 21: Meet Galen Clark -**Guardian of Yosemite** September 28: Calamitous Lightning **Episode on Summit** of Half Dome

1 hr. Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

Yosemite Theatre - LIVE: Return to **Balance - High Definition Rock** Climbing Film 1¹/₂ hrs. Visitor Center Theater Tickets at any tour desk or at door (DNC) \$

Film: Ansel Adams 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (AAG) ය **Evening Program**

(September 7 only) 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater Check local postings for topic (DNC) & **SATURDAY** Sept. 8, 15, 22 & 29

8:00am Coffee with a Ranger 1/2 hr. Bring a mug Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

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

Meet Yosemite – Exploration Hike to Union Point 4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center (YA) \$

10:00am Ranger Stroll – Ahwahneechee Stories and Games 11/2 hrs. Front of Yosemite Museum (NPS) &

Art Class 4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center. See details at left (YA)

3:00pm Fine Print Viewing 1 hr. Limited space Sign up at The Ansel Adams Gallery (AAG)

3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears 11/2 hrs. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS)

4:00pm CHILDREN'S STORYTIME 1/2 hr. For children 7 and under with adult The Ansel Adams Gallery (AAG)

6:30pm WEE WILD ONES (September 8 only) 45 min. For kids 6 and under Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) &

8:00pm Ranger Program 1 hr. Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

LeConte Memorial Lodge: September 8: Hiking & Climbing Half Dome September 15: Words From The Wild September 22: Hetch Hetchy –Yosemite's

Lost Twin September 29: Re-walking John Muir's 1868 trip from San Francisco to Yosemite

1 hr. Shuttle stop #12 (SC) Rock Climbing Program 1 hr.

Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (AAC) &

Evening Program (September 8 only) 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) &

8:30pm Night Prowl 1¹/₂ hrs. Learn about nocturnal animals Tickets/info at any tour desk (DNC) \$

2:00pm Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove* 9:30am Wawona History Walk 9:30am Explore Yosemite with a Ranger (except September 6) $1 - 1^{1/2}$ hrs. Wawona Hotel fountain (NPS) 2 hrs. Meet at Meeting Room, next door 11/2 hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS) to the office of The Redwoods in Yosemite 11:00am - 3:00pm on Chilnualna Falls Rd. (NPS) 5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite **Horse-Drawn Stage Rides** 10 min. Purchase tickets from Stage Driver 4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer 11:00am - 3:00pm Horse-Drawn Stage Rides Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC) in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center (NPS) \$ (except September 29) 7:30pm Campfire Talk with a Ranger 2:00pm Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove* 10 min. Purchase tickets from Stage Driver (except September 6) in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center 1 hr. Wawona Campground Amphitheater 1¹/₂ hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS) (NPS) \$ (NPS) & 5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite 2:00pm Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove* 4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC) 1¹/₂ hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS) 6:00pm Evening Stroll with a Ranger 5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite 1 hr. Wawona Hotel fountain (NPS) 4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC) 7:30pm Campfire Talk with a Ranger 1 hr. Wawona Campground Amphitheater (NPS) & Check local postings for program schedule Check local postings for program schedule Check local postings for program schedule 9:15am Ranger Hike – Mono Pass 10:00am Ranger Walk - History 10:00am Ranger Walk - Geology (except September 27) (except September 28) (September 15 and 22 only) 6-8 hrs. Moderately strenuous. 10 miles 2 hrs. Tuolumne Meadows Campground 2 hrs. Pothole Dome shuttle stop #8 Reservation Office (NPS) Road marker T-29 (NPS) Meet at Mono Pass trailhead Bring lunch, water & raingear (NPS) 7:30pm Campfire (except September 27) 7:30pm Campfire (except September 28) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows 10:00am Ranger Walk – Bennettville Exploration

Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC)

2:00pm Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove*

5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite

Check local postings for program schedule

Binoculars available (NPS)

(except September 26)

