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

For bus schedules to and from the Yosemite area, call 1-877-98-YARTS or visit YARTS online at www.yarts.com

Ride the Free Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus
Shuttle buses operate daily at 10-minute intervals. All buses follow the same route, serving stops in numerical order.

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

**Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus Map**

**Visitor Center** Located in Yosemite Village. Park and walk or take the free shuttle bus.

**PARK HERE**
- From the Valley lake Southside Drive (one way)
- Just beyond Chapel, turn left at the stop sign onto Sentinel Drive
- Drive over bridge; at stop sign, turn right
- PARKING AREA is located on Northside Drive

**Detailed trail maps** are available for purchase at visitor centers and stores throughout the park. See the Yosemite Guide for descriptions of Valley day hikes.

**Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System**

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WHERE TO GO

Yosemite Village, Yosemite Lodge, and Curry Village

Food & Beverage Service

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

YOSEMITE VILLAGE

Dagman’s Delicatessen 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Dagman’s Café

Class for seasons September 12 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Loft at Dagman’s

Monday - Friday: 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Saturday - Sunday: Noon to 9:00 p.m.

Village Grill

7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Village Store

8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Yosemite Lodge Gift/Grocery

7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Yosemite Bookstore

9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Yosemite Museum Store

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

Yosemite Art Center

9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Yosemite Village Gifts & Apparel

9:30 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Gifts/Grocery

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

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BACKGROUND

Yosemite Village, Yosemite Lodge, and Curry Village

Pizza Patio

Neon to 10:00 p.m.

Beginning September 21

Neon to 9:00 p.m.

Taqueria

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

Beginning September 16

Saturday - Sunday only

HAPPY ISLES

Snack Stand

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

Groceries

Yosemite Lodge Gifts/Grocery

8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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ATM

Visitor Information

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Restrooms

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Picnic Area

Shuttle Bus ONLY

Curry Village

The Ahwahnee

Yosemite Lodge

Yosemite Village

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NPS Headquarters

Medical & Dental Clinic

Village Garage

Auto Service, Towing, and Repair (AAA)

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Yosemite Valley

Valley Visitor Center
Open 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village just west of the main post office (shuttle stops #5 and #9). Information, maps, books, and exhibits. wheelchair

Film
Spirit of Yosemite
This inspiring state-of-the-art visitor orientation film provides a stunning overview of Yosemite’s splendor. It is shown every 30 minutes from Monday through Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5:15 p.m. in the Visitor Center Theater. Closed captioning available.

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

Features

Museum Gallery
Open 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Historic 19th and 20th century Yosemite landscape paintings from the park’s museum collection. wheelchair

Indian Village
Open 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. 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. wheelchair

Yosemite Museum Store
Open 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Offering traditional American Indian arts and crafts and books on related subjects. wheelchair

The Indian Village of Ahwahnee
Located behind the Yosemite Museum and open during daylight hours. Occasionally, Yosemite Cultural Program staff provide demonstrations or programs about Ahwahneechee skills and culture.

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

Wilderness Center
Open 9:00 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 cansisters, maps, and guidebooks. Displays and information on pre-trip planning, minimum impact camping techniques, and Yosemite’s wilderness. wheelchair

Nature Center at Happy Isles
Open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village.

The Ansel Adams Gallery
Open 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 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 camera/repair shops are available. For more information, call the Gallery at 209/372-4413 or visit their web site at www.anseladams.com.

Gallery exhibit
Through September 14
Color photography by Jeff Groody. Jeff has lived and worked in Yosemite almost continuously since 1976. In Jeff’s words, “I enjoy both the artistic and technical nature of photography. The act of looking for and creating new images both relaxes and invigorates me. I find beauty and solace in the landscape. Endless combinations of color, form, texture shadows and light intrigue me...”

Beginning September 15
Color photography by William Neill. Will, a long-time resident of Yosemite, is a landscape photographer concerned with conveying the deep, spiritual beauty he sees and feels in nature.

LeConte Memorial Lodge
Open 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. located at shuttle stop #12. The LeConte Memorial Lodge, Yosemite’s first public visitor center, is operated by the Sierran Club and features a children’s corner, library, and a variety of environmental education and training programs. For more information, call 209/372-4542.

