



Yosemite Guide



California black oaks in Yosemite Valley

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Yosemite National Park **September 23 – November 24, 2026**

🔍 Finding Help

In an Emergency: Call or Text 911

General Park Information
209/372-0200

Road Conditions (Recorded)
209/372-0200 (press 1, then 1)

24-hour Roadside Assistance
209/372-1060

Yosemite Medical Clinic
209/372-4637

Lost & Found
Check the nearest information center or hotel front desk. Visit go.nps.gov/lost to report a lost item.

Accessibility
Download an Accessibility Guide: go.nps.gov/AccessYosemite

📱 Yosemite Online

National Park Service app
Take maps and information with you while you explore the park. Available for iOS and Android.

Yosemite National Park website
www.nps.gov/yose

Social Media
📍 @YosemiteNPS

🐾 Park Regulations

The National Park Service is dedicated to protecting Yosemite for the benefit and enjoyment of future generations. Regulations are in place to protect both the park and visitors.

Prohibited activities include:

- Using drones
- Feeding or approaching wildlife
- Collecting plants and animals
- Hunting animals
- Picking up archaeological items, such as arrowheads
- Using metal detectors
- Driving vehicles into meadows
- Biking off of paved roads
- Camping outside of designated campgrounds
- Possession of weapons inside federal facilities
- Possessing or using marijuana, including medical marijuana

🐕 Pets are NOT allowed on hiking trails, on shuttles, or inside park buildings.

Pets must be leashed at all times. Properly dispose of pet waste. Turn to page 10 for pet-friendly walks in Yosemite Valley.

Service dogs are allowed anywhere that visitors can go. A service dog is trained to perform a specific task to assist a person with a disability. Emotional support, therapy, and companion animals are all subject to pet regulations.

27 bears were hit by vehicles in Yosemite last year.





You are driving in wildlife habitat. Follow posted speed limits, drive carefully, and watch for animals crossing the road.

"Red Bear, Dead Bear" signs on park roads mark places where bears have been hit.



Yosemite Essentials



What to Expect in Fall



Tioga Road and Glacier Point Road typically close for the winter sometime in November.

Closing dates depend on the arrival of winter conditions. When Tioga Road is closed, there is NO access to or from the east side of Yosemite (Hwy 120 to the east, Hwy 395.) Call 209/372-0200 (press 1, then 1) to hear the current road status.



Tire chains may be required on park roads.

Expect chain restrictions on park roads from November to March, especially during or after winter storms. When restrictions are in effect, ALL vehicles must carry chains, including 4-wheel drive and rental vehicles. Call 209/372-0200 (1, 1) to hear current road conditions. Visit [go.nps.gov/chains](https://www.nps.gov/chains) to learn about tire chains.



Expect reduced visitor services this time of year.

Information centers, stores, restaurants, and other services may close for the season or remain open with reduced hours. Check pages 4 & 5 for available services.



Waterfalls may be very low or completely dry.

Waterfalls peak during spring snowmelt and may be only a trickle or dry by fall.



It's fire season in Yosemite.

Smoke from wildfires inside or outside the park may affect visibility and can pose a health concern, especially for sensitive individuals.

Fires are only allowed in portable stoves, barbecue grills, and established fire rings. Never leave a fire unattended—extinguish the fire completely before you leave it. *Additional fire restrictions may be in effect, depending on conditions.*



Expect winter trail conditions by November.

Winter road closures, seasonal trail closures, and winter trail conditions can impact your hiking plans. Ask a ranger about trail conditions and get recommendations for hiking and other things to do.

Keep Bears Wild. Proper Food Storage is Required by Federal Law

Bears that frequently access human food* lose their fear of people and can become dangerous. Bears may have to be killed in order to protect people.

☀ During the Day

✓ **DO:** Keep your food* within arm's reach while hiking or picnicking.

✓ **DO:** Lock your vehicle and keep all windows closed when you are away. Keep food*, drinks, and coolers hidden from sight.

✗ **DON'T:** Leave food* unattended outside, in a truck bed, or strapped to the outside of a vehicle.

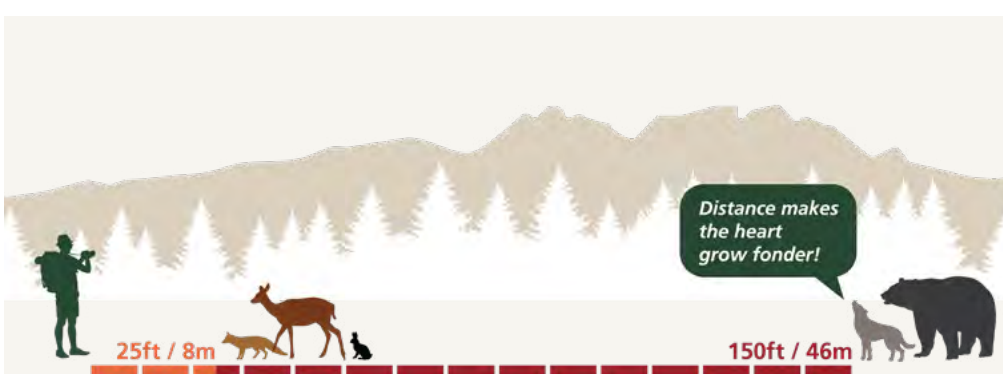
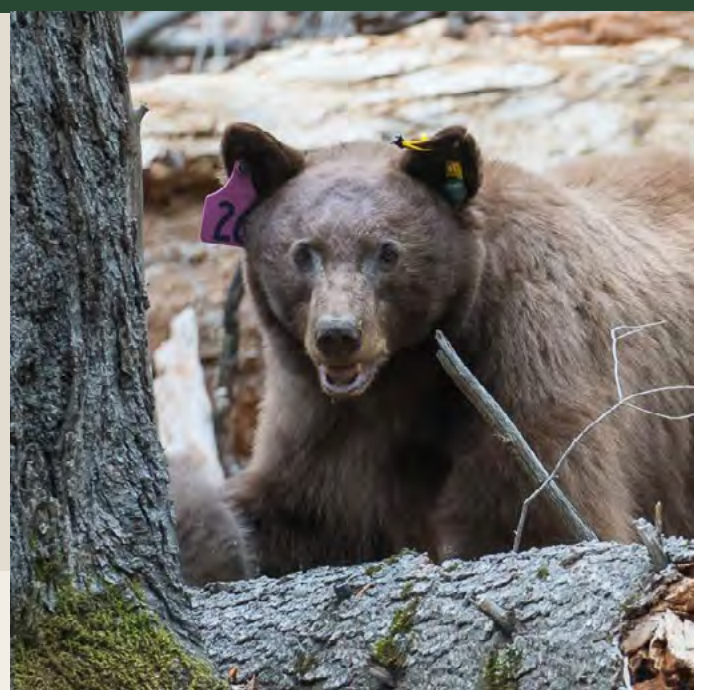
***To a bear, "food" includes trash, recycling, toiletries, soap, unwashed dishes, and anything else with a scent. All must be properly stored.**

If you see a bear in the park, email yose_bear_mgmt@nps.gov or call the Save-a-Bear hotline at 209/372-0322. To learn more about food storage and bears, visit [KeepBearsWild.org](https://www.KeepBearsWild.org).

🌙 At Night

✓ **DO:** Remove food* from your vehicle at night. *Bears can easily break into vehicles in search of food.* Store food inside a bear-proof locker, in a hotel room or hard-sided cabin, or in a hard-sided RV with all windows and doors closed.

✗ **Food*, trash, and other scented items may NOT be stored inside vehicles overnight.**



DISTANCE FROM WILDLIFE: 150 feet = about four bus-lengths.

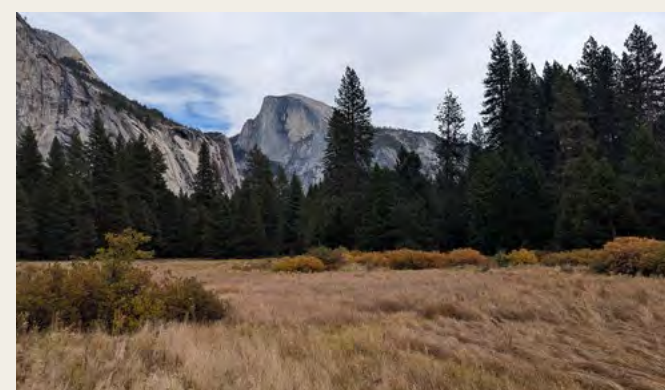
It's illegal to approach or feed any wild animal in Yosemite, including birds, squirrels, and deer.

