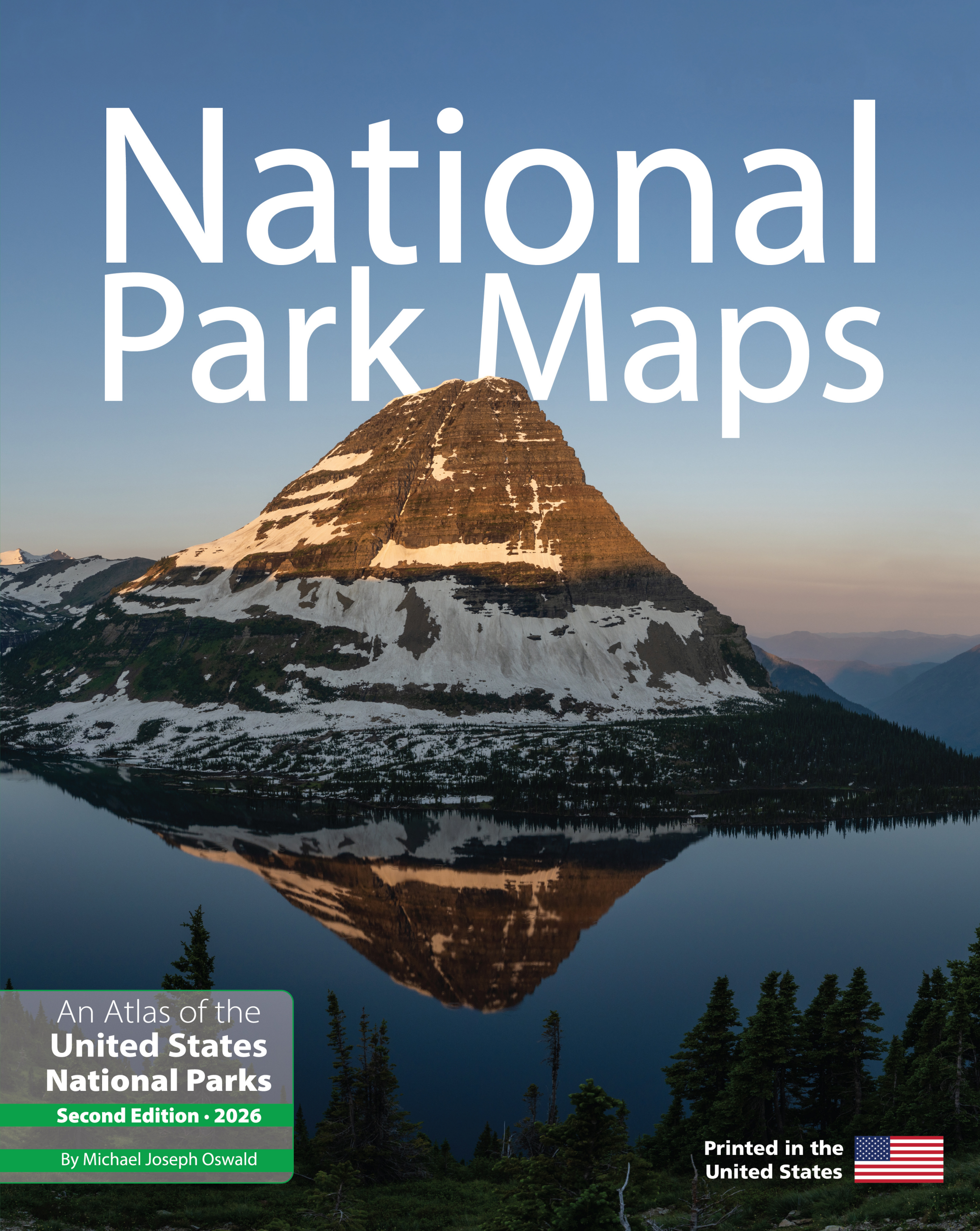
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The Chisos Mountains from River Road (Big Bend)

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Moses & Zeus (Canyonlands)


White Sands

Your National Parks at a Glance

Many words are used to describe our national parks. Magical. Special. Treasured. Sacred. They're all warranted. These are singular environments that have inspired and awed humans for as long as we've walked this land. My favorite descriptor is a possessive pronoun … yours. These are your national parks, preserved for the benefit and enjoyment of the people. And I want to make sure you have the right tools to make the most of your time in your national parks.

I've learned words and images only begin to describe national park experiences. There's the thrill of discovery. The joy of spotting wildlife in the wild. The awe of witnessing something beyond our imaginations. Like Yosemite's massive granite wall, El Capitan. Redwood's towering trees. The kaleidoscope of colors of Yellowstone's Grand Prismatic Spring. While words (and maps) will never do these places justice, hopefully this book points you toward many indescribable experiences.


Two Medicine (Glacier)

BEST PARKS

1. Glacier
2. Yosemite
3. Yellowstone
4. Death Valley
5. Sequoia & Kings Canyon
6. Acadia
7. Grand Canyon
8. Canyonlands
9. Zion
10. Rocky Mountain
11. Mount Rainier
12. Grand Teton
13. Big Bend
14. Olympic
15. Joshua Tree


Castle Geyser, Upper Geyser Basin (Yellowstone)

BEST ATTRACTIONS

1. Yosemite Valley (Yosemite)
2. Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone
3. Stony Hill Overlook (Denali)
4. Upper Geyser Basin (Yellowstone)
5. Bryce Amphitheater (Bryce Canyon)
6. White Sands
7. Many Glacier (Glacier)
8. Mount Rainier
9. Crater Lake
10. Island in the Sky (Canyonlands)
11. The Teton Range (Grand Teton)
12. Grand Prismatic Spring (Yellowstone)
13. Johns Hopkins Inlet (Glacier Bay)
14. The Wall (Badlands)
15. Mesquite Flat Sand Dunes (Death Valley)


Mount Whitney (Sequoia)

BEST ADVENTURES

1. Raft the Grand Canyon
2. Drive/Bike White Rim Road (Canyonlands)
3. Climb Mount Rainier
4. See lava (Hawaii Volcanoes)
5. Raft the Tatshenshini/Alsek (Glacier Bay)
6. Hike rim-to-rim at the Grand Canyon
7. Climb Mount Whitney (Sequoia)
8. Go backpacking at Glacier
9. Climb Half Dome (Yosemite)
10. Paddle Channel Islands
11. Climb Longs Peak (Rocky Mountain)
12. Raft the Lower New (New River Gorge)
13. Wild Cave Tours (Mammoth Cave, Wind Cave)
14. Bike Denali Park Road
15. Float the Rio Grande (Big Bend)


Badlands Loop Road

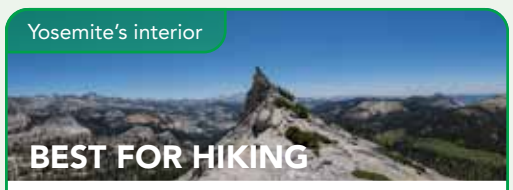
BEST FOR DRIVING

1. Yellowstone
2. Glacier
3. Big Bend
4. Yosemite
5. Badlands
6. Redwood
7. Canyonlands
8. Grand Teton
9. Arches
10. Theodore Roosevelt
11. Kings Canyon
12. Capitol Reef
13. Great Smoky Mountains
14. Shenandoah
15. Wrangell-St. Elias


Denali Park Road

BEST DRIVES

1. Going-to-the-Sun Road (Glacier)
2. Denali Park Road (Denali, shuttles)
3. Badlands Loop Road (Badlands)
4. Glacier Point/Wawona Rd (Yosemite)
5. McCarthy Road (Wrangell–St. Elias)
6. US-101/Newton B. Drury Parkway (Redwood)
7. Trail Ridge Road (Rocky Mountain)
8. Crater Rim Drive (Crater Lake)
9. Teton Park Road (Grand Teton)
10. UT-24 & Scenic Drive (Capitol Reef)
11. Park Loop Road (Acadia)
12. Skyline Drive (Shenandoah)
13. UT-211 (Canyonlands)
14. Zion Canyon Scenic Drive (shuttles)
15. Park Boulevard (Joshua Tree)


Yosemite's interior

BEST FOR HIKING

1. Glacier
2. Yosemite
3. Sequoia & Kings Canyon
4. Grand Teton
5. Rocky Mountain
6. Grand Canyon
7. Mount Rainier
8. Acadia
9. Zion
10. North Cascades
11. Yellowstone
12. Olympic
13. Big Bend
14. Canyonlands
15. Great Smoky Mountains

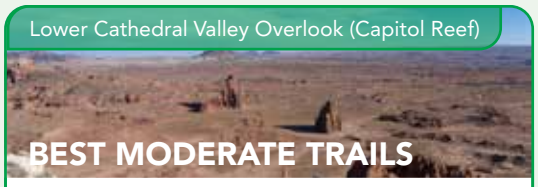


BEST EASY TRAILS

1. Dream Lake (Rocky Mountain)
2. Cape Royal (Grand Canyon)
3. Rim (Bryce Canyon)
4. Taggart Lake (Grand Teton)
5. Santa Elena Canyon (Big Bend)
6. Grand View Point (Canyonlands)
7. Badwater (Death Valley)
8. Rim (Grand Canyon)
9. Ward Spring (Big Bend)
10. Sand Dune/Tapestry/Broken (Arches)
11. Congress (Sequoia)
12. White Rim Overlook (Canyonlands)
13. Golden Canyon (Death Valley)
14. Canyon Overlook (Zion)
15. Second Beach (Olympic)
16. Bar Island (Acadia)
17. Chasm View (Black Canyon)
18. Murphy Point (Canyonlands)
19. Nisqually Vista (Mount Rainier)
20. Grand Prismatic Ovlk (Yellowstone)
21. Arch/Heart Rocks (Joshua Tree)
22. Windows/Double Arch (Arches)
23. Tunnel (New River Gorge)
24. Crystal Forest (Petrified Forest)
25. Fern Canyon (Redwood)
26. Lind Point (Virgin Islands)
27. Sprague Lake (Rocky Mountain)
28. Indian Creek (Great Smoky Mtns)
29. Jenny Lake (Grand Teton)
30. Mica View (Saguaro)
31. Jordan Pond (Acadia)
32. Cholla Cactus Garden (Joshua Tree)
33. Boardwalk (Congaree)
34. Trail of the Cedars (Glacier)

BEST EXTREME TRAILS

1. Half Dome (Yosemite)
2. Mount Whitney (Sequoia)
3. Longs Peak (Rocky Mountain)
4. Precipice (Acadia)
5. Delta Lake (Grand Teton)
6. Angel's Landing (Zion)
7. Beehive (Acadia)
8. Old Rag (Shenandoah)
9. Ladder/Dorr (Acadia)
10. Electric Peak (Yellowstone)
11. Mount Storm King (Olympic)



BEST MODERATE TRAILS

1. Hidden Lake (Glacier)
2. Grinnell Glacier (Glacier)
3. Delicate Arch (Arches)
4. Pinnacle Peak (Mount Rainier)
5. Queens/Navajo/Wall St (Bryce Cyn)
6. Exit Glacier (Kenai Fjords)
7. Pipiwai (Haleakala)
8. Moro Rock (Sequoia)
9. Castle (Badlands)
10. Devil's Hall (Guadalupe Mountains)
11. Boy Scout/Willow Hole (Joshua Tree)
12. Thornton Lakes (North Cascades)
13. Lower Cathedral Valley (Capitol Reef)
14. Cathedral Lakes (Yosemite)
15. Lake Francis (Glacier)
16. Alkali Flat (White Sands)
17. Cassidy Arch (Capitol Reef)
18. Chimney Rock/Spring Canyon (" ")
19. Sentinel Dome (Yosemite)
20. Mills Lake (Rocky Mountain)
21. Cinder Cone (Lassen Volcanic)
22. Bear Gulch (Pinnacles)
23. Tall Trees (Redwood)
24. Bristlecone (Great Basin)
25. General Sherman (Sequoia)
26. Boy Scout Tree (Redwood)
27. Long Point (New River Gorge)
28. Watchman Peak (Crater Lake)
29. Monarch Lakes (Sequoia)
30. Eagle Lake (Sequoia)
31. Endless Wall (New River Gorge)
32. Notch (Badlands)
33. Avalanche Lake (Glacier)
34. Cracker Lake (Glacier)
35. Union Falls (Yellowstone)
36. Dunanda Falls (Yellowstone)
37. Kilauea Iki (Hawaii Volcanoes)
38. Mount Washburn (Yellowstone)
39. Bunsen Peak/Osprey Falls (" ")
40. Balconies (Pinnacles)
41. Mosaic Canyon (Death Valley)
42. Ledges (Cuyahoga Valley)
43. Kuwohi (Great Smoky Mountains)
44. Warner Point (Black Canyon)
45. Blue Hen (Cuyahoga Valley)
46. Charlie's Bunion (Great Smoky Mtns)
47. Blue Mesa (Petrified Forest)
48. Petroglyph Point (Mesa Verde)
49. Passamaquoddy (Shenandoah)
50. Castle Rock (New River Gorge)
51. Dune Succession (Indiana Dunes)
52. Gorham Mountain (Acadia)
53. Kaymoor (New River Gorge)
54. Phelps Lake (Grand Teton)



BEST STRENUOUS TRAILS

1. Swiftcurrent Lookout (Glacier)
2. Skyline Loop (Mount Rainier)
3. Table Mountain (Grand Teton)
4. Pitamakan-Dawson Pass (Glacier)
5. Sky Pond (Rocky Mountain)
6. Chasm Lake (Rocky Mountain)
7. The Narrows (Zion)
8. Mist/John Muir/Vernal Falls (Yosemite)
9. Upper Yosemite Falls (Yosemite)
10. Burroughs (Mount Rainier)
11. Sahale Arm (North Cascades)
12. Panorama (Yosemite)
13. South Rim (Big Bend)
14. Sourdough Mountain (North Cascades)
15. High Dune (Great Sand Dunes)
16. Black Lake (Rocky Mountain)
17. Lakes (Sequoia)
18. Sliding Sands (Haleakala)
19. High Divide (Olympic)
20. Lake Solitude (Grand Teton)
21. Observation Point/East Mesa (Zion)
22. High Peaks (Pinnacles)
23. Peekaboo (Bryce Canyon)
24. Harding Icefield (Kenai Fjords)
25. Garfield Peak (Crater Lake)
26. Fairyland (Bryce Canyon)
27. Amphitheater Lake (Grand Teton)
28. Highline (Glacier)
29. Sperry (Glacier)
30. Mariscal Canyon (Big Bend)
31. Avalanche Peak (Yellowstone)
32. Giant Slide (Acadia)
33. Death Canyon (Grand Teton)
34. Guadalupe Peak (Guadalupe Mountains)
35. Chesler Park/Joint (Canyonlands)
36. Druid Arch (Canyonlands)
37. Wheeler Peak (Great Basin)
38. Subway (Zion)
39. Tolmie Peak (Mount Rainier)
40. Grand Lake (Olympic)
41. Lassen Peak (Lassen Volcanic)
42. Mauna Loa (Hawaii Volcanoes)
43. Boulevard/Alum Cave (Great Smoky Mountains)
44. Iceberg Lake (Glacier)
45. Ptarmigan Tunnel (Glacier)
46. Hallett Peak (Rocky Mountain)
47. Peekaboo (Canyonlands)
48. Mosquito Lakes (Sequoia)
49. Shriner Peak (Mount Rainier)
50. Gobblers Knob (Mount Rainier)
51. Little Devils Stairs (Shenandoah)
52. Big Plateau (Theodore Roosevelt)
53. Devil's Garden (Arches)
54. Telescope Peak (Death Valley)

A Note About Favorite Trails

Each time I make these lists, I sit down and start over. They're always different. Then I compare them, move things up and down, and wait until I feel good about it. I try not to over-represent any single park. There are at least ten trails at Glacier that I could pick as my favorite hike. I could say the same thing about Yosemite. So, they aren't quite rated in order of my favorites. But you'll be thrilled with any of these trails if conditions are nice.



A Note About Visitation

Visitation is always changing. The one constant is Great Smoky Mountains' place at the top of the list. It averages nearly 1 million visitors per month! Many other parks experience million-visitor months, but none come close to the Smokies consistent heavy usage. A lot of that is because the Smokies are within a day's drive of one-third of the U.S. population. The west is much less populated. Wyoming's population density is about 6 people per square mile! For comparison's sake, New York City's population density is more than 29,000 people per square mile. Still, there are a few spots that often feel busier than Great Smoky Mountains. Acadia is uncomfortably busy in July and August. Zion Canyon and its main visitor center have gotten extremely busy for most of the year. Bryce Canyon's Sunrise to Bryce Point, Arches, Canyonlands' Island in the Sky, and Grand Canyon's South Rim, are very busy from spring through fall. Grand Teton, Yellowstone, Glacier, Rocky Mountain, Great Sand Dunes, Sequoia, Yosemite, Crater Lake, Mount Rainier, and Olympic are all very busy in summer. I included visitation and weather charts at the back of the book, so you can see for yourself.


Hiking the AT (Smokies)

MOST VISITED (2025)

1. Great Smoky Mountains (11.5M)
2. Zion (5.0M)
3. Yellowstone (4.8M)
4. Grand Canyon (4.4M)
5. Yosemite (4.3M)
6. Rocky Mountain (4.2M)
7. Acadia (4.1M)
8. Grand Teton (3.8M)
9. Olympic (3.6M)
10. Glacier (3.1M)
11. Cuyahoga Valley (3.0M)
12. Joshua Tree (2.9M)
13. Indiana Dunes (2.6M)
14. Hot Springs (2.5M)
15. Gateway Arch (2.2M)


Do the bears feel like Katmai is crowded?

LEAST VISITED (2025)

1. Kobuk Valley (7.7K)
2. Gates of the Arctic (14.9K)
3. Lake Clark (19.8K)
4. Isle Royale (29.1K)
5. Katmai (34.5K)
6. American Samoa (43.3K)
7. North Cascades (46.9K)
8. Dry Tortugas (89.4K)
9. Wrangell-St. Elias (108.8K)
10. Great Basin (161.2K)
11. Voyageurs (206.3K)
12. Guadalupe Mountains (206.4K)
13. Channel Islands (227.2K)
14. Black Canyon of the Gunnison (250.1K)
15. Congaree (287.8K)


If you have to take a boat/plane, it's inaccessible (Isle Royale)

LEAST ACCESSIBLE

1. Gates of the Arctic
2. Kobuk Valley
3. Lake Clark
4. Katmai
5. American Samoa
6. Glacier Bay
7. Isle Royale
8. Haleakala
9. Hawaii Volcanoes
10. Virgin Islands
11. Dry Tortugas
12. Voyageurs
13. North Cascades
14. Kings Canyon
15. Biscayne


Obstruction Point Road (Olympic)

MOST ACCESSIBLE

1. Great Smoky Mountains
2. Olympic
3. Grand Canyon
4. Indiana Dunes
5. Cuyahoga Valley
6. Joshua Tree
7. Hot Springs
8. Yosemite
9. Zion
10. Acadia
11. Gateway Arch
12. Arches
13. Grand Teton
14. Badlands
15. Capitol Reef


Crater Lake

BEST LODGES

1. Old Faithful Snow Lodge (Yellowstone)
2. Many Glacier Hotel (Glacier)
3. The Ahwahnee (Yosemite)
4. Grand Canyon Lodge (Grand Canyon)
5. El Tovar (Grand Canyon)
6. Le Conte Lodge (Great Smoky Mountains, hike in)
7. Jenny Lake Lodge (Grand Teton)
8. Crater Lake Lodge (Crater Lake)
9. Kalaloch Lodge (Olympic)
10. Phantom Ranch (Grand Canyon, hike/mule in)
11. Sperry/Granite Park Chalets (Glacier, hike in)
12. Paradise Inn (Mount Rainier)
13. Zion Lodge (Zion)
14. The Lodge at Bryce Canyon (Bryce Canyon)
15. Chisos Mountain Lodge (Big Bend)


Wind River Range

BEST BEYOND THE PARKS

1. The Eastern Sierra/US-395 (California)
2. San Juan Mountains (Colorado)
3. Columbia River Gorge (Oregon)
4. Wind River Range (Wyoming)
5. Uinta Range/UT-150 (Utah)
6. Sawtooth Range (Idaho)
7. Glen Canyon NRA (Utah/Arizona)
8. Grand Staircase-Escalante NM (Utah)
9. Bitterroot Range (Montana)
10. Mount Baker (Washington)
11. Mount St. Helens (Washington)
12. Mount Hood (Oregon)
13. Absaroka Range/Beartooth Highway (WY/MT)
14. Bighorn Mountains (Wyoming)
15. Mount Shasta (California)

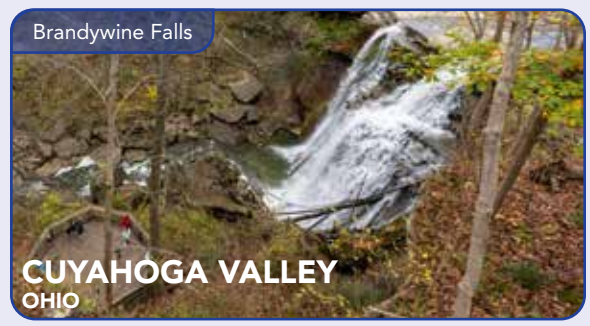
Your Parks

from East to West


Precipice

ACADIA
MAINE

A day-hikers' dreamland. Acadia features one of the best networks of short trails. Connect a few for an exciting loop or hike one-way and hop aboard the free Island Explorer Shuttle (exploreacadia.com). Take a leisurely walk along the coast or climb a 1,000-ft mountain with the help of metal rungs and rails. Acadia also boasts carriage roads for walking, biking, and carriage tours, as well as ample coastline for paddling, boat tours, and beachcombing.


Brandywine Falls

CUYAHOGA VALLEY
OHIO

An urban oasis. Cuyahoga Valley possesses national park staples like wispy waterfalls, peculiar rocks, and an abundance of outdoor activities, but it sets itself apart with a variety of unique attractions. You'll find scenic train rides (cvsr.com), outdoor music concerts and theater performances, time-period exhibits, and even two ski hills. Cuyahoga Valley is loved deeply by the Greater Cleveland community, and there's a lot to love.



An Appalachian escape. 105-mile Skyline Drive and colorful fall foliage receive most of the attention, but Shenandoah offers some of the best mountain hiking this side of the Mississippi River. From rocky ridges to meandering meadows, plummeting waterfalls to towering forests, there's hiking for all interests. You'll even find Rapidan Camp, Herbert Hoover's Summer White House, within park boundaries. Or simply enjoy the viewpoints along scenic Skyline Drive.



An old river and a new national park. New River Gorge is the newest national park, and it's established around one of the world's oldest waterways, the New River. The region was developed around coal mines that powered the Industrial Revolution. Today, there's a new revolution, the era of tourism. This area is home to some of the nation's best whitewater rafting and rock climbing, and you'll find a whole lot of hiking and history mixed in.



An immense, nay, mammoth cave. Its name originates from the size of its rooms, not the length of its passages, but its length is unmatched. Mammoth is the world's largest cave system. You can tour a few miles, ranging from short and easy walks to hours of crawling and squeezing through narrow rocky channels. Above ground are miles of trails for hikers, bikers, and horseback riders. Two rivers offer numerous paddling opportunities.



A wonderland of wildflowers and waterfalls. Great Smoky Mountains is the most visited national park. Location plays a part. Nearby tourist traps have a role. But the main reason more than 10 million people visit each year is the park's attractions. It's brimming with beauty, wildlife, and outdoor activities. Hike to a wildflower-filled bald. Go tubing at Deep Creek. Pedal Cades Cove (there are motor-free time periods). Or ride a horse through the Smokies.



A swamp that's not a swamp. Congaree is a floodplain, meaning standing water isn't present most of the year. There's a primeval feel with Spanish moss, cypress knees, spiders, snakes, and mosquitoes. A more recent inhabitant stole the headlines. Synchronous fireflies perform each May/June. When conditions are right, you can paddle Cedar Creek. And anytime of year, as long as it isn't flooded, you can walk along the park's Boardwalk.



A park underwater. More than 95% of the park is water. Much of the land is untethered islands, inaccessible to motorists. To explore this assortment of subtropical treats, you'll need a boat or kayak. Or join Biscayne National Park Institute (biscaynenationalparkinstitute.org) on a tour. Popular destinations include Boca Chita, where you'll find a lighthouse, short trail, campground, and small beach, or Totten and Old Rhodes Keys, which sandwich Jones Lagoon.



A river of grass. Everglades offers a decent collection of hiking and biking paths, but with a maximum elevation of eight feet and a variety of unique ecosystems, it delivers paddling and wildlife watching in spades. Paddlers can explore a labyrinth of mangrove-lined waterways, spending nights on elevated chickees. Alligators, crocodiles, and manatees call this area home. And more than 350 bird species have been spotted. This is a special place for so many species.



An abandoned fort/prison/quarantine station. Dry Tortugas is centered on Garden Key and its unfinished 19th-century fort. You can only reach it by boat or plane from Key West. You can't miss manmade (but never finished) Fort Jefferson. But the most interesting sites might be above and below these low-lying keys. Thousands of migratory birds visit in spring, and colorful reefs are mere feet below the water's surface. It's a peculiar and refreshing place.



Dunes with a view. Indiana Dunes is located along the Lake Michigan shoreline. Chicago and South Bend are a train ride away. The coast and miles of trails offer a fresh breath of nature, often rewarding visitors with impressive views of the distant Chicago skyline. No national park displays humanity's contrasting needs better than Indiana Dunes. Sandy shoreline long used by weary workers is interrupted by steel mills, power plants, and a busy port.



A gateway to the West. Gateway Arch is a manmade monument, not something you'd expect to find mingling with natural wonders like the Grand Canyon and Yosemite Valley. The national park designation is more about what the arch symbolizes than about the land it stands on. It's a symbol of Jefferson's Louisiana Purchase and America's push west, making all those national parks we love today possible. And the tram to the top is pretty neat.



An isolated island for moose, wolves, paddlers, and backpackers. It may come as a surprise that Isle Royale is the only national park closed during winter. This is because the remote island in Lake Superior can only be reached by ferry or seaplane. While daytrips are possible, the necessary transportation logistics make overnight stays (backpacking or paddling) a more practical way to visit. Regardless, it's a magical moose-filled wilderness.



A boater's paradise. This isn't your typical motorist's park. Voyageurs consists of five large freshwater lakes and the Kabetogama Peninsula. Four of the lakes span the Canada-U.S. border. Paddling is popular, but with so much water, a motorboat or even a houseboat remains the more practical option to explore this vast expanse. In winter, the lakes freeze, and motorists drive across their icy surface to fish, ski, or even camp.



A photographer's favorite. Badlands is most often treated as a brief detour from I-90. But if you take your time, hike a few trails, watch some wildlife, and venture further into this colorful collection of spires, pinnacles, and walls, you'll find these Badlands to be one of Mother Nature's greatest masterpieces, similarly striking as the hoodoos of Bryce Canyon or Zion Canyon's red rock walls. While it may be tough living over here, Badlands is definitely worth a visit.



Boxwork below, bison above. Wind Cave contains more than 95% of the world's known boxwork cave formations, named because it resembles an array of post office boxes. With few stalagmites and stalactites, boxwork is the cave's most notable formation (although pure darkness is fun too). Come for the cave. Stay for the wildlife. Bison, elk, and pronghorn roam the open grass prairies. And then there are prairie dogs. Lots and lots of prairie dogs.



A Rough Rider's retreat. Theodore Roosevelt consists of three distinct units connected by the meandering Little Missouri River. South and North Unit scenic drives are the most popular activities, but you'll also find exceptional hiking and horseback riding (with your own horse). The South Unit features petrified forests. Both protect a wealth of wildlife, including bison, pronghorn, elk, wild horses, and (unofficially) the greatest collection of prairie dogs in the U.S.



An iconic landscape. Thanks to their abrupt rise from the flat floor of Jackson Hole, the Tetons are one of the world's most recognizable mountain ranges. And they're more than just mountains. This is a playground for adults. No matter what your interest, Grand Teton has something to offer. Hiking. Backpacking. Mountaineering. Biking. Driving. Floating. Fishing. Horseback Riding. Each activity has top-notch options. It's even great in winter!



Where it all began. The first national park. And there may not be a more worthy place. The magic of Yellowstone cannot be conveyed through words or even images. It's beyond the limit of the wildest imagination and outside the realm of anything you've seen. Yellowstone features predictable geysers, golden canyons, colorful hot springs, towering falls, and so much more. It is one of the few places you must see to believe, and even then, you may have doubts.



A layered landscape. Few settings deliver more drama than Glacier's majestic mountains. And it isn't their size—none reaching 11,000 feet—it's prominence, precipitousness, and abundance setting them apart. With great mountains comes great hiking. Glacier is unquestionably one of the best hiking, backpacking, and sightseeing destinations on the planet. And there's more. You can bike, fish, boat, raft, or ride a horse into these magnificent mountains.



A memory of a bygone era. Hot Springs hearkens back to a time when mobsters ran the streets, and the only crimes you could get to stick were tax evasion. Bathhouse Row was built during the late 19th century to compete with the extravagant European baths. Receiving "traditional therapy" at Buckstaff Baths (buckstaffbaths.com) is probably the oddest NPS-approved thing you can do in a national park, but there are outdoor activities like hiking and camping, too.