Yosemite Theater
Live
Help Yosemite Theater celebrate its 22nd season! Live action performs each of the four shows on a stage in the Visitor Center Theater behind the Valley Visitor Center (near shuttle stop #5 & #9). Hear the adventuresome tales and antics of John Muir. Share the journey by wagon across the plains to California with Henry Miller, the father of nature writing. John Muir. Share the journey by wagon across the plains to California with Henry Miller, the father of nature writing. 

Hike with Yosemite Mountaineering School
Last day: September 26
Learn about flora, fauna, climbing or the history of Yosemite. Have fun with an easy geology lesson! Two hikes are lead daily beginning at 9:00 a.m. Served for hikers 16 and older, this moderate-level hike explores the Valley. At 1:30 p.m., an easy hike is offered for all ages, which explores the "backyard" of Ahwahnee. Each hike begins at the Ahwahnee and lasts 3/4 hours. The cost is $40 per person and tickets are purchased at the Ahwahnee Concierge or the Front Desk. Call Yosemite Mountaineering School at 209/372-8344 for more information.

Tuolumne Meadows

Ranger Walks
Join a ranger to explore new areas and learn about geology, birds, flowers, American Indian history, and more. These walks range from 1 to 8 hours and all but the long walks are fairly easy.

Evening Activities
Come to the Damaris Creek Camp 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 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located just off the Tioga Road, along the roadway leading to Tuolumne Lodge, shuttle stop #3. Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center.

Free Olmsted Point/ Tioga Pass Shuttle Bus
Type: shuttle bus service
Service begins at Tuolumne Meadows Lodge and Olmsted Point with stops along the Tioga Road, including Tuolumne Campground and the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. The shuttle also makes two morning (8:00 a.m. and noon) and two afternoon (3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.) runs to Tuolumne Pass. Service begins at Tuolumne Meadows Lodge at 7:00 a.m. Shuttle buses arrive at approximately 30-minute intervals between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. The last shuttle bus leaves Olmsted Point at 6:00 p.m. Schedules are subject to change. Please check route maps at the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center or shuttle bus stops for details.

Yosemite Outdoor Adventures

These programs are offered for a fee.

Hawks in Flight: Raptor Migration
SEPTEMBER 9-12
7:00 a.m.

Yosemite Hike & Bike Tours
SEPTEMBER 17
4:00 p.m.

Tule Twined Basket Making
OCTOBER 1-3
8:30 a.m.

For details, call the Yosemite Association at 209/372-2321 or visit www.yosemite.org, or check at the Valley Visitor Center.
### Scheduled Events

#### SUNDAY

**7:30am**  
**SUNRISE ADVENTURE WALK TO MIRROR LAKE**  
September 12 only  
2 hrs. Stable shuttle stop #18 (SC)  

**10:00am**  
**Ranger Walk—Yosemite Through the Eyes of a Buffalo Soldier**  
October 3 only  
1 hr. Front of Visitor Center (NPS)  

**2:00pm**  
**CHILDREN’S POETRY WORKSHOP**  
September 12 only  
3 hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge  
Shuttle stop #12 (SC)  

**3:00pm**  
**Ranger Walk—Ahwahneechee Stories & Games**  
1½ hrs. Behind Valley Visitor Center (NPS)  

**6:15pm**  
**WEE WILD ONES**  
September 12 fl 19 only  
45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 and under. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) b.  

**7:00pm**  
**OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE & SING-ALONG**  
September 12 only  
1½ hr. Near Curry Village  
Tickets/information at any lodge tour desk (DNC)  

**8:00pm**  
**Yosemite Theater Live—Return of Balance**  
Except October 3  
1½ hrs. Visitor Center West Auditorium  
Tickets at any tour desk $ (DNC)  

#### MONDAY

**10:00am**  
**Ranger Walk—Yosemite’s First People**  
1½ hrs. Behind Valley Visitor Center (NPS)  

**3:00pm**  
**JUNIOR RANGERS**  
(1. hrs. For kids 7-12, accompanied by parent)  
Meet at Happy Isles Nature Center (NPS)  

**8:00pm**  
**Yosemite Theater Live—Wild Stories with John Muir: Adventures**  
Except October 4  
1½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater. Tickets at any tour desk $ (DNC)  

#### TUESDAY

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

**10:00am**  
**Art Class**  
1½ hrs. Yosemite Art Center (SC)  

**12:00pm**  
**Lecture—Mapping Surface Water Sensitivity to Atmospherically-Deposited Pollutants**  
1 hr. USGS presentation  
West Auditorium (NPS)  