Wildlife can cause injuries and transmit diseases. Human food is unhealthy for wild animals.

Stay at least 150 ft (46 m) from bears and coyotes.

Stay at least 25 ft (8 m) from other wildlife.

Park Map



Half Dome & Cook's Meadow

YOSEMITE VALLEY

Turn to pg 10 for a map of the Valley.

Yosemite Valley is famous for its waterfalls, towering granite walls, and iconic features like El Capitan and Half Dome. Waterfalls are dry or very low in late summer and fall.

GETTING HERE

Drive 40 minutes from the Big Oak Flat Entrance (120W), 20 minutes from the Arch Rock Entrance (140), 1 hour from the South Entrance (41), or 1.5 hrs from Tioga Pass Entrance (120E).

PARKING & TRANSPORTATION

Parking is available in three main hubs: Curry Village, Yosemite Village, & Yosemite Falls. Many Valley destinations do not have parking: walk, bike, or ride a free shuttle (pg 7.)

VISITOR SERVICES

Welcome Center | 9 am – 5 pm
Information, junior ranger booklets, lost & found, gifts, passport stamp. Use shuttle stop 2 or Yosemite Village Parking.

Exploration Center, Theater, & Bookstore
9 am – 5 pm. Exhibits, park film, & gifts. Film shown on hour & half-hour, 9:30 am – 4 pm. Use shuttle stop 5 or Yosemite Village Parking.

Yosemite Museum | until Oct 23: 9 am – 5 pm; starting Oct 24: 10 am – 4 pm.
Exhibits, cultural demonstrations, & gifts. Use shuttle stop 5 or Yosemite Village Parking.

Happy Isles Art & Nature Center
(closes Oct 16) weekdays 9 am – 4 pm. Use shuttle stop 16 or Curry Village Parking.

Turn to pg 5 for dining, shopping, recreation, and other services.

THINGS TO DO

Explore by car | Enjoy the views as you loop through Yosemite Valley, with scenic stops at Tunnel View, Bridalveil Fall, and El Capitan.

Take a scenic walk | Take a short stroll around Cook's Meadow for excellent views of Half Dome and other Valley features. Map on pg 10.

Hit the Trail | For a more challenging adventure, hike to Vernal and Nevada Falls on the Mist Trail, or spend an entire day hiking the Four Mile Trail or Yosemite Falls Trail. Map on pg 10.

Pedal Yosemite Valley | Rent a bike (until late Oct) or bring your own. Yosemite Valley has over 11 miles of paved, scenic bike paths to explore! Pg 6.

Check out exhibits | Feed your curiosity at the Exploration Center, Yosemite Museum, and Happy Isles Art & Nature Center (hours at left.)

Make time for a walk, talk, or art class!
Learn more about Yosemite or connect with your creative side through art and photography. Turn to pg 8.



Trail toward Wapama Falls

HETCH HETCHY

Walk across the O'Shaughnessy Dam, hike along the reservoir, or access Yosemite's Wilderness.

Open sunrise to sunset only. There are no services in this remote area of the park. Swimming and boating are not permitted in the reservoir. Pets are not allowed on the dam or on any trails.

GETTING HERE

Located 38 mi/61 km/1.5 hours from Yosemite Valley. Take Big Oak Flat Road to the Big Oak Flat Entrance. Just after exiting the park, turn right on Evergreen Road. Follow signs to Hetch Hetchy entrance. Vehicles and trailers over 25 ft long and 8 ft wide are not permitted on Hetch Hetchy Rd.



Walk-through tunnel tree (Tuolumne Grove)

CRANE FLAT

Hike to two quiet sequoia groves near the Big Oak Flat Entrance.

GETTING HERE

From Yosemite Valley, drive 16 mi/26 km/30 min on Big Oak Flat Rd.

VISITOR SERVICES

Big Oak Flat Information Station
8 am – 5 pm (9 am – 5 pm starting Oct 19.) Bookstore opens at 9 am. Information, junior ranger booklets, lost & found, passport stamp, wilderness permit pickup.

Turn to page 5 for gas & store hours.

THINGS TO DO

Tuolumne Grove of Giant Sequoias
Trailhead located on Tioga Rd, just north of Crane Flat. Hike 2 mi/3.2 km (roundtrip) to the grove. Add an optional 0.5-mi/0.8-km loop around the nature trail. Expect a steep climb of 500 ft/150 m on the return to the trailhead.

Merced Grove of Giant Sequoias

A very small and quiet sequoia grove. From the trailhead on Big Oak Flat Rd, hike 3 mi/4.8 km (roundtrip) to the grove. Expect a steep climb of 520 ft/160 m on the return to the trailhead.



Tioga Road & Tenaya Lake

TIOGA ROAD & TUOLUMNE MEADOWS

There are very few or no services along Tioga Road in the fall. The road typically closes for the winter sometime in November, depending on conditions.

The trip across the Tioga Road offers a 39-mile scenic drive past forests, meadows, lakes, and granite domes. The road's elevation ranges from 6,200 feet to almost 10,000 feet. Tuolumne Meadows embodies the high-country of the Sierra Nevada and is the jumping-off-place for many scenic hikes.

GETTING HERE

Located 55 mi/89 km/1.5 hours from Yosemite Valley. Take Big Oak Flat Rd to Crane Flat, then turn onto Tioga Road. Drive 39 miles to Tuolumne Meadows.

VISITOR SERVICES

Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center
(closes Sep 27) 9 am – 5 pm
Information, junior ranger booklets, lost & found, gifts, passport stamp.



Half Dome & the Yosemite high country

GLACIER POINT

Glacier Point Road typically closes for the winter sometime in November, depending on conditions.

Visit an iconic overlook on the rim of Yosemite Valley, 3,200 feet above the Valley floor.

GETTING HERE 1 hour from Yosemite Valley. Drive south on Wawona Road for 9 mi/14 km. Turn left onto Glacier Point Road and continue for 16 mi/26 km. Trailers and vehicles over 30 ft not permitted past Sentinel Dome trailhead.

VISITOR SERVICES Gift shop closes Oct 25—turn to page 5 for hours.

THINGS TO DO

Glacier Point Overlook | Enjoy spectacular views of the Valley floor, 3,200 ft below, as well as Half Dome and the high Sierra. Paved, wheelchair-accessible path.

Sentinel Dome & Taft Point | Starting from the trailhead on Glacier Point Rd, hike 2.4 mi/3.9 km (roundtrip) west to Taft Point, a scenic overlook along the Valley rim. From the same trailhead, hike 1.8 mi/3 km (roundtrip) northeast to Sentinel Dome.



The Grizzly Giant (Mariposa Grove)

WAWONA & MARIPOSA GROVE

Explore giant sequoias, meadows, and the South Fork Merced River near Yosemite's South Entrance.

GETTING HERE

From Yosemite Valley, drive about 30 mi/48 km/1 hour south on Wawona Road.

VISITOR SERVICES

Wawona Visitor Center
(closes Oct 31) 8 am – 5 pm
Information, junior ranger booklets, lost & found, gifts, passport stamp, wilderness permit pickup.

Mariposa Grove Depot | 9 am – 5 pm
Gifts, information, passport stamp, Jr Ranger booklets.

For gas station, grocery & gifts, turn to pg 5.

THINGS TO DO

Yosemite History Center | Learn about the early days of tourism in Yosemite. Outdoor exhibits open daily.

Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias
Visit Yosemite's largest sequoia grove and explore many miles of scenic trails. Free shuttles from the parking area to the grove operate until late November (turn to pg 6.)

