Where to Go and What to Do in Yosemite National Park

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Yosemite Today

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YOSEMITE ARENA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

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

Where to Go

1. Yosemite Village / Day Parking
2. Yosemite Village
3. The Ahwahnee
4. Yosemite Village / Degnan’s Complex
5. Valley Visitor Center
6. Lower Yosemite Fall
7. Camp 4 / Upper Yosemite Fall Trailhead
8. Yosemite Lodge
9. Valley Visitor Center
10. Yosemite Village
11. Sentinel Bridge / Yosemite Chapel
12. Housekeeping Camp / LeConte Memorial Lodge
13. Curry Village Rental Center
14. Curry Village Registration Desk
15. Curry Village Parking
16. Upper Pines Campground
17. Happy Isles / John Muir Trailhead
18. Mirror Lake Junction
19. Stable
20. Lower Pines Campground
21. Curry Village Parking
22. Curry Village Rental Center

WHERE TO GO

Ride the Free Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus

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

SCHEDULE

7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

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DANGER!

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

Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus Map

Visitor Center

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

PARK HERE

- From the Valley take 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

This map is not suitable for hiking. Detailed trail maps are available for purchase at visitor centers and stores throughout the park.
Yosemite Valley

Valley Visitor Center and Bookstore
Open 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and located in Yosemite Village just west of the main post office (shuttle stops #4 and #6), the visitor center offers information, maps, books, and exhibits. & TV

Yosemite Museum
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Yosemite Museum
Located in Yosemite Village next to The Ansel Adams Gallery, contemporary photographers, and other fine artists. In addition, handcrafts, books, gifts, digital services, and photography supplies are available. For more information, call 209/372-4413, or visit www.anseleadams.com

GALLERY EXHIBIT
Through June 11
Robert Turner
Tumter devotes his artistic efforts to large format, fine-art wildlife photography.

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

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

Nature Center at Happy Isles
Open 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed for lunch). Designed for nature-exploring families, this center offers natural history exhibits and interactive displays. Nearby are short trails through the area’s forest, river, and fern environments. Evidence of the huge 1998 rockfall from the Glacier Point cliff is visible above. The center is a short walk from shuttle stop #16.

Yosemite Theater Live
Help Yosemite Theater celebrate its 24th season. Shows are presented live onstage in the Visitor Center Theater. Hear historic tales of John Muir, Buffalo Soldier Elroy Bomy, or famously first mountain climbers. 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 ($14 if available). See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

LeConte Memorial Lodge
Open Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and located at shuttle stop #12. LeConte Memorial Lodge, Yosemite’s first public visitor center, is operated by the Sierra Club and features a children’s corner, library, and a variety of environmental education and evening programs. For more information, call 209/372-4542.

Hetch Hetchy

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

Waterfalls
Tuolumne (TWO-o-lum) and Wapama Falls both drop more than 1,000 feet from cliffs on the north side of the reservoir. It’s easy to see and photograph the two together. Late spring is the best time to view them, since Tuolumne Fall dries of for a few weeks. Late spring is the best time to view them, since Tuolumne Fall dries up in early summer.

Domes and Cliffs
Look for Hetch Hetchy Dome on the north side of the reservoir and contact Kulana Rock on the south side. Kulana Rock is an active birding area for peregrine falcons.

WHAT TO DO

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

Yosemite’s Colors and Fragrances with Biochemist Grotti Sequin
JUNE 2 - 3

Hiking Poles: Techniques for All Ages with Trekker Jayah Faye Paley
JUNE 3

Functional Fitness for the Trail with Trekker Jayah Faye Paley
JUNE 4

Yosemite’s Hawks and Owls with Raptor Biologist Jeff Maurer
JUNE 8 - 11

Photography Backpack to the Unknown Falls of Hetch Hetchy with Photographer John Sencer
JUNE 9 - 11

Pioneer Living, Yosemite-style in Historic Wawona with Educator Sue Michael
JUNE 10

Yosemite Waterfalls Grand Tour with Author Suzanne Swed
JUNE 11

Birds of Big Meadow and Foresta with Naturalist Michael Ross
JUNE 11

For details, call the Yosemite Association at 209/379-3333, or visit www.yosemite.org or check at the Valley Visitor Center.
### Scheduled Events

#### Free Art Classes

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

| June 5 - 10 | Don Fay Watercolor
| June 12 - 17 | Sonja Hamilton Watercolor

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

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

### During the summer season, a sign language interpreter is available for deaf and hard-of-hearing visitors.

Contact the Deaf Services Coordinator at 209/372-0296 (voice/TTY), or the Valley Visitor Center 209/372-4726 (TTY) for information or to request an interpreter. Advance notice of 14 days is requested. Requests on shorter notice can occasionally be accommodated.

