

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

**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 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Visitor Center’s newly remodeled West Auditorium Theater. Closed captioning available. & CC

**Yosemite Museum**
Located behind the Yosemite Visitor Center next to the Valley Visitor Center.

**Features**
- **Museum Gallery**
  Open 10:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Historic 19th and 20th century Yosemite landscape paintings from the park 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 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Offering traditional Native 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 Ahwahnee skills and culture.

**Yosemite Cemetery**
This historic cemetery is located across the street and just west of the Yosemite Museum. People buried here include American Indians and others who played an important role in the development of what is now Yosemite National Park. A Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery is available at the Valley Visitor Center.

**Wilderness Center**
Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village between The Ansel Adams Gallery and the post office. One-stop resource for backpackers in need of wilderness permits, bear cannisters, maps, and guidesheets. Displays and information on trip planning, minimal impact camping techniques, and Yosemite’s wilderness.

**Nature Center at Happy Isles**
Open 10:00 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. This nature center includes natural history exhibits, interactive displays, and a bookstore geared to nature-exploring for families. Nearby are short trails focusing on the area’s four different environments: forest, mate, talus, and fen. You can also see substantial evidence of the huge 1995 rockslide from the Glacier Point cliff far above the Nature Center. A new outdoor exhibit details the geologic story of talusfields in Yosemite. The Center is a short walk from shuttle stop #16.

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

**Gallery Exhibit**
June 7
Join us for an introduction of the new book Yosemite One River, A Portrait of the Backcountry, by photographer Claude Fiddler. Recently published by the Yosemite Association, the book highlights many parts of Yosemite that are rarely seen by visitors.

**Artists’ Reception**
Saturday, June 7th 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Through June 16**
The black and white prints of acclaimed photographer Bob Kolbrener will be on exhibit as we approach the summer season. A student and assistant to Ansel Adams, Kolbrener works exclusively on traditional photographic subject matter using classical darkroom techniques.

**Parsons Memorial Lodge McCarthey Cabin and Soda Springs**
This historic area is only accessible by walking. There are two trails, both flat and both 1/2-mile long. See the maps of Tuolumne Meadows area in this paper. Parsons Memorial Lodge is usually open from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Historic McCarthey Cabin has an open house from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday. The Soda Springs are naturally carbonated springs that often attract birds and deer at sunset and sunset.

**Free Omstred Point/ Tuolumne/ Tioga Pass Shuttle Bus**
**Begin June 14**
Free shuttle bus service is available during the summer along the Tioga Road from Omstred Point to Tioga Pass. Due to limited through traffic, parking use of the free shuttle buses is strongly advised.

**Shuttle Service**
Shuttle service between Tuolumne Meadows Lodge and Omstred Point with stops along the Tioga Road, including Tuolumne Campground and the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. The shuttle also makes two morning (9:00 a.m. and noon) and two afternoon (1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.) stops in Tioga Pass.

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

**Just for Kids**
Programs for children include Junior Rangers two days a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays and a kids’ campfire program on Wednesday night. Junior Rangers is a 2-hour ranger-led program for children (ages 8-10).

**Ranger Walks**
Join a ranger to explore new areas and learn about geology, birds, flowers, American Indians, history, and more. These walks range from 1 to 3 hours and all but the long walks are fairly easy. Twice a week, longer hikes are offered to lakes, domes, or passes. Wear sturdy shoes, and bring water, lunch, and rain gear. End your perfect day with a Movie Walk. This easy, early evening stroll will inspire and delight.

**Evening Activities**
Come hike Yosemite Theater Live celebrate its 20th season! The National Park Service recognizes Yosemite Theater as the best interpretive program of its type in the National Park System. Tickets may be purchased at any tour desk in Yosemite Valley or if seating is still available, at the time of performance. Most shows are given in the East Auditorium located behind the Valley Visitor Center in Yosemite Village, near shuttle stop #3. See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

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**Tuolumne Meadows**
Mammoth Pass as seen from Soda Springs in Tuolumne Meadows

**Yosemite Today**

**Yosemite Valley**

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Free Art Classes

Free, informal outdoor art classes in various art mediums are available for adults through the Art Activity Center, located at the east end of Yosemite Village near the Village Stores. Each day class begins at 10:00 a.m. and ends at 2:00 p.m.