**3:00pm**  
**Ranger Walk—Bears**  
1½ hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC)  

**CHILDREN’S WATERCOLOR CLASS**  
2 hrs. Sign-up in advance, 209/372-1442  
Yosemite Art Center  

**5:00pm**  
**Autumn Twilight Stroll**  
September 12 & 19 only  
1½ hr. The Ahwahnee back patio (DNC)  

**8:00pm**  
**Yosemite Theater Live—Sarah Hawkins Contemplates a Fourth Marriage: Stories of a Pioneer Woman**  
1½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater  
Tickets at any tour desk $ (DNC)  

**Evening Programs**  
1½ hrs. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (DNC) A  
Check local postings for topic  
1 hr. (September 7 & 14 only)  
Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) A  

#### Wildfire Birthday Celebration

Celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Wilderness Act with wilderness managers and rangers from across the Sierra

**October 2**  
10:00am to 2:00pm  
In front of the Visitor Center in Yosemite Valley  

**Park a Stole**  
Wilderness Tool Show & Tell  
Learn About Bears  
Blow Out the Candles on the Wilderness Birthday Cake  
11:00 a.m.  
Join Laurel Boyers, Yosemite’s Wilderness Manager, in front of the Visitor Center for a special interpretive walk.

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

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Arylic  

**September 13 & 18**  
Pat Hunter  
Watercolor  

**September 20 & 25**  
Osamu Saito  
Watercolor  

**September 27 & October 2**  
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Watercolor  

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**Yosemite National Park**

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**September 13-18**  
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Watercolor

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**Watercolor: Mariposa Grove**

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**Educational Programs**

- **Yosemite Art Center**
- **Yosemite Valley**
- **Glacier Point**
- **Mariposa Grove**

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**Reservations**

- **Reservation Office (NPS)**
- **1½ hrs. Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)**

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**Accessibility**

- **10 min. Purchase tickets at the Stage Office**
- **1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC)**
- **1½ hr. Visitor Center Theater. Tickets at any tour desk $ (DNC)**
- **2 hrs. Sign-up in advance, 209/372-1442 Yosemite Art Center**

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**Local Postings**

- **Check local postings for topic (DNC)**
- **1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (AAG)**
- **1½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater**
- **1½ hrs. Near Curry Village**
- **1½ hrs. Front of Visitor Center (NPS)**
- **1½ hrs. Behind Valley Visitor Center (NPS)**

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**Special Instructions**

- **Indicates programs accessible for visitors in wheelchairs, with assistance.**
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**WEDNESDAY**

10:00am Art Class
4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center

2:00pm NPS Open House
(September 20 only)
4 hrs. Learn about park improvement efforts
Visitor Center Auditorium (NPS).

3:00pm Ranger Walk—Yosemite’s Legacy
1½ hrs. Meet in front of Visitor Center (NPS)

7:00pm OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE & SING-ALONG
(September 15 only)
1½ hrs. Near Curry Village
Tickets/information at any lodge tour desk $ (DNC)

8:00pm Yosemite Theater Live—Wild Stories with John Muir: Animals
1½ hrs Visitor Center Theater
Tickets at any tour desk $ (DNC)

**THURSDAY**

9:00am Photography Walk
2½ hrs. Limited space, advance sign up required.
Mert at The Ansel Adams Gallery, conditions permitting (DNC)

10:00am Art Class
4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center

3:00pm Ranger Walk—Bears
1½ hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater (NPS)

7:15pm WISE WILD ONES
(September 9 & 16 only)
45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 and under.
Curry Village Amphitheater (NPS) $.

7:00pm LIFE AFTER DARK
(September 9 only)
2 hrs. Advance sign-up from 10-4 at
LeConte Memorial Lodge
Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

8:00pm Yosemite Theater Live—Sarah Hawkins Contemplates a Fourth
Marriage: Stories of a Pioneer Woman
1½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater
Tickets at any tour desk $ (DNC)

Evening Programs
1 hr Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (DNC) $.
Check local postings for topic

1 hr. (September 9 & 16 only)
Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) $.