2:00pm Ranger Walk - Along the River

7:30am Ranger Walk – Birds (September 5 only)

21/2 hrs. Lembert Dome Picnic Area

2 hrs. Tuolumne Meadows Campground

11/2 hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS)

4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer

Reservation Office (NPS) 7:30pm Campfire (except September 26) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)	Campground (NPS)	Campground (NPS)	(September 8 and 15 only) 2 hrs. Moderate. Junction Campground bridge, off Saddlebag Road, east of Tioga Pass Entrance Station (NPS)
9:00pm Ranger Talk – Stars (except September 26) 1 hr. Lembert Dome Picnic Area Bring pad to sit on and dress warmly (NPS)			2:00pm JUNIOR RANGERS (September 8 and 15 only) 2 hrs. Ages 7-12. Tuolumne Meadows Campground Reservation Office (NPS)
			5:30pm Ranger Walk – Yosemite's Wilderness (except September 29) 1 ¹ / ₂ hrs. Tuolumne Meadows Campground Reservation Office (NPS)
			7:30pm Campfire (except September 29) 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)
			9:00pm Ranger Talk—Stars (September 8 and 15 only) 1 hr. Lembert Dome Picnic Area Bring pad to sit on and dress warmly (NPS)
2:00pm Ranger Walk – Cliffs and Domes 2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Road (NPS)		7:30pm Stars Over Yosemite (September 7 only) Glacier Point Amphitheater Cancel if overcast (NPS)	6:15pm Sunset Ranger Talk (September 22 and 29 only) ½ hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) ය.
			6:30pm Sunset Ranger Talk (September 8 only) 1/2 hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) ය
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September 5 -October 2, 2007

Glacier Point

Ranger Walks

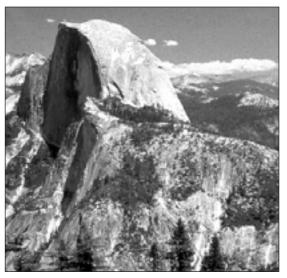
Join a ranger for a walk to discover Yosemite's unique, tucked-away places. See a pioneer cabin near a beautiful meadow, explore the red fir forest, or hike to a seldom-seen waterfall. See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

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. Stargazing programs are offered as well.

See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

Illustration by Lawrence Ormsby



Half Dome from Glacier Point

NPS Photo



Take a stage ride in Wawona.

Photo by John Hawksworth

Evening Programs

Share in a park tradition by joining a ranger for an hour of stories, legends, and fun. Topics vary each night. See Scheduled Events pages for dates, times, and locations. \clubsuit

Join pianist/singer Tom Bopp in the Wawona Hotel lobby from 5:30pm to 9:30pm., Tuesday through Saturday, as he performs songs and stories from Yosemite's past. Once or twice a week, he will present an hour-long interpretive program on the vintage songs of Yosemite or the history of Wawona with slide or music accompaniment. Check with Tom at the piano for dates and times.

Wawona Information Station at Hill's Studio

Open 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., the station offers information about park activities, Wilderness permits, trail information, books, bear canister rentals,

Wawona & Mariposa Grove

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. A visit to the Pioneer Yosemite History Center explores Yosemite's history and explains 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.

Experience Horse-Drawn Travel

Travel into history by taking a 10-minute horsedrawn stage ride. Tickets may be purchased at the Stage Office in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center. \$3/adults and \$2/child (ages 3-12).

Mariposa Grove

Located at Yosemite's southern end, the Mariposa Grove is the park's largest stand of giant sequoias, with about 500 trees. A few of these giants are visible in the parking area. Information about access for disabled people is available at the tram boarding area.

Getting to Mariposa Grove

Allow $1^{1/2}$ hours driving time to reach the grove from Yosemite Valley. Cars are prohibited beyond the grove parking lot. 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 (9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.).

FREE MARIPOSA GROVE & WAWONA SHUTTLE

A shuttle 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.