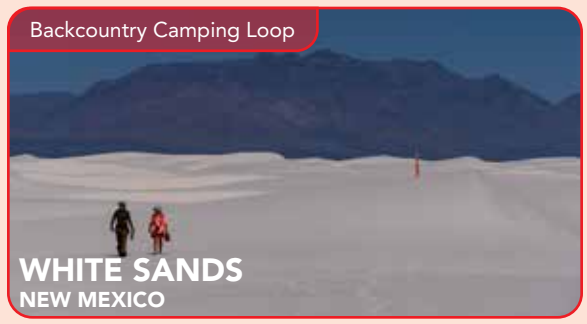
A big ol' bend in the Rio Grande. Big Bend is one of the more pleasant surprises in the entire collection of national parks. It takes some effort to reach this remote mountain desert at the southern border. But the rewards are great. You can float through or hike along spectacular canyons. Soak in hot springs. Or crawl across miles of rugged 4x4 roadways. And the Chisos Mountains become a delightful oasis once things begin to swelter in summer.



Home to the highest peak in Texas. While you can't overlook the Guadalupe Mountains when you're in their vicinity, they are often overlooked by national park enthusiasts. The park is small, and trails are sparse. But there are many quality options, such as Guadalupe Peak, Devil's Hall, and Permian Reef. It also hosts a rich history of colorful characters, challenging commerce, and native-pioneer confrontations. It's at least worth a pit-stop if not an extended stay.



A subterranean cathedral of nature's delicate artwork. Carlsbad is one of the more beautiful commercialized caverns. You can tour a few miles of it on your own, walking through the natural entrance or descending into the Big Room via an elevator from the Visitor Center. The cave is cool, but ranger-guided tours (and bat flight program) make a trip here really fun. Come for the cave. Stay for the bats. And enjoy a little time beneath the earth's surface.



A sea of shimmering sand. White Sands is one of the most beautiful places on the planet. That isn't hyperbole. All the music videos, album covers, and movie sets back it up. And visitors agree. However, there are complications. The park is small. It closes overnight. And it regularly opens late for missile testing. Alkali Flat Trail is wonderful, but the real fun is playing/sledding in the dunes or simply absorbing all that stunning scenery.



Trees of stone. A painted desert. Ancient petroglyphs. Petrified Forest offers many interesting sites. Historic Route 66 even passed through. Perhaps in its spirit, Petrified Forest is treated as a drive-thru attraction by most visitors. The park closes at dusk and lacks overnight accommodations. Contributing factors for sure, but camping is allowed in the backcountry. You can still have some kicks out here, but now they're found at Petrified Forest.



A symbol of the Sonoran Desert. Saguaro, cacti and park, are found in the midst of Tucson's urban sprawl. The park is two units, east and west, both formed around a prominent mountain range. Hiking, birdwatching, biking, and horseback riding are common activities. And the quirky cacti add considerable character to the setting. Hundreds of prickly and oddly welcoming cacti line the mountains' slopes as if waiting to greet you.



A rocky retreat. Rocky Mountain is one of those parks that has it all. Alpine lakes and imposing summits. A scenic drive crossing the continental divide. A wealth of wildlife and waterfalls. Activities for every season and interest. It has just about everything, and everyone knows it. If it has one problem, that's it. Rocky Mountain hosts just about as many visitors as Yellowstone (which also gets busy in summer), but it's roughly one-eighth the size.



A sea in a storm. Great Sand Dunes' dunes go up and down, the tallest rising more than 700 feet. While the dunes immediately draw your attention, the Sangre de Cristo Mountains stand quietly in the back. They complement each other nicely. Play in the sand, go sledding, go sandboarding, or camp, one day. Hike to a lake at the base of a 13,000-ft mountain the next. Just know you'll want a 4WD vehicle to reach most mountain trailheads.



An impassable canyon. Black Canyon of the Gunnison was a site of serious frustration for fur traders and frontiersmen. It remains an imposing obstacle to visitors, but visiting is the primary intent for just about everyone who sets eyes on it these days. Trails lead guests above and below the rim. Experienced adventurers climb these 2,000-foot walls and paddle the wild water below them. It isn't a particularly popular park, but it is a beautiful one.



A collection of mysterious cultural ruins. Mesa Verde is unique in that it isn't about the landscape. It's about how natives used the land to help them survive, building dwellings beneath undercut cliffs. It's unclear what drove Puebloans to construct complicated cliff dwellings nearly 1,000 years ago, but you can tour several of them (including the 100-room Cliff Palace) and satisfy your own curiosities. Mesa Verde is different but no less interesting.



2,000 natural sandstone arches. Arches is an easy park to visit, but it's hard to explain. Seriously, what conditions were required to form these peculiar red-rock arches? And how long did it take? One stands more than ten stories high. Another spans the length of a football field. It's a weird place. A quirky place. A very fun place, where you can hike through the Fiery Furnace, hike to Delicate Arch (above), or drive off-road to less popular parcels.



A cacophony of colorful canyons carved by the Green and Colorado Rivers. Among an unmatched assortment of unreal landscapes, Canyonlands might be the most weirdly wonderful of them all. While roads lead to viewpoints and trails ramble to strange rock formations, it isn't an easy park to explore. You need a 4x4 or mountain bike. A raft or kayak would help too. But once you get a taste of Canyonlands' wilder side, you'll be coming back for more.



A mix of southern Utah's finest red rock formations. Capitol Reef is no one-trick pony. Slot canyons and arches are mixed among the awe-inspiring geology that visitors expect to see in this part of the planet. You'll find excellent hiking, backpacking, off-roading, and camping. Heck, you can even pick fruit in Fruita when it's in season. There are many reasons Capitol Reef should slide out of the shadow cast by the other four Utah national parks.



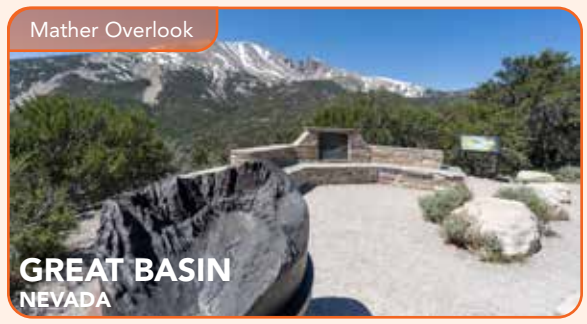
An indescribable amphitheater. Bryce Canyon's amphitheater, lined with stony sentinels called hoodoos, is one of the most striking landscapes on earth. Unfortunately, most people simply view this enigmatic wilderness from the rim and move on. It's true, Bryce is somewhat limited, especially compared to large parks like Yellowstone or Death Valley, but you're doing yourself an extreme disservice if you don't hike among the red rock columns (or take a horse!).



Yosemite in color. The view of Zion Canyon from Angel's Rest or Observation Point is not one you'll soon forget. The Virgin River (above) has carved one of the most mind-boggglingly beautiful canyons known to man. The Narrows and Angel's Landing draw all the headlines, but you'll find a quieter corner at Kolob Canyons, and challenging (if not technical) terrain at sites like The Subway. Zion means "holy sanctuary" in Arabic. Sounds about right to me.



A grand canyon. I'm not sure any park features more extreme variance in visitor experiences than the Grand Canyon. For most of the year, visitors are rafting the Colorado River's raucous rapids. Others are looking down on it from above, aboard a sightseeing plane or helicopter. Some see the canyon from above and below, hiking rim-to-rim, perhaps sleeping at Phantom Ranch. Most simply enjoy the canyon's glory from a few canyon-top viewpoints.



Ancient trees, snow-capped mountains, and an ornate cave. Great Basin is often an oversight of the western national parks. It isn't for lack of beauty. Wheeler Peak provides a strenuous hike. Lehman Cave is open for tours. Bristlecone groves are home to some of the oldest known organisms; some were alive before ancient Egyptians began work on the pyramids. And then, when the sun sets, the skies are some of the darkest in the country.



A tale of two deserts. Weird and wacky only begin to describe the oddities of this extremely peculiar desert landscape. It's covered in piles of massive boulders, strewn about as if they fell from the sky. In their midst, you'll find forests of appropriately spaced Joshua trees, allowing their roots room to soak up enough water in the arid climate (they grow maybe an inch or two each year). If you like deserts, you'll love Joshua Tree. It's quite special.



An island escape. The Channel Islands sit a mere 100 miles from more than 18 million people living in Greater Los Angeles. Water separates this sea of humanity from these picturesque islands teeming with whales, dolphins, seals, and much more marine life. The Channel Islands aren't just an escape; they're filled with adventures. You can paddle through arches and sea caves, snorkel or SCUBA in kelp forests, and backpack across uninhabited wilderness.



A jumble of volcanic rocks. Pinnacles is small by national park standards. But its trails traversing across the High Peaks and through talus caves are among the best hikes maintained by the National Park Service. It's also a favorite destination among rock climbers. And then there's the California condor, the largest flying bird in North America. Once the rarest bird on the planet, they're enjoying a resurgence in numbers thanks to a laborious and costly effort.



An inconceivable environment. Death Valley might rouse the wrong impression. Lead with the fact that it can reach 130+ degrees at Furnace Creek, and you might wonder why anyone would come here. The reason is, it's spectacular. There are sand dunes, salt flats, canyons, and mountains galore. Badwater Basin is the lowest point in North America. Across the valley is 11,000-ft Telescope Peak. Contradictions like these are everywhere at Death Valley.



Eternal trees and transcendent trails. Sequoia and Kings Canyon are two parks under one management. Both possess some of the world's most massive lifeforms, the giant sequoia, but it's the park's backcountry—the ever-impressive Sierra Nevada—that steals the show. Pacific Crest and John Muir Trails lead to the park's pinnacle and the tallest peak in the Lower 48, Mount Whitney, but there are many spectacular sites with awe-inspiring mountain scenery.



A granite icon. Our national parks contain some of the world's most special and spectacular natural environments. Yosemite stands out among them. For many devout visitors, a trip here is a spiritual experience, coming to commune with the trees, summits, wildlife, and waterfalls. While the park is much more than Yosemite Valley, there's a very good chance you may feel you've died and gone to heaven after seeing this sacred setting for the first time.



A miniature Yellowstone. Lassen Volcanic is home to towering volcanoes, simmering hydrothermal areas, alpine lakes, and even a massive lava bed. Before it was a park, Lassen Peak's eruption captivated the nation. More recently, the nation's gaze returned to this remote section of California, this time as wildfires razed much of the forested landscape. Both events show the dynamic forces of nature and how they help shape the places we love.



Skyscrapers of wood. Redwood protects the world's tallest trees—some towering more than 370 feet. Stand next to them for a humbling experience. And the coast is no slouch. Whales pass through these waters. Bluffs provide the perfect vantage point to watch for flukes, spouts, and breaches. Inland, you'll find trails for hiking, biking, and horseback riding. The Pacific Coast suffers an embarrassment of outdoor riches, and Redwood is one of its gems.



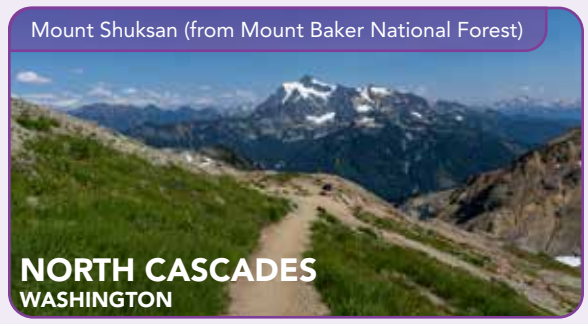
A brilliant blue lake. Crater Lake is all about the 1,943-foot-deep lake filling a volcano that collapsed into itself during a cataclysmic eruption some 8,000 years ago. The park is something of a one-hit wonder, but that hit has been near the top of the charts since long before prospectors scaled these slopes. Still, there's much to do. You can board a boat and cruise to Wizard Island. There's plenty of hiking, and you can camp along the crater's rim in winter.



A beacon of the Pacific Northwest. On a clear day, Mount Rainier can be seen from 100 miles in each direction; some days it can even be seen from Canada. It's the anti-lighthouse. When visible, people heed the mountain's call to explore its trails and enjoy witnessing its majesty. Rainier serves as a proving ground for aspiring mountaineers. At 14,410 feet, its summit is heavily glaciated and a formidable challenge for the fittest climbers.



A diverse wilderness. Olympic features an extreme variety of ecosystems. In one day, you can view a distant glacier from a mountain ridge, paddle a freshwater lake, tidepool along the Pacific Coast, and stroll through a primeval rain forest. And that's only the beginning. There are hot springs, waterfalls, exceptional backpacking opportunities, world record trees, paddling, biking, camping, and miles and miles of Pacific coastline.



A mountaineer's dreamscape. North Cascades is premier mountain country. While most of the mountains can only be reached by a small subset of the park's visitors, there's plenty for everyone. You can ferry to remote Stehekin Village, paddle to secluded campsites, or hike a few trails beginning along North Cascades Scenic Highway. It isn't the most user-friendly park, but if you know where to go, its mountains are sure to wow you!



A land of calving glaciers and spouting whales. Glacier Bay can only be reached by boat or plane. Most guests arrive aboard massive cruise liners. Others fly into Gustavus, stay at Glacier Bay Lodge (there are alternatives, including camping), and enjoy small-boat tours, sea-kayak adventures (for experienced paddlers), and hiking opportunities. And then there are those who raft the Alsek-Tatshenshini Rivers, one of the world's best rafting adventures.



America's Alps. Wrangell-St. Elias is one of the most visually remarkable landscapes on the planet. It's also enormous, the largest national park at more than 13 million acres, covering more than 150 miles of undeveloped coastline; inland, you'll find nine of the sixteen tallest mountains in the United States. Extreme is the right word to start with when describing this wild wilderness. Air is the best way to explore the park, but two roads penetrate its interior.



The High One. McKinley (or Denali), at 20,320 feet, is the tallest mountain in North America. When it isn't obscured by clouds, it cannot be ignored. Even if it isn't out, Denali has much to offer. Most visitors explore the park via the 92-mile Denali Park Road. Its first 15 miles are open to personal vehicles, the rest is left for park-operated buses. Along the way, you'll see many of the park's inhabitants: grizzlies, caribou, moose, Dall's sheep, and wolves.



Rivers of ice. Kenai Fjords possesses more than 400 miles of jagged coastline. Glaciers carved these fjords. Many remain, but most are receding back to their source, Harding Icefield, a 300-square-mile, mile-high mass of ice. Visitors can hike to the impressive icefield, paddle near tidewater glaciers, or patrol the coastal waters, watching for whales or fishing for the catch of the day. In a state filled with inconceivable wonders, Kenai Fjords features some of its best.



"One Man's Wilderness." The inspiration for many Lake Clark visitors stems from one man, Dick Proenneke. He lived along the shore of Twin Lakes for 30 years, building a log cabin with hand tools, living an ascetic life, documenting wildlife and weather. Things aren't that different from when Dick lived here. Today, more visitors hunt the preserve and watch grizzlies at sites like Chinitna Bay. That's summer. The rest of the year, it may feel like your own wilderness.



Fishing bears and smoking valleys. Katmai was established after the Novarupta Volcano eruption in 1912, when an observer referred to the area as the "valley of 10,000 smokes." Today, the surrounding volcanoes and valleys—still buried in volcanic ash—remain impressive, but it's grizzly bears fishing for sockeye salmon at Brooks Falls that draw photographers from around the globe every July and September when they're most active.



Unsurpassed solitude. Gates of the Arctic is 8.5 million acres of undeveloped wilderness. No roads. No trails. Absolutely no campgrounds, lodges, or motorists. The park is best explored by water, floating free-flowing rivers. Most features remain nameless. There are exceptions. Gates of the Arctic refers to Frigid Crags and Boreal Mountain, one on each side of the Koyukuk River. Arrigetch Peaks, another prominent site, rise above the Kobuk River.



An alluring Arctic wilderness. Kobuk Valley is similar to Gates of the Arctic. Both reside entirely above the Arctic Circle. Both are best explored via river (or bush plane). The land is unspoiled, undeveloped, consisting mostly of nameless wilderness. Still, some half a million caribou migrate across the park's southern reaches twice a year, leaving tracks across Great Kobuk Sand Dunes, the largest active dunefield in the Arctic.



A tropical paradise. U.S. Virgin Islands is not your typical park. Most park enthusiasts expect to hike long days, sleep in a tent, maybe even work up a sweat. Here, you can sleep in a tent, but days are spent relaxing on the beach or frolicking in the Caribbean. You may sweat, but that's because it's 80 degrees and sunny. Many find the white sand beaches and turquoise waters a welcome change of pace from the more traditional national park landscapes.



A sleeping volcano and a lively rain forest. Haleakala is a bit of a paradox. The summit area looks more like Martian land explored by Perseverance, *not the lush jungle of Hawaiian vacation dreams. The park's other region, Kipahulu, begins at the Pacific Ocean and continues up the 10,023-ft volcano's eastern flank through dense rain forest, accented by towering waterfalls. An image congruous to our idea of Hawaii, but both worlds are equally fascinating.*



A dynamic landscape. Hawaii Volcanoes is constantly changing. In the last decade, lava spilled through Pahoa, buried Kapoho Tide Pools, poured into the Pacific, and spawned a sometimes-explosive lake of lava at Halemaumau Crater. When the lava lake is full, it lights up the night sky, letting you know Madame Pele is stirring. And in 2022, during the heat of the pandemic, Mauna Loa, the world's most massive mountain, was rumbling!



A remote island chain in the South Pacific. Due to its isolated location, sitting in the South Pacific nearly 5,000 miles from the West Coast of the United States, there's no park with a more unique culture and geography. Many Samoans face a difficult impasse: how to hold on to their traditions and culture while embracing the Western ways. The park may help soften such an extreme dichotomy, and visitors are sure to enjoy the tropical beaches.

Mist Falls Trail (Kings Canyon)

PACIFIC (Washington, DC, minus 3 hours)

MOUNTAIN (Washington, DC, minus 2 hours)

CENTRAL (Washington, DC, minus 1 hour)

Olympic

North Cascades

WASHINGTON

Mount Rainier

Glacier

MONTANA

NORTH DAKOTA

Theodore Roosevelt

WEST

OREGON

IDAHO

Yellowstone

Crater Lake

Grand Teton

SOUTH DAKOTA

Redwood

Wind Cave

Badlands

WYOMING

Lassen Volcanic

NORTH

CALIFORNIA

SOUTHWEST

NEBRASKA

NEVADA

Yosemite

Great Basin

Rocky Mountain

UTAH

COLORADO

Arches

Pinnacles

Capitol Reef

Black Canyon of the Gunnison

Kings Canyon

Canyonlands

KANSAS

Zion

Bryce Canyon

Sequoia

Great Sand Dunes

Death Valley

Mesa Verde

Grand Canyon

Channel Islands

Joshua Tree

Petrified Forest

OKLAHOMA

ARIZONA

NEW MEXICO

SOUTH

PACIFIC OCEAN

Saguaro

White Sands

ARIZONA

Canyon de Chelly NM, Hubbell Trading Post NHS, and Navajo NM observe daylight saving time. Other NPS units in Arizona do not.

Carlsbad Caverns

Guadalupe Mountains

ALASKA

ALASKA (Washington, DC, minus 4 hours)

TEXAS

RUSSIA

Gates of the Arctic

Kobuk Valley

Big Bend

ALASKA

CANADA

REMOTE ISLANDS

Denali

Wrangell-St. Elias

HAWAII (Washington, DC, minus 5 hours; minus 6 hours during daylight saving time)

KAUA'I

Lake Clark

NI'IHAU

O'AHU

MOLOKA'I

Kenai Fjords

Glacier Bay

Haleakala

MAUI

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Hawai'i Volcanoes

ALEUTIAN ISLANDS

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EASTERN (Washington, DC)

Voyageurs

Isle Royale

LAKE SUPERIOR

MINNESOTA

WISCONSIN

LAKE MICHIGAN

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LAKE HURON

LAKE ONTARIO

LAKE ERIE

NEW YORK

MAINE

Acadia

VT

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PENNSYLVANIA

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ATLANTIC OCEAN

IOWA

Indiana Dunes

Cuyahoga Valley

OHIO

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ILLINOIS

INDIANA

Shenandoah

WEST VIRGINIA

Gateway Arch

New River Gorge NP

VIRGINIA

KENTUCKY

Mammoth Cave

MISSOURI

TENNESSEE

NORTH CAROLINA

Great Smoky Mountains

ARKANSAS

Hot Springs

SOUTH CAROLINA

Congaree

ALABAMA

GEORGIA

EAST

North

Scale for all areas except Alaska

0 100 200 300 400 Kilometers

0 100 200 300 400 Miles

MISSISSIPPI

FLORIDA

LOUISIANA

GULF OF AMERICA

Biscayne

Everglades

Dry Tortugas

REMOTE ISLANDS

AMERICAN SAMOA (Washington, DC, minus 5 hours; minus 6 hours during daylight saving time)

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PACIFIC OCEAN

REMOTE ISLANDS

PUERTO RICO and VIRGIN ISLANDS (Washington, DC, plus 1 hour; same time during daylight saving time)

VIRGIN ISLANDS

PUERTO RICO

Virgin Islands

Eastern Driving Distances

Much is made of the amount of driving required to visit Western parks. The East, although densely populated, is also vast.

Acadia	14 hours / 920 miles	Cuyahoga Valley
Cuyahoga Valley	5.5 hours / 320 miles	Shenandoah
Shenandoah	4 hours / 230 miles	New River Gorge
New River Gorge	6 hours / 370 miles	Mammoth Cave
Mammoth Cave	4.5 hours / 240 miles	Great Smoky Mtns
Great Smoky Mtns	4.5 hours / 250 miles	Congaree
Congaree	10 hours / 660 miles	Biscayne
Biscayne	0.5 hours / 20 miles	Everglades
Everglades	3.5 hours / 130 miles	Dry Tortugas (+ flight or ferry)

EASTERN (Washington, DC)

EAST

Acadia NP
Cuyahoga Valley NP
Indiana Dunes NP
Shenandoah NP
New River Gorge NP
Mammoth Cave NP
Great Smoky Mountains NP
Congaree NP
Everglades NP
Biscayne NP
Dry Tortugas NP

NORTHEAST

BOSTON AREA
Adams NHP
Boston African American NHS
Boston Harbor Islands NRA
Boston NHP
Frederick Law Olmsted NHS
John Fitzgerald Kennedy NHS
Longfellow House-Washington's Headquarters NHS
Minute Man NHP
Salem Maritime NHP
Saugus Iron Works NHS

NEW YORK CITY AREA
African Burial Ground NM
Castle Clinton NM
Federal Hall N MEM
Gateway NRA (also NJ)
General Grant N MEM
Governors Island NM
Hamilton Grange N MEM
Saint Paul's Church NHS
Statue of Liberty NM
Stonewall NM
Theodore Roosevelt Birthplace NHS

PHILADELPHIA AREA
Edgar Allan Poe NHS
Hopewell Furnace NHS
Independence NHP
Thaddeus Kosciuszko N MEM
Valley Forge NHP

BALTIMORE AREA
Fort McHenry NM and Historic Shrine
Hampton NHS

NATIONAL CAPITAL

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Belmont-Paul Women's Equality NM
Carter G. Woodson Home NHS
Constitution Gardens
Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial
Ford's Theatre NHS
Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial
Frederick Douglass NHS
Korean War Veterans Memorial
Lincoln Memorial
Lyndon Baines Johnson Memorial Grove
Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial
Mary McLeod Bethune Council House NHS
National Capital Parks
National Mall
Pennsylvania Avenue NHS
Rock Creek Park
Theodore Roosevelt Island
Thomas Jefferson Memorial
Vietnam Veterans Memorial
Washington Monument
White House
World War I Memorial
World War II Memorial

MARYLAND
Antietam NB
Catoctin Mountain Park
Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP (also DC and WV)
Clara Barton NHS
Fort Washington Park
Greenbelt Park
Monocacy NB
Piscataway Park
Potomac Heritage NST (also PA, VA, and DC)

VIRGINIA
Arlington House, The Robert E. Lee Memorial
George Washington Memorial PKWY (also MD)
Manassas NBP
Prince William Forest Park
Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts

North

0 100 200 300 400 Kilometers
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THE EAST

Acadia Basics

Size (acres)	Visitation (2025)	Trails (miles)
49K (50 of 63)	4.0M (same as 2024) (7 of 63, same as 2024)	150+ (18 of 63)

(207) 288-3338 | nps.gov/acad
Entrance Fee: $35/car
Lodging: None
Camping: Blackwoods*, Seawall*, Schoodic Woods*, Duck Harbor*

*reserve at recreation.gov

Acadia Driving Distances

With three distinct regions, it's a good idea to know how much time to allow (ignoring traffic) to get from one to the other. A seasonal ferry runs between Bar Harbor and Winter Harbor (among several other ferries). You'll need to book with the Mail Boat to reach Isle au Haut from Stonington.

Bar Harbor	16 minutes / 6 miles	Cadillac Mtn
Bar Harbor	16 minutes / 7 miles	Jordan Pond
Bar Harbor	30 minutes / 18 miles	Bass Harbor
Bar Harbor	75 minutes / 49 miles	Schoodic Peninsula
Bar Harbor	85 minutes / 58 miles	Stonington, ME
Stonington, ME	100 minutes / 67 miles	Schoodic Peninsula


Bar Island at low tide

Why Visit Acadia?

- Exceptional hiking!
- Bike, hike, or ride (horse-drawn carriages!) along Rockefeller's carriage roads
- Water activities (swimming, boat tours, ferries, and paddling)
- Rock climbing
- Fall foliage (Sept/Oct)
- Lighthouses
- The park (and MDI in particular) is a very unique place with an interesting mix of human history and recreational opportunities
- Hiking! It needed to be repeated, as Acadia is one of the best hiking destinations.
- Bird watching!

When to Visit Acadia

More than half a million people visit each month from June through October, peaking during the 4th of July. While that's an awful lot of people on an island, it is the most pleasant time (weather-wise) to visit. April and May can be good, too, and far less crowded. Snow is possible from November through March. Precipice Trail, which is fantastic (with extreme exposure and grade), is typically only open from mid-August through mid-March.

What You Need to Know About Acadia

- The Island Explore Shuttle (exploreacadia.com) is a great free resource available from June through mid-October. You won't have to worry about parking, and it opens up many one-way hiking possibilities. There's an app that shows real-time shuttle locations.
- Fall foliage typically peaks in early October.
- For "thunder" at Thunder Hole, try to arrive between high and low tides.
- In summer, a permit (available on recreation.gov) is required to drive to the summit of Cadillac Mountain. It's a popular destination all day long, but it's known as the spot to watch the sunrise.
- Even if you missed out on a Cadillac permit, don't sleep in. There are many good sunrise spots along Ocean Path, including Sand Beach, Thunder Hole, Boulder Beach, and Gorham Mountain (hike).
- If you like guided tours, Acadia has plenty. Outfitters will take you paddling in Frenchman's Bay or Somes Sound. You can learn to rock climb, join a bicycle tour, explore the ocean on scenic, whale/puffin watching, and/or educational cruises, and there are horse-drawn carriage tours. You can also book a scenic flight from Bar Harbor airport.
- If you'd like a uniquely primitive and quiet camping experience at Isle au Haut's Duck Harbor, try to reserve (recreation.gov) one of the five sites as soon as they become available (typically early April).
- Most visitors reach Isle au Haut aboard the Mail Boat (isleauhaut.com) out of Stonington.


Dorr Mountain

Acadia Favorites

Easy Hikes: Bar Island (1.4 miles), Ocean Path (4.4), Summit Path (0.3), Great Meadow (2)
Moderate Hikes: Gorham Mtn (1.8), Bubble Rock (1, steep)
Strenuous Hikes: Giant Slide (2.8), Penobscot (3.7), Sargent Mountain (varies), Pemetic Northwest (varies)
Extreme (Ladder) Hikes: Precipice (2.1), Beehive (1.6), Ladder/Dorr (3.3), Jordan Cliffs (3.7)
Views: Cadillac Mountain, Sand Beach, Bass Harbor Head Lighthouse, Jordan Pond House, Schoodic Point
Carriage Roads: Bike/hike to the top of Day Mountain, around Eagle Lake, or by Bubble Pond


View of Jordan Pond from Bubble Rock

How Much Time Do You Have?

1 Day: You'll want to spend your day on Mount Desert Island. And make it count by taking in the sunrise atop Cadillac Mountain (reservation required in summer via recreation.gov) or along Ocean Path. Stop at Jordan Pond House for tea and a popover and join a carriage tour. Spend the rest of your time hiking. If you're visiting during peak season, you may be tempted to venture over to the quiet side of MDI (west of Somes Sound), but the busy side is busy for a reason. Traffic can be troublesome, but the Island Explorer Shuttle (exploreacadia.com) makes it bearable. It also lets you create a bunch of short-ish one-way hiking routes.

2 Days: Stick with the 1-day plan, staying around Park Loop Road. If you're tired from hiking, rent a canoe or a kayak to paddle Eagle Lake, Long Pond, or Jordan Pond. You can also paddle out into Frenchman Bay from Bar Harbor.

3 Days: Now start thinking about heading over to Isle au Haut or Schoodic Peninsula (a passenger ferry travels from Bar Harbor to Winter Harbor in about the same amount of time it takes to drive). With that said, there are plenty of exceptional hikes to spend more than three days on MDI. Check out the favorites lists for a few ideas.

Beyond Acadia

Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument and Baxter State Park are the two "Maine" attractions, but there are many more in New England and upstate New York. Check stoneroadpress.com/acad for a few road trip suggestions.

