February 27 – April 1, 2008

Yosemite National Park

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

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

Yosemite Valley Shuttle Map

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

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Use the Free Yosemite Valley Shuttle System

Shuttles run daily every 30 minutes, depending on the time of day. Times are posted at each stop. All shuttles follow the same route, serving stops in numerical order.

Shuttle service may be affected by construction projects. Check shuttle stops for more information.

VALLEY VISITOR SHUTTLE
7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

1. Yosemite Village / Day Parking
2. Yosemite Village
3. The Ahwahnee
4. Yosemite Village / Deppan’s Complex
5. Yosemite 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

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

YOSEMITE AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

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

Valley Visitor Center and Bookstore
Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and located in Yosemite Village just west of the main post office (shuttle stops #4 and #10), 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.  

Spits of Yosemite
The film will not be shown Sunday, March 29.  

This inspiring visitor-orientation film presents a stunning overview of Yosemite’s splendor. It is shown every 30 minutes Monday through Friday and 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the Valley Visitor Center Theater.  

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

FEATURES
Yosemite Renaissance XXIII
March 1 – May 4
Open Friday – Monday 10:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  

Indian Cultural Exhibit
Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. [may close for lunch]. The exhibit interprets the cultural history of Yosemite’s native Minwak and Paiute people from 1850 to the present. Demonstration of traditional skills are presented. No food or drink permitted.  

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.  

Ya. Yosemite Association
Supports other interpretation and education programs in Yosemite. These programs are offered for a fee, part of which supports other education and interpretation programs in Yosemite.  

Outdoor Adventures with the Yosemite Association
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Dewey Point Snowshoe Trek with Karen Amstutz
March 8  

Full Moon Equinox Snowshoe with Emily Jacobs
March 22  

A Hard Road on Gold Mountain with Yenney Chan
March 28  

Discovering the Winter World with Dick Ewart
March 30  

Free Art Classes
Beginning March 24
The Yosemite Art & Education Center offers a free art class daily Monday through Saturday beginning at 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 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  

March 24 - 29
Carole Earle Landscapes  
March 31 – April 5
Douglas Caselman Watercolor
WHAT TO DO

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 Ski Area
Closed for season March 30
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 one-hour drive from Yosemite Valley on the Glacier Point Road. There are ten runs, three lifts, downhill and cross-country ski schools, ski rentals, and a day lodge. Cross-country skiers will find groomed and ungroomed track that originated at Badger Pass; tracks are groomed on the Glacier Point Road all the way to Glacier Point. Wilderness permits are available at the Badger Pass A-frame. Call 209/372-0300 for ski conditions.

Badger Pass Bus
Ends for season March 30
Ride the free bus to Badger Pass Ski Area. Road and weather conditions permitting, the bus leaves daily from Curry Village at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., the Yosemite Transportation System office (across from the Yosemite Village General Store) at 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., The Ahwahnee at 8:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., and Yosemite Lodge at 8:30 a.m. and 1:45 p.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

Daily 10:00 a.m., conditions permitting
Ends for season March 30
Enter the dazzling world of Yosemite winter with an expert naturalist. Join an NPS ranger at the Badger Pass A-frame for a moderate/strenuous two-hour walk (best recommended for children under 10 yrs.). Wear warm clothing and boots. Snowshoers provided for a suggested donation of $5.

Full Moon Snowshoe Walk
March 17-21 6:30 p.m., conditions permitting
Join an interpreter for a two- to three-hour walk in a moonlit winter wonderland. Watch the moon rise over majestic.fit at Badger Pass. No experience necessary; however, this program is not recommended for children under 10, as it is moderately strenuous. Visit a tour desk, Badger Pass Lodge, or call 209/372-1240 for required advance reservations. Tickets are $14.75 (snowshoes included), or $3 (bring your own snowshoes).
Note: Ranger and Full Moon Snowshoe walks will be canceled if the Badger Pass Roads close, or if weather conditions are too severe.

Sequoia Groves in Winter

Mariposa Grove
Located at Yosemite’s southern end, the Mariposa Grove is the park’s largest stand of giant sequoias, with about 500 trees. Allow 1 1/2 hours driving time to reach the grove from Yosemite Valley. Cars are prohibited beyond the grove parking lot. A few of these giants are visible in the parking area. Turn into the grove from the trailhead at the far end of the parking area. Interpretive signs between the trailhead and the California Tunnel Tree provide a self-guiding tour. Written translations are available at the trailhead in Spanish, German, French, and Japanese.

The access road to the grove closes during the winter. If the road is closed, the four-mile round-trip walk from Yosemite’s south entrance to the grove takes two to three hours (longer for hikes into the grove).

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 round-trip into the grove from Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). Located 1 1/2 miles west of Crane Flat and 40 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 Tuoga 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.

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General Park Information

Emergency 9-1-1
Tree – Police – Medical Emergency: Dial 9-1-1, 24 hours a day (TDD 9-1-1, 5-1-1-1)

Park Information
Road, weather, and General Park Information
(209/372-1000 or visit 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 5:00 p.m. Monday – Friday
Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Valley, the clinic provides routine and emergency medical care, 24-hour pediatric/emergency services, limited pharmacy, lab, x-ray, physical therapy, and Mountain Crisis Services for victims of domestic violence.
(209/372-4617)

PAD Program
Yosemite’s Public Access Defibrillation (PAD) Program is a freewill donations program that supports the purchase and maintenance of automated external defibrillators (AEDs). AEDs are available for loan in high visitor-use locations and are open and accessible to anyone in need of a medical emergency. For more information about the PAD Program, contact the Yosemite Medical Clinic.

Accessible Services
The Yosemite Accessibility Guide is available at park entrance stations, visitor centers, and online at www.nps.gov/yose/planyourspecialneeds/accessibility.htm

Wilderness Permits
Anyone going into Yosemite’s backcountry must have a Wilderness permit. Self-register for permits at the Valley Visitor Center, Hill’s Studio porch (near Wawona Hotel), Big Oak Flat Information Station, Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station, or Tuolumne Meadows Ski Hut. Self-register at Badger Pass Discovery Center (near shuttle stop #24) or check www.recreation.gov. For same-day reservations, visit www.recreation.gov. For availability on day of arrival, check at any front desk.

Camping
To reserve campsites, call the National Reservation Service at 877/444-7777 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 are also available. See the Yosemite Guide for details.

Shower & Laundromat
SHOWERS
Curry Village 24 hours
LAUNDROMAT
Housekeeping Camp 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Recycling
Yosemite Village Store Recycling Center
Noon to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday

Post Offices
Main Post Office - Yosemite Village
Monday - Friday  8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Yosemite Lodge Post Office
Monday – Friday  9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
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Gas Station
Wawona
5:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Diesel (no credit or debit card) available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.
Cran Flat
5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Diesel (no credit or debit card) available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

Auto Service, Towing, and Repair (AAA)
Village Garage
Monday – Friday  7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Service Organizations
Al-Anon Effective October 3, there will be no more Al-Anon meetings until further notice. If you need to speak with someone, or ask questions, please call Start B  209/372-4812.

Yosemite YWCA
Building抚摸 and follow the blue-and-white accessibility signs.
(Left) on Sentinel Drive. Turn left on Northside Drive, and follow the blue-and-white accessibility signs.

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