Scheduled Events

Yosemite Valley

Visitor Center Temporarily Relocated
While the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center is undergoing renovation this winter, park rangers and the Yosemite Association bookstore will be located just two doors down, between The Ansel Adams Gallery and Valley Post Office in Yosemite Village (shuttle stops #3 and #9).

Valley Visitor Center
Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Information, maps, books, and exhibits. Bear canister rental and self-registration for wilderness permits.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           
**WHAT TO DO**

**Friday, March 11**

- **9:00 am** Photography Walk
  - 2 hr., Limited space; advance sign up required. Meet at The Ahwahnee Adams Gallery, conditions permitting (AAG).
- **9:00 am** Ranger Walk—Wild About Wildlife
  - 2 hr., Yosemite Lodge.
  - Check local postings for topic and indoor venue (DNC). $5
- **9:00 am** Evening Program
  - 1 hr., Yosemite Lodge.
  - Check local postings for topic and indoor venue (DNC). $5
  - FIRESIDE STORYTELLING
  - Inscript: February 24
  - 1 hr. The Ahwahnee Great Lounge

**Saturday, March 12**

- **9:00 am** Photography Walk
  - 2 hr., Limited space; advance sign up required. Meet at The Ahwahnee Adams Gallery, conditions permitting (AAG).
- **9:00 am** Ranger Walk—Rivers and Waterfalls
  - 2 hr., Yosemite Lodge.
  - Check local postings for topic and indoor venue (DNC). $5
- **9:00 am** Fine Print Viewing
  - 1 hr. Very limited space. Sign up in advance. Meet at The Ahwahnee Adams Gallery (AAG).
- **9:00 pm** Evening Program
  - 1 hr., Yosemite Lodge.
  - Check local postings for topic and indoor venue (DNC). $5

**Wawona**

**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.

**Badger Pass**

Badger Pass, California’s oldest operating ski area, is the center of Yosemite ski and snowboarding activity during the winter. It is located at 7,200 feet in elevation and is a 1-hour drive from Yosemite Valley on the Glacier Point Road. There are 10 runs, 3 ski lifts, downhill and cross-country ski schools, ski rentals, and a day lodge. Cross-country skiers will find groomed and ungroomed trails that originate at Badger Pass; tracks are groomed on the Glacier Point Road all the way to Glacier Point. Wilderness permits available at the Badger Pass A-frame.

**Note:** Call 209/379-1149 for ski conditions. 2005 season ends March 13.

**Badger Pass Bus**

Ride the free bus to Badger Pass Ski Area (bus begins running when ski area opens for the season). Road and weather conditions permitting, the bus leaves daily from Curry Village at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; Yosemite Village at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.; and Yosemite Lodge at the Falls at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Return buses leave Badger Pass at 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Several buses operate on busy days. Allow at least one hour for a one-way trip. Additional information is available at hotel front desks.

**Ranger Snowshoe Walk—Explore the Forest in Winter**

10:30 a.m. Daily

2 hrs. Badger Pass A-frame. Wear warm clothing and boots for this moderate/slighter walk. Snowshoes provided, although not recommended for children under 10 yrs. $5

**Tuolumne Grove**

The Tuolumne Grove of Giant Sequoias is near Crane Flat at the intersection of the Big Oak Flat Road and the Tuolumne Road. The former route of the Big Oak Flat Road traverses downhill from Crane Flat into the Tuolumne Grove of Big Trees, a cluster of about 25 sequoias. New closed to cars, this 2-mile roundtrip walk, or ski has an elevation change of 500 feet (150 meters). It 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.

**Mariposa Grove**

The Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias, located at the southern-most end of Yosemite, is the largest stand of giant sequoias in the park (about 500 trees). Allow 1 1/4 hours driving time from Yosemite Valley. Cars are prohibited beyond the parking area; however, many giant sequoias can be seen from there. From the parking area, all trails in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias are uphill. The trailhead 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 (German, French, Spanish, Japanese).

In winter, the access road to the Grove is closed due to snow. Once the access road is closed, add one to two hours for the 3-mile walk from the south entrance of the park to the Grove.

**Mammoth Grove**

Yosemite’s quietest stand of sequoias is the Madera Grove, accessible only on foot. It’s a 4-mile roundtrip hike or ski into the grove from the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). Located 3.5 miles north of Crane Flat or 4.5 miles south of the Big Oak Flat entrance, the trailhead is marked by a post labeled B-10 and a road sign. Allow 3 hours for the roundtrip hike or ski to this group of about 20 sequoias.