Mount Desert Island

Hancock County-Bar Harbor Airport
Hadley Point
EASTERN BAY
Sand Point
Parker Point
Thompson Island Information Center
NARROWS
Thomas Island
Salsbury Cove
Hamilton Pond
MOUNT DESERT ISLAND
Thomas Bay
MOUNT DESERT
Lookout Point
Hulls Cove
Hulls Cove
FRENCHMAN BAY
Start of Park Loop Road
Hulls Cove Entrance
ALLEY ISLAND
Crooked Road
Lake Wood
Hulls Cove Visitor Center
Burnt Porcupine Island
Bar Island
Sheep Porcupine Island
Park Loop Road
Witch Hole Pond
WESTERN BAY
Oak Point
Town Hill
Indian Point
Breakneck Ponds
BAR HARBOR
Passenger ferry
Village Green
Vehicle Reservations required (peak season, as of 2025)
No RVs
No public bus service
Duck Brook Rd
Cadillac Mountain Entrance
Breakwater
Bald Porcupine Island
Green Island
Black Island
Indian Point Rd
Jordan Pond
Cadillac Mountain
Park Headquarters
No swimming
Sieur de Monts
Squid Island
Little Round Pond
Aunt Betty Pond
EAGLE LAKE
Cadillac Sum. Rd
Somes Pond
Somesville
No RVs
No public bus service
Schooner Head Rd
Round Pond
Bar Island
Connors Nubble
Dorr Mtn
Sieur de Monts Entrance
Pretty Marsh Road
Ripples Rd
Beech Hill Rd
Cadillac Mountain 1530 ft
Champlain Mtn
Park Loop Rd
Beech Hill Crossroad
SOMES SOUND
Sargent Mountain 1373 ft
North Bubble
Bubble Pond
No swimming
Sand Beach Entrance Station
Pretty Marsh
Pretty Marsh Harbor
Pretty Marsh
Long Pond Fire Rd
Hall Quarry
ECHO LAKE
Autos only
Parkman Mtn
Gilmore Peak
South Bubble
The Bowl
Bald Peak
Penobscot Mtn
Pemetic Mountain
Beehive
Wildwood Stables
Gorham Mtn
Folly Island
Hodgdon Pond
LONG POND
Ikes Point
Acadia Mtn
Norumbega Mountain
No swimming
No swimming
Upper Hadlock Pond
Jordan Pond House
Gatehouse
Bridge: 12' 9"
Bridge: 11' 8"
Otter Creek
Old Soaker
Beech Mountain
Beech Mtn (fire tower)
Echo Lake Beach
Valley Cove
Lower Hadlock Pond
Gatehouse
Bridge: 10' 4"
Otter Cliff
Otter Cliff Rd
Long Pond
No swimming
Carriage roads outside the park closed to bicyclists
Day Mtn
Otter Point
SEAL COVE POND
Great Notch
Mansell Mtn
Carroll Homestead
Interpretive trail
Stanley Brook Entrance
SEAL HARBOR
one-way
Little Hunters Beach
Hunters Head
Bernard Mountain
No swimming
Lurvey Spring Rd
Fernald Pt Rd
Fernald Point
The Narrows
NORTHEAST HARBOR
Northeast Harbor
Seal Harbor
Ingraham Point
Mill Field
Gilley Field
Long Pond Rd
Seal Cove
Western Mtn Rd
SOUTHWEST HARBOR
Closed to public
Bear Island
Blackwoods Campground
Amphitheater
Seal Cove
Seal Cove Rd
GREENING ISLAND
EASTERN WAY
Southwest Harbor
passenger ferry
passenger ferry (seasonal)
SUTTON ISLAND
Islesford Historical Museum
Manset
West Tremont
BLUE HILL BAY
Bass Harbor Marsh
Islesford
Carriage Roads
passenger ferry
Goose Cove
Tremont Rd
Hio Truck Road
Cranberry Isles
LITTLE CRANBERRY ISLAND
WESTERN WAY
Duck Cove
The Pool
GREAT CRANBERRY ISLAND
BAKER ISLAND
Bass Harbor
Seawall Campground
Amphitheater
Natural Seawall
BERNARD
BASS HARBOR
Seawall
Ship Harbor
Wonderland
Bass Harbor Head Lighthouse
Autos only
Ship Harbor
Swans Island ferry (vehicle)
Bass Harbor Head
Bass Harbor Head Lighthouse

North
0 1 2 Kilometers
0 1 2 Miles

Do not use this map for hiking or carriage road navigation. Buy maps at visitor center.

Some lands within and adjoining the park remain private property; respect the owners' rights and posted regulations.

Warning: Low-clearance bridges (*see map*) make advance route planning necessary for RVs and tall vehicles.

STAVE ISLAND

Long Porcupine Island

Jordan Island

IRONBOUND ISLAND

to Winter Harbor (seasonal)

Wild Gardens of Acadia

Nature Center

Abbe Museum

Bridge clearance: 12' 2"

Bear Brook

The Thrumcap — **Precipice**

Egg Rock

Precipice Trailhead — **Beehive**

Schooner Head Overlook

Autos only — **Sand Beach**

Great Head — Sand Beach

Thunder Hole

Gorham Mountain Trailhead

Fabbri

Regions of Acadia

Bucksport

To I-95, Augusta, and Portland

18 mi 29 km

20 mi 32 km

Ellsworth to Bangor and I-95 26 mi 42 km

Ellsworth

19 mi 31 km

Gouldsboro

West Gouldsboro

6 mi 10 km

Winter Harbor

Belfast

Blue Hill

36 mi 58 km

27 mi 43 km

Camden

To Wiscasset and Portland

Rockland

Deer Isle

Stonington

Passenger ferry

Vehicle ferry

Swans Island

Bass Harbor

Southwest Harbor

Northeast Harbor

Bar Harbor

20 mi 32 km

Passenger ferry

Schoodic Peninsula (SP) Detail

Mount Desert Island (MDI) Detail

Isle au Haut (IAH) Detail

ACADIA NATIONAL PARK

0 10 20 Kilometers

0 10 20 Miles

Acadia National Park

Park Loop Road

Unpaved road

Carriage road

Hiking trail

Locked gate

Ranger station

Picnic area

Campground

Swimming (seasonal)

Boat launch

Restrooms

Lighthouse

Food service

Parking

Bus stop

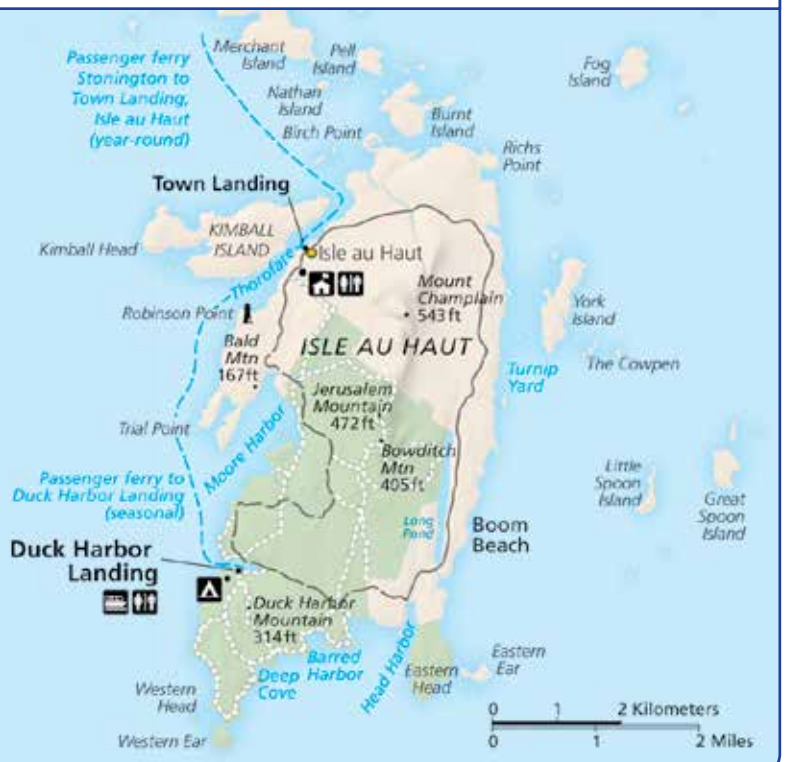
Ferry to park areas

Park Loop Road Entrance

The Mail Boat



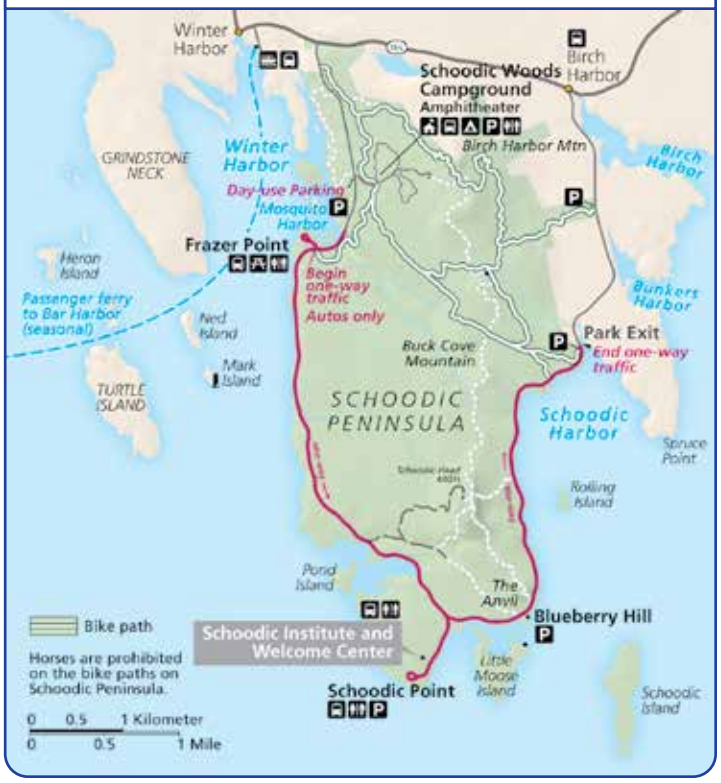
Isle au Haut



The view from Schoodic Peninsula



Schoodic Peninsula



MOUNTAIN (Washington, DC, minus 2 hours)

CENTRAL (Washington, DC, minus 1 hour)

Glacier NP

Nez Perce NHP

HELENA

MONTANA

Grant-Kohrs Ranch NHS

Big Hole NB

BILLINGS

IDAHO

Little Bighorn Battlefield NM

Bighorn Canyon NRA

BOISE

Yellowstone NP

Devils Tower NM

John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial PKWY

Grand Teton NP

Hagerman Fossil Beds NM

Craters of the Moon NM & PRES

Minidoka NHS

City of Rocks N RES

Golden Spike NHS

Fossil Butte NM

WYOMING

Fort Union Trading Post NHS

Theodore Roosevelt NP

Knife River Indian Villages NHS

BISMARCK

NORTH DAKOTA

SOUTH DAKOTA

Minuteman Missile NHS

PIERRE

Mount Rushmore N MEM

Jewel Cave NM

Wind Cave NP

Badlands NP

Niobrara NSR

Agate Fossil Beds NM

Fort Laramie NHS

Scotts Bluff NM

SALT LAKE CITY

Timpanogos Cave NM

CHEYENNE

Dinosaur NM

Rocky Mtn NP

DENVER

COLORADO

Florissant Fossil Beds NM

Nicodemus NHS

Curecanti NRA

Sand Creek Massacre NHS

Bent's Old Fort NHS

Fort Larned NHS

Great Sand Dunes NP & PRES

Aztec Ruins NM

Capulin Volcano NM

Chaco Culture NHP

Manhattan Project NHP

Caldera N Pres

Bandelier NM

Fort Union NM

SANTA FE

Pecos NHP

Lake Meredith NRA

Walnut Canyon NM

Tuzigoot NM

El Morro NM

Petroglyph

Northern Driving Distances

There are a few decent multi-park roadtrips, but it's mostly long drives and small towns in the north.

Indiana Dunes	5 hours / 300 miles	Gateway Arch
Gateway Arch	10.5 hours / 675 miles (+ flight or ferry)	Isle Royale (Houghton, MI)
Isle Royale (Houghton, MI) (+ flight or ferry)	6.5 hours / 360 miles	Voyageurs
Isle Royale (Grand Portage, MN)	4.25 hours / 250 miles (+ ferry)	Voyageurs
Voyageurs	11.5 hours / 700 miles	Badlands
Badlands	2.5 hours / 130 miles	Wind Cave
Wind Cave	5 hours / 300 miles	Theodore Roosevelt
Theodore Roosevelt	9.5 hours / 550 miles	Grand Teton
Grand Teton	2 hours / 85 miles	Yellowstone
Yellowstone	7 hours / 400 miles	Glacier

THE NORTH

Voyageurs NP
Isle Royale NP
Grand Portage NM
LAKE SUPERIOR
Apostle Islands NL
Keweenaw NHP
FARGO
North Country NST
Pictured Rocks NL
MINNESOTA
LAKE HURON
Saint Croix NSR
Mississippi NRRA
MINNEAPOLIS
ST PAUL
WISCONSIN
Sleeping Bear Dunes NL
Ice Age NST
LAKE MICHIGAN
Pipestone NM
MICHIGAN
Effigy Mounds NM
MILWAUKEE
MADISON
LANSING
DETROIT
Missouri NRR
River Raisin NBP
IOWA
CHICAGO
Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley NM
Pullman NM
TOLEDO
Herbert Hoover NHS
Indiana Dunes NP
NEBRASKA
DES MOINES
OMAHA
LINCOLN
NORTH
ILLINOIS
INDIANA
Dayton Aviation Heritage NHP
Homestead NM of America
INDIANAPOLIS
Springfield 1908 Race Riot NM
SPRINGFIELD
Lincoln Home NHS
New Philadelphia NHS
CINCINNATI
William Howard NHS
Gateway Arch NP
KANSAS CITY
Harry S Truman NHS
George Rogers Clark NHP
TOPEKA
Brown v. Board of Education NHS
ST LOUIS
FRANKFORT
JEFFERSON CITY
Ulysses S. Grant NHS
LOUISVILLE
Camp Nelson N
KANSAS
Tallgrass Prairie N PRES
Lincoln Boyhood N MEM
Abraham Lincoln Birthplace NHP
MISSOURI
KENTUCKY
Ste. Geneviève NHP
WICHITA
Fort Scott NHS
Mammoth Cave NP
Mill Springs Battlefield
Wilson's Creek NB
Ozark NSR
Big South Fork NRRA
George Washington Carver NM
Fort Donelson NB
Manhattan Project NHP
NASHVILLE
Obed WSR
Pea Ridge NMP
Stones River NB
TULSA
TENNESSEE
Great Smoky Mountains
Buffalo NR

West Yellowstone to Bozeman, MT
90 mi
145 km
West Yellowstone to Big Sky, MT
48 mi
77 km

Gallatin River

GALLATIN

CUSTER - GALLATIN NATIONAL FOREST

Specimen Creek

Sportsman Lake

Electric Peak
10969 ft
3343 m

Old Yellowstone Trail

Gardiner to Livingston, MT
52 mi
84 km
Gardiner to Bozeman, MT
84 mi
135 km

89

Jardine

no water

Gardiner

Bear Creek

Roosevelt Arch

North Entrance
5314 ft
1620 m

Road between Gardiner and Cooke City is open all year

5 mi
8 km

one-way

Yellowstone

Mammoth Hot Springs
Albright Visitor Center
Mammoth Hot Springs Terraces

Park Headquarters

LEE METCALF WILDERNESS

Fan Creek

RANGE

Gardner River

Road closed from early November to mid-April

Little Quadrant Mountain
9885 ft
3013 m

Mammoth Terrace

Bunsen Peak
8564 ft
2610 m

Golden Gate

HOLE

GARDNERS

Osprey Falls

Swan Lake

Mount Everts
7841 ft
2390 m

Forces of the Northern Range

Blacktail Deer Cr

Blacktail Pond

Phantom Lake

Undine Falls

Wraith Falls

Blacktail Plateau Drive

BLACKTAIL DEER PLATEAU

Wraith Falls

191

CUSTER-GALLATIN NATIONAL FOREST

31 mi
50 km

Quadrant Mountain
9944 ft
3031 m

Panther Creek

Indian Creek

Sheepeater Cliff

Prospect Peak
9525 ft
2903 m

Antler Peak
10023 ft
3055 m

Indian Creek

WILLOW PARK

21 mi
34 km

Lava Creek

WASHBURN RANGE

Bunsen Peak/Osprey Falls

Dome Mountain
9894 ft
3016 m

Mount Holmes
10336 ft
3150 m

Winter Creek

Grizzly Lake

Beaver Lake

Obsidian Cliff
7383 ft
2250 m

West Yellowstone, MT to Earthquake Lake Visitor Center
28 mi
45 km

Grayling Creek

MONTANA
WYOMING

Hebgen Lake

287

Gneiss Creek

Road between Tower Fall and Canyon Village is closed mid-October to late May

Roaring Mountain

Observation Peak
9397 ft
2864 m

Straight Creek

Twin Lakes

Nymph Lake

Museum of the National Park Ranger

Grebe Lake

Cascade Lake

Wolf Lake

Norris
7526 ft 2311 m

Museum and Information Station

Gibbon River

Ice Lake

NORRIS GEYSER BASIN
Steamboat Geyser

Norris Basin

12 mi
19 km

Virginia Cascade

Artists Paintpots

Monument Geyser Basin

Beryl Spring

14 mi
23 km

Otter Creek

Alum Creek

MADISON VALLEY

West Yellowstone, MT to Ashton, ID
60 mi
97 km

West Yellowstone

West Entrance
6667 ft
2032 m

20

Two Ribbons

Firehole Falls

14 mi
23 km

Gibbon Falls
84 ft
26 m

Madison River

Road closed from early November to mid-April

West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center

Mount Haynes
8235 ft
2510 m

National Park Mountain
7500 ft
2286 m

Madison
6806 ft 2074 m
Information Station

YELLOWSTONE

Firehole Falls

Firehole Canyon Drive

Firehole R

Mary Lake

Nez Perce Creek

Fountain Flat Drive

CENTRAL PLATEAU

Lake Village

LOWER GEYSER BASIN
Fountain Paint Pot

Firehole Lake Drive

Great Fountain Geyser

Fairy Creek

Grand Prismatic Spring

Fairy Falls

Goose Lake

Beach Lake

Bridge Bay

MONTANA
IDAHO

MIDWAY GEYSER BASIN
Grand Prismatic Spring

16 mi
26 km

Biscuit Basin

Firehole River

Little

Mystic Falls

UPPER GEYSER BASIN

Mallard Lake

CONTINENTAL DIVIDE

West Thumb Geyser Basin

De Lacy Lakes

Black Sand Basin

CUSTER - GALLATIN NATIONAL FOREST

ABSAROKA - BEARTOOTH WILDERNESS

ABSAROKA RANGE

Hellroaring Creek

PLATEAU

Stillwater River

Beartooth Highway closed from mid-October to late May

Colter Pass
8048 ft
2453 m

Cooke City

Silver Gate

Road between Gardiner and Cooke City is open all year

Northeast Entrance
7365 ft
2245 m

212

Northeast Entrance to Red Lodge, MT
69 mi
111 km

NORTH ABSAROKA WILDERNESS

Hellroaring Mountain
8363 ft
2549 m

BUFFALO

MONTANA
WYOMING

Slough Creek

Pebble Creek

Barronette Peak
10404 ft
3171 m

Abiathar Peak
10928 ft
3331 m

Buffalo Creek

McBride Lake

River

18 mi
29 km

Floating Island Lake

one-way

Slough Creek

Tower-Roosevelt
6270 ft
1911 m

Petrified Tree

Roosevelt Lodge

Tower Fall
132 ft
40 m

Tower Fall

Lamar River

Yellowstone Forever Institute

Pebble Creek

Druid Peak
9583 ft
2921 m

Trout Lake

The Thunderer
10554 ft
3217 m

Soda Butte Creek

Cache Mountain
9596 ft
2925 m

SPECIMEN RIDGE

29 mi
47 km

LAMAR VALLEY

Mount Norris
9936 ft
3028 m

SHOSHONE NATIONAL FOREST

Tower Creek

19 mi
31 km

Antelope Creek

Chittenden Road

Lamar River

Cache Creek

Lamar Valley

Backpacking/Pack Trips - Cache Creek

Mount Washburn

Mount Washburn
10243 ft
3122 m

Dunraven Pass
8859 ft
2700 m

Washburn Hot Springs Overlook

YELLOWSTONE

GRAND CANYON OF THE YELLOWSTONE

MIRROR PLATEAU

APPROXIMATE CALDERA BOUNDARY

Miller Creek

Canyon Village
Visitor Education Center

Canyon and falls visible only from overlooks along the canyon rims

Lower Falls
Upper Falls

Wapiti Lake

Parker Peak
10203 ft
3110 m

Saddle Mountain
10670 ft
3252 m

Lamar River

Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone

Yellowstone River

Hayden Valley

HAYDEN VALLEY

White Lake

NATIONAL PARK

Pollux Peak
11067 ft
3373 m

Castor Peak
10854 ft
3308 m

Pelican Cone
9643 ft
2939 m

Sulphur Caldron

Mud Volcano

LeHardys Rapids

16 mi
26 km

Fishing Bridge
Museum and Visitor Center

Pelican Creek

PELICAN VALLEY

Pyramid Peak
10497 ft
3199 m

North Fork Shoshone River

Fishing Bridge RV Park
Hard-sided camping units only

NORTH ABSAROKA WILDERNESS

Indian Pond

Mary Bay

Turbid Lake

Steamboat Point

Sedge Bay

Lake Butte Overlook
8348 ft
2544 m

Natural Bridge

Gull Point Drive

Stevenson Island

East Entrance
6951 ft
2119 m

Cody Peak
10267 ft
3129 m

Avalanche Peak
10566 ft
3221 m

27 mi
43 km

YELLOWSTONE LAKE

Surface elevation
7733 ft 2357 m

Sylvan Lake

Eleanor Lake

Sylvan Pass
8530 ft
2600 m

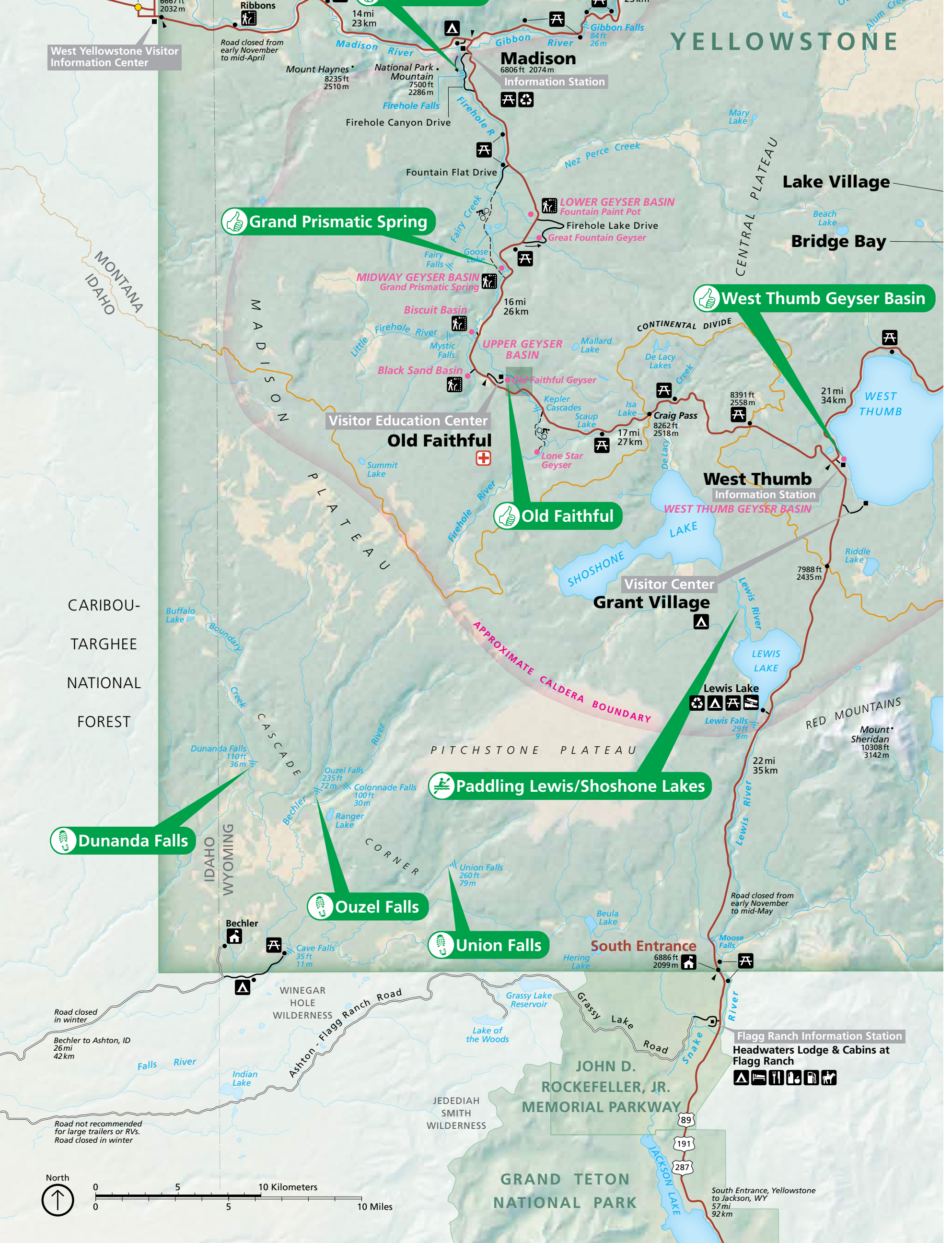
Hard-sided camping units only

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Hard-sided camping units only

Grizzly Peak

Road closed from early November to early May


West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center
6667 ft
2032 m
Ribbons
Road closed from early November to mid-April
14 mi
23 km
Madison River
Mount Haynes
8235 ft
2510 m
National Park Mountain
7500 ft
2286 m
Firehole Falls
Firehole Canyon Drive
Madison
6806 ft 2074 m
Information Station
Gibbon River
Gibbon Falls
84 ft
26 m
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Biscuit Basin
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UPPER GEYSER BASIN
Mallard Lake
Black Sand Basin
Old Faithful Geyser
Visitor Education Center
Old Faithful
Kepler Cascades
Scaup Lake
Isa Lake
Craig Pass
8262 ft
2518 m
17 mi
27 km
Lone Star Geyser
Summit Lake
CONTINENTAL DIVIDE
De Lacy Lakes
De Lacy Creek
8391 ft
2558 m
21 mi
34 km
WEST THUMB
West Thumb Geyser Basin
West Thumb
Information Station
WEST THUMB GEYSER BASIN
Old Faithful
Firehole River
LAKE
SHOSHONE
Riddle Lake
7988 ft
2435 m
Visitor Center
Grant Village
Lewis River
LEWIS LAKE
APPROXIMATE CALDERA BOUNDARY
Lewis Lake
Lewis Falls
29 ft
9 m
RED MOUNTAINS
Mount Sheridan
10308 ft
3142 m
22 mi
35 km
Lewis River
CARIBOU-
TARGHEE
NATIONAL
FOREST
Buffalo Lake
Boundary Creek
CASCADE
Dunanda Falls
110 ft
36 m
Dunanda Falls
Ouzel Falls
235 ft
72 m
Colonnade Falls
100 ft
30 m
Bechler River
Ranger Lake
PITCHSTONE PLATEAU
IDAHO
WYOMING
CORNER
Union Falls
260 ft
79 m
Ouzel Falls
Union Falls
Paddling Lewis/Shoshone Lakes
Road closed from early November to mid-May
Beula Lake
Moose Falls
South Entrance
6886 ft
2099 m
Hering Lake
Bechler
Cave Falls
35 ft
11 m
WINEGAR HOLE WILDERNESS
Grassy Lake Reservoir
Grassy Lake Road
Snake River
Flagg Ranch Information Station
Headwaters Lodge & Cabins at Flagg Ranch
Road closed in winter
Bechler to Ashton, ID
26 mi
42 km
Falls River
Indian Lake
Ashton - Flagg Ranch Road
Lake of the Woods
JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, JR. MEMORIAL PARKWAY
JEDEDIAH SMITH WILDERNESS
Road not recommended for large trailers or RVs.
Road closed in winter
89
191
287
JACKSON LAKE
GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK
South Entrance, Yellowstone to Jackson, WY
57 mi
92 km
North
0
5
10 Kilometers
0
5
10 Miles

Hayden Valley

NATIONAL PARK

HAYDEN VALLEY

Yellowstone River

White Lake

Sulphur Caldron

Mud Volcano

LeHardys Rapids

16 mi
26 km

Fishing Bridge

Museum and Visitor Center

Fishing Bridge RV Park
Hard-sided camping units only

Pelican Creek

PELICAN VALLEY

Indian Pond

Mary Bay

Turbid Lake

Steamboat Point

Sedge Bay

Lake Butte Overlook
8348 ft
2544 m

Natural Bridge

Gull Point Drive

Stevenson Island

YELLOWSTONE LAKE

Surface elevation
7733 ft 2357 m

Maximum depth
410 ft 131 m

Dot Island

Frank Island

Delusion Lake

Flat Mountain Arm

SOUTH ARM

THE PROMONTORY

SOUTHEAST ARM

CONTINENTAL DIVIDE

Pelican Cone
9643 ft
2939 m

Castor Peak
10854 ft
3308 m

11067 ft
3373 m

Pyramid Peak
10497 ft
3199 m

North Fork Shoshone River

NORTH ABSAROKA WILDERNESS

East Entrance
6951 ft
2119 m

Cody Peak
10267 ft
3129 m

Avalanche Peak
10566 ft
3221 m

27 mi
43 km

Sylvan Lake

Eleanor Lake

Sylvan Pass
8530 ft
2600 m

Grizzly Peak
9948 ft
3032 m

Road closed from early November to early May

Hard-sided camping units only

20

Hard-sided camping units only

14
16

East Entrance to Cody, WY
53 mi
85 km

Top Notch Peak
10238 ft
3121 m

Avalanche Peak

Reservation Peak
10629 ft
3240 m

Mount Doane
10656 ft
3248 m

Mount Langford
10774 ft
3284 m

Mount Stevenson
10352 ft
3155 m

ABSAROKA

SHOSHONE NATIONAL FOREST

WASHAKIE WILDERNESS

Mount Schurz
11139 ft
3395 m

Eagle Pass
9628 ft
2935 m

Eagle Peak
11358 ft
3462 m
Highest point in the park

Colter Peak
10683 ft
3256 m

Table Mountain
11063 ft
3372 m

Turret Mountain
10995 ft
3351 m

Yellowstone River

Trail Lake

Heart Lake

Grouse Creek

Overlook Mountain
9321 ft
2841 m

TWO OCEAN PLATEAU

Chipmunk Creek

Mountain Creek

Snake River

Mount Hancock
10214 ft
3113 m

THE TRIDENT

BRIDGER - TETON NATIONAL FOREST

TETON WILDERNESS

RANGE

Bridger Lake

Thorofare Creek

Backpacking/Pack Trips - The Thorofare

Forest / meadow land cover

Unpaved road

5 mi
8 km
Distance indicator

One-way road

Geothermal feature

Trail or boardwalk

Day-use hiking/ bicycling trail
(*ask for more information*)

Visiting Yellowstone National Park

Road construction is underway on park roadways. Check the park newspaper, visit **www.nps.gov/yell,** or phone **307-344-2117** for delays or closures.