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

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

6:45pm WEE WILD ONES
[except May 31]
45 min.
Stories and activities for kids 6 and under
Yosemite Lodge at the Falls

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

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4:45pm Evening Program
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5:00pm Evening Program
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5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite
4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer
Tom Bopp
Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC)

7:00pm Birdwalk with a Ranger
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1½ hrs. Lower Yosemite Fall
Shuttle stop #4 (NPS)

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Front of The Ansel Adams Gallery (AAC)

8:00pm Evening Program
June 3: Geology: Uplift & Glaciation of the Sierra
Yosemite Theater—LIVE
Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

8:30pm Rock Climbing Program
1½ hrs. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls
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Tuesday

10:00am Wawona History Walk
1½ hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS)

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

20:00am Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove
1½ hrs. Lower Grove Trailhead
Conditions permitting (NPS)

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Glacier Point

All activities pending opening of the road

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

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Open daily 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch), the station offers information about park activities, Wilderness permits, trail information, books, bear canister rentals, and maps. Located on the grounds of the Wawona Hotel, Hill’s Studio was the gallery and art studio of famous 19th-century landscape painter, Thomas Hill. Walk from the hotel or park at the Wawona Store parking area and follow the path up the hill. For more information call 209/375-9531.

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

To Get to Mariposa Grove
Allow 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 team leadership area. The access road to the Grove may close intermittently due to limited parking.

Shuttle Bus
A shuttle bus stops at the Wawona Store, South Entrance, and Mariposa Grove. Visitors may park at the Wawona Store to board the bus. Shuttles operate beginning at 9:00 a.m., and the last shuttle leaves the grove at 6:00 p.m., or after the last tour. Please use this free bus service to help reduce congestion and parking delays.

Walking through the Grove
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**WAWONA HOTEL**

Dining Room
- Breakfast – 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Lunch – 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- Dinner – 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Saturday BBQ – 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Brunch – 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Reservations taken for 8 or more. 209/375-1425

**Guest Lounge**

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

**Grocery**

Wawona Store & Pioneer Gift Shop
8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Gifts, Books, & Apparel**

**WAWONA**

Golf Shop & Snack Stand
8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Wawona Store & Pioneer Gift Shop
8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Wawona Information Station at Hill’s Studio
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch)

**MARIPOSA GROVE**

Big Trees Gift Shop
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Museum Shop
Hours vary. Call 209/375-9531 for information

**GLACIER POINT**

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

**Post Office**

Wawona Post Office
Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to noon

**ATM**

Wawona
Inside Wawona Store

**Gas Station**

Wawona
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Diesel & propane available.

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

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**Tuolumne Meadows**

**Tioga Road Still Under Snow**

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

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

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

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**WHERE TO GO**

WEST OF EAST MEADOW

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**GENERAL PARK INFORMATION AND SERVICES**

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

**Information**
Road, Weather, and General Park Information
209/372-0200 www.nps.gov/yose
Campground Reservations
888/363-2776 reservations.nps.gov

**Medical**
Yosemite Medical Clinic
Emergency care: 24 hours daily
Drop-in urgent care: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday – Friday
Appointments: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Monday – Friday
Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Valley, the clinic provides routine and emergency medical care, 24-hour paramedic/ambulance service, limited pharmacy, x-ray, physical therapy, and Mountain Crisis Services for victims of domestic violence. 209/372-4637

**PAO Program**
Yosemite’s Public Access Defibrillator (PAO) 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 PAO program, contact the Yosemite Medical Clinic.

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

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

**Accessible Services**
The Yosemite Accessibility Guide is available at park entrance stations, visitor centers, and online at www.nps.gov/yose/access. It can be found at the following locations:

- Yosemite Village Store (Yosemite Village)
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**Yosemite Mountain Institute**
- School and Guide Service
Yosemite Mountain Institute School and Guide Service offers lessons and guided climbing at all levels, overnight backcountry, and guided day hikes to spectacular areas of Yosemite Valley and the high country.

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

- Curry Village: 209/372-6344
- 8:30 a.m. to noon: 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- Classes meet at 8:30 a.m.