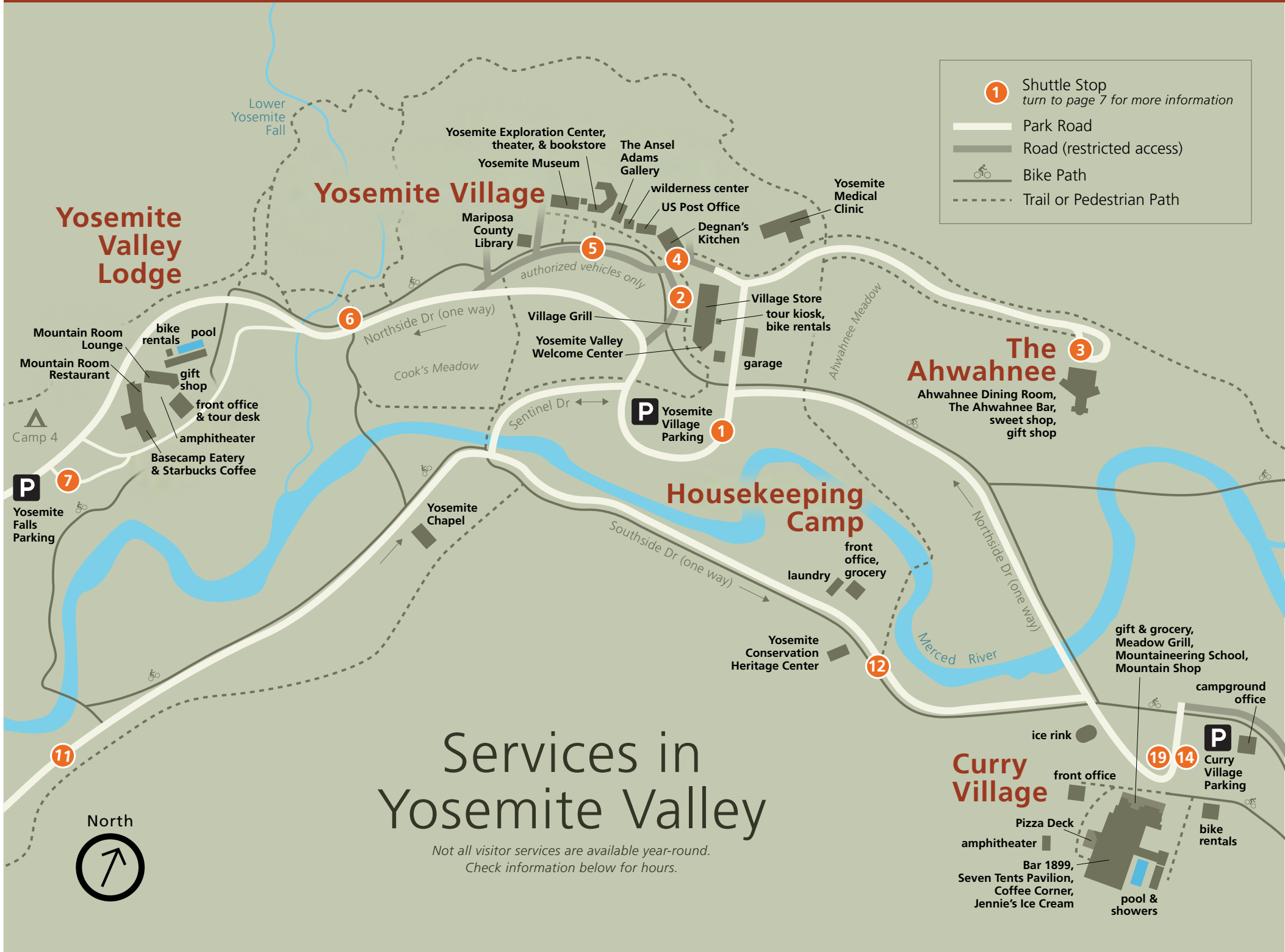
Become a Yosemite Jr. Ranger!



Pick up a free **Junior Ranger Handbook** at any open information center.

Complete the activities while you explore the park, then turn in your book to receive a badge!





Services in Yosemite Valley

Not all visitor services are available year-round. Check information below for hours.

visitor information

food & beverage

groceries & supplies

gas station

exhibits

coffee bar

gifts

medical services
in an emergency, call or text 911

FREE WIFI

Yosemite Valley: Degnan's Kitchen, Mariposa County Library.
Wifi available for registered hotel guests at Yosemite Valley Lodge/Curry Village/The Ahwahnee.

El Portal: El Portal Market

Wawona: Mariposa County Library

CAMPING

Until October 26: A reservation is required for ALL campgrounds. Check availability at Recreation.gov or call 877/444-6777.

After October 26: First-come, first-served camping at Wawona and Hodgdon Meadow. Reservation required for Upper Pines year-round. Reservation required for Camp 4 until November 9. Other campgrounds close for the season in Sep/Oct.

Sleeping in a vehicle is ONLY allowed at a registered campsite; sleeping on the side of the road or in parking areas is prohibited. For backpacking information, turn to page 10.

LODGING

Visit TravelYosemite.com or call 888/413-8869 to book a stay at The Ahwahnee, Yosemite Valley Lodge, Curry Village, Housekeeping Camp (seasonal), and other park lodging. Reservations available one year in advance.

SPIRITUAL SERVICES

Yosemite Community Church (Yosemite Chapel) Sunday Service: 9:15 am.
Pastor Brent Moore. Call 209/372-4831 or visit YosemiteValleyChapel.org.

Alcoholics Anonymous (Yosemite Chapel) Tues & Thurs: 6:30 pm

SERVICES IN OTHER AREAS

WAWONA & MARIPOSA GROVE

Wawona Visitor Center & Bookstore (closes Oct 31) 8 am – 5 pm. Information, junior ranger booklets, lost & found, gifts, passport stamp.

Yosemite History Center open daily

Mariposa Grove Depot 9 am – 5 pm. Gifts, information, passport stamp, Jr Ranger booklets.
Wawona Hotel closed for renovation

Wawona Store 8 am – 8 pm

Golf Course (closes Oct 25) 8 am – 6 pm. Visit the Wawona Store for information & booking.

Stable closed for the season

US Post Office Mon – Fri: 9 am – 1 pm;
Sat: 9 am – 12 pm

Wawona Gas Station staffed 9 am – 5 pm.
Propane available when staffed. Gas & diesel.
24-hour pay-at-the-pump with card.

SERVICES IN YOSEMITE VALLEY

For restaurant menus, hotel availability, and more, visit TravelYosemite.com.

YOSEMITE VILLAGE 1 2 4 5

Welcome Center 9 am – 5 pm. Information, junior ranger booklets, lost & found, gifts, passport stamp.

Exploration Center, Theater, & Bookstore 9 am – 5 pm. Rotating exhibits, park film, books & gifts. The Spirit of Yosemite (23 min) runs on the hour/half-hour 9:30 am – 4 pm.

Yosemite Museum until Oct 23: 9 am – 5 pm; starting Oct 24: 10 am – 4 pm. Indoor & outdoor exhibits, cultural demonstrations, gifts. May close for lunch.

Wilderness Center (closes Oct 18) 8 am – 5 pm.
Wilderness permit pickup.

The Ansel Adams Gallery until Sep 30: 9 am – 5 pm; starting Oct 1: 10 am – 5 pm. Art, books, & gifts. Exhibitions & classes on pg 8 & 9.

Degnan's Kitchen 7 am – 6 pm. Limited service 11 – 11:30 am. Peet's coffee, sandwiches, & grab-and-go items. Indoor seating & WiFi.

Village Grill (closes Oct 25) 11 am – 6 pm. Burgers, sandwiches, hot dogs, & soft serve ice cream. Outdoor seating.

Village Store until Sep 29: 8 am – 9 pm; starting Sep 30: 8 am – 8 pm. General store with park's largest selection of gifts & groceries.

Bike Rentals (closes Oct 25) until Sep 27: 9 am – 6 pm;
starting Sep 28: 9 am – 5 pm. Open when conditions allow.

US Post Office Mon – Fri : 8:30 am – 5 pm, Sat: 10 am – 12 pm

Garage 8 am – 12 pm, 1 pm – 5 pm. Propane. 24-hour roadside assistance: 209/372-1060. No gas in Yosemite Valley.

Yosemite Medical Clinic NOT an emergency room: call 911.
Urgent care walk-ins: Mon – Fri, 1 pm – 3:30 pm. 209/372-4637.

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Starbucks Coffee until Oct 14: 6:30 am – 6:30 pm; starting Oct 15: 7 am – 3 pm. Specialty coffee, snacks, & light breakfast.

Base Camp Eatery breakfast 6:30 am – 10:30 am (opens 7 am starting Oct 25); lunch & dinner 11 am – 9 pm (closes 8 pm starting Oct 12.) Fast casual breakfast, burgers, chicken, pasta, & more.

Mountain Room Lounge Mon to Fri: 5 pm – 10 pm; Sat & Sun: 12 pm – 10 pm. Beer, cocktails, & light entrees.

Mountain Room Restaurant until Oct 25: 5 pm – 10 pm; starting Oct 26: 5 pm – 9 pm. Final seating 30 min before closing. Upscale casual steakhouse. Reservations recommended: OpenTable.com.

Gift Shop until Sep 28: 8 am – 9 pm; starting Sep 29: 8 am – 9 pm. Gifts, snacks, & drinks.

Bike Rentals (closes Oct 25) until Sep 27: 9 am – 6 pm; starting Sep 28: 9 am – 5 pm. Open when conditions allow. ADA bicycles, scooters, & wheelchairs: 209/372-1208.