Speed Limit

45 mph unless otherwise posted. Please drive slowly and cautiously to protect yourself and wildlife.

Winter Road Closures

From early November to mid-April most park roads are closed. The exception is the road between Gardiner and Cooke City. It is open all year.

From mid-December to mid-March, oversnow vehicles may be used only on the unplowed, groomed park roads. Call park headquarters for regulations or check the park website, **www.nps.gov/yell**.

Boating

Permits are required for all watercraft; ask at ranger stations. Areas closed to watercraft include all rivers except Lewis River between Lewis and Shoshone lakes.

Backcountry Use

Get trail maps and permits, required for backcountry camping, at most ranger stations. Do not use this map for backcountry hiking. There are almost 1,000 miles of trails.

Fishing

A Yellowstone National Park fishing permit is required. State permits are not valid in the park and state regulations do not apply.

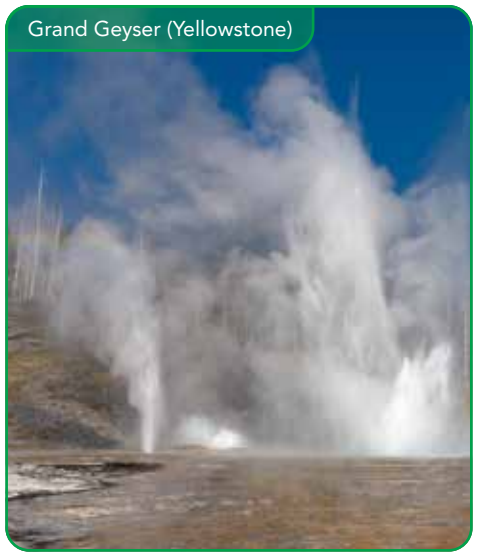
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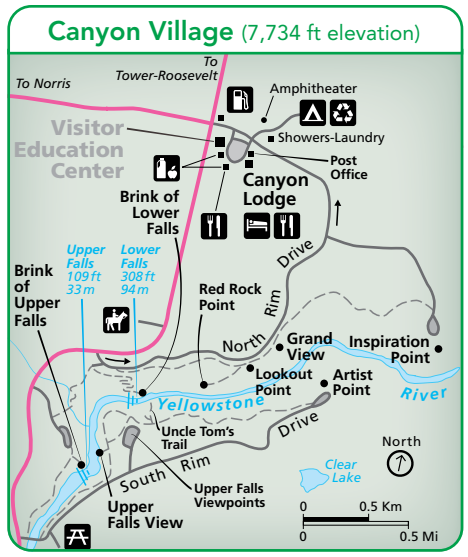
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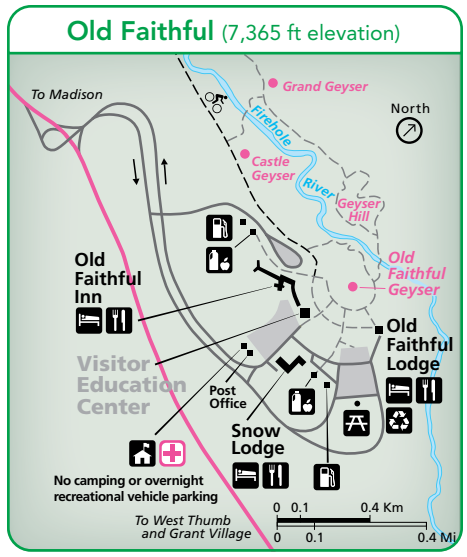
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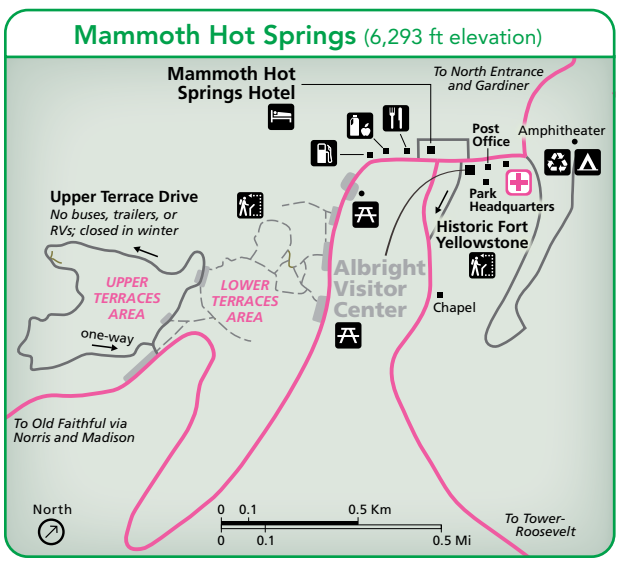
We strive to make facilities, services, and programs accessible to all. Service animals are allowed but require a permit in the backcountry. Find information at visitor centers and on our website.

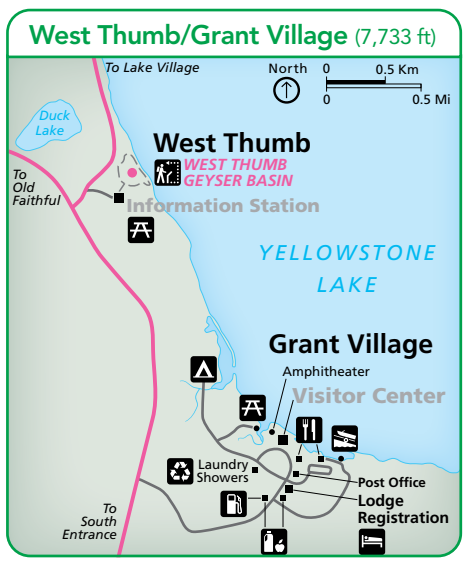

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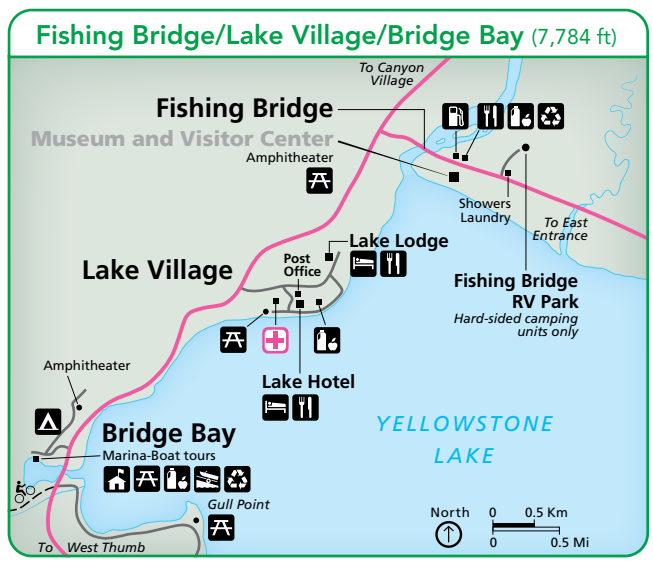

Grand Geyser (Yellowstone)



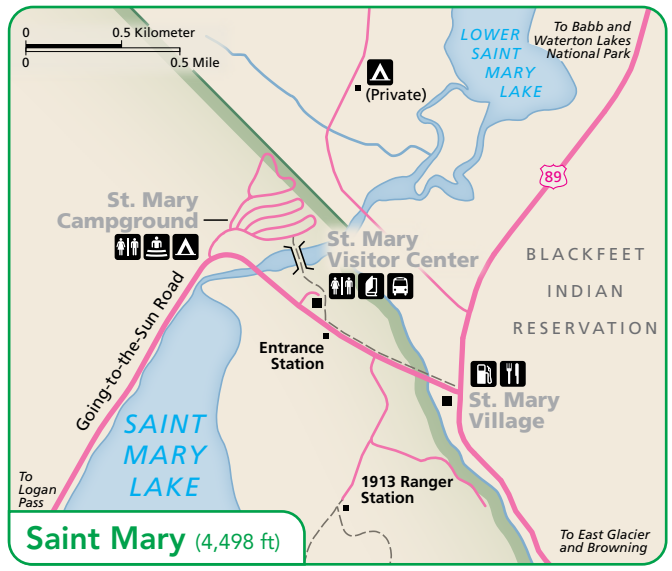


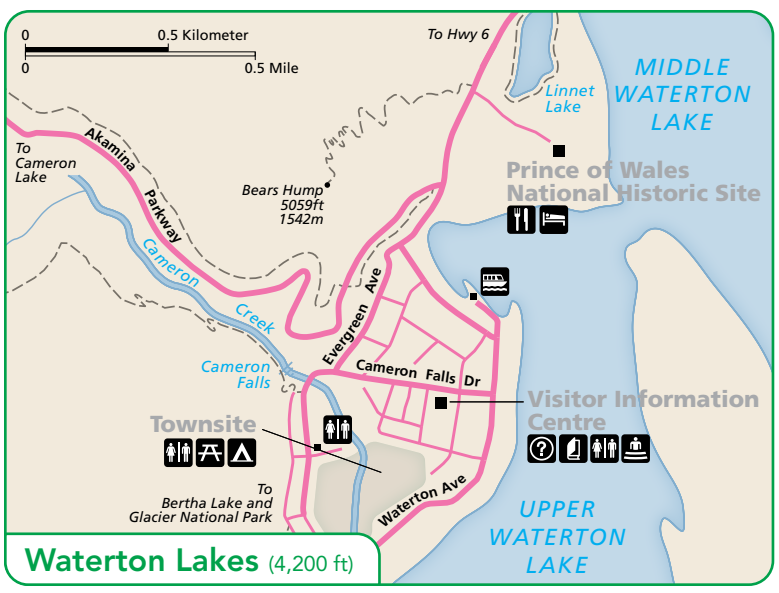


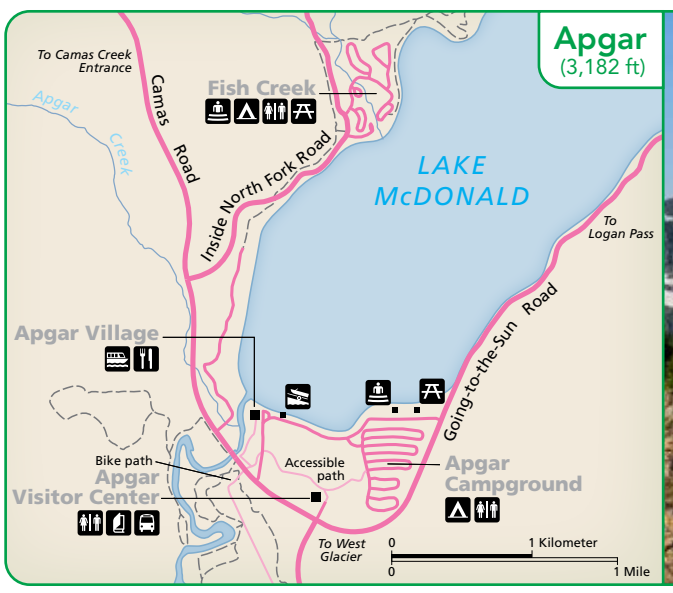





Swiftcurrent Lookout (Glacier)








Sheep at Logan Pass (Glacier)

Glacier Basics

Size (acres)	Visitation (2025)	Trails (miles)
1.0M (12 of 63)	3.1M (-0.1M from 2024) (10 of 63, same as 2024)	734 (5 of 63)

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Entrance Fee: $35/car
Timed-Entry Permits*: Not required in 2026; check with the park for current status
Lodging: Glacier Park Lodge#, St. Mary Lodge#, Apgar Village Lodge#, West Glacier Motel#, Motel Lake McDonald#, Grouse Mountain Lodge#, Prince of Wales Hotel#, Many Glacier Hotel***, Swiftcurrent Motor Inn**, Rising Sun Motor Inn**, Lake McDonald Lodge**, Village Inn at Apgar**, Cedar Creek Lodge**
Camping: St. Mary*, Rising Sun, Avalanche Creek, Sprague Creek, Apgar*, Two Medicine, Cut Bank, Many Glacier*, Fish Creek*, Logging Creek, Quartz Creek, Bowman Lake, Kintla Lake

*check with the park about current status
#reserve at glacierparkcollection.com
**reserve at glaciernationalparklodges.com

Glacier Driving Distances

Going-to-the-Sun Road has become synonymous with Glacier National Park, but it usually first opens completely in late June. Fortunately, US-2 remains open year-round, allowing visitors to switch sides of the Rockies.

St. Mary	100 minutes / 50 miles	Apgar (Going-to-the-Sun)
St. Mary	120 minutes / 90 miles	Apgar (US-2)
St. Mary	35 minutes / 20 miles	Many Glacier (unpaved)
St. Mary	65 minutes / 47 miles	Waterton Lakes (passport req'd)
St. Mary	40 minutes / 20 miles	Cut Bank (unpaved)
St. Mary	60 minutes / 35 miles	Two Medicine
Apgar	80 minutes / 32 miles	Bowman Lake (unpaved)
Apgar	85 minutes / 40 miles	Kintla Lake (unpaved)

Why Visit Glacier?

- To hike among some of the world's most dramatic mountain scenery
- Some of the most exceptional backpacking in the country
- To spend a night or two at Granite Park or Sperry Chalet
- To join a boat or Red Jammer tour, go whitewater rafting, or giddy-up into the park's wilderness

Glacier Favorites

Easy Hikes: Redrock Falls (3.6 miles), Grinnell Lake (6.8 miles), Apikuni Falls (2), St Mary's & Virginia Falls (3.6), Running Eagle Fall (0.6), Baring Falls (0.6), Sun Point (1.6), Twin Falls (7)
Moderate Hikes: Grinnell Glacier (10.6), Hidden Lake Overlook (2.7), Iceberg Lake (9.3), Cracker Lake (11.8), Lake Francis (12.4), Avalanche Lake (6.5), Redgap Pass (12.8), Bowman Lake (14.2), Quartz Lake (12), Piegan Pass (16.6), Cobalt Lake (11.6), Lincoln Lake (16), Apgar Lookout (7.2)
Strenuous Hikes: Swiftcurrent Lookout (15), Pitamakan-Dawson Loop (16.9), Gunsight Pass (18.4), Highline Trail (12.7), Ptarmigan Tunnel (10.6), Sperry Chalet (11.5), Siyeh Pass (11, can scramble to summit above Cracker Lake)
Activities: Take a boat tour from Many Glacier, go whitewater rafting, take a Red Jammer tour, go horseback riding
Views: Hidden Lake Overlook, Many Glacier, Two Medicine, Crystal Point, Wild Goose Island Overlook, Apgar, Logan Pass, Sun Point, Jackson Glacier Overlook


Pitamakan-Dawson Pass

What You Need to Know About Glacier

- When Going-to-the-Sun Road (GTSR) fully opens in late June/early July, tourists flood into the park. It's open until October. As long as there isn't a snowstorm, parts are open year-round, with hiker/biker shuttles running in spring on the west side of the park. Additionally, you can always circle the park via US-2 (which is quite scenic).
- That said, many attractions are only accessible in summer. The hike to Grinnell Glacier usually fully opens in mid-July. Shuttles, Red Jammers, and boats start up in June. Trail rides and whitewater rafting are summer-only activities. So, you have to decide what's important to you. Smaller crowds and easier driving/parking, or big crowds and more to do.
- Parking is often difficult in the summer. Logan Pass has been full by 8 am the last few years.
- For 2026, the park is experimenting with free shuttles to Logan Pass only (reservations through recreation.gov required, with most permits being released the day before). They're also limiting parking at Logan Pass to three hours to increase churn. Based on recent years, they'll have a different plan each successive year. Check with the park for details.
- It's a good idea to have a plan, a backup plan, and a backup to the backup plan. This isn't strictly because you might strike out due to limited parking. Weather changes. Trails occasionally close for grizzly activity. The nice thing is that most of the hiking trails here are truly marvelous. There's no wrong choice.
- Now, if there are a few trails you have your heart set on (like Hidden Lake, Avalanche Lake, or Grinnell Glacier), make them a priority, wake up early, and enjoy the heck out of it.
- Demand is high for campsites and lodging. For sites at Many Glacier, you need to be logged in to recreation.gov and ready to make your reservation within minutes of them becoming available (note campsites have multiple release windows). This frenzy has another side effect…increased cancellations. It never hurts to set notifications for cancellations.
- You can get a warm meal and a comfortable night's rest in the park's backcountry by making reservations at Granite Park Chalet (graniteparkchalet.com) or Sperry Chalet (sperrychalet.com). Granite Park Chalet has multiple access routes, but it's nestled not far from one of the park's most stunning vistas, Grinnell Glacier Overlook (and Swiftcurrent Lookout). Just be warned, it's a pretty steep hike up to either one. Sperry Chalet is in a similarly beautiful location with the added benefit of having the option to ride a horse to the chalet (where you can continue to Sperry Glacier and/or Gunsight Pass).
- Boat tours are available at Lake McDonald, Two Medicine, St. Mary Lake, and Swift Current Lake and Lake Josephine (Many Glacier) from June through Labor Day. They're great experiences (especially for the family). Boat tickets are available at glacierparkboats.com. You'll also find a boat tour to Goat Haunt beginning from Waterton Lakes National Park in Canada. It can be reserved at watertoncruise.com.
- Red Jammer Tours explore the park's roadways. There are quite a few options and pickup/drop-off locations. Reserve online at glaciernationalparklodges.com.
- Trail rides are available at Many Glacier, Lake McDonald, and Apgar. If you're comfortable in the saddle for a couple of hours, I'd go with the full-day ride to Cracker Lake out of Many Glacier. Reservations can be made at swanmountainglacier.com.
- If crowds are getting you down, consider the trailheads along US-2.

When to Visit Glacier

It's not exactly summer or bust at Glacier, but if you want to get the full experience (and the chance to hike to Hidden Lake or Highline Trail from Logan Pass, you have to come after Going-to-the-Sun Road has fully opened (typically in late June).

How Much Time Do You Have?

Glacier is a hiker's paradise. Spend at least three full days. In a perfect world, a trip here would include two nights at Many Glacier and two nights at Sprague Creek (camping) or two nights at Lake McDonald (lodging).

3 Days: The problem with Glacier is a good one: it's so darn beautiful. There are at least 10 trails here worthy of the title: Best Trail in America! So, you could spend three full days hiking at Many Glacier and want more. And Going-to-the-Sun Road and Two Medicine are incredible for hiking and sightseeing, too! You can do some great backpacking at Bowman/Kintla Lake. You can drive up to Waterton Lakes National Park in Canada and boat to Goat Haunt (another great idea) or hike to Crypt Lake (it's awesome!). And there's more in the Canadian Rockies (Banff, Jasper, Kootenai, and Yoho national parks).

Beyond Glacier

Bitterroot National Forest offers amazing hiking. Check stoneroadpress.com/glac.

CASTLE WILDLAND PROVINCIAL PARK

ALBERTA

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Sage Creek

Dungarvan Creek

To Pincher Creek and Calgary

Goat Lake

Twin Lakes

Lost Lake

Anderson Peak 8812ft 2686m

Bauerman Creek

Mount Dungarvan 8560ft 2609m

Galwey Brook

Mount Galwey 7740ft 2359m

Red Rock Canyon

Red Rock Parkway

WATERTON LAKES

Crandell Mountain

Bison paddock

Park Entrance

Blakiston Falls

Lone Creek

Blakiston Creek

South Kootenay Pass

Lone Mtn 7949ft 2423m

Mount Blakiston 9646ft 2940m

Lower Waterton Lake

Kishinena Creek

Akamina Creek

Lineham Lakes

First Oil Well in Western Canada National Historic Site

Crandell Lake

Mount Crandell 7822ft 2384m

Golf course

Lonesome Lake

Linnet Lake

Lineham Creek

Rowe Creek

Waterton

Visitor Information Centre

Prince of Wales Nat'l Hist. Site

Middle Waterton Lake

See detail map

Upper Rowe Lake

Akamina Parkway

Cameron Creek

Carthew Creek

Lower Bertha Falls

Vimy Peak 7825ft

Goat Haunt

Akamina Pass

Carthew Lakes

Alderson Lake

Upper Bertha Falls

UPPER WATERTON LAKE

FLATHEAD PROVINCIAL FOREST

AKAMINA-KISHINENA PROVINCIAL PARK

Akamina Lake

Mount Alderson 8835ft 2693m

Bertha Lake

Hell Roaring Falls

Wall Lake

Forum Lake

Summit Lake

Cameron Lake

Lake Francis

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MONTANA

No border crossing

BOUNDARY MOUNTAINS

Kintla Creek

Lake Nooney

Mount Custer 8883ft 2707m

Boundary Creek

Campbell Mountain 8245ft 2513m

Goat Haunt Overlook

4196ft 1279m

Lake Wurdeman

Carcajou Lake

Goat Haunt

Upper Kintla Lake

KINTLA LAKE

Boulder Pass

Brown Pass

Lake Janet

Rainbow Falls

Goat Haunt Mountain 8641ft 2634m

North Fork Flathead River

Kintla Peak 10101ft 3079m

Agassiz Glacier

Thunderbird Glacier

Olson Creek

Kintla Lake

Thunderbird Mountain 8790ft 2679m

Lake Francis

Dixon Glacier

PORCUPINE RIDGE

Kootenai Lakes

Mount Cleveland 10466ft 3190m

Kintla Glacier

NUMA RIDGE

Mount Carter 9843ft 3000m

Weasel Collar Glacier

Valentine Creek

Stoney Indian Lake

Akokala Lake

Kootenai Peak 8542ft 2603m

Rainbow Glacier

Continental Divide

LIVINGSTON

Stoney Indian Pass

Round Prairie

Akokala Creek

BOWMAN LAKE

Cerulean Lake

Waterton River

22mi 35km

14mi 22km

Moose Creek

Hawk Creek

Big Prairie

Bowman Lake

Vulture Peak 9638ft 2937m

Vulture Glacier

QUARTZ LAKE

Lower Quartz Lake

Middle Quartz Lake

FLATTOP MOUNTAIN

Road closed in winter

North Fork

6mi 10km

Bowman Creek

GLACIER

FLATHEAD NATIONAL FOREST

Grace Lake

Mount Geduhn 8375ft 2552m

RANGE

0.3mi 0.5km

1mi 2km

Polebridge

Entrance station

Polebridge

Hay Creek

Hidden Meadow

LOGGING LAKE

Longfellow Peak 8904ft 2714m

Lake Evangeline

Camas Lake

Ruger Lake

Flathead

Winona Lake

Quartz Creek

Quartz Creek

NATIONAL

Logging Creek

Anaconda Creek

Dutch Lake

Heavens Peak 8987ft

Arrow Lake

River

13mi 21mi

Logging Creek

Dutch Creek

Trout Lake

Inside North Fork Road

Road closed from Logging Creek to Camas Creek

Outside North Fork

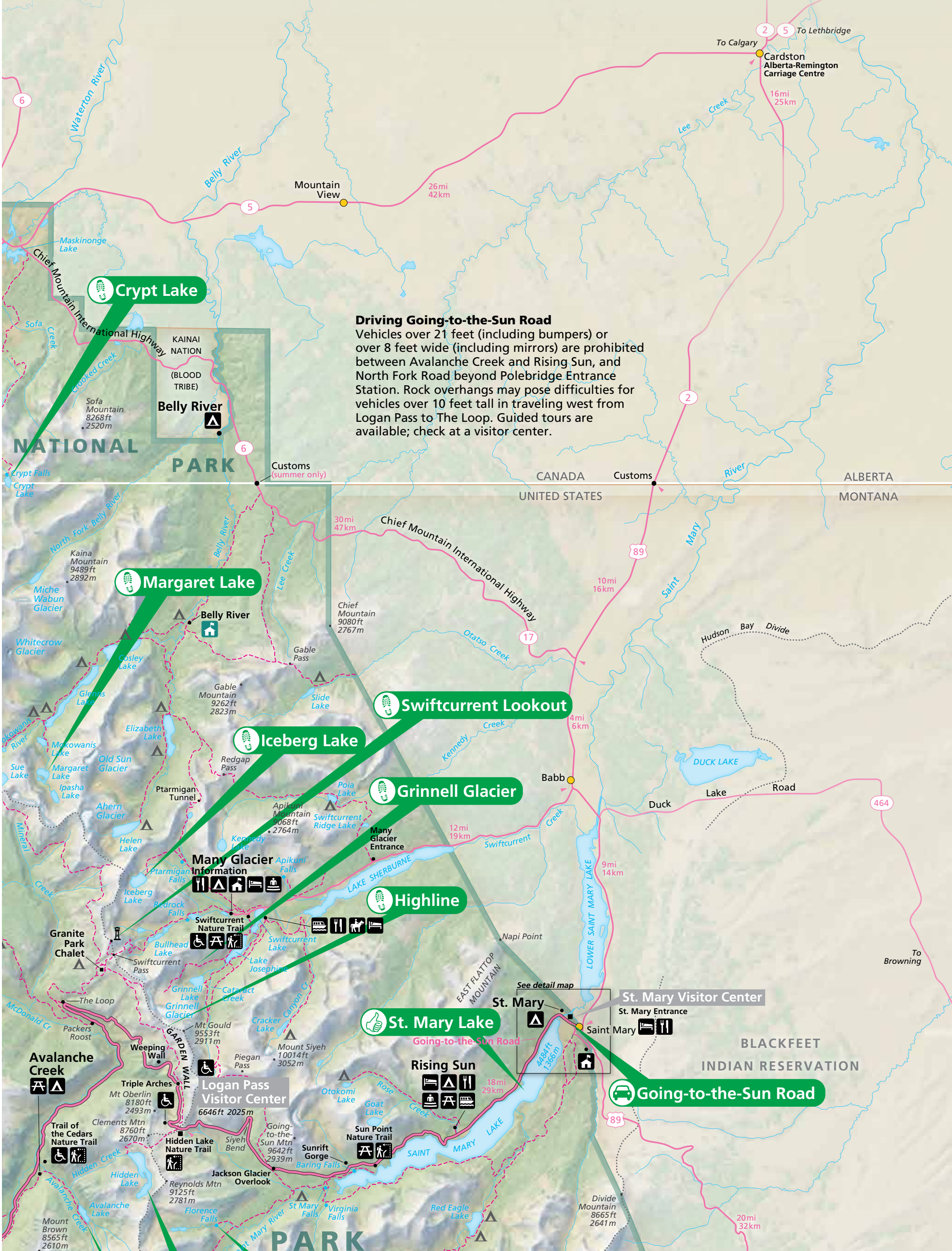
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Mount Vaught 8850ft 2697m

McDonald Falls

Rogers Lake

Lake McDonald


Waterton River
Belly River
Mountain View
26mi 42km
To Calgary
To Lethbridge
Cardston
Alberta-Remington Carriage Centre
16mi 25km
Lee Creek
Maskinonge Lake
Chief Mountain International Highway
Crypt Lake
Sofa Creek
KAINAI NATION
(BLOOD TRIBE)
Belly River
Crooked Creek
Sofa Mountain 8268ft 2520m
NATIONAL PARK
Crypt Falls
Crypt Lake
Customs (summer only)
CANADA
UNITED STATES
Customs
ALBERTA
MONTANA
River
Driving Going-to-the-Sun Road
Vehicles over 21 feet (including bumpers) or over 8 feet wide (including mirrors) are prohibited between Avalanche Creek and Rising Sun, and North Fork Road beyond Polebridge Entrance Station. Rock overhangs may pose difficulties for vehicles over 10 feet tall in traveling west from Logan Pass to The Loop. Guided tours are available; check at a visitor center.
North Fork Belly River
Kaina Mountain 9489ft 2892m
Miche Wabun Glacier
Margaret Lake
Belly River
Lee Creek
30mi 47km
Chief Mountain International Highway
Chief Mountain 9080ft 2767m
Otatso Creek
10mi 16km
Mary
Saint
Hudson Bay Divide
Whitecrow Glacier
Cosley Lake
Gable Pass
Gable Mountain 9262ft 2823m
Glenns Lake
Slide Lake
Swiftcurrent Lookout
4mi 6km
Kennedy Creek
DUCK LAKE
Iceberg Lake
Mokowanis River
Mokowanis Lake
Old Sun Glacier
Redgap Pass
Sue Lake
Margaret Lake
Ipasha Lake
Ptarmigan Tunnel
Poia Lake
Grinnell Glacier
Babb
Duck Lake Road
Ahern Glacier
Apikuni Mountain 9068ft 2764m
Swiftcurrent Ridge Lake
Helen Lake
Kennedy Lake
Many Glacier Entrance
12mi 19km
Swiftcurrent Creek
Mineral Creek
Many Glacier Information
Apikuni Falls
Ptarmigan Falls
LAKE SHERBURNE
9mi 14km
Iceberg Lake
Redrock Falls
Highline
Swiftcurrent Nature Trail
Granite Park Chalet
Bullhead Lake
Swiftcurrent Lake
Swiftcurrent Pass
Lake Josephine
Napi Point
LOWER SAINT MARY LAKE
To Browning
EAST FLATTOP MOUNTAIN
See detail map
St. Mary
St. Mary Visitor Center
St. Mary Entrance
Saint Mary
St. Mary Lake
Going-to-the-Sun Road
Grinnell Lake
Cataract Creek
Canyon Cr
The Loop
McDonald Cr
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Mount Siyeh 10014ft 3052m
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Rose Creek
Goat Lake
18mi 29km
Going-to-the-Sun Road
Trail of the Cedars Nature Trail
Clements Mtn 8760ft 2670m
Hidden Lake Nature Trail
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Sunrift Gorge
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Virginia Falls
Red Eagle Lake
Divide Mountain 8665ft 2641m
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Mount Brown 8565ft 2610m
PARK

FLATHEAD NATIONAL FOREST

GLACIER NATIONAL

Polebridge
Entrance station

Quartz Creek

Logging Creek

Inside North Fork Road
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Outside North Fork Road

Lake McDonald

Sprague Creek

Fish Creek

Apgar/Lake McDonald

Apgar

Apgar Visitor Center

Camas Entrance

See detail map

Going-to-the-Sun Road

Big Creek Outdoor Education Center

Big Creek US Forest Service

Forest and Fire Trail

Huckleberry Mtn 6593ft 2009m

Camas Road

West Entrance Park Headquarters

Glacier Institute Field Camp

West Glacier Railroad Depot

Blankenship Bridge

Coram

Hungry Horse US Forest Service

Whitefish Lake State Park

Whitefish

Columbia Falls

Glacier Park International Airport

BNSF Railway

Teakettle Mountain 5936ft 1809m

WHITEFISH RANGE

SWAN RANGE

HUNGRY HORSE RESERVOIR

LAKE McDONALD

LOGGING LAKE

North

0 5 10 Kilometers

0 5 10 Miles

- Unpaved road
- Trail
- Continental Divide
- Glacier
- Distance indicator
- Ranger station
- Ranger station (infrequently staffed)
- Food service
- Lodging
- Self-guiding trail
- Campground
- Primitive campground
- Wilderness campground
- Picnic area
- Horseback riding (guided)
- Boat tour / rentals
- Shuttle bus stop
- Amphitheater
- Wheelchair-accessible trail
- Bookstore / gift shop
- Lookout tower

Wilderness Over 90 percent of Glacier National Park has been recommended for wilderness designation. Preserving wilderness protects forever the land's wilderness character, natural conditions, opportunities for solitude, and scientific, educational, and historical values. Find out more about Glacier's wilderness on the park website.