June 2–8
Linda Mitchell
Watercolor
June 9–15
Carolyn Fitz
Blank Ink/Watercolor
June 16–22
Tom Fong
Watercolor
June 23–29
Jan Schaffr
Watercolor
June 30–July 6
Jim Murray
Sketching/Drawing

Check local bulletin boards for additional program information.

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

Indicates programs accessible for visitors in wheelchairs, with assistance.

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

Scheduled Events

SUNDAY  June 9, 16, 23, & 30

2:00pm Ranger Walk—Yosemite Through the Eyes of a Buffalo Soldier, 1904
Looking for the Biggest Tree

2:30pm Ranger Walk—Ahwahneechee Stories and Games

3:00pm Evening Program
9:00pm Film—Ansel Adams
1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (NPS/YCS) b.

2:00pm Stage Rides

3:00pm Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove (NPS).

2:30pm Ranger Walk—Yosemite’s Legacy

3:30pm Campfire

TUESDAY June 10, 17, 24

6:30pm Sunrise Photo Walk

9:00pm Photography Walk

10:00am CHILDREN’S PHOTO WALK

12:00pm Science Forum—Impact of Nonnative Trout on Yosemite

2:00pm Ranger Walk—Bears

8:00pm Ranger Walk—Ahwahneechee Stories and Games

3:00pm Evening Program
9:00pm Film—Ansel Adams
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2:00pm Ranger Walk—Night Prowl

1:30pm Sunrise Hike to Mirror Lake

11:00am Stage Rides

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5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite

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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.

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 sunsets and stay for the moonrise.

Walk through Yosemite
The trailhead for walking 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.

Wawona & Mariposa Grove

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

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

Take A Stage Ride
Take a 10-minute ride and experience the adventure of horse-drawn stage travel in Yosemite.

To Get to Mariposa Grove
Allow 1½ 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 trailhead.

Merced Grove
Yosemite’s quietest stand of sequoias is the Merced Grove, accessible only on foot. It’s a 2-mile hike into the grove from the Big Oak Flat Road. The road leads downhill from Crane Flat into the Tuolumne Grove of Big Trees, a cluster of about 15 to 20 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.

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.

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Ranger Programs
Please check the bulletin board at Crane Flat, Big Oak Flat, and White Wolf for additional upcoming ranger programs.

Big Oak Flat, Big Oak Flat, and White Wolf

Big Oak Flat Information Station
Open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch) offers information about park activities, trail information, books, and maps. Located on the grounds of the Wawona Hotel, the Station 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.

Big Oak Flat Wilderness Center
Open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch). Located inside the Information Station. Wilderness permits, trail information, bear canister rentals, and limited maps sales.

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Mariposa Grove
Mariposa Grove is open daily 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in the Upper Grove. A shuttle service to help alleviate congestion and lengthy parking delays.

Free Mariposa Grove & Wawona Shuttle Bus
This shuttle bus stops at the Wawona Store, South Entrance, and Mariposa Grove. Shuttle operates throughout the day beginning at 9:00 a.m. Last shuttle leaves the Grove at 5:00 p.m. Visitors may park at the Wawona Store to board the shuttle bus. Due to narrow roads and very limited parking, visitors are urged to use the free bus service to help alleviate congestion and lengthy parking delays.

Wawona & Mariposa Grove

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Mariposa Grove Tram
Trams run every day in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias for a 1-hour tour through the lower and upper groves. The tram leaves from the South Entrance, and Mariposa Grove. Shuttles operate throughout the day beginning at 9:00 a.m. Last tram is at 5:00 p.m., running every 15 to 20 minutes from the boarding area.

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