**FRIDAY**

10:00am Art Class
4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center

10:00am ALL ABOUT BEARS
(September 20 only)
2½ hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge
Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

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

5:00pm Autumn Twilight Stroll
1 hr. The Ahwahnee back patio (DNC)

6:00pm Ma Wu Eh
(Except September 24)
1½ hrs. Meet behind Visitor Center (NPS)

7:30pm ANIMALS AND THEIR SENSES
(September 10 only)
1½ hrs. LeConte Memorial Lodge
Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

8:00pm Yosemite Theater Live—Wild Stories with John Muir:Wild Places
(Except October 1)
1½ hrs. Visitor Center West Auditorium
Tickets at any tour desk $ (DNC)

LeConte Memorial Lodge
September 17: John Muir at Home in Martinez
1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater
Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

**SATURDAY**

STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE VALLEY
1½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater
with John Muir: Animals
(September 15 only)

6:00pm Children’s Story Time
(September 9 & 16 only)
45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 and under.
Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) $.

7:00pm OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE & SING-ALONG
(September 17)
1½ hrs. Near Curry Village
Tickets/information at any lodge tour desk $ (DNC)

A WALK BACK IN TIME
(September 17)
2 hrs. Advance sign-up 10-4 at LeConte Memorial Lodge
Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

8:00pm LeConte Memorial Lodge
September 17: AMERICAN INDIAN STORIES & FLUTE
September 18: MEET THE ARTIST BEHIND THE STATE QUARTER
September 25: 3-D SLIDES OF NATIONAL PARKS & ART DIABLO
1 hr. Shuttle stop # 12 (SC)

Evening Programs
1½ hrs. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (DNC) $.
Check posting for topic

1 hr. (September 10 & 17 only)
Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) $.

10:00am Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove
1½ hr. Meet at Lower Grove Trailhead (NPS)

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4:00pm Historic Wawona Tour
1½ hrs. Meet at Wawona Registration Desk (DNC)

**WHAT TO DO**

1:30pm Ranger Walk—Domes and Meadows
(September 8, 15 & 22 only)
2 hrs. Purchase tickets at the Stage Office in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center $ (NPS)

10:00am Campfire
2 hrs. Purchase tickets at the Stage Office in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center $ (NPS)

3:00pm Campfire
2 hrs. Purchase tickets at the Stage Office in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center $ (NPS)

10:00am Sketch Along the River
(September 9, 16 & 23 only)

2:30pm Ranger Walk—History
(September 9, 16 & 23 only)
2 hrs. Purchase tickets at the Stage Office in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center $ (NPS)

7:00pm Campfire
1½ hrs. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (DNC) $.

2:00pm Ranger Walk—Along the River
(September 10, 17 & 24 only)
2 hrs. Purchase tickets at the Stage Office in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center $ (NPS)

7:00pm Campfire
2 hrs. Purchase tickets at the Stage Office in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center $ (NPS)

2:00pm Ranger Walk—Geology
(September 11, 18 & 25 only)
2 hrs. Purchase tickets at the Stage Office in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center $ (NPS)

7:00pm Campfire
2 hrs. Purchase tickets at the Stage Office in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center $ (NPS)

5:00pm LeConte Memorial Lodge
September 17: AMERICAN INDIAN STORIES & FLUTE
September 18: MEET THE ARTIST BEHIND THE STATE QUARTER
September 25: 3-D SLIDES OF NATIONAL PARKS & ART DIABLO
1 hr. Shuttle stop # 12 (SC)

Evening Programs
1½ hrs. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (DNC) $.
Check posting for topic

1 hr. (September 11 & 18 only)
Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) $.
**Glacier Point**

Ranger Walks

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

**Evening Programs**

Meet a ranger to enjoy the lengthening shadows in Yosemite Valley and the alpenglow on the Sierra high country, or come for the sunset and stay for the moonrise. On some weekends, join a ranger at an astronomical society for a night with telescopes. Meet at the Glacier Point Amphitheater after the sunset talk. See Scheduled Events sections for specific dates. Bring warm clothes.

**Wawona & Mariposa Grove**

Above: Take a stage ride in Wawona

Photo by John Hawksworth

Right: Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias

Photo by N.G. Messinger

**To Get to Mariposa Grove**

Allow 1 1/2 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. Trainers and motor homes are prohibited on the Mariposa Grove Road from the South Entrance to Mariposa Grove.

**Free Mariposa Grove & Wawona Shuttle Bus**

Daily through September 26

Weekends only after September 26

The shuttle bus stops at the Wawona Store, South Entrance, and Mariposa Grove. Shuttles operate throughout the day beginning at 5:00 a.m. Last shuttle leaves the Grove at 6:00 p.m. Visitors may park at the Wawona Store to board the shuttle bus. Due to narrow roads and very limited parking, visitors are strongly encouraged to use this free bus service to help alleviate congestion and lengthy parking delays.