Highline
Swiftcurrent Nature Trail
Granite Park Chalet
Swiftcurrent Pass
Bullhead Lake
Swiftcurrent Lake
Lake Josephine
Grinnell Lake
Cataract Creek
Grinnell Glacier
The Loop
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Snyder Creek
Gunsight Pass
Jackson Glacier
Sperry Chalet
Lake Ellen Wilson
Mt Jackson 10052ft 3064m
Blackfoot Glacier
Harrison Glacier
Lincoln Lake
Pumpelly Glacier
Walton Mountain 8926ft 2720m
Lincoln Creek
Thompson Creek
Mount Thompson 8527ft
Hidden Lake
Sperry Chalet
Avalanche Lake
Harrison Lake
Nyack Creek
Mount Stimson 10142ft 3091m
RANGE
Loneman Mountain 7181ft 2189m
Middle Fork Flathead River
Pinchot Creek
Beaver Woman Lake
Buffalo Woman Lake
Surprise Pass
Mount Phillips 9494ft 2894m
Lupfer Glacier
Dawson Pass
Pumpelly Pillar
No Name Lake
Twin Falls
Two Medicine Lake
Running Eagle Falls Nature Trail
Two Medicine
Two Medicine
Upper Two Medicine Lake
Sinopah Mtn 8271ft 2521m
Mount Rockwell 9272ft 2862m
Cobalt Lake
Two Medicine Pass
Lake Isabel
Dancing Lady Mtn 7333ft 2235m
Two Medicine Junction
Two Medicine River
4mi 6km
East Glacier Park to Browning 12mi 19km
East Glacier Park Railroad Depot
Coal Creek
Stanton Lake
Muir Creek
Mount St Nicholas 9376ft 2857m
Mount Despair 8582ft 2616m
Firebrand Pass
Park Creek
Ole Creek
Summit Mountain 8770ft 2673m
Sheep Mountain 8569ft 2612m
Great Northern Mountain 8705ft 2653m
FLATHEAD RANGE
GREAT BEAR WILDERNESS AREA
Scalplock Mountain 6919ft 2109m
Elk Mountain 7835ft 2388m
Autumn Creek
Marias Pass 5220ft 1591m
Summit US Forest Service
Continental Divide
LEWIS AND CLARK NATIONAL FOREST
FLATHEAD NATIONAL FOREST
Bear Creek
57mi 92km
Essex Railroad Depot
Walton
Goat Lick Overlook
Snowslip Mountain 7290ft 2222m
Devil Creek US Forest Service
Kiowa
Kiowa to Browning and The Museum of the Plains Indian 12mi 19km
49
89
2
Oldman Lake/Pitamakan Pass
Pitamakan Lake
Pitamakan Pass
Cut Bank Pass
Morning Star Lake
Atlantic Cr
Medicine Grizzly Lake
Triple Divide Peak 8020ft 2444m
Triple Divide Pass
Amphitheater Mountain 8690ft 2648m
Medicine Owl Lake
Medicine Owl Creek
Red Eagle Creek
Hudson Bay Cr
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Cut Bank
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Cedar Breaks NM
Bryce Canyon NP
Zion NP
Glen Canyon NRA
Pipe Spring NM
Grand Canyon NP
Rainbow Bridge NM
Navajo NM
Natural Bridges NM
Canyonlands NP
Curecanti NRA
Sand Creek Massacre NHS
Bent's Old Fort NHS
Hovenweep NM
Yucca House NM
Mesa Verde NP
Great Sand Dunes NP & PRES
Aztec Ruins NM
Capulin Volcano NM
Canyon de Chelly NM
Chaco Culture NHP
Wupatki NM
Hubbell Trading Post NHS
Sunset Crater Volcano NM
Walnut Canyon NM
Valles Caldera N Pres
Manhattan Project NHP
Bandelier NM
Fort Union NM
SANTA FE
Pecos NHP
Tuzigoot NM
Montezuma Castle NM
Petrified Forest NP
El Morro NM
Petroglyph NM
ALBUQUERQUE
El Malpais NM
ARIZONA
NEW MEXICO
PHOENIX
Tonto NM
Salinas Pueblo Missions NM
Hohokam Pima NM
Casa Grande Ruins NM
Gila Cliff Dwellings NM
Organ Pipe Cactus NM
Saguaro NP
White Sands NP
Fort Bowie NHS
Chiricahua NM
Tumacacori NHP
Coronado N MEM
Carlsbad Caverns NP
EL PASO
Chamizal N MEM
Guadalupe Mtns NP
Fort Davis NHS
Blackwell School NHS
Rio Grande WSR
Big Bend NP

ARIZONA

Canyon de Chelly NM, Hubbell Trading Post NHS, and Navajo NM observe daylight saving time. Other NPS units in Arizona do not.

MOUNTAIN (Washington, DC, minus 2 hours)

Southern Driving Distances

Hot Springs is an outlier. Big Bend isn't close to anything. Petrified Forest can just as easily be mixed in with Arches in Utah, Mesa Verde in Colorado, or the Grand Canyon in Arizona. But you can make a pretty nice road trip out of El Paso, combining Guadalupe Mountains, Carlsbad Caverns, and White Sands. Add Big Bend to it if you can. It's incredible.

Hot Springs	13 hours / 860 miles	Big Bend
Big Bend	4.5 hours / 270 miles	Guadalupe Mountains
Guadalupe Mountains	45 minutes / 42 miles	Carlsbad Caverns
Carlsbad Caverns	3.5 hours / 188 miles	White Sands
White Sands	6.5 hours / 410 miles	Petrified Forest
Petrified Forest	5 hours / 280 miles	Saguaro
White Sands	5 hours / 325 miles	Saguaro

THE SOUTH

KANSAS
TOPEKA
Brown v. Board of Education NHS
Fort Larned NHS
Tallgrass Prairie N PRES
WICHITA
Fort Scott NHS
MISSOURI
ST LOUIS
JEFFERSON CITY
Grant NHS
Ste. Geneviève NHP
Wilson's Creek NB
Ozark NSR
George Washington Carver NM
Pea Ridge NMP
Buffalo NR
TULSA
Lake Meredith NRA
Washita Battlefield NHS
OKLAHOMA CITY
Alibates Flint Quarries NM
OKLAHOMA
Fort Smith NHS
ARKANSAS
MEMPHIS
Hot Springs NP
LITTLE ROCK
Little Rock Central High School NHS
Chickasaw NRA
Arkansas Post N MEM
Natchez Trace PKWY & NST
President William Jefferson Clinton Birthplace Home NHS
Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley
MISSISSIPPI
SOUTH
FT WORTH
DALLAS
Poverty Point NM
Vicksburg NMP
LOUISIANA
JACKSON
Medgar and Evers Home N
Cane River Creole NHP
TEXAS
Waco Mammoth NM
Natchez NHP
BATON ROUGE
Big Thicket N PRES
Lyndon B. Johnson NHP
AUSTIN
NEW ORLEANS
New Orleans Jazz NHP
HOUSTON
Jean Lafitte NHP & PRES
Amistad NRA
SAN ANTONIO
San Antonio Missions NHP
CENTRAL
(Washington, DC, minus 1 hour)
Padre Island NS
GULF OF AMERICA
Palo Alto Battlefield NHP

Parking area

Visitor Center
Restrooms

Handicap parking only

Restrooms

Trail

Cave tour routes wind through the chambers of Carlsbad Cavern.

Public tours view only part of the cave. Beyond these passages are more underground rooms, many of them just as exquisitely decorated. Altogether over 30 miles of passages have been explored. The deepest chamber is 1,037 feet (316 meters) below the surface.

Surface elevation
4406 feet
1343 meters

Carlsbad Cavern Tours

Self-guiding Trails:

Big Room Route
1.25 miles (2km), 1.5 hours
easy to moderate

Natural Entrance Route
1.25 miles (2km), 1 hour
steep and strenuous

Ranger-guided Tour:

King's Palace Tour
1 mile (1.6km), 1.5 hours
easy to moderate

DEVIL'S DEN
500 feet (152m) below surface

MAIN CORRIDOR

SCENIC ROOMS

GREEN LAKE ROOM

Iceberg Rock

Elevator shaft

KING'S PALACE
829 feet (253m) below surface

Ranger-guided tour only

QUEEN'S CHAMBER

Boneyard

PAPOOSE ROOM

Rest Area and Lunchroom
Restrooms
755 feet (230m) below surface

JIM WHITE TUNNEL

Colonel Boles Formation

View of Lower Cave

HALL OF GIANTS

Giant Dome
Twin Domes

Painted Grotto

Temple of the Sun

Caveman Junction

Shortcut

Rock of Ages

Crystal Spring Dome

BIG ROOM

Totem Pole

Rock of Ages

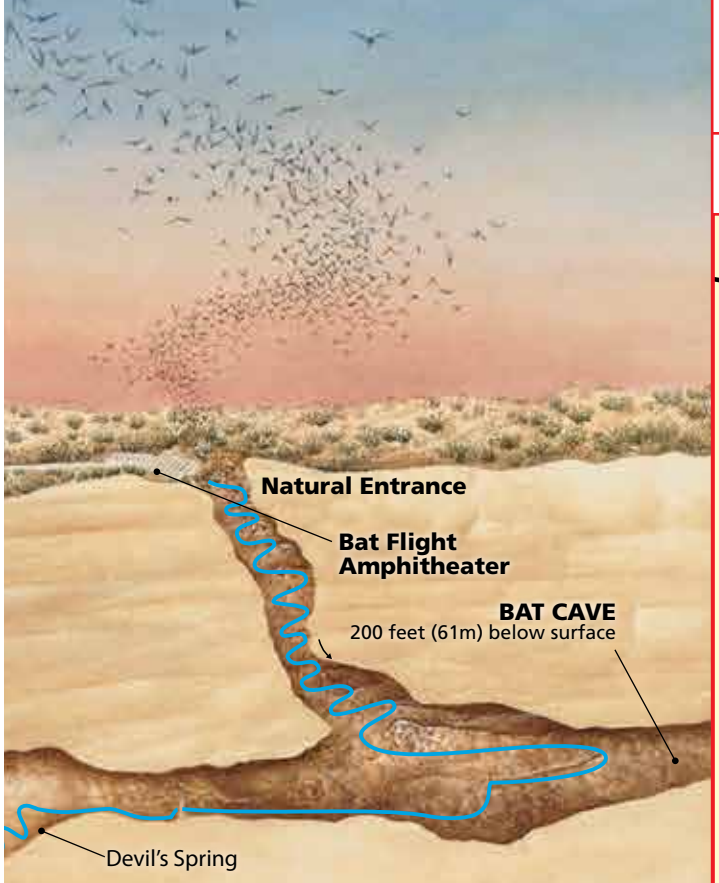
Top of the Cross
Seating area for cave talks

Mirror Lake

Bottomless Pit

Hall of the White Giant Tour





Carlsbad Caverns Basics

Size (acres)	Visitation (2025)	Trails (miles)
47K (51 of 63)	411K (-108K from 2024) (46 of 63, -8 from 2024)	50 (34 of 63)

(575) 785-2232 | nps.gov/cave
Entrance Fee: $15/person
Timed-Entry Permits*: Required
Lodging/Camping: None

*reserve at recreation.gov

Carlsbad Caverns Driving Distances

All cave tours begin at the Visitor Center. From there, you can drive a scenic 9.5-mile loop. The closest lodging and camping is in Whites City, and there's plenty more in Carlsbad.

Carlsbad, NM	25 minutes / 20 miles	Whites City, NM
Whites City, NM	12 minutes / 7 miles	Visitor Center
Visitor Center	40 minutes / 24 miles	Slaughter Canyon Cave

Why Visit Carlsbad Caverns?

- To see the swarm of bats as they exit/enter the cave
- To explore the last great terrestrial unknown…a cave!

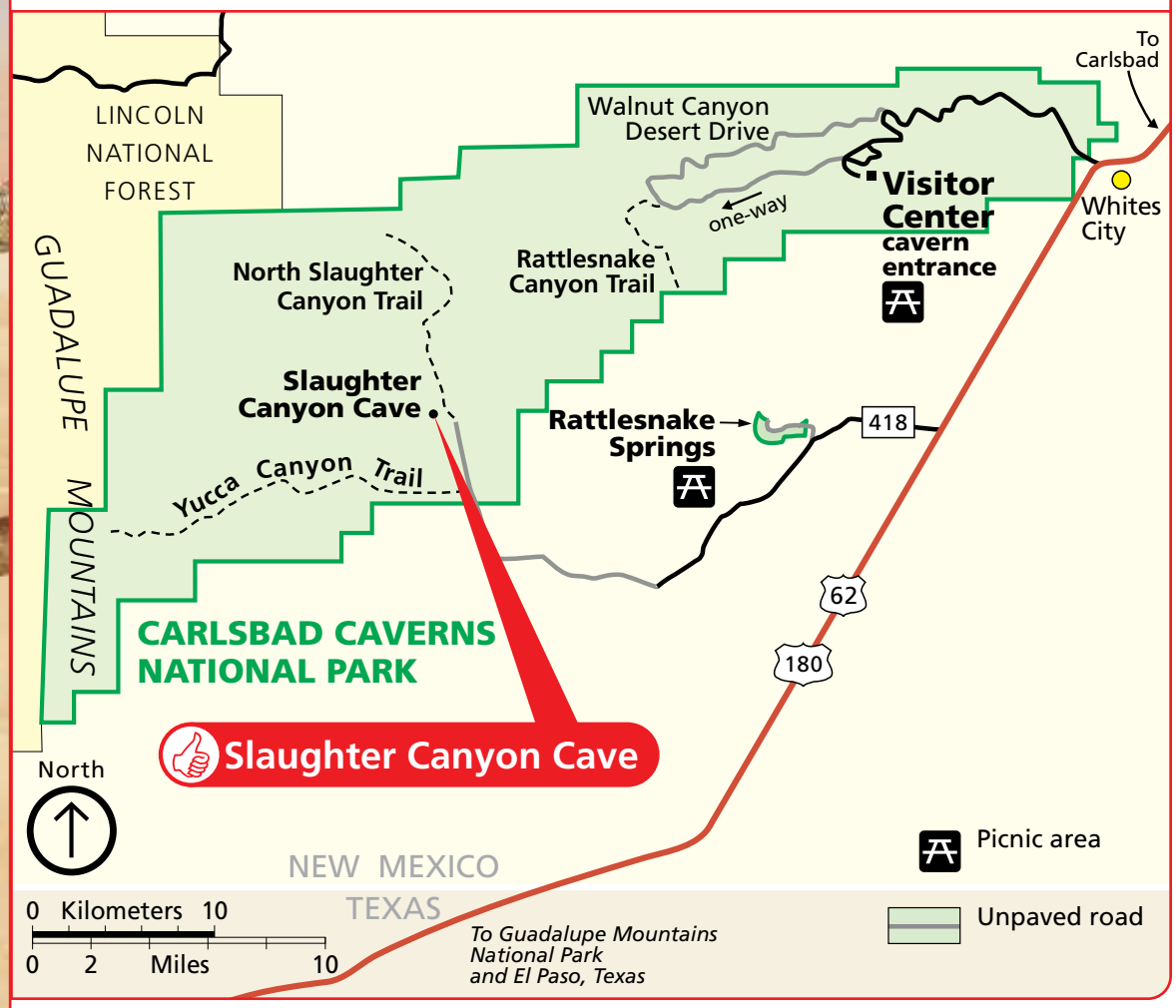
Carlsbad Caverns Favorites

Hall of the White Giant is the most adventurous cave tour.
Lower Cave Tour leads to Colonel Boles Formation. It requires a rope-aided descent.
Slaughter Canyon Cave is awesome. The trail to the cave is more strenuous than the tour.
Left Hand Tunnel Tour is lit by hand-held lanterns. Have some fun in the dark!
And **King's Palace** is the park's standard tour.

When to Visit Carlsbad Caverns

Bats are usually present between April and October. That's when you can enjoy the Bat Flight Program and the cave!

Carlsbad Region



What You Need to Know About Carlsbad Caverns

- Timed-entry tickets are required. Reserve them (and cave tours) through recreation.gov.
- Kings Palace and Left Hand Tunnel tours are offered regularly.
- For the Hall of the White Giant Tour, keep your phone in a running belt or fanny pack. You'll be crawling around, sometimes on your belly, so you do not want it in your pocket. Or else leave it behind. (Read and follow the tour requirements.)
- You don't have to tour the cave with a park ranger. You'll find 2.5 miles of self-guided trail between Carlsbad's Natural Entrance (long, gradual descent) and its Big Room. The tours are great, but the self-guided portion alone is worth a visit.
- Baby strollers are not permitted in the cave. Babies are. Canes and walking sticks are okay in the Big Room, Natural Entrance, or King's Palace (if medically necessary). Flash photography is allowed (just be mindful of others).
- Bring a flashlight or headlamp. While a light source isn't necessary, there are plenty of fun things obscured by darkness.
- Water is the only food or drink allowed in the cave. There is a snack bar near the elevator.
- The park's Bat Flight Program is great, but it needs bats to proceed. They're typically occupying the cave from mid-April through October, but that changes. If your heart is set on it, confirm bat activity prior to departure.
- Explore the above-ground park. You may spot non-native Barbary sheep along Walnut Canyon Desert Drive (Desert Loop Road). And the canyons are pretty fun.
- There's no in-park lodging, but you'll find an RV park and hotel nearby in White's City. There's also dispersed camping at nearby BLM land.

How Much Time Do You Have?

It's all about the cave tours. Check online (recreation.gov), make reservations, and then plan short hikes at Carlsbad in between. Guadalupe Mountains (Pine Springs Visitor Center) is about a half-hour drive from Whites City. It's a good destination if you want to do multiple cave tours, and they aren't on consecutive days. Hall of the White Giant and Slaughter Canyon Cave aren't offered as frequently as the rest, and they're my favorite tours of the bunch. You'll often have to travel on a weekend for them. Don't forget to add Guadalupe Mountains and White Sands to your itinerary.


Great Wall of China—it's tiny! (Slaughter Canyon Cave)

Beyond Carlsbad

Sitting Bull Falls and Sunspot Solar Observatory in Lincoln National Forest are neat. There are a few more ideas at stoneroadpress.com/cave.

BLACK CANYON OF THE GUNNISON

PLEASANT PARK

GREEN MOUNTAIN

BLACK CANYON OF THE GUNNISON NATIONAL PARK

Driving Distances

A paved road follows the South Rim. East Portal Road descends steeply to the Gunnison. An unpaved road follows the North Rim.

Denver, CO	6.5 hours / 250 miles	North Rim
North Rim	2 hours / 80 miles	South Rim VC
South Rim VC	3.5 hours / 180 miles	Moab, UT

Black Canyon Basics

Size (acres)	Visitation (2025)	Trails (miles)
31K (56 of 63)	250K (-86K from 2024) (50 of 63, -1 from 2024)	20 (48 of 63)

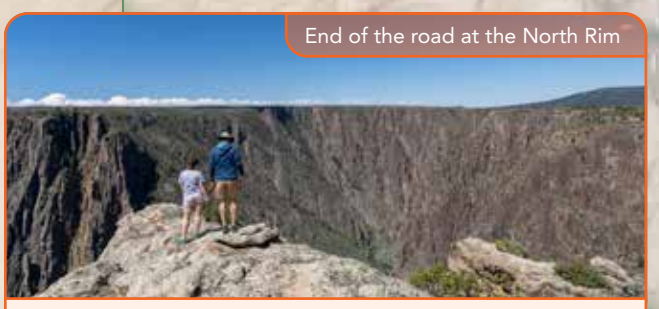
(970) 641-2337 x205 | nps.gov/blca
Entrance Fee: $30/car
Lodging: None
Camping: South Rim*, East Portal, North Rim

*reserve at recreation.gov

Why Visit Black Canyon of the Gunnison?

- To enjoy a relatively quiet park for this corner of the country, with a deep, dark canyon
- To try some pretty gnarly inner-canyon hiking trails


Warner Point


End of the road at the North Rim

Black Canyon of the Gunnison Favorites

Hikes: Chasm View (easy, 0.3 mile), Warner Point (moderate, 1.5), Long Draw (extreme, 2), North Vista to Exclamation Point (moderate, 3), Gunnison Route (extreme, 3), Pinyon Draw (extreme, 3.5)
Views: Painted Wall/Cedar Pt (South), Gunnison Pt (South), Chasm View (South), Pulpit Rock (South), Chasm View (North), The Narrows View (North), Kneeling Camel (North), Island Peaks (North)

Chukar Trail

RED ROCK CANYON

Gunnison River

8563ft

Serpent Point
7922ft

PAINTED WALL

Cedar Point

Dragon Point

Warner Point

Sunset View

Warner Point

Warner Point

High Point
(no fires)
8289ft

PRIVATE PROPERTY

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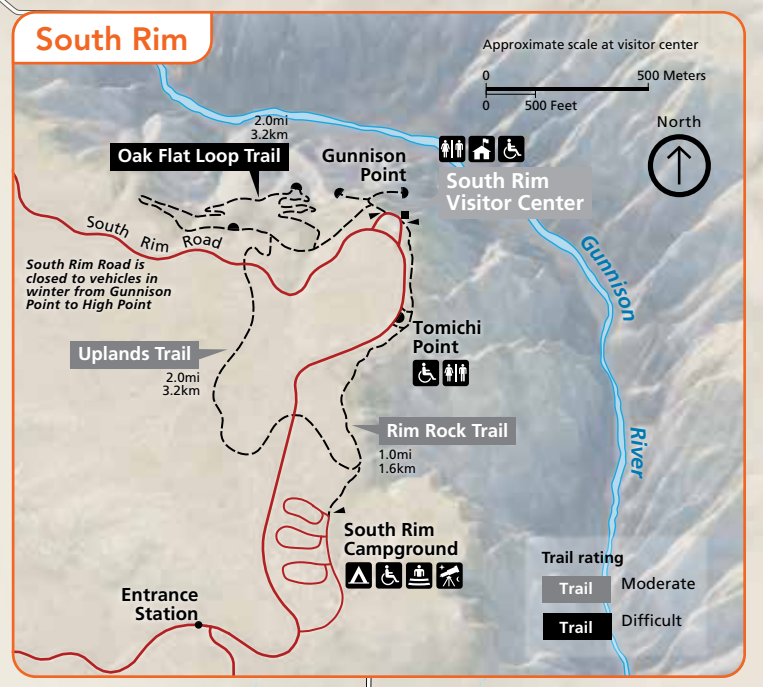
What You Need to Know About Black Canyon of the Gunnison

- For most visitors, Black Canyon is a quick stop on the way to other destinations. I highly recommend taking the time to get to the North Rim.
- South Rim is open every day of the year, but South Rim Road closes beyond Gunnison Point in winter. East Portal Road and the North Rim are seasonal, closing each winter.
- Like most parks, hiking is the primary activity. Rock climbing and kayaking are possible, but they're reserved for people who take those hobbies very seriously.
- You can drive into the canyon via East Portal Road. It's steep (16% grade).
- You can hike into the canyon via any one of seven inner canyon trails (steep and rocky). Scope them out and see what you think. A permit is required.
- The road to the North Rim is unpaved, but it's usually accessible to all vehicles. North Rim is great, as is the drive there from Gunnison (via CO-92).

When to Visit Black Canyon of the Gunnison

It's a quick stop for most. The North Rim closes for winter ... it's nice and peaceful the rest of the year. If you aren't comfortable driving in snow or aren't willing to hunker down for a day or two (during/after a snowstorm), you probably should visit between late May and early October.