Front Desk & Tour Tickets 24 hours

Pool closed for the season

GLACIER POINT & BADGER PASS

Glacier Point Gift Shop (closes Oct 25) 9 am – 7 pm.
Gifts & snacks.

Badger Pass Ski Area Closed for the season. Typically opens in December or January, depending on snow. Visit TravelYosemite.com to plan for the winter.

TIOGA ROAD & TUOLUMNE MEADOWS

Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center (closes Sep 27) 9 am – 5 pm

Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center (closes Oct 14) 8 am – 5 pm

Tuolumne Meadows Store, Grill, & Lodge closed for the season

High Sierra Camps closed for the season.
Visit TravelYosemite.com to plan for next summer.

White Wolf Lodge/Store/Dining Room closed

THE AHWAHNEE HOTEL 3

The Ahwahnee Bar until Oct 24: 11:30 am – 11 pm; starting Oct 25: 11:30 am 10 pm. Upscale casual bar with craft cocktails, wine, appetizers, and lighter entrees.

Dining Room breakfast 7 am – 10 am; lunch 11:30 am – 3 pm (11:30 – 2 pm starting Oct 25); dinner 5:30 pm – 9 pm; Sunday brunch 7 am – 3 pm (7 am – 2 pm starting Oct 25.) Fine dining. Appropriate attire required for dinner. Dinner reservations strongly recommended: 209/372-1489 or OpenTable.com.

Gift Shop until Oct 24: 8 am – 9 pm; starting Oct 25: 9 am – 7 pm

Sweet Shop 7 am – 10 pm

CURRY VILLAGE 14 19

Coffee Corner until Oct 25: 6 am – 2 pm; starting Oct 26: 6:30 am – 11 am. Peet's Coffee & light breakfast.

Seven Tents Pavilion breakfast 7 am – 10 am; dinner 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm. Hearty homestyle meals. Indoor seating.

Pizza Deck until Oct 25: 11 am – 10 pm; starting Oct 26: 12 pm – 9 pm. Pizza, salad, & garlic bread. Outdoor seating.

Bar 1899 until Oct 24: 11:30 am – 10 pm; starting Oct 25: 4 pm – 9 pm. Craft beer, cocktails, & light entrees. Indoor/outdoor seating.

Gift & Grocery until Sep 28: 8 am – 9 pm; starting Sep 29: 8 am – 8 pm. Gifts & grocery essentials.

Mountain Shop until Oct 17: 8 am – 8 pm; starting Oct 18: 9 am – 6 pm. Hiking/climbing gear & apparel.

Mountaineering School (closes Oct 25) 8:30 am – 12 pm, 1 pm – 4:30 pm. Guided hikes & rock climbing classes. 209/372-8344.

Bike Rentals (closes Oct 25) until Sep 27: 9 am – 6 pm;
starting Sep 28: 9 am – 5 pm. Open when conditions allow.

Ice Rink (opens Nov 13, if conditions allow) 2.5-hour sessions at 12 pm, 3:30 pm, 7 pm. Additional 8:30 am session on weekends.

Meadow Grill/Jennie's Ice Cream closed for the season

Raft Rentals closed for the season

Pool closed for the season

Showers 24 hours

OTHER LOCATIONS

Housekeeping Camp Store (closes Oct 12) 8 am – 8 pm.
Shuttle stop 12.

Housekeeping Camp Laundry 8 am – 10 pm. Shuttle stop 12.

Yosemite Conservation Heritage Center (closes Sep 27) 10 am – 4 pm, closed Mon & Tues. Shuttle stop 12.

Happy Isles Art & Nature Center (closes Oct 16) weekdays, 9 am – 4 pm. Classes & free activities (pg 9.) Shuttle stop 16.

CRANE FLAT

Big Oak Flat Information Station & Bookstore 8 am – 5 pm (9 am – 5 pm starting Oct 19.) Store opens at 9 am. Information, junior ranger booklets, lost & found, passport stamp.

Crane Flat Gas & Grocery (store closes Oct 25) store hours 8 am – 5 pm. Gas & diesel. Gas station open year-round; 24-hour pay-at-the-pump with card.

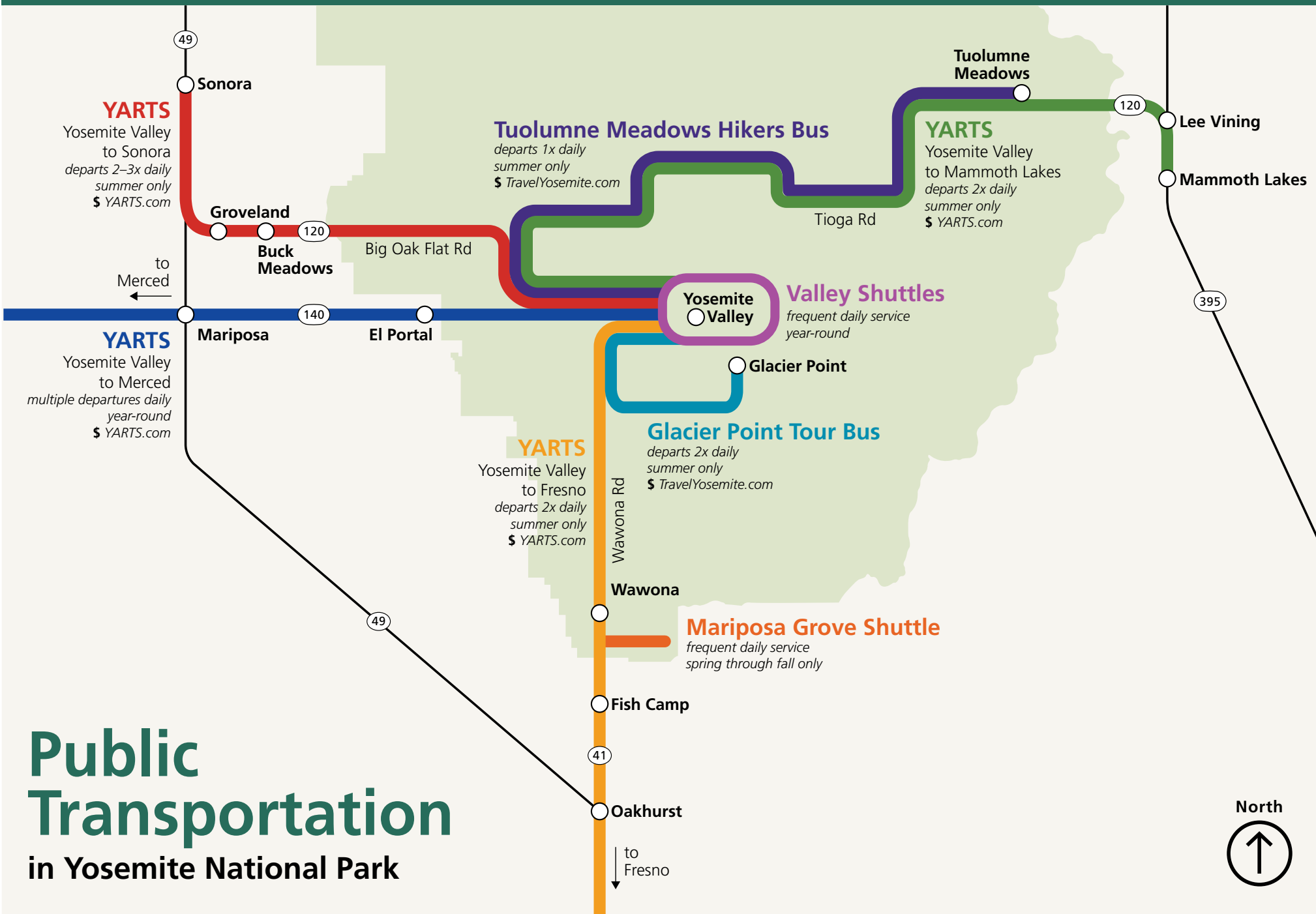
EL PORTAL

El Portal Market 9 am – 7 pm. Limited groceries & gifts. Wi-Fi.

El Portal Gas Station staffed 8 am – 5 pm. Propane available when staffed. Gas & diesel. 24-hour pay-at-the-pump with card.



Transportation



Public Transportation in Yosemite National Park

Parking

In Yosemite Valley, use one of three main parking areas: **Curry Village** , **Yosemite Village** , or **Yosemite Falls** . Parking can completely fill by late morning on weekends and holidays. Once you find a parking space, keep it. Walk, bike, or ride a shuttle to trailheads and other destinations.
Park only in designated parking spaces or in a paved turnout, pulled completely off the road. Vehicles parked on vegetation or blocking traffic are subject to citation and may be towed.