**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. *Open daily 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.*

**Experience Horse-Drawn Travel**

Travel into history by taking a 10-minute ride. Tickets may be purchased from the stage driver near the Wawona Covered Bridge. $5/adult and $2/child (ages 3-12).

**Yosemite’s Other Sequoia Groves**

**Tuolumne Grove**

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**Crane Flat, Big Oak Flat**

**Big Oak Flat Information Station**

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch).

Station is located just inside the park at the Big Oak Flat Entrance Station (Highway 120 West), and offers park orientation material, trail information, books, and maps. Phone 209/379-1899. *Handicapped accessible.*

**Big Oak Flat Wilderness Center**

Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located inside the Information Station. Trail information, bear canister rentals, and limited map sales. *Handicapped accessible.*

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**Walking through the Grove**

The trailhead for walking up through the Grove is located at the far end of the parking area. Interpretive signs between the trailhead and the California Tree provide a self-guiding tour. Written translations are available at the trailhead in Spanish, German, French, and Japanese.

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- **Snack Stand**
  - 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Glacier Point**
- **Grocery**
  - 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- **Food & Beverage Service**
  - Reservations taken for 8 or more. 209/375-1425
  - Saturday BBQ – 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
  - Lunch – 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
  - Sunday Buffet – 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**Wawona Hotel Golf Shop**
- 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch)
- 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Museum Shop**
- 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Gift Shop**
- 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**Tuolumne Meadows Campground**
- **Visitor Information Center**
  - 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- **Store, Grill, Post Office**
  - 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center**
- **Mountaineering School**
  - 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
  - Closed for season September 27
- **Store, Gift Shop, Post Office**
  - 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Tuolumne Meadows Post Office**
- **Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**
- **Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
  - Non-guests - Noon to 3:30 p.m.
  - Guests - 24 hours
  - Closed for season September 19

**Tuolumne Meadows Bookstore**
- **Closed for season September 26**

**Tuolumne Meadows Bookstore**
- **209/372-8414 for reservations**

**Tuolumne Meadows Lodge**
- **Dining Room**
  - 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
  - Breakfast – 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
  - Dinner – 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
  - Meals are served family style and dinner reservations are required, call 209/372-8413

**ATM**
- Inside Wawona Store

**Wawona Post Office**
- **Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**
- **Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
  - 24 hours

**White Wolf Lodge**
- **Crane Flat**
  - **Post Office**
    - **White Wolf Post Office**
      - **Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Tuolumne Meadows**
- **Food & Beverage Service**
  - **Tuolumne Meadows Grill**
    - Closed for season September 26
    - 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**
      - Closed for season September 26
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**Gifts, Books, & Apparel**
- **Mountaineering School and Sport Shop**
  - **Closed for season September 27**
  - **8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**
- **Tuolumne Meadows Bookstore**
  - **Closed for season September 26**
  - **8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**
- **Tuolumne Meadows Store**
  - **Outside Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center**
  - **Closed for season September 27**
  - **8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**
  - **Inside Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center**
  - **Closed for season September 26**
  - **8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**
  - **209/372-8414 for reservations**

**Shower**
- **209/372-8414 for reservations**

**Post Office**
- **Tuolumne Meadows Post Office**
  - **Closed for season September 17**
  - **Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
  - **Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

**Gas Station**
- **Tuolumne Meadows**
  - **Closed for season September 26**
  - **8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**
  - **209/372-8414 for reservations**

**Post Office**
- **Tuolumne Meadows**
  - **Closed for season September 30**
  - **8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**
  - **9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
  - **Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card**

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**Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center**
- **Mountaineering School**
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  - Closed for season September 27
- **Store, Gift Shop, Post Office**
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**Tuolumne Meadows Post Office**
- **Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**
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  - 24 hours

**Tuolumne Meadows Bookstore**
- **Closed for season September 26**
- **8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**
- **209/372-8414 for reservations**

**Tuolumne Meadows Lodge**
- **Dining Room**
  - Closed for season September 26
  - **Friday - Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**
  - **Sunday - Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
  - **Breakfast – 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.**
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  - **Meals are served family style and dinner reservations are required, call 209/372-8413**