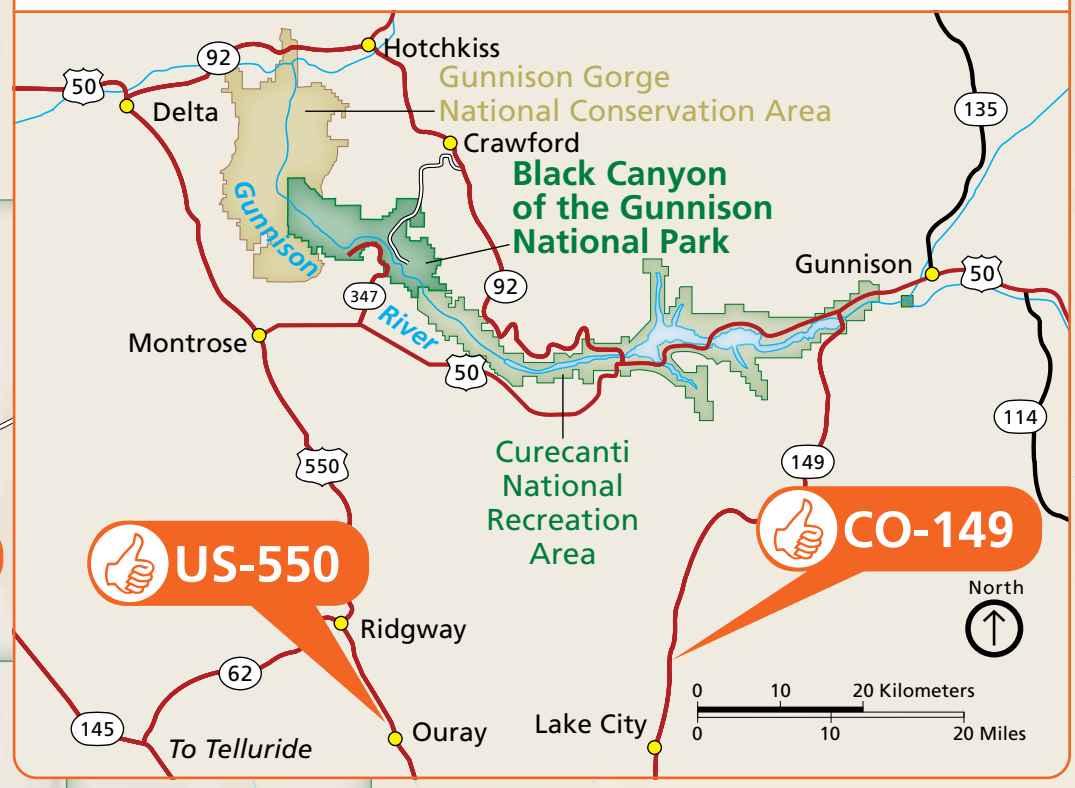
South Rim



Ranger station
Picnic area
River rafting
Campground
Restrooms
Trailhead
Self-guiding trail
Wheelchair-accessible
Horseback riding
Amphitheater
Astronomy programs

North
0 0.5 1 Kilometer
0 0.5 1 Mile

Black Canyon of the Gunnison Region



Painted Wall/Chasm View
Exclamation Point
The Narrows
Kneeling Camel
Gunnison Point
US-550
CO-149

North Rim Campground
North Vista Trail
GRIZZLY GULCH
Black Canyon Road
North Rim Ranger Station
Exclamation Point 7702ft
Chasm View
North Rim roads closed to vehicles in winter
MESA INCLINADO
Painted Wall View
Chasm View
The Narrows View
Devils Lookout
Balanced Rock View
The Narrows
Rock Point
Big Island 7915ft
Big Island View
Island Peaks View
Island Peaks 7631ft
Cross Fissures View
Closed to vehicles in winter from Gunnison Point to High Point
Pulpit Rock Overlook
Kneeling Camel View
Deadhorse Trail
VERNAL MESA
South Rim Road
See South Rim Detail Map, left
Gunnison Point
Oak Flat Tr
South Rim Visitor Center
Uplands Trail
Rock Rim Trail
Tomichi Point
PRIVATE PROPERTY
Jones Summit 8266ft
Entrance Station
South Rim Campground 8320ft
Deadhorse Trail
DEADHORSE GULCH
Gunnison River
East Portal Road
Closed to vehicles in winter from Entrance Station to East Portal
Vehicles longer than 22 feet prohibited on East Portal Road.
PRIVATE PROPERTY
Primitive Trail
Gunnison Diversion Dam
East Portal 6547ft
Gunnison Tunnel
CURECANTI NATIONAL RECREATION AREA
dead end road
347
Visitor Center to Montrose 15.2mi (24.5km)
Visitor Center to 50 7.0mi (11.3km)
GRIZZLY RIDGE
Poison Spring Reservoir

How Much Time Do You Have?

1 Day: The typical visitor only visits the South Rim. Unless you plan on hiking into the canyon, one day is plenty to drive the rim, enjoy the viewpoints, and hike a trail or two (like Warner Point and/or Oak Flat Loop).

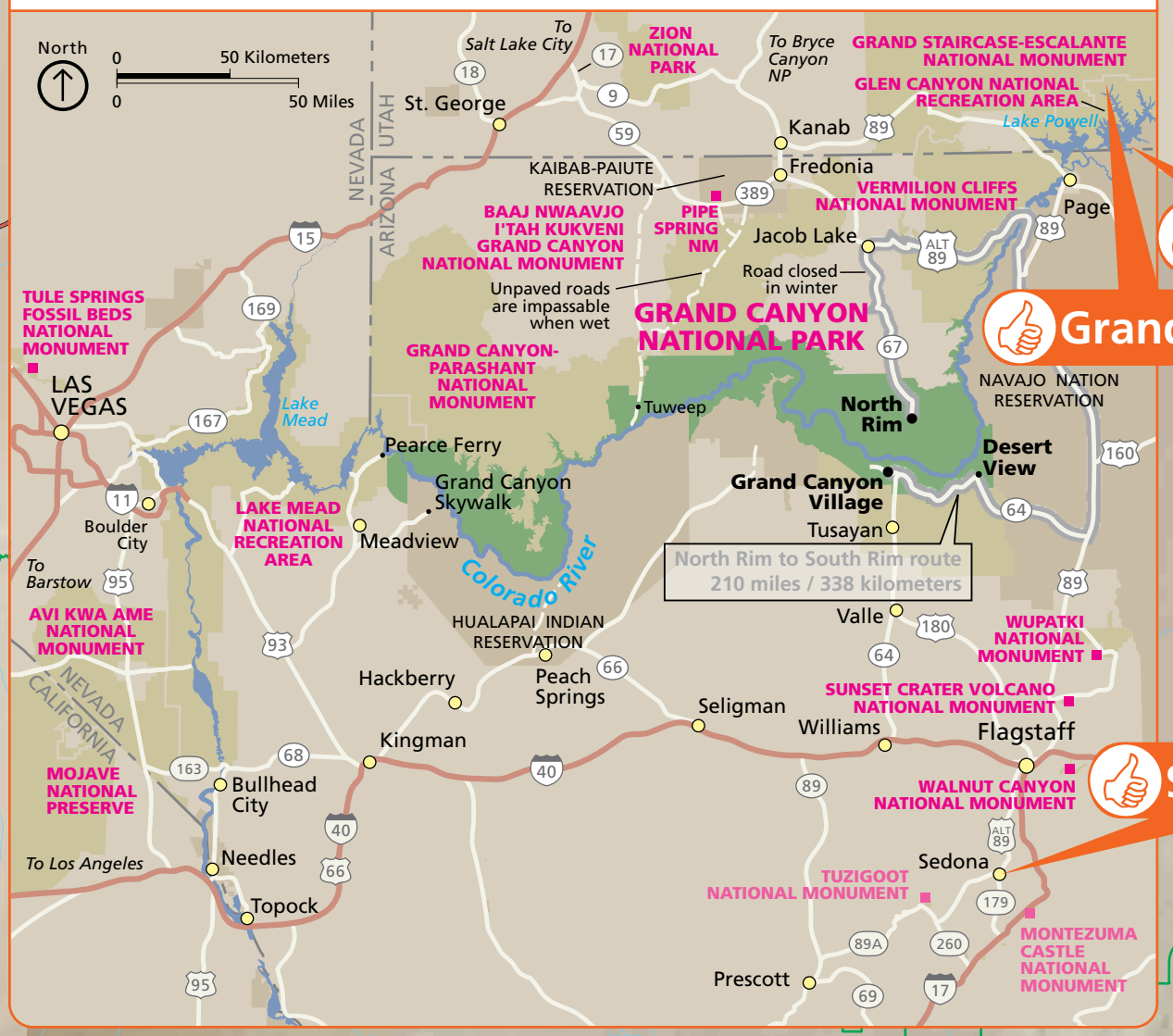
2 Days: With another day, head over to the North Rim for more viewpoints and hiking.

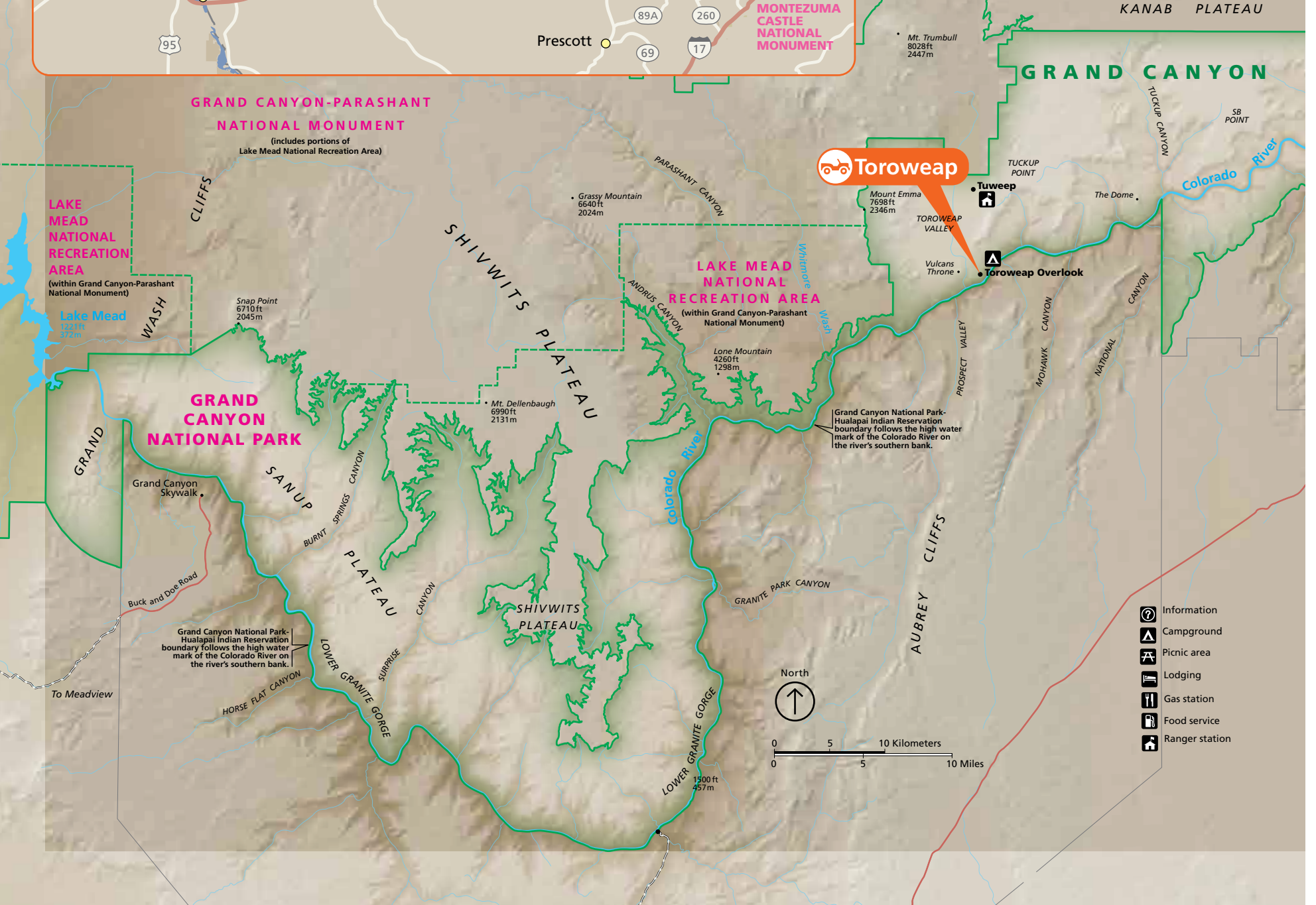
3 Days: Unless you're going to do a few inner-canyon trails, Black Canyon doesn't require a whole lot of time. However, you could go to Red Rock Canyon. It requires a permit, available through online lottery from the park website. It's the longest (6.8 miles) and easiest way into the canyon. But I'd spend the time checking out nearby attractions like the San Juan Mountains.

Beyond Black Canyon

I cannot stress how much you want to take US-550 (Million Dollar Highway) and CO-149. On a clear day, you'll be treated to some of the best scenery in our country, and there's plenty of incredible camping and backpacking opportunities. You'll find a few more ideas at stoneroadpress.com/blca.

Grand Canyon Region





UTAH
ARIZONA

89
To Page, Arizona
To Bryce Canyon National Park, Cedar Breaks National Monument, and Zion National Park
4750ft 1448m FREDONIA
ALT 89
To Kanab, Utah
GLEN CANYON NATIONAL RECREATION AREA
Lake Powell
Glen Canyon Dam
PAGE
Paria River
3116ft 950m Lees Ferry
Grand Canyon National Park boundary extends to the mouth of the Paria River
Navajo Bridge
MARBLE CANYON
KAIBAB INDIAN RESERVATION
PARIA PLATEAU
VERMILION CLIFFS
Colorado River
ECHO CLIFFS
7921ft 2415m JACOB LAKE
Camping is summer only
GULCH
SNAKE
JUMPUP CANYON
KAIBAB NATIONAL FOREST
HOUSE ROCK VALLEY
MARBLE CANYON
GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK
Kanab Creek
LOOKOUT CANYON
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Road to North Rim and all services closed in winter.
Grand Canyon National Park-Navajo Nation Reservation boundary follows the east rim of the canyon
SOUTH CANYON
EMINENCE BREAK
Kaibab Lodge
De Motte (US Forest Service)
KAIBAB PLATEAU
COCKS COMB
NAVAJO NATION RESERVATION
(Permit required for off-highway travel)
The Navajo Nation observes daylight-saving time, the rest of Arizona does not.
KANAB CANYON
GRANITE NARROWS
Tapeats Creek
NATIONAL PARK
SB CANYON
Chikapanagi Point
Great Thumb Point 6749ft 2057m
Swamp Point 7517ft 2292m
GREAT THUMB MESA
FOSSIL BAY
MIDDLE GRANITE GORGE
Mount Sinyala
POWELL PLATEAU
MAUV CANYON
Holy Grail Temple
Shinumo Creek
North Rim
Point Imperial
Nankoweap Creek
Cape Royal/Angel's Window
North Rim Store area
North Rim Visitor Center 8255ft 2516m
CANYON
WALHALLA PLATEAU
Bright Angel Point
Kwagunt Creek
Atoko Point
Siegfried Pyre
PAINTED DESERT
Little Colorado River
Temple Butte
Cape Solitude 6144ft 1873m
Juno Temple
Venus Temple
Supai
Fees required
Not accessible by road
HAVASU CANYON
Havasu Creek
Hualapai Hilltop 5199ft 1585m
Grand Canyon NP-Havasupai Reservation boundary is 0.25 miles from rim
Apache Point
AZTEC AMPHITHEATER
Mt. Huethawali Point
Havasupai Point 6635ft 2023m
Point Sublime 7459ft 2274m
GRANITE GORGE
Crystal Creek
Tower of Ra
Isis Temple
BRIGHT ANGEL Creek
Zoroaster Temple
Cape Royal
Diana Temple
Phantom Ranch 2402ft/732m
Wotans Throne
HAVASUPAI RESERVATION
Havasu Falls
South Rim
Hermits Rest
Hopi Point
GRAND CANYON VILLAGE
and other services
Grand Canyon Visitor Center 6860ft 2091m
Vishnu Temple
Comanche Point
Cardenas Butte
Desert View Visitor Center 7438ft 2267m
Camping is summer only
HORSESHOE MESA
Grandview Point
Tusayan Museum and Ruin
US Forest Service
TUSAYAN
Hermit Road
Grand Canyon Airport
64
RIM
COCONINO
Ten-X (US Forest Service)
Camping is summer only
Grand Canyon Railway
KAIBAB NATIONAL FOREST
Red Butte 7324ft 2237m
COCONINO PLATEAU
Cataract Creek
(Permit required for off-highway travel)

Hermits Rest to Village
7 miles 11 kilometers

Village to Visitor Center
2.1 miles 3.4 kilometers

Services

- Airport
- ATM
- Bike rentals
- Campground
- Drinking water
- First aid
- Food service
- Gas station
- Gifts
- Information
- Laundromat
- Lodging
- Picnic area
- Post office
- Public parking
- Restrooms
- RV camping
- Showers
- Store
- Telephone
- Wi-Fi

Road

Grand Canyon Visitor Center to:		
Desert View	22.0 mi	*35.4 km*
Market Plaza	0.9 mi	*1.4 km*
Tusayan	6.7 mi	*10.8 km*
Village	2.1 mi	*3.4 km*
Village to:		
Grand Canyon Visitor Center	2.1 mi	*3.4 km*
Hermits Rest	7.4 mi	*11.9 km*
Market Plaza	1.4 mi	*2.3 km*
Tusayan	6.3 mi	*10.1 km*

Trails

- Paved ***Greenway Trail*** (bicycles)
- Paved trail (no bicycles)
- Unpaved trail (bicycles)
- Unpaved trail (no bicycles)

Enlarged Area–Map Not to Scale

Hermits Rest

Snack bar

Pima Point
Monument Creek Vista
The Abyss
Mojave Point
Hopi Point
Powell Point
Maricopa Point
Trailview Overlook
Hermit Road
Hermit Trailhead
To trailhead 0.25 mi 0.40 km
Hermit Road closed to private vehicles March 1 to November 30
Hermit Road
Bright Angel
Bright Angel Trailhead
Village Route Transfer
Hermits Rest Route Transfer

Village

Kolb Studio
Lookout Studio
Bright Angel Lodge
Rim
Trail
(No bikes)
Village Amphitheater
El Tovar Hotel
Hopi House
Verkamp's Visitor Center
Thunderbird Lodge
Kachina Lodge
Train Depot
Village Loop Drive
one-way
Bright Angel
Mule Barn
Garage
Village East
Navajo St
Community Library
Center Road
Lot C
Lot A
Shrine of the Ages
Park Headquarters
McKee Amphitheater
Trail of Time:
Geology exhibits on Rim Trail between Verkamp's Visitor Center and Yavapai Point
Zuni Way
Market Plaza
Camper Services
Clinic
Clinic Rd
Market Plaza Road
Center Road
Rowe Well Road
Grand Canyon Railway
Maswik Lodge
Maswik Laundry Rd
Kennel
two-way
Backcountry Information Center
Lot D
(RV parking available)
To Tusayan
Camping—summer only
South Entrance Station

Hermits Rest Route (Red)

Seasonal

Stop	West-bound	East-bound
Village Route Transfer	●	
Trailview Overlook	●	
Maricopa Point	●	
Powell Point	●	
Hopi Point	●	
Mojave Point	●	
The Abyss	●	
Monument Creek Vista	●	
Pima Point	●	
Hermits Rest	●	●
Pima Point		●
Mojave Point		●
Powell Point		●
Village Route Transfer		●

Kaibab/Rim Route (Orange)

Year-round

Stop	Rim route	Kaibab route
Grand Canyon Visitor Center	●	
Mather Point	●	
Yavapai Geology Museum	●	
Grand Canyon Visitor Center	●	●
South Kaibab Trailhead		●
Yaki Point		●
Pipe Creek Vista		●
Grand Canyon Visitor Center		●

South Rim

Visitor Center to Desert View
22 miles 35 kilometers

Greenway Trail

South Kaibab Trailhead to Pipe Creek Vista	0.9 mi	*1.4 km*
Pipe Creek Vista to Grand Canyon Visitor Center	1.5 mi	*2.5 km*
Grand Canyon Visitor Center to Market Plaza	0.9 mi	*1.4 km*
Market Plaza to Village	1.0 mi	*1.6 km*
Village to Hermit Road	0.6 mi	*1.0 km*
Monument Creek Vista to Pima Point	1.8 mi	*2.9 km*
Grand Canyon Visitor Center to Trailer Village	0.7 mi	*1.2 km*
Grand Canyon Visitor Center to Mather Campground	1.2 mi	*2.0 km*
Grand Canyon Visitor Center to Tusayan	6.6 mi	*10.6 km*

Rim Trail

Pets allowed

Hermits Rest to Pima Point	1.0 mi	*1.6 km*
Pima Point to Monument Creek Vista	1.8 mi	*2.9 km*
Monument Creek Vista to The Abyss	1.0 mi	*1.6 km*
The Abyss to Mojave Point	1.1 mi	*1.8 km*
Mojave Point to Hopi Point	1.0 mi	*1.6 km*
Hopi Point to Powell Point	0.3 mi	*0.5 km*
Powell Point to Maricopa Point	0.5 mi	*0.8 km*
Maricopa Point to Trailview Overlook	0.7 mi	*1.1 km*
Trailview Overlook to Bright Angel Trailhead	0.5 mi	*0.8 km*
Bright Angel Trailhead to Verkamp's	0.5 mi	*0.8 km*
Verkamp's to Yavapai Point (Trail of Time)	1.4 mi	*2.3 km*
Yavapai Point to Mather Point	0.7 mi	*1.1 km*
Mather Point to Pipe Creek Vista	1.4 mi	*2.3 km*
Pipe Creek Vista to South Kaibab Trailhead	0.9 mi	*1.4 km*
Total distance	12.8 mi	*20.6 km*

Yavapai Point
Mather Point
South Kaibab
Desert View
Lipan Point

Yavapai Point and Geology Museum
Visitor Center
Desert View
Camping—summer only
Desert View Watchtower
Navajo Point
Lipan Point
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Desert View Entrance Station
Moran Point
Buggeln
Grandview Point
Tusayan Museum and Ruin
To Cameron
Rim Trail (No bikes)
South Entrance Road
Mather Point
Bus parking
Grand Canyon Visitor Center
Bike Rentals and Cafe
Lot 4
Park Store
Lots 1–3 (RV parking, Lot 1)
Yaki Point
Yaki Point Rd
South Kaibab Trailhead
(No bikes)
Pipe Creek Vista
Gate: Yaki Point Road closed to private vehicles
Market Plaza Eastbound
Market Plaza Westbound
Yavapai Road
Desert View Drive
Bank
Lot B
Post Office
Market
Yavapai Lodge
Trailer Village
Mather Campground
Mather Campground
Arizona National Scenic Trail
South Entrance Road
64

North
West
East
South

Tusayan Route (Purple)

Seasonal

Stop	South-bound	North-bound
Grand Canyon Visitor Center	●	
IMAX/R.P.'s Stage Stop	●	
Best Western Grand Canyon Squire Inn	●	
Grand Hotel		●
Big E Steakhouse & Saloon		●
Grand Canyon Visitor Center		●

Village Route (Blue)

Year-round

Stop	West-bound	East-bound
Grand Canyon Visitor Center	●	
Market Plaza Westbound	●	
Shrine of the Ages	●	
Train Depot	●	
Bright Angel Lodge	●	
Hermits Rest Route Transfer	●	●
Maswik Lodge		●
Backcountry Information Center		●
Center Road		●
Village East		●
Shrine of the Ages		●
Mather Campground		●
Trailer Village		●
Market Plaza Eastbound		●
Grand Canyon Visitor Center		●

Information

Bus routes
Bus stops
Bus route transfers

Hours of Operation

Shuttle buses run every 10–15 minutes during the day. They run approximately every 30 minutes during the hour before sunrise and the hour after sunset.

Bus Rules

1. No eating or open drink containers.
2. No pets. Service animals permitted.
3. Collapse strollers before entering the shuttle bus. No oversized or jogging strollers. Remove baby-back carriers when seated.
4. Shuttle buses can accommodate two or three bicycles but not tag alongs, baby trailers, or children's bicycles with wheels less than 16 inches (41 cm). Riders must load and unload their bicycles.
5. Shuttle buses only stop at designated bus stops.

Grand Canyon Basics

Size (acres)	Visitation (2025)	Trails (miles)
1.2M (11 of 63)	4.4M (-0.5M from 2024) (4 of 63, -1 from 2024)	590 (7 of 63)

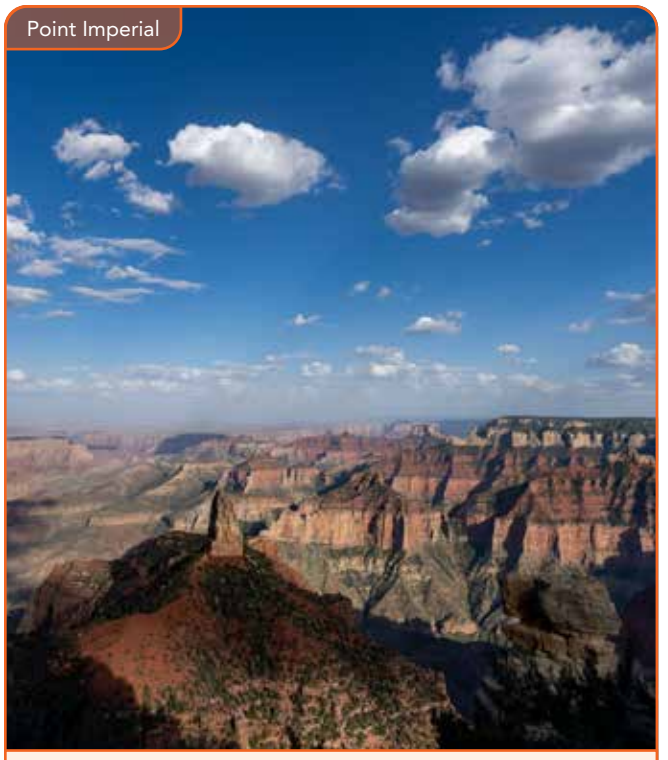
(928) 638-7888 | nps.gov/grca
Entrance Fee: $35/car
South Rim Lodging: Bright Angel Lodge*, El Tovar*, Kachina Lodge*, Thunderbird Lodge*, Maswik Lodge*, Yavapai Lodge*
South Rim Camping: Mather**, Trailer Village**, Desert View
North Rim Lodging: Grand Canyon Lodge#
North Rim Camping: North Rim**

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Desert View

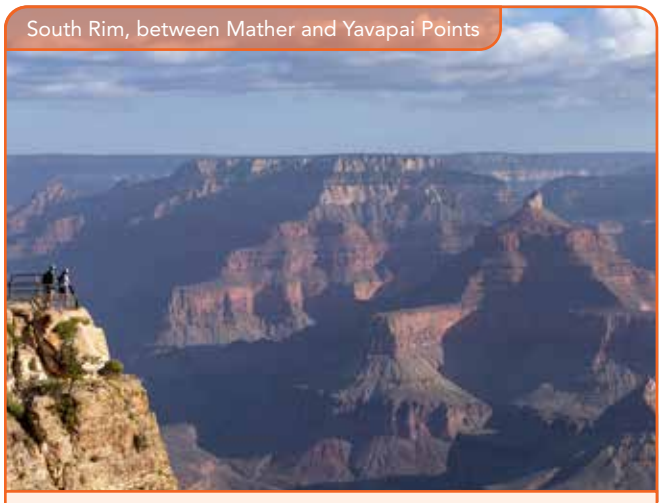
What You Need to Know

- The South Rim is open year-round; the North Rim typically closes from late October/early November through mid-May. Rafting trips are offered from April through October.
- Temperature on the South Rim is typically 7°F warmer than the North Rim. The canyon floor is about 20°F warmer than the South Rim.
- The South Rim is busy most of the year. Escaping the crowds is best done by hiking, but you could also visit the North Rim or stop at the South Rim in winter.
- Four free shuttle loops ease congestion on the South Rim. Use them (you have to at Hermit Road, unless you hike/bike).
- Don't feel like South Kaibab or Bright Angel Trail aren't worth doing if you can't do the whole thing. They most definitely are. Just know that you have to make it out of that canyon. Turn around long before you get tired. You do not want to become part of the park's rescue statistics.
- The North Rim receives about 10% the visitation of the South Rim, but there are also fewer visitor accommodations. So, it's a good idea to make reservations in advance. You won't regret it. There's great hiking on the North Rim as well as some striking viewpoints with features you can't spot from the South.
- A high-clearance 4x4 unlocks Toroweap (permit required), a memorable North Rim viewpoint, well worth the long journey. You'll find campsites there. Call about road conditions before departing.


Point Imperial

Why Visit Grand Canyon?

- To raft the Colorado River
- To spend a night at the canyon's floor at Phantom Ranch (accessed by foot or mule)
- To be awed by its massive size (277 miles long, up to 18 miles wide, and 1+ mile deep) from the rim, from the air, or from the back of a mule


South Rim, between Mather and Yavapai Points

Grand Canyon Driving Distances

Driving from the South Rim to North Rim is 3.5 hours. Along the way, you'll pass nearby Page, AZ (Horseshoe Bend, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Antelope Canyon, etc.). And then there's paradise on earth, Havasu Falls, which is a solid 3.5-hour drive from the South Rim (plus a difficult overnight hike to the waterfalls).

Las Vegas, NV	4.5 hours / 280 miles	Grand Canyon VC (South Rim)
Grand Canyon VC	40 minutes / 22 miles	Desert View VC (South Rim)
Desert View VC	3.5 hours / 188 miles	North Rim VC

When to Visit Grand Canyon

It depends on what you want to do. Rafting trips are offered from spring through fall. The North Rim closes for winter. The most comfortable weather is spring and fall at the South Rim. October is the ideal month for inner-canyon hiking. Remember, you're dropping about 5,000 feet from the South Rim to Phantom Ranch, where it will be about 20°F hotter than the rim.

Grand Canyon Favorites

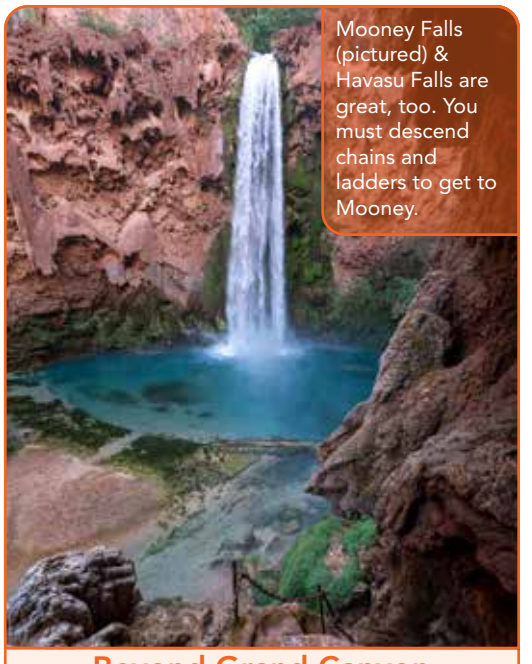
South Rim Hikes: South Kaibab (strenuous, 13.1 miles), Tanner (TBD), Rim (easy, varies), Bright Angel (strenuous, 20), Grandview (strenuous, 8.3)
North Rim Hikes: Cape Royal (easy, 0.6), Bright Angel Point (easy, 0.5), Transept (easy, 3), North Kaibab (strenuous, 14)
Activities: Time and budget permitting, rafting the canyon is the thing to do
South Rim Views: Yavapai Point, Lipan Point, Mohave Point, Desert View, Mather Point, Yaki Point, Hopi Point, Trailview Overlook
North Rim Views: Toroweap, Cape Royal, Point Imperial, Bright Angel Point, Cape Final

How Much Time?