Roadside Assistance

24-hour roadside assistance:
call 209/372-1060

Electric Vehicle Charging

Level 2 EV charging is available in several locations throughout Yosemite. All charging stations use J1772 connectors.

Yosemite Valley Locations

- The Ahwahnee (6 chargers)
- Curry Village (20 chargers)
- Welcome Center (4 chargers)
- Yosemite Falls Parking (10 chargers)
- Yosemite Valley Lodge (8 chargers)

El Portal Locations

- Market & Gas Station (2 chargers)

Wawona Locations

- Wawona Store (24 chargers)

Charging stations in Tuolumne Meadows may be unavailable during construction.

Gas Stations

Gas is NOT available in Yosemite Valley.

- **El Portal Gas Station** *outside the park* 15 mi from Yosemite Valley (downhill) on Highway 140.
- **Crane Flat Gas Station** 16.5 mi from Yosemite Valley (uphill) on Big Oak Flat Road.
- **Wawona Gas Station** 28 mi from Yosemite Valley (uphill) on Wawona Road.

Gas & diesel are available 24 hours with pay-at-the-pump (card only.) *Staffed hours on pg 5.*

Biking in Yosemite

Where to Ride Enjoy several miles of scenic, paved bike paths through Yosemite Valley. Bikes are also allowed on park roads (cyclists must obey traffic laws.) **Bikes must remain on pavement and are NOT allowed on hiking trails.** Speed limit on bike paths is 15 mph. Helmets required by law for children under 18. *E-bikes with two or three wheels, fully operable pedals, and electric motors less than 750 watts (1 horsepower) are allowed everywhere bicycles are allowed.*

Rentals (until Oct 25, if conditions allow)

Full-day and half-day rentals (turn to pg 5 for hours and locations.) Standard adult & children's bikes are first-come, first-served. Bikes with trailers are available at Yosemite Valley Lodge and Curry Village. ADA bicycles are available by reservation: call 209/372-1208.

Yosemite Bike Share (until late Oct, if conditions allow) Bikes are available for 1–2 hour rides from Yosemite Village and Camp 4 parking areas: goyose.org/bikeshare

Bus & Shuttle Service

Travel to Yosemite via YARTS (\$)

The Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System (YARTS) is a public transit system that provides service into Yosemite. Enjoy year-round service from Merced and seasonal service from Sonora, Mammoth Lakes, and Fresno. For bus schedules and tickets, visit www.YARTS.com or call 877/989-2787.

Yosemite Valley Shuttles (free)

Daily, year-round service from 7 am to 10 pm. *Map and information on pg 7.*

Mariposa Grove Shuttles (free)

Free shuttles from the parking area to the grove. Shuttles depart about every 15 minutes—no ticket needed!

Sep 23: 8 am to 7 pm (last bus leaves Mariposa Grove at 8 pm.)

Sep 24 – Oct 31: 8 am to 5 pm (last bus leaves Mariposa Grove at 5:30 pm.)

Nov 1 – Nov 30: 8 am to 3:30 pm (last bus leaves Mariposa Grove at 5 pm.)

Tuolumne Meadows Hikers Bus (\$)

Summer-only service has ended.

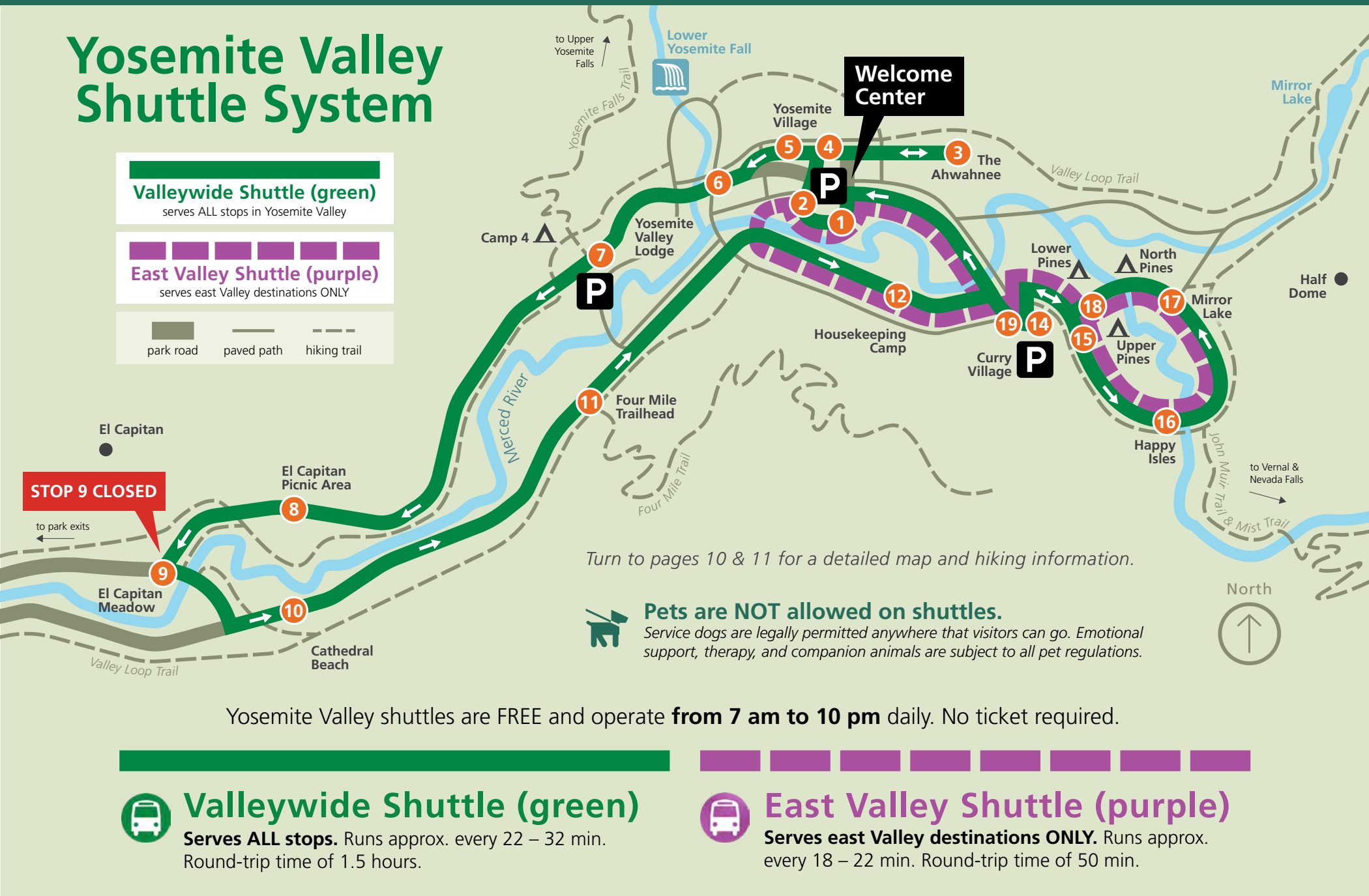
Tuolumne Meadows Area Shuttle (free)

Summer-only service has ended.

Glacier Point Tour Bus & Hiker Dropoff (\$)

Available until Oct 11. 4-hour tour departing from Yosemite Valley Lodge. One-way tickets available for hikers (drop-off ONLY—no hiker pickup at Glacier Point.) Book at TravelYosemite.com or at the Yosemite Valley Lodge front desk.