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. *Dogs are not permitted anywhere in the Grove.*

Mariposa Grove Museum Open through September 30

Open 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Located in the upper part of the Mariposa Grove, the museum offers information, displays on giant sequoias, and a small bookstore.

DISTANCE & ELEVATION

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

and maps. Located on the grounds of the Wawona

Big Oak Flat & Sequoia Groves

Big Oak Flat Information Station

Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The station offers general park information, books, and maps. It also provides Wilderness permits, bear canister rentals, and backpacking information.

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 four-mile round-trip hike (about three hours) into the grove from Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). Located $3^{1}/_{2}$ miles north of Crane Flat and $4^{1}/_{2}$ miles south of the Big Oak Flat Entrance, the trailhead is marked by a road sign and post labeled B-10.

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.

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

Yosemite Today

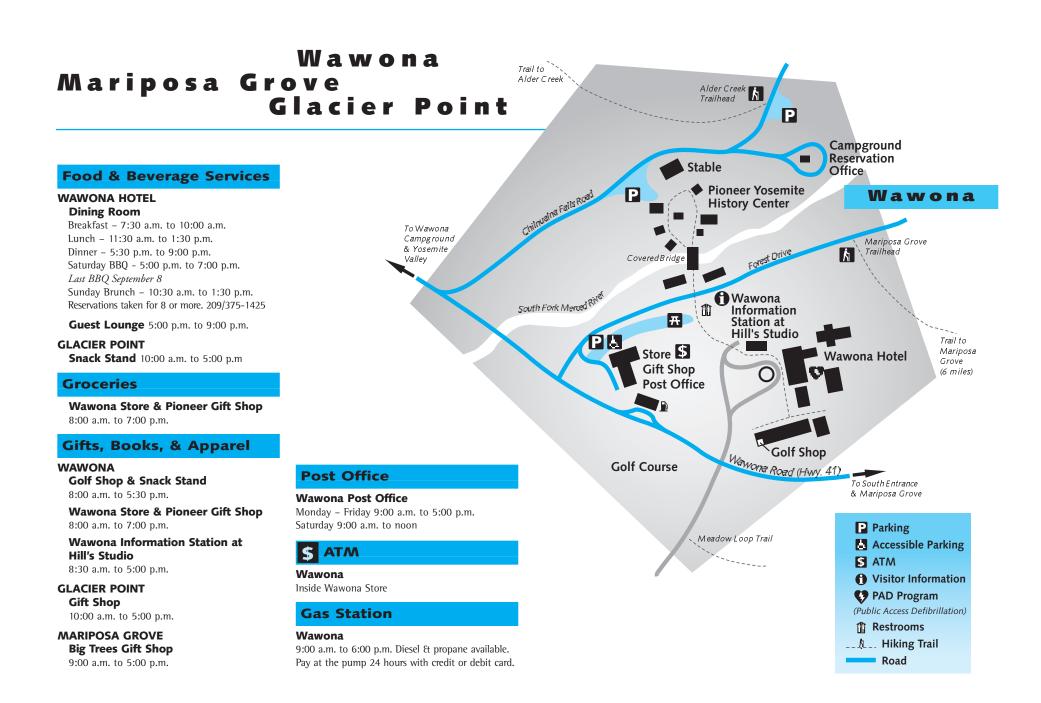
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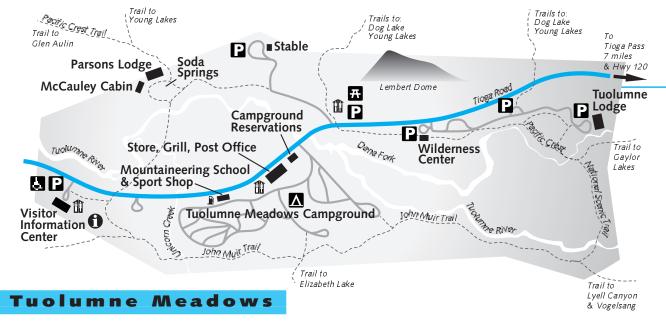
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Red Bear, Dead Bear

Speeding cars hit dozens of black bears, hundreds of deer, and countless other animals on park roads every year.