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- **Mountaineering School and Sport Shop**
  - **Closed for season September 27**
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- **Tuolumne Meadows Bookstore**
  - **Closed for season September 26**
  - **8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**
- **Tuolumne Meadows Store**
  - **Outside Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center**
  - **Closed for season September 27**
  - **8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**
  - **Inside Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center**
  - **Closed for season September 26**
  - **8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**
  - **209/372-8414 for reservations**

**Shower**
- **209/372-8414 for reservations**

**Post Office**
- **Tuolumne Meadows Post Office**
  - **Closed for season September 17**
  - **Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
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**Gas Station**
- **Tuolumne Meadows**
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Night Sky Information
Take advantage of the opportunities in Yosemite to view the wonders of the night sky. Here are some sights to look for while you are out during the nighttime hours.

September 9  Mercury can be seen very low in the eastern sky before dusk. To find Mercury, look for the Moon, Saturn, and a very bright Venus. All three planets form a terminal-convex shape in the east, and Mercury will be the farthest planet, a bit to the left.

September 12  At dusk, Venus can be spotted in the east, with Saturn appearing family-wise. To Venus lower left is the warming crescent Moon, and left of the crescent is Mars.

September 19  A crescent Moon will become visible this coming par after full moon among the constellation Scorpions.

September 22  Autumnal Equinox (first day of autumn).

September 29  The Full Moon rises tonight at 7:30 pm. October 3  Before dusk, look for Venus, which will appear very bright in the eastern sky.

General Park Information and Services

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

Information
Road and Weather
General Park Information
209/372-4888
Campground Reservations
800/462-7779, reservations.nps.gov

Medical
Yosemite Medical Clinic
Emergency Care
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
9:00 a.m. to noon Saturday
Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Valley, the clinic provides medical and emergency care, 24-hour paramedic/ambulance services, limited pharmacy, lab, x-ray, physical therapy, and Mountain Crisis Services for victims of domestic violence. 209/372-4617

PAD Program
Program designed to protect park visitors and staff from sudden cardiac arrest. All automated external defibrillators (AED) cabinets have been placed in high-risk locations and are open and accessible to anyone in the event of a medical emergency. For more information, contact the PAD Program, contact the Yosemite Medical Clinic.

AEDs can be found at the following locations: Valley Visitor Center, Village Store (Yosemite Village), Yosemite Lodge, Curry Village, Registration Desk, The Ahwahnee, Crane Flat Store, Wawona Hotel, and Glacier Point Gift Shop (summer) or Badger Pass Lodge (winter).

Dental Services
Located at Medical Clinic. For hours, call 209/372-4300. For no answer, call 209/372-4317.

Services for Disabled
The Yosemite Accessibility Guide is available at park entrance stations, visitor centers, and online at www.nps.gov/yose/access/ or in Yosemite Valley.

TTVs are available inside The Ahwahnee, Yosemite Lodge, and outside the Curry Village front desk.

Accommodations
For advanced reservations or information (rooms or activities), call 559/252-4848 (www.yosemitemp.com)
For availability on day of arrival, check at front desk.

Bear Canister Rental
Available for $5 per trip at the Yosemite Valley Wilderness Center, Curry Village Mountain Shop, Big Oak Flat Wilderness Center, Crane Flat Store, Wawona Store, Wawona Wilderness Center, Tuolumne Meadows Mountaineering School and Sport Shop, Tuolumne Meadows Store, and the Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station.
Canisters may be rented or returned at any rental location in the park.

Recreation
Conditions permitting.

Yosemite Mountain Biking
SCHOOL AND GUIDE SERVICE
Yosemite Mountain Biking School and Guide Service offers lessons and guided climbing at all levels, overnight backpacking, and guided day hikes to spectacular areas of Yosemite Valley and the high country.
Curry Village
Located in the Mountain Shop
8:30 a.m. to Noon | 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Closes mon at 8:30 a.m. 209/372-8344

Tuolumne Meadows
Closed for season September 26
Located at gateway.
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-8344

BICYCLE RENTAL
Daily, weather permitting, with hourly and daily rates. Baby-carriers, wheelchairs, and 6-speed bikes with trailers. Bikes must be returned by 5:45 p.m.
Yosemite Lodge
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-1208
Curry Village
Located at shuttle stop #11 or 21.
9:00 a.m. to 6:10 p.m. 209/372-8315