Yosemite Valley Shuttle System



Yosemite Valley Shuttle Stops

STOP	SHUTTLES	DESTINATION	AT THIS STOP
	ALL Shuttles	Yosemite Village Parking	parking, Welcome Center
	ALL Shuttles	Welcome Center	Welcome Center, food & beverage, groceries
	Green Shuttle ONLY	The Ahwahnee	food & beverage
	Green Shuttle ONLY	Degnan's Kitchen	Welcome Center, food & beverage, groceries
	Green Shuttle ONLY	Exploration Center	Exploration Center, Museum, Wilderness Center
	Green Shuttle ONLY	Lower Yosemite Fall	trailhead
	Green Shuttle ONLY	Camp 4, Yosemite Valley Lodge, Yosemite Falls Parking	parking, food & beverage, Camp 4
	Green Shuttle ONLY	El Capitan Picnic Area	picnic area
	Green Shuttle ONLY	El Capitan Meadow	scenic area STOP TEMPORARILY CLOSED
	Green Shuttle ONLY	Cathedral Beach	picnic area & river access
	Green Shuttle ONLY	Four Mile Trailhead	trailhead
	ALL Shuttles	Housekeeping Camp & Yosemite Conservation Heritage Center	exhibits (seasonal), laundry, river access
	ALL Shuttles	Curry Village—eastbound	parking, food & beverage, groceries
	ALL Shuttles	Upper Pines Campground	Pines campgrounds
	ALL Shuttles	Happy Isles	trailhead, art & nature center (seasonal)
	ALL Shuttles	Mirror Lake	trailhead
	ALL Shuttles	Lower Pines Campground	Pines campgrounds
	ALL Shuttles	Curry Village—westbound	parking, food & beverage, groceries

Programs

Additional programs may be offered: visit [go.nps.gov/YosemiteCalendar](https://www.nps.gov/YosemiteCalendar) to view the online calendar, or check listings at information centers. *Program schedule is subject to change.*



Ranger Walk



Discovery Walk



Art Class with Yosemite Conservancy (until Oct 16)



Photography class with The Ansel Adams Gallery (photo/Evan Russel)



Giant Sequoia Hike in the Tuolumne Grove



Junior Ranger Program
Programs especially for kids! Kids must be accompanied by an adult.



Recommended for Families
Programs for all ages (good fit for most kids.)



Wheelchair-Accessible Program
Program is held in a wheelchair-accessible facility or uses wheelchair-accessible paths. Ask the program host about other disability accommodations.



Evening Program
Stargazing, campfires, & more.



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Yosemite Valley: Walks, Talks, & Hikes

DAY & TIME		PROGRAM	HOST	FEE & REGISTRATION
9 – 11 am Su*		Climber Coffee (*until Oct 25) Meet with NPS climbers rangers to discuss climbing management issues, preventative search and rescue activities and other current events surrounding the climbing community. Meet at Camp 4 (near the Midnight Lightning boulder.)		free, drop-in only
9:30 am (1–1.5 hrs) M, Tu, W, Th, F, Sa*		Wild Wonders: Yosemite Valley Walk (*until Oct 30) Join a leisurely guided walk exploring the vibrant ecosystems and iconic landmarks from Yosemite Valley Lodge. Discover hidden stories of the park's geology, flora, and fauna while experiencing Yosemite's landscape on foot. Meet at the Yosemite Valley Lodge amphitheater.		free, drop-in only
10 am – 11 am Tu, W, Th, Sa*		Drop-in Jr. Ranger Discovery Table (*until Oct 31) Feed your curiosity and dive into the heart of Yosemite! Drop by anytime to take a closer look at what makes Yosemite truly special through a hands-on activity with a park ranger. Located in front of the Yosemite Valley Welcome Center (use shuttle stop 2.)		free, drop-in only
10 am (1 hr) Su, M, F*		Ranger Walk (*until Oct 30) Take a closer look at the natural world of Yosemite on a guided naturalist walk with a park ranger. Explore the intricate details of the park's ecosystems, geology, or wildlife on a moderately-paced stroll through the valley. Meet in front of the Yosemite Valley Welcome Center (use shuttle stop 2.)		free, drop-in only
10:30 am (1 hr) Tu, W, Th, Sa		Ranger Walk: Discovery Walk Join a ranger for an easy walk and learn more about what makes Yosemite special. Topics vary daily. Meet in front of the museum in Yosemite Village (use shuttle stop 5.)		free, drop-in only
12:30 – 4:30 pm daily*		Ask-a-Climber (*until Oct 30) Stop by to view climbers on El Capitan through spotting scopes and discover the world of vertical adventure on Yosemite's big walls. El Capitan Meadow (west side of El Capitan bridge.)		free, drop-in only
1 pm (1 hr) daily until Nov 1*		The Living Landscape Meet in front of the Yosemite Valley Welcome Center for a closer look at what makes Yosemite unique (use shuttle stop 2.) *M, Th, Sa ONLY starting Nov 2.		free, drop-in only
2 pm (15 min) daily		Yosemite Nature in a Nutshell Each day features a different family-friendly topic—animals, rocks, trees, storytelling, or other wonders of Yosemite Valley. Meet in front of the Yosemite Valley Welcome Center (use shuttle stop 2.)		free, drop-in only
2 pm (1 hr) daily		Historic Ahwahnee Hotel Tour Learn about the history behind Yosemite's famous luxury hotel on this complimentary one-hour tour. Meet at the Ahwahnee Hotel flagpole (use shuttle stop 3.)	YH	free, drop-in only
3:30 pm (1 hr) daily*		Guided Nature Walk Join a naturalist for an easy guided walk of Yosemite's natural areas. Meet at The Ahwahnee Hotel on the back lawn (use shuttle stop 3.) *no program Oct 2	YH	free, drop-in only
4:30 pm (45 min) some dates*		Yosemite Shorts and Stories Enjoy short films, presentations, and performances presented by National Park Service staff. Meet in the auditorium behind the Exploration Center (near shuttle stop 5 or Yosemite Village Parking.) *Program available Oct 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 16, 17, 23, 26, 27, 28, 30		free, drop-in only
5 pm* (1.5 hrs) F & Sa		Yosemite Valley Sunset Walk Experience the magic of Yosemite while the setting sun lights up your favorite granite features. On this casual walk, our naturalists will share with you the natural and cultural history of the park. Register in advance at yosemite.org/adventures . *start time varies after Oct 10—check Yosemite.org/adventures .	YC	\$ register at yosemite.org/adventures
7 pm (30 min) Su, W, Th, F, Sa*		Evening Program (*starting Nov 1) Yosemite Naturalists present a variety of topics. Meet at the Yosemite Valley Lodge Cliff Room (between the gift shop & lounge.) *no program Nov 11	YH	free, drop-in only
7:30 pm (1.5 hrs) nightly*		Yosemite After Dark Grab a flashlight and join a Yosemite Naturalist for an interactive nature walk at night! Book tickets at TravelYosemite.com or at the Yosemite Valley Lodge front desk. <i>Recommended for kids 11 & up. *no program Oct 2</i>	YH	\$ tickets at TravelYosemite.com
8 pm (30 min) nightly*		Evening Program (*until Sep 26) Yosemite Naturalists present a variety of topics. Meet at the Curry Village Amphitheater (use shuttle stops 14 & 19.)	YH	free, drop-in only
8 pm (1 hr) Su, M, Tu, W, Th*		Walking Starry Skies Join a Yosemite Hospitality Guide for an unforgettable night of stargazing! Book tickets at TravelYosemite.com or at the Yosemite Valley Lodge front desk. <i>Recommended for kids 11 & up. *no program Nov 9 or 10</i>	YH	\$ tickets at TravelYosemite.com
8 pm* (1.5 hrs) F & Sa		Explore Yosemite's Night Sky Join a Yosemite Conservancy naturalist for a guided stargazing experience under Yosemite's night sky. Learn about star science, constellations, cultural stories, and mythology. Your naturalist will use a laser pointer to highlight celestial objects—no telescopes are used. *start time varies after Oct 10—check Yosemite.org/adventures .	YC	\$ register at yosemite.org/adventures

Yosemite Valley: Bus & Tram Tours

Tours offered by Yosemite Hospitality and depart from the Yosemite Valley Lodge. Purchase tickets online at TravelYosemite.com, over the phone at 888/413-8869, or in-person at the Yosemite Valley Lodge front desk.

DAY & TIME		PROGRAM
10 am, 11 am, 1 pm, & 2 pm* (2 hrs) daily		Valley Floor Tour Experience the highlights of Yosemite Valley with a naturalist or park ranger on a bus or open-air tram. *10 am & 1 pm ONLY starting Nov 1
8:30 am & 1:30 pm (4 hrs) daily*		Glacier Point Tour (*until Oct 11) On this four-hour bus tour, you'll go from Yosemite Valley to Glacier Point—a 3,200-foot elevation gain. One-way tickets for hikers available (dropoff only, NO pickup at Glacier Point.)
8 am (8 hrs) daily*		Yosemite Grand Tour (*until Oct 11) The full-day Yosemite Grand Tour combines Yosemite Valley, Glacier Point and the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias for a memorable day in Yosemite National Park. Lunch is included.
Sep 23, 24, 25, 26 8:30 or 9 pm (2 hrs)		Moonlight Tour (YH, \$) Join a Yosemite Hospitality naturalist on a 2 hour tram tour around Yosemite Valley under the light of the moon!

Yosemite Valley: Drop-in Volunteering

DAY & TIME		PROGRAM
Sep 24, 25, 26 1 pm (2 hrs)		Volunteer Guided Litter Pick Up (NPS) Meet in front of the Exploration Center and learn about Yosemite and each other while doing a litter pick up. This walk will be led by a volunteer around the Valley to help keep the park beautiful after the busy visitor season. Register in-person at 1 pm. Families welcome!