The Red Bear, Dead Bear signs along the Tioga Road mark a place where a bear was recently hit.

Food & Beverage Services

Groceries

Crane Flat

Tuolumne Meadows

Food & Beverage Services

TUOLUMNE MEADOWS Tuolumne Meadows Grill

Open through September 23 Sunday - Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday - Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Tuolumne Meadows Lodge Dining Room

Open through breakfast on September 16 Breakfast – 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Dinner – 5:50 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Meals are served family style, and reservations are required. Call 209/372-8413

Groceries

Tuolumne Meadows Store *Open through September 23* 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Gifts, Books, & Apparel

Mountaineering School and Sport Shop *Open through September 23* 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



WHITE WOLF LODGE

Open through breakfast on September 16 Breakfast – 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Dinner – 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Dinner reservations are advised. Call 209/372-8416.

White Wolf

Gifts, Books, & Apparel

BIG OAK FLAT INFORMATION STATION 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Crane Flat

Closes on September 10 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

White Wolf Camp Store Open through breakfast on September 16 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Gas Station

Crane Flat

Closes September 10 for system upgrades. 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Diesel available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

CHECK YOUR GAS GAUGE!

All distances are calculated from Yosemite Valley – plan ahead!



Crane Flat Gas Station will be closed from September 10 – October 19 for system upgrades. Gasoline will not be available at this time.

Following are the nearest locations to Yosemite Valley where you may purchase fuel: El Portal: Hwy 140 west toward Mariposa 14 miles

Wawona: Hwy 41 south toward Fresno 25 miles

Tuolumne Meadows (closes September 30): 120 east toward Nevada 54 miles

Tuolumne Meadows Bookstore

Open through September 23 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Inside the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center

Tuolumne Meadows Store

Open through September 23 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Post Office

Tuolumne Meadows Post Office

Open through September 21 Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to noon

Gas Station

Tuolumne MeadowsOpen through September 309:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Propane available.Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

WHERE TO GO 7

General Park Information

Emergency 9-1-1

Fire – Police – Medical Emergency: Dial 9-1-1, 24 hours a day (from hotel room 9, 9-1-1)

Park Information

Road, Weather, and **General Park Information** 209/372-0200 www.nps.gov/yose

Park Partner Information www.yosemitepartners.org

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 6:00 p.m. Monday - Friday Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Valley, the clinic provides routine and emergency med-

ical 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, Curry Village, The Ahwahnee, and the Wawona Hotel: Crane Flat Store; Badger Pass Lodge (winter); and Glacier Point (summer).

Dental Services

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

Weather Radio

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

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.

Camping

To reserve campsites, call the National Recreation Reservation Service at 877/444-6777 between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., or check www.recreation.gov. For same-day reservations, visit Yosemite's Campground Reservation Office at the northeast corner of the Curry Village parking lot. First-come, first-served campsites vailable. See the Yosemite Guide for details.

Wilderness Permits

Anyone going into Yosemite's backcountry must have a Wilderness permit. Register for permits at the Valley Wilderness Center, Wawona Information Station at Hill's Studio, Big Oak Flat Information Station, Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station, or Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center.

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.

Curry Village 209/372-8344

8:30 a.m to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuolumne Meadows 209/372-8435

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Open through September 23

BICYCLE RENTALS

Daily, weather permitting, with hourly and daily rates. Baby-joggers, wheelchairs, and six-speed bikes with trailers. Last rentals are at 5:45 p.m. Call 209/372-4FUN for information.

Yosemite Lodge 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. **Curry Village** 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

SWIMMING POOLS Wawona Dawn to dusk weather permitting

GOLF AT WAWONA HOTEL 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.,

weather and conditions permitting

TRAIL RIDES

2-hour rides depart daily. Call for reservations.