**Sequoia Groves in Winter**

**Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias**

NPS Photo
Park Facilities and Services

General Park Information

Emergency 911
Fire – Police – Medical Emergency: Dial 911, 24 hours a day (home phone 9-9-1)

Information

Road and Weather
General Park Information 209/372-3020 www.nps.gov/yose
Campground Reservations 209/372-7925 reservations.nps.gov

Medical
Yosemite Medical Clinic
Emergent 24 hours daily
Drop in and urgent care: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Appointments: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. to noon Saturday
Located at Ahwahnee in Yosemite Valley. The clinic provides routine and emergent medical care, 24-hour paramedic/ambulance services, limited pharmacy, lab, x-ray, physical therapy, and Mountain Crisis Services for victims of domestic violence. 209/372-6417

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

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

Dental Services
Adrienne K. Brasen, DDS
209/372-4320

Services For Disabled
The Yosemite Accessibility Guide is available at park visitor centers and online at www.nps.gov/yose/access
TTVs are available inside the Ahwahnee, Yosemite Lodge at the Falls, and outside the Curry Village front desk.

Accommodations
For advanced reservations or information (rooms or activities), call 559/253-4048 (www.yosemitepark.com)
For availability on day of arrival, check at any front desk.

Bear Canister Rental
Available for $5 per trip at the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center, Crane Flat Store, Curry Village Mountain Store, Wawona Store, and theretch Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station. Canisters may be rented or returned at any rental location in the park.

Wilderness Permits
All wilderness areas are closed for the winter. Anyone going overnight into Yosemite’s backcountry must have a wilderness permit. You can self-register at one of the following locations: Yosemite Valley Visitor Center, HIS’s Studio porch near Wawona Hotel, HIS’s Studio Convention Center, or Badger Pass A-frame building. All overnight trekking parties must obtain a wilderness permit from the Badger Pass A-frame building.

Tents folded flat is closed to all overnight parking. Bears can return each afternoon throughout the winter. Visitors heading into Yosemite’s wilderness areas are highly encouraged to use bear resistant food containers.

Recreation
Conditions permitting.

Yosemite Mountaineering School and Guide Service
Yosemite Mountaineering School and Guide Service offers lessons and guided climbing at all levels, overnight backpacking, and guided day hikes to spectacular areas of Yosemite Valley and the high country.

Badger Pass
Located in the Cross Country Ski Area.

BADGER PASS SKI AREA

Shower & Laundromat
Shower – Curry Village 24 hour
Laundromat – Housekeeping Camp 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Hiking Tours
Inquire at tour transportation desks at the following locations:
Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk
7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Saturday, 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Sunday

SEITINSENG TOURS

Third, fourth, and fifth Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Recycling
Yosemite Village Recycling Center Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday
Yosemite Bookstore 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Post Offices
Main Post Office - Yosemite Village
Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Post Office
Monday – Thursday, 11:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.
Friday 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Wawona Post Office
Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to noon
El Portal Post Office
Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Auto Service, Towing, and Repair (AAA)

Village Garage
8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Towing 24 hours. No gas. Propane available until 6:00 p.m.
209/372-8130

Service Organizations
Al-Anon
7:30 p.m. Sunday
DNC General Office Building (Employee Training Center) Yosemite Village

Alcoholics Anonymous
7:00 p.m. Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday
DNC General Office Building (Employee Training Center) Yosemite Village

Narcotics Anonymous
7:30 p.m. Sunday
DNC General Office Building (Employee Training Center) Yosemite Village

Roman Catholic
Rev. Raymond J. Daly, 209/372-4729

Valley Visitor Center West Auditorium
Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Church of Christ
Rio Sierra 209/373-2217
El Portal Chapel
Worship Service
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

CROSSWAY CHURCH
(Christian Pentecostal)
Pastor Steve Hughes 209/372-4837
El Portal Chapel
Pastor for appointment.

Yosemite Valley Chapel (pre-round)
Worship Services
Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Calvary Church and Nursery
Sunday 6:30 p.m.
Thursday 7:00 p.m.
Easter Services
7:00 a.m. (summers) Lowers Pines Amphitheater 9:15 a.m. Chapels April – October 11:00 a.m. Chapel Service

Religious Services
YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH (non-denominational Christian)
Pastor Brent Moore 209/372-4837
Church correponding. Call for pastor for appointment.

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