TRAIL RIDES
ninger permitting
2-hour and 4-hour rides depart daily. All-day rides, private rides, and pack trips into Yosemite's upper wilderness may also be arranged. Private home heating is building.
Call for reservations.
Yosemite Valley
Closed for season September 26
Located at shuttle stop #18.
7:30 a.m. to 5:10 p.m. 209/372-8349

Tuolumne Meadows
Closed for season September 19
7:30 a.m. to 5:10 p.m. 209/372-8437

SWIMMING POOL
Swimming permitting
Curry Village
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Yosemite Lodge
Lap swim 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
General Store
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

GOLFING
Wawona Hotel Golf Course
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tours
Inquire at tour/transportation desks at the following locations.
Yosemite Valley Tour Desk
7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Yosemite Village Tour Kiosk
7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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

Visitor Center-Yosemite Village
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

SIGHTSEEING TOURS
Valley Floor Tour
This 2-hour tram tour departs at 10:00, 11:00 a.m., and 1:00, 2:00, 3:10, 4:20, and 5:30 p.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge in Yosemite Valley. *Tram tours are conducted by National Park Service Rangers.

Glacier Point Tour
A 4-hour round trip from Yosemite Valley to Glacier Point. The Glacier Point Tour also offers a one-way ticket for adventurers to hike back down to Yosemite Valley. Departs at 8:15, 9:30, 10:15, and 1:00 p.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge.

Big Trees Tram Tour
Trains run daily 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 8:00 p.m., running every 15 to 30 minutes from the boarding area. Call 209/375-4120 for information.

Grand Tour
An 8-hour combination of Big Trees and Glacier Point Tours. Departs 9:45 a.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge.
*Guides permitting

General Services

Yosemite Village
South of Village Store (Bank of America)

Yosemite Lodge
Inside main registration area

Curry Village
Inside gift/shopping store

Wawona
Inside Wawona Store

El Portal
On Hwy. 149 at Yosemite View Lodge and the El Portal Market

Miscellaneous

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

Keno
Closed for season

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

Alcoholics Anonymous
8:30 p.m. Sunday
7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday
DNC General Office Building
(Employer Training Center) Yosemite Village

Narcotics Anonymous
7:00 p.m. Saturday
DNC General Office Building
(Employer Training Center) Yosemite Village

Lions Club
Meet and hold Thursdays of each month at noon, The Ahwahnee.
Call front desk for information.

Rotary International
Meets Thursdays for lunch at noon in The Ahwahnee Meiad Room. Visiting Rotarians families and guests welcome. For meeting exemptions or information, call 209/372-1401.

Religious Services

YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH
(Nondenominational Christian)
Pastor Brent Moore: 209/372-4831
Counseling provided. Call pastor for appointment.

Worship Service
Yosemite Valley Chapel
9:15 a.m. Sunday (Children’s Church and Nursery available)
6:00 p.m. Sunday
7:00 p.m. Thursday

ROMAN CATHOLIC
Rev. Raymond J. Duffy
Mass in Yosemite Valley
Visitor Center West Auditorium
Sunday 10:00 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Pastor Ron Skorin
8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
El Portal Chapel
Worship Service
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
Yosemite ValleySacrament Service
Sunday 1:00 p.m. at Yosemite Chapel

CROSSWAY CHURCH
(Christian Pentecostal)
Pastor Steve Hughes
209/379-2418

Worship Service
Thursday 7:00 p.m.

Curry Village Community Center
Behind Bicycle Rental

EL Portal Community Church
Pastor Russ March
209/377-2255
El Portal Chapel
Worship Service
First and third Saturday 7:30 p.m.
Second, fourth, and fifth Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Fall Color Display
This time of year is temperatures cool and days get shorter, leaves on deciduous trees stop producing chlorophyll, and the familiar green color fades away to reveal the other pigments which have been masked all season. Quaking aspen and big-leaf maple display the yellow carotenoids. Continued sunny days and cool nights traps sugars in leaves and some leaves will form the red pigment anthocyanin, coloring trees like dogwoods or the non-native sugar maple near Yosemite Chapel, or vines like the poison- oak along the El Portal Road a brilliant orange, pink, or even purple. The best autumn colors occur under conditions like we’re having now—clear, dry, and cool but not freezing weather. The degree of color may vary from tree to tree even to leaf to leaf.

Adapted from Why Leaves Change Color, USGS and Visual Properties of Woody Plants, Kramer and Kozlowski, by Park Forester Brian Mattos.