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

- Yosemite Lodge: Shuttle stop #8
- 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-1208
- Curry Village: Shuttle stops #11, #21
- 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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

- Yosemite Valley Shuttle stop #18
- 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-8348
- Curry Village: 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/375-6502

**SWIMMING POOLS**
Weather permitting
- Curry Village
- 17:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Yosemite Lodge
- 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Wawona**
- Dawn to dusk

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

**Tours**
Inquire at transport/drainage desks at the following locations:

- Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Tour Desk
- 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Yosemite Village Tour Desk
- 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- Curry Village Tour Kiosk
- 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- Big Trees Tour Kiosk
- 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**SIGHTSEEING TOURS**

- Valley Floor Tour
- This 26-mile, 2-hour tour departs several times daily from Yosemite Lodge at the Falls in Yosemite Valley. Contact any tour desk for times.
- Next tours are canceled by National Park Service Rangers, Glacier Point Tour Conditions permitting
- This 4-hour round trip from Yosemite Valley to Glacier Point departs at 8:30 and 10:00 a.m., and 1:30, p.m., daily from Yosemite Lodge. The Glacier Point Tour also offers a one-way ticket for adventurers to hike back to Yosemite Lodge.
- Big Trees Tour
- Conditions permitting
- Tours run every day in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias for a 1-hour tour through the lower and upper groves. The first tour is at 9:00 a.m. and the last tour is at 5:00 p.m. Call 209/375-4612 for information.
- Grand Tour Conditions permitting
- This 8-hour combination of Big Trees and Glacier Point tours departs at 8:45 a.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge at the Falls.

**Yosemite Accessibility Guide**
Is available at any of these locations:
- Curry Village
- Yosemite Lodge
- Inside Wawona Store
- Inside main registration area
- South of Village Store (Bank of America)
- Wawona Community Center
- Yosemite Village
- Yosemite Village Visitor Center Theater
- El Portal Visitor Center
- DNC General Office Building
- Yosemite Village Visitor Center
- Yosemite Lodge at the Falls in Yosemite Valley.

**Dawn to dusk**

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- 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
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**Weather Radio**
The National Weather Service broadcasts weather information for Yosemite National Park 24 hours a day on NOAA Weather Station KAG-94, on a frequency of 162.450 MHz. Please note that reception may not be available in remote areas of the park.

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

June 1: The moon, Saturn, and Mars form a diagonal line (from upper left to lower right) against a dark sky at dusk. The stars Polaris and Castor are to the right of Mars.
June 6: This evening, the star Spica is a little to the left of the moon, while brighter Jupiter is much farther left.
June 10: The orange star just to the upper right of the moon is Antares.
June 11: Tonight is the full moon, known this month as the Hay, Nose, Starbuck, or Honey Moon.

**General Services**

**ATM**
Yosemite Village
- South of Village Store (Bank of America)

**Yosemite Lodge**
- Inside main registration area

**Curry Village**
- Inside gift/grocery store

**Wawona**
- Inside gift/grocery store

**El Portal**
- On Hwy. 140 at Yosemite View Lodge and the El Portal Market

**Miscellaneous**

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

**Kenne1**
- 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Wawona**
- Located at the stable in Yosemite Valley. Dogs must be gentle, over 10 pounds, with proof of shots and license required. 209/372-8348

**Internet Access**
- Internet access is available to all park visitors at Yosemite Lodge at the Falls in Yosemite Valley.
- Both wireless (wi-fi) access ($5.95/half-day and $9.95/day) and kiosks ($5.25/minute) are available.

**Yosemite Community Church**
- Open to all guests of the community.
- Worship Service/Yosemite Valley Chapel
- Sunday 9:15 a.m. (Children’s Church and Nursery available)

**Religious Services**

- **Yosemite Community Church**
  - Open to all guests of the community.
  - Worship Service/Yosemite Valley Chapel
  - Sunday 9:15 a.m. (Children’s Church and Nursery available)
  - **Roman Catholic**
  - Rev. Raymond J. Duffy 209/372-4729
  - **Mass in Wawona**
  - Yosemite Valley Visitor Center Theater
  - Saturday 10:00 a.m.

**Crossway Church**
- **Christian Protestant**
- Pastor Steve Hughes 209/379-2428
  - Yosemite Village Community Center
  - Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

**Church of Christ**
- **Fundamental Christian**
- Pastor Ron Miller 209/379-2107
  - El Portal Chapel/Worship Service Saturday 9:00 a.m.