1 Day: Daytrips aren't uncommon, but I think you'll regret it if you don't spend at least one night in the park. Checking out viewpoints from Hermit's Rest to Desert View takes a full day by itself.

2 Days: Time to hike into the canyon. Bright Angel has the comfort of resthouses along the way. South Kaibab (in my opinion) is prettier. But let's not pick nits here; both are gorgeous. You don't have to hike all the way to the Colorado River. Tonto Trail also connects Bright Angel and South Kaibab.

3 Days: I'm not sure I would drive all the way to the North Rim (unless you're making the shorter trip from Zion) without having enough time to stop in Page, AZ (Horseshoe Bend, Antelope Canyon, Glen Canyon/Lake Powell, etc.). Cape Royal + Angel's Window and Point Imperial are awesome.


Mooney Falls (pictured) & Havasu Falls are great, too. You must descend chains and ladders to get to Mooney.

Beyond Grand Canyon

Glen Canyon National Recreation Area (Lake Powell) is a boater's playground! Check it out. And then you have all the slot canyons around Page. Flagstaff and Sedona are fun, too. There are a few ideas at stoneroadpress.com/grca.

North Rim

Services

- Amphitheater
- Bicycle trail
- Campground
- Drinking water
- First aid
- Food service
- Gas station
- Gifts
- General store
- Information
- Laundromat
- Lodging
- Parking
- Pets on leash
- Picnic area
- Post office
- Restrooms
- Showers
- Wheelchair-accessible
- Wi-Fi

North Rim Visitor Center to:		
Cape Royal, Grand Canyon National Park	23 mi	37 km
Lees Ferry, Grand Canyon National Park	90 mi	145 km
North Entrance Station, Grand Canyon NP	13 mi	21 km
Point Imperial, Grand Canyon National Park	11 mi	18 km
South Rim, Grand Canyon National Park	210 mi	338 km
Bryce Canyon National Park, UT	158 mi	254 km
Flagstaff, AZ	208 mi	335 km
Jacob Lake, AZ	44 mi	71 km
Kanab, UT	80 mi	129 km
Las Vegas, NV	266 mi	428 km
Page, AZ	124 mi	200 km
Pipe Spring National Monument, UT	87 mi	140 km
Zion National Park, UT	122 mi	196 km

Paved road
Unpaved road
4-wheel drive road
Trail

North
West East
South

To North Entrance Station from North Kaibab Trailhead 12.1mi 19.4km

Arizona Trail

67

KAIBAB PLATEAU

Vehicles longer than 30 feet (9 meters) not recommended.

Point Imperial Trail

2.6mi

3.0mi

Ken Patrick Trail

Point Imperial
8803ft

"Y"

3.1mi

Greenland Lake

8480ft
Vista Encantada

To Point Sublime 17.8mi 28.6km
Four-wheel drive, tow strap, and saw recommended.

Cape Royal Rd

5.4mi

Ken Patrick Trail 2.8mi

Unpaved roads may be impassable when wet.

Roosevelt Point Trail
14.5mi

Roosevelt Point
8470ft

Cape Final

0.9mi

Uncle Jim Trail

Uncle Jim Point
8336ft

4.8mi Widforss Trail

General Store / Gas
Campground

North Kaibab Trail

North Rim Visitor Center

Grand Canyon Lodge

Bright Angel Point
8161ft

4.7mi

4960ft
Roaring Springs

THE TRANSEPT

Widforss Point
7900ft

See enlarged map below

BRIGHT ANGEL CANYON

WALHALLA PLATEAU

GRAND CANYON

Komo Point
8050ft

Obi Point
7928ft

Ariel Point
7650ft

Francois Matthes Point
8020ft

Cape Royal/Angel's Window

WALHALLA GLADES

NATCHI CANYON

Cape Final
7916ft

Cape Final Trail
2.1mi

Honan Point
7922ft

Walhalla Glades Pueblo

Walhalla Overlook
7998ft

Thor Temple
6741ft

Cliff Spring

Angels Window

Cape Royal
7865ft

Wotans Throne
7721ft

See enlarged map below

North Kaibab/Transept/Bright Angel Point

North Rim Visitor Center / Bright Angel Point

To Point Sublime
To North Entrance Station
Cape Royal Road
To Cape Royal
To Point Imperial

KAIBAB PLATEAU

67

0.9mi

Uncle Jim Trail

0.4mi

Loop 2.1mi

Trail

Widforss Trail

To Widforss Point

Arizona Trail

Patrick

Ken

Get the free hiking brochure at the visitor center before hiking the North Kaibab Trail.

0.4mi

North Kaibab Trailhead
8241ft

Bridle Path 0.3mi

0.7mi

Coconino Overlook
7450ft

Administration and Backcountry Office

Overlook
8320ft

Uncle Jim Point
8336ft

1.3mi

North Kaibab Trail

6840ft
Supai Tunnel

General Store

Campground

0.6mi

ROARING SPRINGS CANYON

1.1mi

Redwall Bridge
6040ft

Bridle Path

Transept Trail

1.4mi

0.3mi

0.5mi

8255ft
North Rim Visitor Center

Day hiking beyond Roaring Springs from the rim is not recommended.

0.6mi

Guest cabins

Guest cabins

Grand Canyon Lodge

THE TRANSEPT

1.8mi

4960ft
Roaring Springs Day Use Area

Bright Angel Point Trail 0.25mi

0.3mi

North Kaibab Trail

Bright Angel Point
8161ft

0 0.25 0.5 Kilometer
0 0.25 0.5 Mile

To Cottonwood Campground

Walhalla Overlook / Cape Royal

0 0.25 Kilometer
0 0.25 Mile

Walhalla Glades Pueblo
400ft

To Point Imperial and North Rim Visitor Center

WALHALLA PLATEAU

Walhalla Overlook
7998ft

0.4mi

Cliff Spring Trail

Cliff Spring

Wedding site permit required

GRAND CANYON

(No dogs)

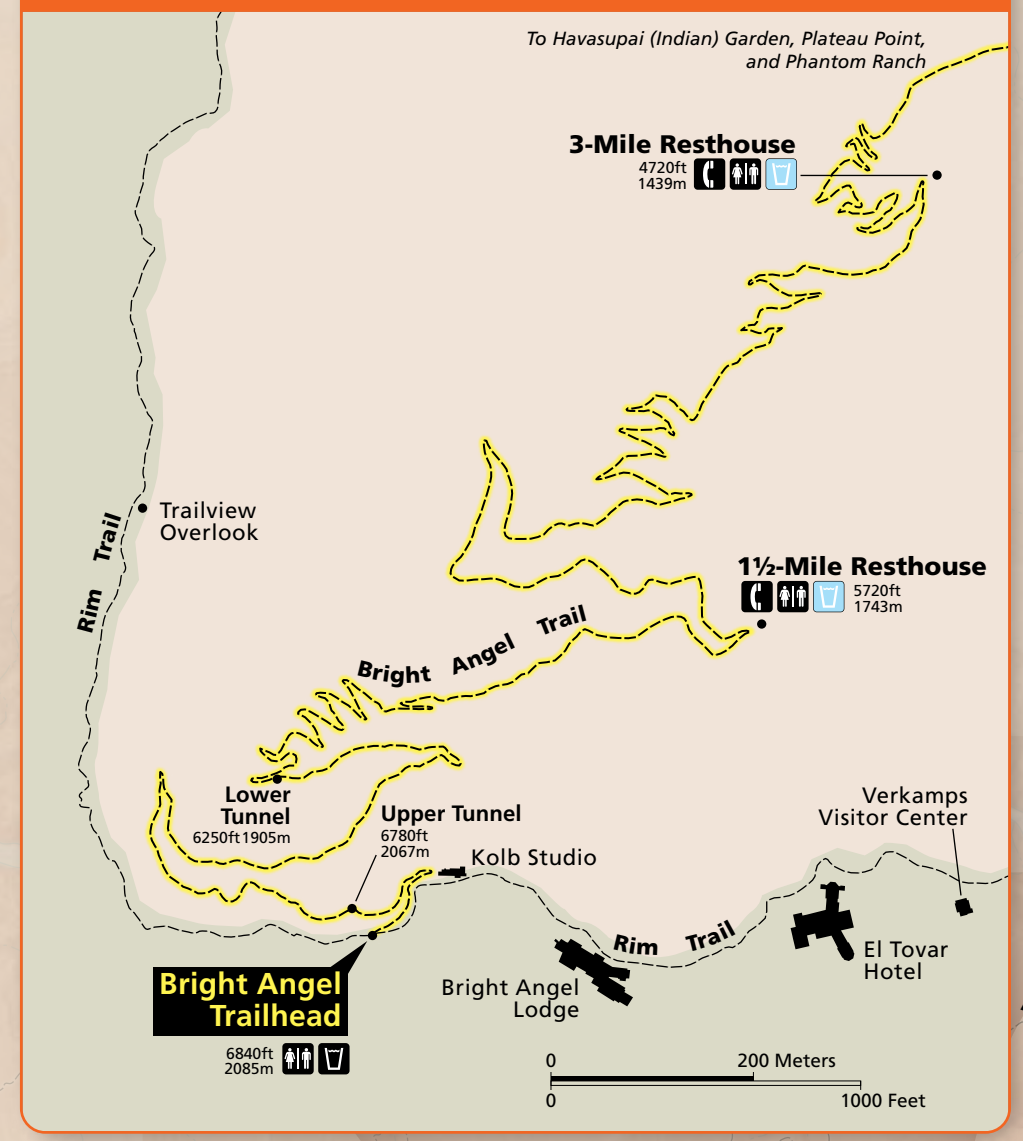
Cape Royal Trail
0.4mi

Angels Window

7865ft

Cape Royal

Upper Bright Angel Trail



PHANTOM CANYON

THE BOX

Phantom Ranch
Canteen

Ranger Station

0.2mi
0.3km

0.1mi
0.2km

Bright Angel

0.2mi
0.3km

Do not swim in the Colorado River! You could drown due to dangerous currents and extremely cold water temperatures.

Pipe Creek Rapids

River Resthouse
2500ft
762m

River Trail

Silver Bridge

1.5mi
2.4km

Plateau Point
3760ft
1146m

TONTO PLATFORM

0.7mi
1.1km

Plateau Point Trail

0.8mi
1.3km

2.9mi
4.7km

Pipe Creek

2.2mi
3.5km

Tonto Trail

2.0mi
3.2km

0.3mi
0.5km

3800ft
1158m

Havasupai (Indian) Garden

Ranger Station

0.1mi
0.2km

Plateau Creek

Tonto Trail

O'Neill Butte
6071ft
1850m

Creek

Hopi Point
7065ft
2153m

The Battleship

Garden

Mojave Point
6995ft
2132m

Powell Point

Maricopa Point

1.5mi
2.4km

Bright Angel Trail

Rim Trail

Hermit Road

Grandeur Point
7032ft
2143m

Yavapai Point
7082ft
2159m

3-Mile Resthouse

1.5mi 2.4km

2.6mi
4.2km

THE ABYSS

Lower Tunnel

1½-Mile Resthouse

0.5mi 0.8km

1.0mi 1.6km

South Entrance Road

Mather Point
7120ft
2170m

Grand Canyon Visitor Center

Rim Trail

2.3mi
3.7km

To Hermits Rest

El Tovar

Verkamps Visitor Center

Bright Angel Trailhead
6840ft
2085m

Village Loop Drive

Market

Center Road

Backcountry Information Center

Campground

Desert View Drive

Clinic

Market Plaza Road

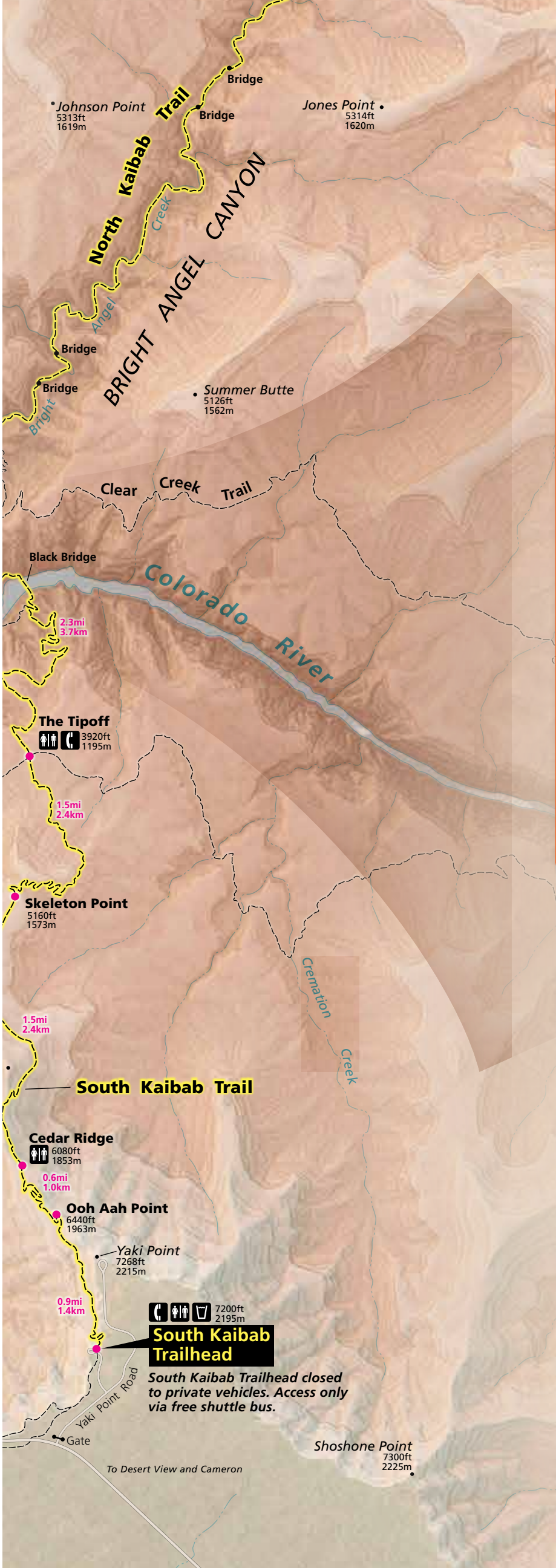
South Entrance Rd

COCONINO PLATEAU

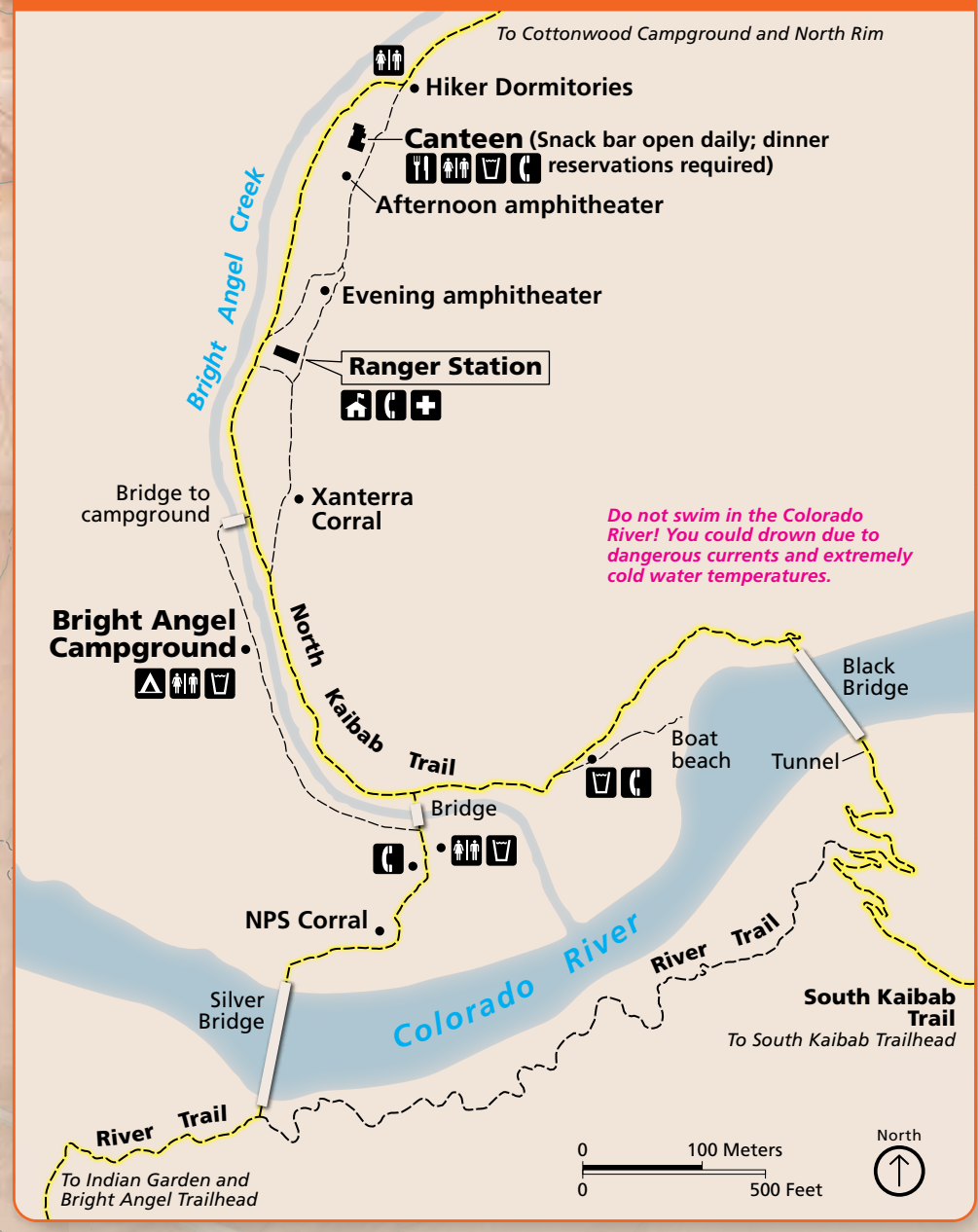
To South Entrance Station and Tusayan

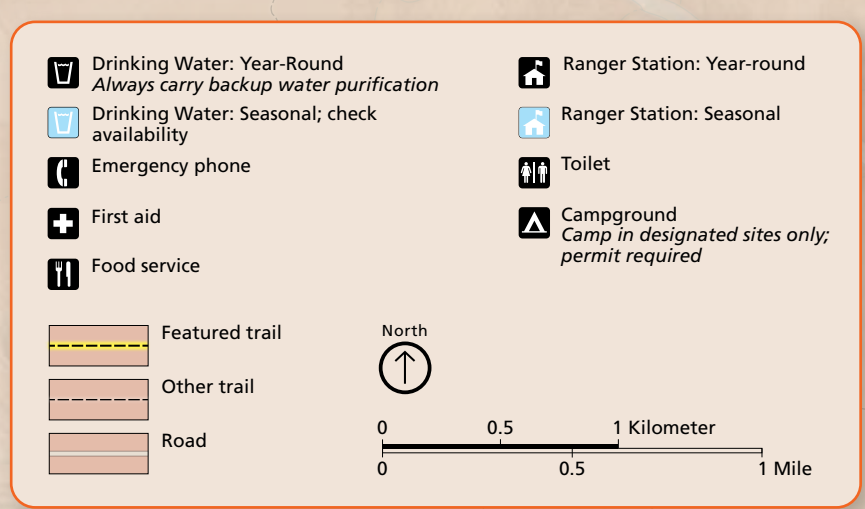
SOUTH RIM

Services available year-round.



Phantom Ranch





STANISLAUS NATIONAL FOREST

EMIGRANT WILDERNESS

YOSEMITE NATIONAL

YOSEMITE WILDERNESS

Pacific Crest Trail

Hetch Hetchy

Emigrant Lake
Maxwell Lake
Cherry Creek
Bond Pass
Dorothy Lake
Pacific Crest Trail
Tower Peak
Mary Lake
Huckleberry Lake
Twin Lakes
Haystack Peak
Schofield Peak
East Fork
Styx Pass
Falls Creek
Tilden Lake
CANYON
STUBBLEFIELD
Otter Lake
Richardson Peak
9877 ft
3010 m
(staffed intermittently)
Wilma Lake
Many Island Lake
Creek
Kendrick
Kibbie Lake
JACK MAIN CANYON
KERRICK CANYON
(staffed intermittently)
TILTILL MOUNTAIN
Piute Mountain
10541 ft
3213 m
Eleanor Creek
Creek
Lake Vernon
Benson Lake
Laurel Lake
Mount Gibson
Creek
Creek
Creek
PLEASANT VALLEY
LAKE ELEANOR
Frog
Table Lake
Falls
TILTILL VALLEY
Lake Eleanor
(summer only)
MIGUEL MEADOW
Tueeulala Falls
Wapama Falls
Tiltill
Rancheria Falls
Rancheria
RANCHERIA MOUNTAIN
PATE VALLEY
3813 ft
1162 m
O'Shaughnessy Dam
No swimming or boating
HETCH HETCHY RESERVOIR
Hetch Hetchy Backpackers Camp
(wilderness permit required)
GRAND CANYON OF
Hetch Hetchy Road
vehicle length limit of 25 ft (7.6 m)
width limit of 8 ft (2.4 m)
POOPENAUT VALLEY
Hetchy Road
River
Hetch
Smith Peak
7751 ft
2363 m
Hetch Hetchy Entrance
(open sunrise to sunset)
Harden Lake
Morrison Creek
Tuolumne
Mather
Birch Lake
River
Grant Lakes
White Wolf
Middle
Tuolumne
Evergreen Road
Lukens Lake
Bald Mountain
7261 ft
2213 m
Siesta Lake
Tioga Road
ASPEN VALLEY
Closed to vehicles
To Manteca
120
4850 ft
1478 m
Information Station
Big Oak Flat Entrance
South Fork Tuolumne River
Restrooms are available at picnic areas, campgrounds, trailheads, and roadside pullouts along Tioga Road
Yosemite Creek
Porcupine Flat
Creek
Creek

HUMBOLDT-TOIYABE NATIONAL FOREST

HOOVER WILDERNESS

PARK

INYO NATIONAL FOREST

Buckeye Pass
9572 ft
2917 m

Barney Lake

Peeler Lake

Crown Lake

Rock Island Pass

Rancheria Creek

Slide Mountain

SAWTOOTH RIDGE

Matterhorn Peak

Burro Pass

Whorl Mountain

CANYON Creek

Virginia Peak

Virginia Pass

Summit Lake

Green Lake

Virginia Lakes

Piute Creek

Smedberg Lake

Benson Pass

Volunteer Peak

Rodgers Lake

Pettit Peak
10788 ft
3288 m

RODGERS CANYON

MATTERHORN

VIRGINIA Trail

Return Creek

Spiller Creek

CANYON Creek

McCabe Creek

McCabe Lakes

Upper McCabe Lake

Lundy Lake

167

395

North Peak

Saddlebag Lake

Roosevelt Lake

HARVEY MONROE HALL RESEARCH NATURAL AREA

Mount Conness
12590 ft
3837 m

Virginia Lake

Pacific Crest Trail

CANYON COLD Creek

White Mountain

Young Lakes

Ragged Peak

Gardisky Lake

Tioga Peak
11526 ft
3513 m

Highway 120
closed in winter

Ellery Lake

Gaylor Peak

Granite Lakes

Tioga Lake

Tioga Pass Entrance
9945 ft
3031 m

Tioga Road closed approx. November to May west of this point

Gaylor Lakes

MEADOWS

Mount Dana
13057 ft
3979 m

DANA Fork

Dana Meadows

Mount Gibbs
12764 ft
3890 m

Facilities along Tioga Road available summer only

Mammoth Peak
12117 ft
3693 m

Mono Pass
10604 ft
3232 m

Parker Pass

KUNA CREST

LYELL CANYON

Koip Peak
12962 ft
3950 m

Potter Point

Evelyn Lake

Nelson Lake

CATHEDRAL RANGE

Rafferty Creek

Vogelsang

Sunrise

Sunrise Lakes

Olmsted Point

CANYON

John Muir Trail

Tenaya Lake

Tresidder Peak

Echo Peaks

Cathedral Lakes

Budd Lake

Unicorn Peak

Johnson Peak

Elizabeth Lake

Tioga Rd

Trail

Cathedral Peak
10940 ft
3335 m

Fairview Dome

Medlicott Dome

Pothole Dome

Lembert Dome

TUOLUMNE MEADOWS

Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center

Delaney Dog Lake

Tuolumne River

Glen Aulin

Conness Creek

Waterwheel Falls

THE TUOLUMNE RIVER

Ten Lakes

May Lake

Mount Hoffmann
10850 ft
3307 m

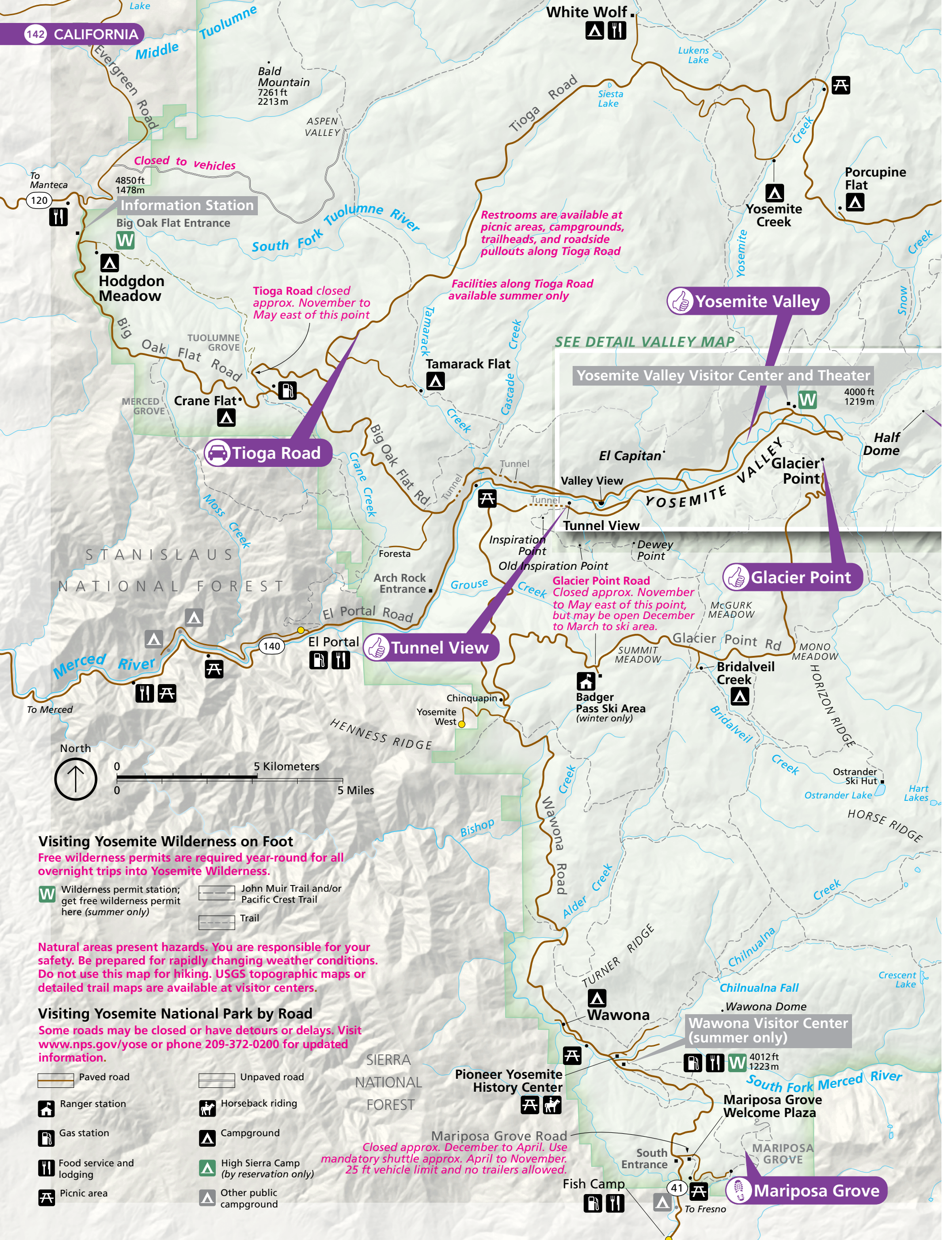
Tuolumne Peak
10845 ft
3306 m

High Sierra Camps

Cathedral Lakes

May Lake

Elizabeth Lake



Visiting Yosemite Wilderness on Foot

Free wilderness permits are required year-round for all overnight trips into Yosemite Wilderness.

- W — Wilderness permit station; get free wilderness permit here *(summer only)*
- John Muir Trail and/or Pacific Crest Trail
- Trail

Natural areas present hazards. You are responsible for your safety. Be prepared for rapidly changing weather conditions. Do not use this map for hiking. USGS topographic maps or detailed trail maps are available at visitor centers.

Visiting Yosemite National Park by Road

Some roads may be closed or have detours or delays. Visit www.nps.gov/yose or phone 209-372-0200 for updated information.