Yosemite Valley Shuttle stop #18 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-8348 Subject to close, depending on weather

Tuolumne Meadows 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Open through September 16

Tours Conditions permitting

Information & Reservations

Monday - Friday 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Saturday - Sunday 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. 209/372-4386

Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. 209/372-1240

Village Store Tour Kiosk 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Curry Village Tour Kiosk 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Big Trees Tour Kiosk 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/375-1621

SIGHTSEEING TOURS

Valley Floor Tour weather permitting 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.

Moonlight Tour September 22 - 26



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. At dusk, look low in the western sky for both Venus and Saturn.

September 8 Venus shines to the Moon's lower right before dawn.

September 23 The autumnal equinox occurs at 2:51 a.m. PDT, when the Sun crosses the equator heading south for the year. This event marks the start of fall.

September 26 The full Moon hangs below the Great Square of Pegasus during evening. As the full moon closest to the autumnal equinox, it is known as the Harvest Moon, rising at 2:45pm.

September 30 Bright Venus has been climbing higher in the eastern sky at dawn each week. Look for Saturn to its lower left by roughly a fist-width at arm's length.

General Services

S 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.

Internet Access

Internet access is available to park visitors at three locations: Yosemite Lodge, Degnan's Café, and the Mariposa County Library (Girls Club), south of the Yosemite Cemetery. Access at the library is free, requires a sign-up and is available during limited hours Monday through Thursday (check at library for details). At Yosemite Lodge, kiosks and wireless access are available 24 hours for a fee. At Degnan's Café, kiosks are available 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for a fee.

Service Organizations

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

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 quests welcome. For meeting reservations or information, call 209/372-8459.

Religious Services

YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH (Nondenominational Christian) Pastor Brent Moore 209/372-4831 Wedding information on our website: www.yosemitevalleychapel.org Various Bible Studies during the week. Counseling provided. Call pastor for appointment.

Worship Service/Yosemite Valley Chapel Sunday 9:15 a.m. (Sunday School and Nursery available) Sunday 11:00 a.m. (no Sunday School/Nursery) Sunday 6:30 p.m. Tuesday Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Held at Pastor Brent's home, call for location

Tuesday Men's Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Thursday 7:00 p.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Rev. Raymond J. Duffy 209/372-4729

Mass in Yosemite Valley Valley Visitor Center Theater

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST (Nondenominational) Ron Skelton 209/379-2307

El Portal Chapel/Worship Service Sunday 11:00 a.m. Foresta Road, at top of Chapel Lane

CROSSWAY TRIBE OF JESUS (Christian Protestant) 209/379-2428

Pastor Steve Hughes, Worship Gathering Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Mariposa County Library (Girls Club) South of the Yosemite Cemetery



& 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, and outside the Valley Visitor Center and Curry Village front desk.

Accessible parking spaces are available just west of the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center. To reach these, enter the Valley on Southside Drive, and go west (left) on Sentinel Drive. Turn left on Northside Drive, and follow the blue-and-white accessibility signs.

Bear Canister Rental

Canisters are available for \$5 per trip at the Valley Wilderness Center, the Wawona Information Station at Hill's Studio, the Big Oak Flat Information Station, the Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station, and Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center.

weather permitting This tram tour takes the same route as the Valley Floor tour, at the time of the full moon.

Glacier Point Tour weather 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 *weather permitting* Trams run every day in the Mariposa Grove of giant seguoias for a 1-hour tour through the lower and upper groves. Call 209/375-1621 for information.

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

Tuolumne Meadows Hikers Bus Open through September 9 Departs from Yosemite Lodge at 8:20 a.m. Call 209/372-1240 for information.

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YOSEMITE AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

YARTS bus stops for the Highway 140 route are in Yosemite Valley at the Ahwahnee, Curry Village, Valley Visitor Center, and Yosemite Lodge. The YARTS bus for the Highway 120/395 route stops only at the Valley Visitor Center. For bus schedules to and from the Yosemite area, call 1-877-98-YARTS, or visit YARTS online at www.yarts.com