Yosemite Valley: Photography Walks

Hosted by The Ansel Adams Gallery. Register at AnselAdams.com/photography-education

DAY & TIME	PROGRAM
9 am (1.5 hrs) Tu & Th	The Ansel Adams Gallery Photography Walk (free) Join a staff photographer for a brief field lecture in Yosemite Valley. Limited space; registration required.
9 am (3 hrs) W	In the Field: Creative Smartphone Photography (\$) Join a staff photographer to learn how to make better photographs with the camera you always carry.
1 pm (3 hrs) Sa	In the Field: Creative Smartphone Photography (\$) Join a staff photographer to learn how to make better photographs with the camera you always carry.
1 pm (4 hrs) M & Th	In the Footsteps of Ansel Adams (\$) Join a staff photographer for a field class around Yosemite Valley.
1 pm (4 hrs) Tu	Ansel Adams's Legacy and Your Digital Camera (\$) Join a staff photographer at The Ansel Adams Gallery for a field class to learn how to make better photographs with your DSLR camera.

Yosemite Valley: Art Classes

Classes are hosted by Yosemite Conservancy. Register at Yosemite.org/art

DAY & TIME	PROGRAM
9 am (4 hrs) weekdays*	Art Class (*until Oct 16) Slow down and connect with nature in a new way. Beginners welcome! Meet at the Happy Isles Art and Nature Center (shuttle stop 16). Register in advance at yosemite.org/art .
10 am – 3 pm weekdays*	Kids' Open Art Studio (*until Oct 16) Free art activities for kids at the Happy Isles Art & Nature Center (shuttle stop 16.) Drop in anytime during studio hours!

Programs in Tuolumne Meadows

Until Sep 27: Check listings at the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center for programs.

Programs in Wawona & The Mariposa Grove

All programs are hosted by NPS. Programs are free; no registration required.

DAY & TIME	PROGRAM
9 am (1 hr) Su & W*	Coffee with a Ranger (*until Oct 17) Meet at Pine Tree Market for coffee, a Q&A session, and general park updates with one of our rangers. Drop ins welcome!
9:30 am (1.5 hrs) daily*	Nature Walk—Mariposa Grove (*until Oct 17) Meet at Mariposa Grove Arrival Area. Allow time to park and ride the free shuttle to the Mariposa Grove before the program starts.

Programs Near Crane Flat

All programs are hosted by NPS. Programs are free; no registration required. Additional programs may be offered: check the Big Oak Flat Infomation Station for current schedule. Program schedule is subject to change due to weather.

DAY & TIME	PROGRAM
10 am – 12 pm* daily	Jr. Ranger Discovery Table (*until Nov 1) Drop in anytime to talk with a ranger and start or finish earning a Jr. Ranger badge. Located at the Tuolumne Grove Trailhead. *no program Oct 9
1 pm (1.5 hrs) M, W, Th*	Giant Sequoia Hike (*until Nov 1) Meet at the Tuolumne Grove Trailhead. Total hike is 2.5 miles roundtrip with 500 feet of elevation change. Bring water. *no program Sep 30 or Oct 12
6:30 pm (1 hr) Su, W, Th, F, Sa*	Crane Flat Evening Program (*until Oct 9) Topics vary. Meet at the Crane Flat Campground Amphitheater.
6:30 pm (1 hr) some dates*	Hodgdon Meadow Evening Program (*Oct 16, 17, 23, 24 ONLY) Topics vary. Meet at the Hodgdon Meadow Campground Amphitheater, near group sites.

More Activities with Park Partners

YOSEMITE CONSERVANCY

Yosemite.org

Yosemite Conservancy is a nonprofit dedicated to preserving Yosemite National Park's resources and providing enriching visitor experiences in the park.

Locations Yosemite Exploration Center & Theater, Happy Isles Art & Nature Center, & multiple retail locations. *Hours on pg 5.*

Outdoor Adventures Check the calendar for guided hikes and backpacking trips: Yosemite.org/experience/outdoor-adventures

Custom Adventures Plan a Custom Adventure with a naturalist: Yosemite.org/custom-adventures

Stewardship Series Little Fires Everywhere: Fire Ecology (Oct 23, 2 – 4 pm.) *Registration required at Yosemite.org. Free for YC donors.*

Art Classes Register at Yosemite.org/art

- Sep 21–25 | Watercolor Nature Journaling with Elizabeth Butterfield
- Sep 28 – Oct 2 | Gouache with Lori Harris
- Oct 5–9 | Watercolor with Zach Polic
- Oct 12–16 | Watercolor with Dan Tilstra

YOSEMITE HOSPITALITY

TravelYosemite.com

Yosemite Hospitality operates lodging, restaurants, stores, tours, recreation, and other services in Yosemite.

Learn to Rock Climb or Join a Guided Hike—Yosemite Mountaineering School (until Oct 25) Expertly-guided dayhikes, backpacking, and rock climbing: join a scheduled hike or class, or book your own custom guided experience. Stop by the Yosemite Mountaineering School in Curry Village, visit TravelYosemite.com, or call 209/372-8344.

THE ANSEL ADAMS GALLERY

AnselAdams.com/photography-education
209/372-4413

Location The Ansel Adams Gallery is located in Yosemite Village, open from 9 am – 5 pm (10 am – 5 pm starting Oct 1.) Experience a variety of fine arts, handcrafts, and a collection of Ansel Adams' original photographs. The gallery also offers half-day or full-day photography classes and private guided tours led by a resident staff photographer.

Current & Upcoming Exhibitions

- August 8 – September 26 | *Trails and Trees of California: Woodblocks and Prints by Tom Killion*
- September 27 – November 7 | *Peace of Place: Photographs by Alan Ross, John Sexton, Anne Larsen, Roman Loranc, Bob Kolbrener, & Jeffrey Conley* (Artist Reception Sat, October 10 from 1 – 3 pm)
- November 8 – January 9, 2027 | *Earth is Home II: A World of Color—Photographs by Kerik Kouklis* (Artist Reception Sat, November 14 from 1 – 3 pm)

SIERRA CLUB

SierraClub.org/yosemite-conservation-heritage-center
209/372-4542

Yosemite Conservation Heritage Center 10 am – 4 pm. The conservation center closes for the season after Sep 27. We look forward to welcoming you back in May 2027!

NATUREBRIDGE

Bring your school to NatureBridge for multi-day, immersive environmental science programs that ignite curiosity and foster deep connections with nature. As the largest education partner of the National Park Service since 1971, NatureBridge provides transformative, hands-on learning experiences in the country's most iconic national parks. Our nonprofit organization is dedicated to inspiring the next generation of environmental stewards. Discover more and plan your school's adventure at naturebridge.org.



Valley Trails

▲ Backpacking Yosemite

A wilderness permit is required year-round for all overnight trips into Yosemite's Wilderness.
Visit go.nps.gov/WildPermits to learn how to get a permit for this fall and winter—or plan ahead for next summer!

Come prepared with your own allowed bear canister—or rent one when you pick up your permit. *Once permit stations close for the season, rental canisters are ONLY available at the Valley Welcome Center.*

Wilderness Permit Locations

- **Yosemite Valley Wilderness Center (closes Oct 18)**
8 am – 5 pm. *After Oct 18, self-register for permits outside the Welcome Center (Valley trailheads ONLY.)*
- **Wawona Visitor Center (permit pickup closes Oct 14)**
8 am – 5 pm. *After Oct 14, self-register for permits on the front porch (Wawona trailheads ONLY.)*
- **Big Oak Flat Information Station (permit pickup closes Oct 18.)** 8 am – 5 pm. *Nearest pickup for Hetch Hetchy permits before Oct 19. After Oct 18, self-register for permits on the front porch (Tioga Road trailheads ONLY.)*
- **Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station** Starting Oct 19, self-register for permits at the kiosk (*Hetchy trailheads ONLY.*)
- **Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center (closes Oct 14)**
8 am – 5 pm. *After Oct 14, self-register for permits on the front porch (Tioga Road trailheads ONLY.)*
- **Big Wall Climbing Permits (for overnight climbs)**
Self-register at kiosk near shuttle stop 9.

▲ Half Dome Permits

A permit is required 7 days a week when the cables are up (approx. late May to early October.) Permits are available by pre-season (March 1–31) and daily lotteries. Learn more at go.nps.gov/HDpermits

Trails Outside of Yosemite Valley

Stop by an open information center to pick up free trail maps and ask a ranger for recommendations. *Hours & locations on pages 2 & 3.*



Before You Go

Pets and bikes are NOT allowed on hiking trails.

Choose the right trail for your group's ability and experience level. Make sure you have enough time to finish the hike before dark.

Ask a ranger about trail conditions. Snow, ice, flooding, rockfall, hazardous stream crossings, and trail closures are possible.

Check the weather forecast for rain, snow, and thunderstorms. Stay off domes and other exposed places when there is a chance of lightning.

Remember to pack water (minimum 1 qt/L—per person—for every 2 hours on the trail), salty snacks (for hydration), a headlamp, a map, sturdy footwear, and warm and waterproof clothing layers.

On the Trail

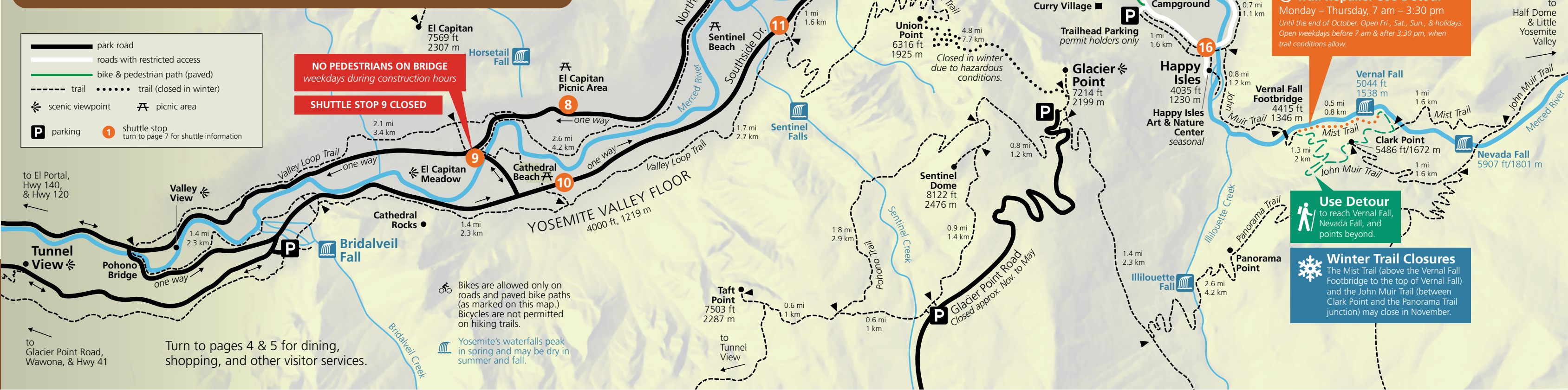
Stay on the trail to protect fragile vegetation and avoid getting lost.

Pack out all trash, including nut shells, fruit peels, and toilet paper. Human waste must be deposited at least 100 ft (30 m) from trails and water. Solid waste must be buried six inches deep.

Leave behind what you find. It's illegal to remove natural objects or artifacts from the park. Take a photo instead!

It's dangerous and illegal to approach or feed wildlife. Keep food within arm's reach at all times. Stay 50 yds/m away from bears and 25 ft (8 m) from other wildlife.

Adjust plans as needed. Make sure everyone in the group is staying hydrated and taking breaks. When half your water is gone or when conditions change, it's time to turn around.



TRAIL	DISTANCE & ELEVATION GAIN	STARTING POINT
Shorter Walks <i>Scenic walks that usually take an hour or less</i>	round-trip	
BRIDALVEIL FALL Take a short stroll to the base of Bridalveil Fall. A gentle incline leads to a wheelchair-accessible viewing area, while a steeper path climbs closer to the base of the fall. <i>Stay behind barriers. Rocks at the base of the waterfall are very slick and dangerous.</i>	distance: 0.5 mi, 0.8 km paved with gentle incline	Bridalveil Fall parking area or Southside Drive
LOWER YOSEMITE FALL (dry in summer & fall) A short but rewarding trail to the base of Yosemite Falls. The east side of the loop is wheelchair-accessible. <i>Stay behind barriers. Rocks at the base of the waterfall are very slick and dangerous.</i>	distance: 1 mi, 1.6 km paved with gentle incline	Shuttle Stop 6
COOK'S MEADOW LOOP Take a relaxing stroll and enjoy views of Yosemite Falls, Half Dome, and the Merced River. Look and listen for birds and other wildlife in early morning and around dusk.	distance: 1 mi, 1.6 km flat pavement/boardwalk	Shuttle Stop 6
MIRROR LAKE (dry in summer & fall) Walk the paved road from shuttle stop 17 to the small lake. Views of Half Dome and reflections on the water's surface in spring. Continue on the unpaved hiking trail for a 4.5 mi (7 km) loop around the lake. <i>*Pets are allowed only on the paved road.</i> <i>& Vehicles with a valid disability placard may drive the paved road to the front of Mirror Lake.</i>	distance: 2 mi, 3.2 km elev. gain: 100 ft, 30 m	Shuttle Stop 17
Choose Your Own Adventure	round-trip	
YOSEMITE VALLEY LOOP TRAIL <i>Pets and bicycles NOT allowed.</i> Enjoy a scenic loop around the Valley floor on this quiet, less-traveled trail. Hike a short section, or spend a day exploring the entire trail. Use the map above to plan your hike. <i>Sections of trail may be flooded or muddy in spring.</i>	distance: up to 11.5 mi, 18.5 km. Mostly flat, some gentle incline. Uneven terrain.	Most shuttle stops; refer to map

TRAIL	DISTANCE & ELEVATION GAIN	STARTING POINT
Hiking to Vernal Fall & Nevada Fall <i>Several routes are possible through this corridor. All routes start and end at Happy Isles (shuttle stop 16.)</i>	round-trip (to & from Happy Isles)	
SHORTEST: Vernal Fall Footbridge (1–1.5 hrs) Hike the short but very steep first section of the John Muir Trail (JMT) for views of Vernal Fall from the footbridge. Return the same way.	distance: 1.6 mi, 2.6 km elev. gain: 380 ft, 115 m	Happy Isles; Shuttle Stop 16
LONGER: Top of Vernal Fall (2–4 hrs) Past the footbridge, climb the steep steps of the Mist Trail to the top of Vernal Fall. Expect heavy spray and slippery stairs in spring. Return the same way OR continue to Clark Point for views of Nevada Fall and a dry descent along the JMT. <i>Trail repairs and winter closures may affect route; check map above.</i>		
Out-and-back on Mist Trail	distance: 2.4 mi, 3.8 km elev. gain: 1000 ft, 300 m	Happy Isles; Shuttle Stop 16
Loop via Clark Point & John Muir Trail	distance: 3.7 mi, 6 km elev. gain: 1500 ft, 450 m	Happy Isles; Shuttle Stop 16
LONGEST: Top of Nevada Fall (4–6 hrs) From the top of Vernal Fall, continue up the Mist Trail to the top of Nevada Fall. Return the same way. <i>Trail repairs and winter closures may affect route; check map above.</i>		
Out-and-back on Mist Trail	distance: 5 mi, 8 km elev. gain: 2000 ft, 600 m	Happy Isles; Shuttle Stop 16
Loop via Clark Point & John Muir Trail	distance: 5.8 mi, 9.3 km elev. gain: 2000 ft, 600 m	Happy Isles; Shuttle Stop 16
Most Challenging Hikes <i>These all-day hikes include very steep trails and stunning views of Yosemite Valley. Pack sun protection, salty snacks, and at least 3 quarts or liters of water per person.</i>	round-trip	
YOSEMITE FALLS TRAIL (6–8 hrs) Very steep, rugged trail with dozens of switchbacks. Hike the first mile to Columbia Rock for stunning valley views. Continue to the top of Yosemite Falls; return the same way.	distance: 7.2 mi, 11.6 km elev. gain: 2,700 ft, 820 m	Camp 4 & Shuttle Stop 7
FOUR MILE TRAIL TO GLACIER POINT (6–8 hrs) Very steep trail with spectacular Valley views. Until early October, hiker transportation from Yosemite Valley to Glacier Point may be available via the Glacier Point Tour Bus (drop-offs ONLY, no pickup at Glacier Point): visit TravelYosemite.com for tickets. <i>Upper portion of trail closes in winter.</i>	distance: 9.6 mi, 15.4 km elev. gain: 3,200 ft, 975 m	Shuttle Stop 11

- wheelchair-accessible path or boardwalk.
- leashed pets welcome
pets are also allowed on paved bike paths, shown on the map in solid green.
- pets NOT allowed