- Paved road
- Unpaved road
- Ranger station
- Horseback riding
- Gas station
- Campground
- Food service and lodging
- High Sierra Camp *(by reservation only)*
- Picnic area
- Other public campground

Tuolumne Peak 10845ft 3306m
Fairview Dome
Medlicott Dome
Trail
Cathedral Peak 10940ft 3335m
TUOLUMNE MEADOWS
Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center
Facilities along Tioga Road available summer only
Mount Gibbs 12764ft 3890m
YOSEMITE 143
Mammoth Peak 12117ft 3693m
Mono Pass 10604ft 3232m
May Lake
Mount Hoffmann 10850ft 3307m
May Lake
Tioga Rd
Cathedral Lakes
Budd Lake
Elizabeth Lake
Unicorn Peak
Johnson Peak
Lyell Fork
Creek
KUNA CREST
Parker Pass
Tresidder Peak
John Muir Trail
Tenaya Lake
Echo Peaks
CATHEDRAL RANGE
Rafferty Creek
LYELL CANYON
Sunrise Lakes
Olmsted Point
Nelson Lake
Vogelsang
Evelyn Lake
Potter Point
Koip Peak 12962ft 3950m
KOIP CREST
Sunrise
Echo Creek
TENAYA CANYON
Tenaya Creek
Mount Watkins
Vogelsang Lake
Ireland Lake
Amelia Earhart Peak
Pacific Crest Trail and John Muir Trail
Donohue Peak 12023ft 3665m
Emeric Lake
Fletcher Creek
Vogelsang Peak
Clouds Rest 9926ft 3025m
Sunrise Creek
Bernice Lake
Babcock Lake
Merced Lake
Lewis Creek
Waugh Lake
Donohue Pass
Merced River
Mount Maclure
Mount Florence 12561ft 3829m
Mount Lyell 13114ft 3997m
Merced Lake
Bunnell Point
Merced Lake (staffed intermittently)
LITTLE YOSEMITE VALLEY
Half Dome
Washburn Lake
Mount Starr King 9092ft 2771m
Lyell Fork
Banner Peak 12936ft 3943m
Mount Clark 11522ft 3512m
Mount Ansel Adams 11760ft 3584m
Foerster Peak 12057ft 3675m
Mount Ritter 13142ft 4006m
Illilouette Creek
Gray Peak
CLARK RANGE
Red Peak 11699ft 3566m
Triple Peak Fork
Long Mountain 11502ft 3506m
Isberg Peak
Isberg Pass
YOSEMITE WILDERNESS
ANSEL ADAMS WILDERNESS
Ottoway Lakes
Merced Peak 11726ft 3574m
Triple Divide Peak
Post Peak Pass
Post Peak
Lower Merced Pass Lake
Upper Merced Pass Lake
Merced Pass
Buena Vista Creek
BUENA VISTA CREST
Buena Vista Peak 9709ft 2959m
Moraine Mountain
Fernandez Pass
Givens Lake
Royal Arch Lake
Breeze Lake
Chain Lakes
Johnson Lake
Buck Camp (staffed intermittently)
Gale Peak 10693ft 3259m
Sing Peak 10552ft 3216m
Chiquito Pass
SIERRA NATIONAL FOREST


May Lake

Yosemite Basics

Size (acres)	Visitation (2025)	Trails (miles)
748K (18 of 63)	4.3M (+0.2M from 2024) (5 of 63, +1 from 2024)	750 (5 of 63)

(209) 372-0200 | nps.gov/yose
Entrance Fee: $35/car
Timed-Entry Permits*: Not required in 2026; check with the park for current status
Lodging:** The Ahwahnee, Yosemite Valley Lodge, Curry Village, Housekeeping Camp, Wawona Hotel, Tuolumne Meadows, White Wolf Lodge
Camping: Upper Pines**, Lower Pines**, North Pines**, Camp 4, Wawona**, Bridalveil Creek, Hodgdon Meadow**, Crane Flat**, Tamarack Flat, White Wolf, Yosemite Creek, Porcupine Flat, Tuolumne Meadows

*reserve at recreation.gov
**reserve at travelyosemite.com

Yosemite Driving Distances

Pavement leads into one of the most beautiful places this planet has to offer. It may be worth entering from the south so your first glimpse of Yosemite Valley is from Tunnel View, but views aren't shabby from the west either.

San Francisco, CA	4 hours / 190 miles	Yosemite Valley VC
Yosemite Valley VC	70 minutes / 35 miles	Mariposa Grove
Yosemite Valley VC	65 minutes / 32 miles	Glacier Point
Yosemite Valley VC	80 minutes / 41 miles	Hetch Hetchy
Yosemite Valley VC	90 minutes / 55 miles	Tuolumne Meadows
Tuolumne Meadows	65 minutes / 49 miles	Mammoth Lakes, CA

Why Visit Yosemite?

- Because Yosemite stands out among a collection of extremely special places
- While the hiking is top-notch, there's much more to do, including world-class rock climbing, trail rides, biking, floating, even skiing and skating
- It's a photographer's dream destination

Yosemite Favorites

Easy Hikes: May Lake (2.7 miles), Lower Yosemite Falls (1), Bridalveil Falls (0.5), Grizzly Giant (2.1)
Moderate Hikes: Sentinel Dome (2.2), Cathedral Lakes (7.8), Taft Point (loop, 4.8), Elizabeth Lake (4.2), Gaylor Lakes (3.6), Mono Pass (8), Lembert Dome (1.8), Wapama Falls (4.6), Glen Aulin (11)
Strenuous Hikes: Vernal & Nevada Falls (5.9), Upper Yosemite Falls (5.6+), Panorama (8.3), Clouds Rest (11.9), Ostrander Lake (11.4), Ten Lakes (12.6)
Extreme Hikes: Half Dome (15.4)
Views: Glacier Point, Tunnel View, Valley View, Washburn Point, Olmstead Point

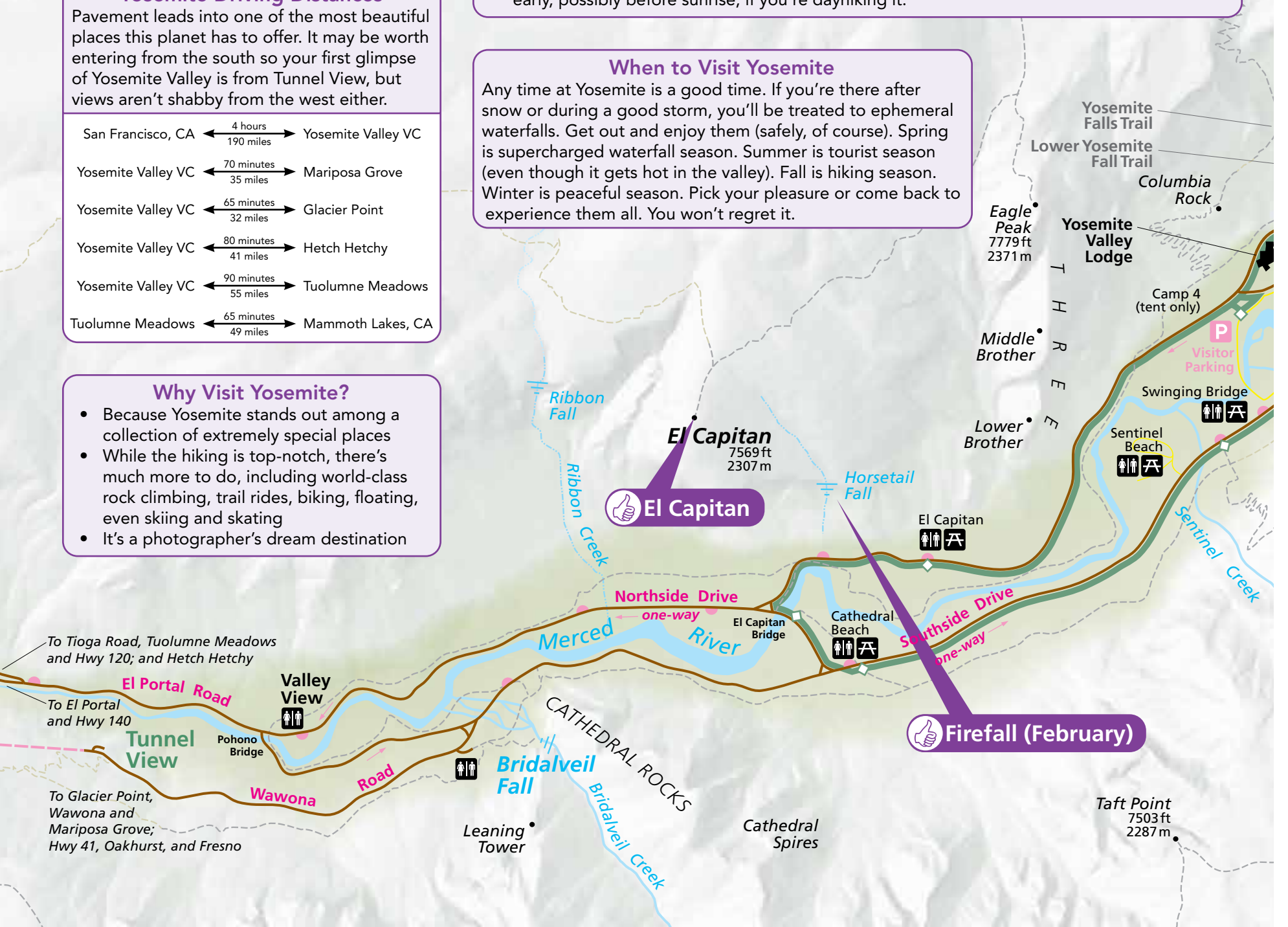

Cathedral Peak, just beyond Cathedral Lakes

What You Need to Know About Yosemite

- You may have to get a timed-entry permit from recreation.gov during peak hours/season. This pilot program was implemented due to increased visitation during the pandemic. They were going to roll it back, kept it around in 2022, and canceled it in 2026. Be sure to check on this if you don't have in-park lodging/camping and want to visit. No one wants to waste a trip, especially if you're traveling great distances.
- Visitation peaks in July and August. About 75% of all guests arrive between May and October. The park is more peaceful in winter, and daytime highs usually reach the 40s°F at Yosemite Valley. Just come prepared for snow.
- It's highly recommended you stay in the park. If you miss out on lodging/campsites when they first become available, check for cancellations and turn on notifications at recreation.gov. You'll be extremely thankful to wake up in Yosemite Valley.
- There are a couple of free shuttles around the Valley and up to Glacier Point, Mariposa Grove, and Tuolumne Meadows. They're another wonderful park resource.
- If you want to scale the back of Half Dome aided by steel cables and wooden slats, you need a permit (recreation.gov). The hike is no joke. Just getting up Subdome is a chore. Start early, possibly before sunrise, if you're dayhiking it.

When to Visit Yosemite

Any time at Yosemite is a good time. If you're there after snow or during a good storm, you'll be treated to ephemeral waterfalls. Get out and enjoy them (safely, of course). Spring is supercharged waterfall season. Summer is tourist season (even though it gets hot in the valley). Fall is hiking season. Winter is peaceful season. Pick your pleasure or come back to experience them all. You won't regret it.

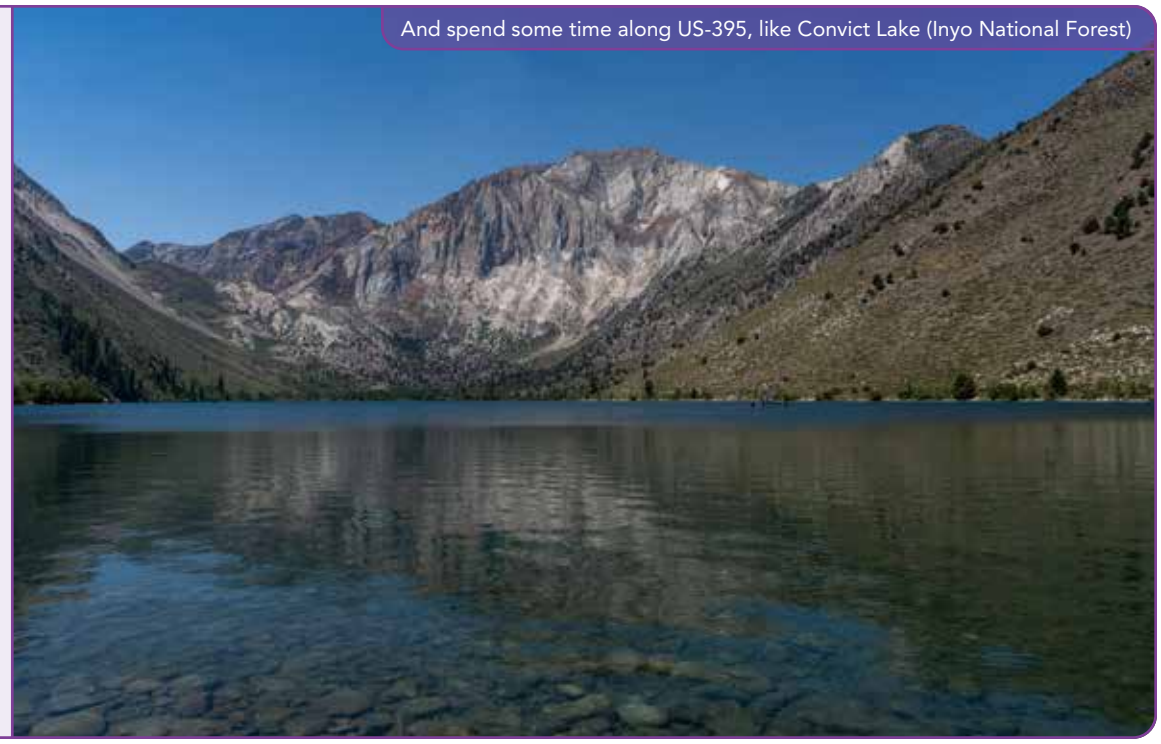


How Much Time Do You Have?

1 Day: Another park where this needs to be written… spend more than a day. But one day at Yosemite is better than no days. Start early. Sunrise at Glacier Point is a good idea. Stick around to hike Taft Point and Sentinel Dome while you can get parking. Walking/biking/shuttling around Yosemite Valley probably takes a day (or more) by itself. See as much of it as you can.

2 Days: Go for a big hike! Half Dome. Clouds Rest. Upper Yosemite Falls (and on to North Dome). If you'd rather take it easier, head up Tioga Road, hang out at Tenaya Lake, hike to Cathedral, Elizabeth Lake, and/or May Lake. Lembert Dome is close by and not extremely difficult.

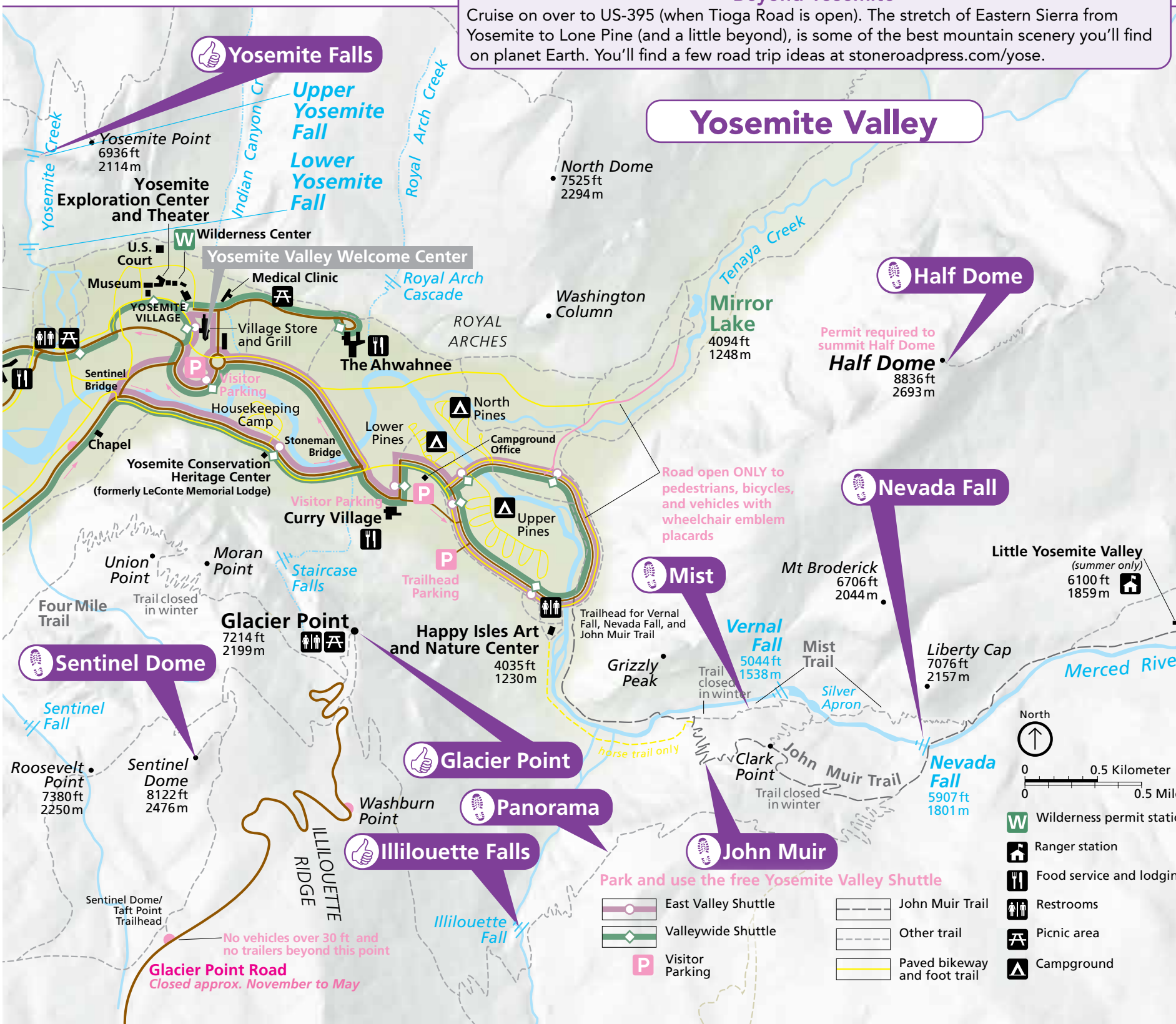
3 Days: I could spend three days sitting in a lawn chair in Yosemite Valley, and you wouldn't hear a complaint. I'd go for another big hike (like Panorama Trail!), but Mariposa Grove (and Tunnel View along the way) are two spots to check out. Or go for a trail ride.



And spend some time along US-395, like Convict Lake (Inyo National Forest)

Beyond Yosemite

Cruise on over to US-395 (when Tioga Road is open). The stretch of Eastern Sierra from Yosemite to Lone Pine (and a little beyond), is some of the best mountain scenery you'll find on planet Earth. You'll find a few road trip ideas at stoneroadpress.com/yose.



Kenai Fjords Basics

Size (acres)	Visitation (2025)	Trails (miles)
700K (19 of 63)	425K (+6K from '24) (45 of 63, +1 from '24)	30 (42 of 63)

(907) 422-0500 | nps.gov/kefj
Entrance Fee: None
Lodging: None
Camping: Exit Glacier, Holgate & Aialik Backcountry Cabins

Why Visit Kenai Fjords?

- To hike to the foot of a glacier
- To paddle the craggy coast, camping along the way
- To see an abundance of marine life, including seals, humpback whales, and orca

Harding Icefield

End of Trail

Emergency Shelter

Harding Icefield Trail

Top of the Cliffs

Harding Icefield Trail

What You Need to Know

- Exit Glacier is all that's open to motorists, and Exit Glacier Road closes from fall through spring (open to cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and snowmobiling).
- The train (alsakarailroad.com) is another way to get here. Track between Anchorage and Seward (continuing to Denali) is great.
- The hike up to Harding Icefield is fantastic, but it's an 8.7-mile (roundtrip) uphill journey.
- Experienced sea kayakers will find some Grade-A paddling, but the coast is typically inaccessible from late fall through early spring.
- A few operators offer boat tours and kayak transportation services out of Seward.
- While there are plenty of things to see from the sky, the coast is often foggy/cloudy. You have better options in all directions but south.
- There are two backcountry cabins and a few luxurious lodges on embedded private land.

Exit Glacier

Marmot Meadows

Glacier Overlook

Glacier Overlook

Glacier Overlook Loop Trail

Exit Creek

Outwash Plain

Glacier View

Glacier View Loop Trail

How Much Time Do You Have?

Time allotment depends on how you experience the park (by boat, cruise ship, plane, car, train, foot, and/or kayak). Boats ply these waters for sightseeing tours and fishing. Paddlers and backpackers spend days in the park's backcountry. There is a lot to do in Seward, but if your main goal in heading down here is to explore the Exit Glacier area, you only need a day (or less) to check out the glacier and hike up to Harding Icefield.

When to Visit Kenai Fjords

Everyone visits between May and September. The smallest chances of rain and fog are in June and July.

Beyond Kenai Fjords

Byron Glacier Trail in Chugach National Forest is worth looking into. And Seward is a quaint little town (except when the cruise ships are in port).

Exit Glacier Nature Center

Restrooms

Pavilion

Picnic Area

Parking Area

KENAI FJORDS 173

To Anchorage

Exit Glacier Nature Center

Exit Glacier Road

Willow Public Use Cabin (winter only)

EXIT GLACIER

SKILAK GLACIER

KILLEY GLACIER

INDIAN GLACIER

5720ft 1744m

5355ft 1633m

Park boundary

KENAI NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

ICEFIELD

6197ft 1889m

5912ft 1802m

Aialik Bay

KENAI FJORDS NATIONAL PARK

HARDING

KENAI MOUNTAINS

TUSTUMENA GLACIER

SKEE GLACIER

BEAR GLACIER

AIALIK GLACIER

ADDISON GL

5641ft 1720m

3768ft 1149m

5269ft 1606m

TRUULI GLACIER

Holgate Cabin

PEDERSEN GLACIER

HOLGATE GLACIER

NORTHWESTERN GLACIER

5873ft 1791m

CHERNOF GLACIER

Aialik Bay Ranger Station

Holgate Public Use Cabin

Holgate Arm

(Highest point in park) 6450ft 1996m

Striation Island

HARRIS PENINSULA

4430ft 1351m

Quicksand Cove

McMullen Cove

Northwestern Fjord

6340ft 1933m

McCARTY GLACIER

1900

4734ft 1443m

Harris Bay

Park boundary

-876ft -267m

DINGLESTADT GLACIER

McCarty Fjord

1942

Paguna Arm

NATIVE CORPORATION

Sandy Bay

Harris Point

-726ft -221m

Taz Basin

1615ft 492m

Granite Passage

Aligo Point

-834ft -254m

Granite Island

Granite Cape

-750ft -229m

Surok Point

Taroka Arm

Two Arm Bay

Desire Lake

James Lagoon

1926

Delight Lake

Cloudy Mountain 1810ft 552m

Thunder Bay

1905

McCarty Lagoon

Black Bay

Black Mountain 2028ft 618m

Moonlight Bay

ALASKA MARITIME NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Steep Point

Roaring Cove

PYE ISLANDS

Aialik Bay

Aialik Public Use Cabin

NATIVE CORPORATION

Slate Island

Pedersen Lagoon

Coleman Bay

Bulldog Cove

Bear Glacier Point

AIALIK PENINSULA

Porcupine Cove

Aialik Cabin

Harding Gateway

Glacier Lodge

Three Hole Point

-972ft -296m

Bear Cove

Three Hole Bay

Agnes Cove

Cheval Island

-900ft -274m

Cliff Bay

1109ft 338m

Chat Cove

No Name Island

Aialik Cape

Chat Island

Verdant Cove

Cataract Cove

Crater Bay

Harbor Island

-984ft -300m

Dora Passage

Petes Pass

Natoa Island

CHISWELL ISLANDS

ALASKA MARITIME NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Matushka Island

Lone Rock

Gulf Of Alaska

Seal Rocks

SEWARD

Marathon Mountain 4603ft 1403m

Nash Road

Information Center

Chugach National Forest Headquarters

Phoenix Peak 5155ft 1571m

Paradise Creek

Park boundary

Lowell Point

Coastal Trail *Submerged at high tide south of Tonsina Point*

Tonsina Point

-84ft -26m

Lost Lake Trail

9

Bear Lake Creek

Salmon

Mount Alice 5265ft 1605m

State Park Cabins

CAINES HEAD STATE RECREATION AREA

Callisto Peak 3223ft 983m

Caines Head

Thumb Cove

-972ft -296m

State Park Cabins

RESURRECTION PENINSULA

Resurrection Bay

Humpy Cove

Fox Island

2904ft 885m

Callisto Head

Driftwood Bay

Eldorado Narrows

Hive Island

Rugged Island

Cape Resurrection

Barwell Island

-702ft -214m

North

0 5 Kilometers

0 5 Miles

Map warning

Do not use this map for navigation or backpacking. Use nautical charts and tide tables for navigation. Topographic maps and area information are available at the visitor center.

Native Corporation land

Private lands owned by Port Graham Corporation, labeled Native Corporation, may be accessed only on public easements or with special use permits issued by the village. Check with the park for detailed maps of boundaries and easement locations before venturing into the fjords.

Unpaved road

Trail

Historic extent of glaciation

Campground

Landing/camping beach

Generalized land cover

Ice and snow

Barren

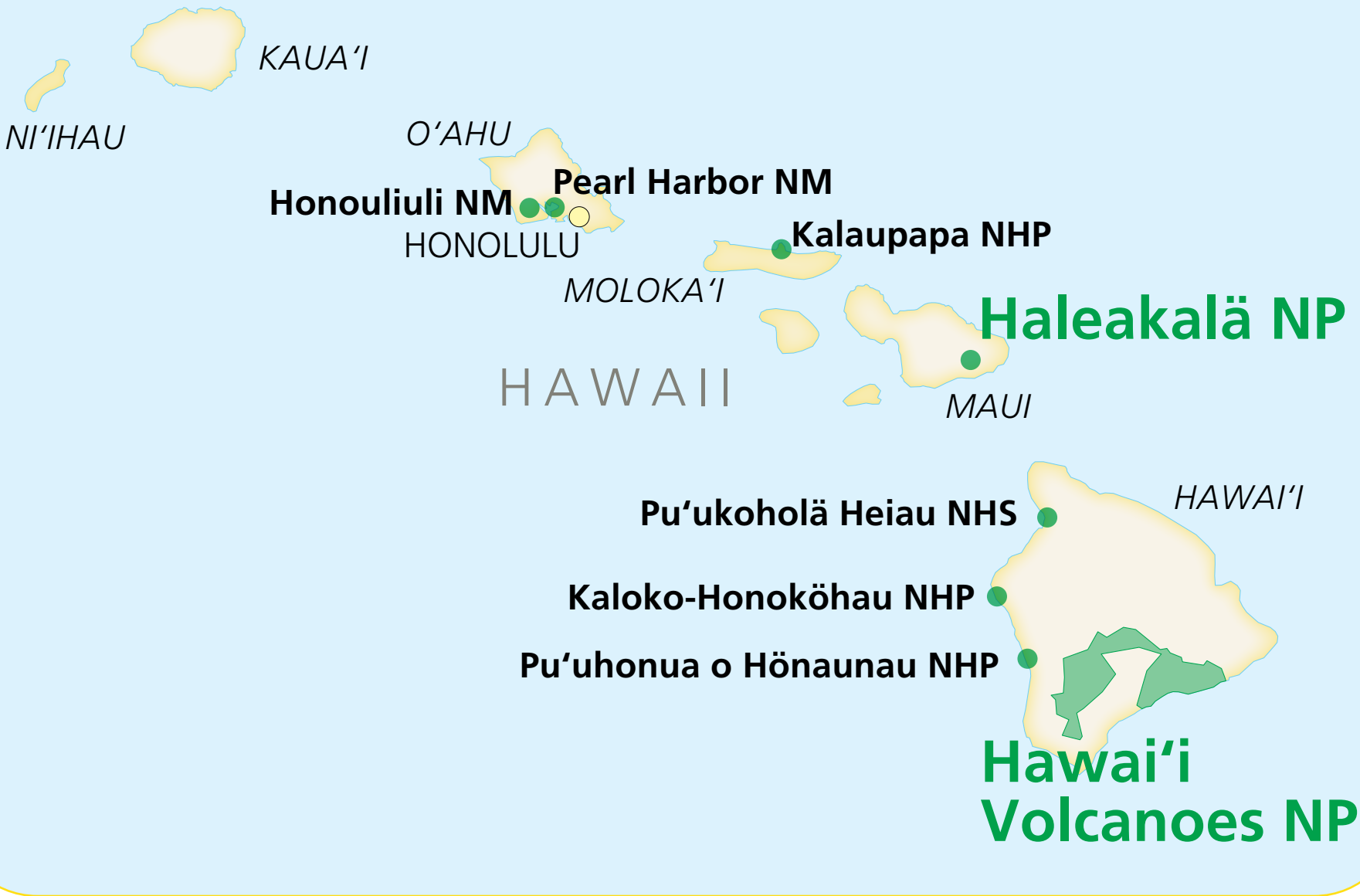
Low vegetation

Cottonwood, alder, willow

Spruce, hemlock

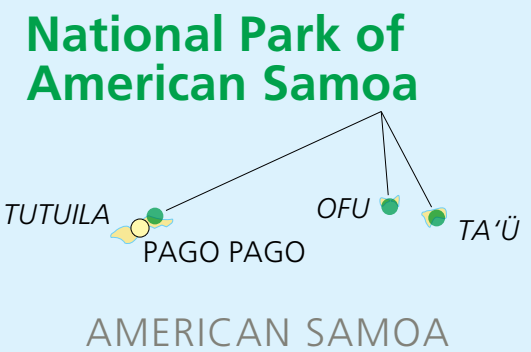
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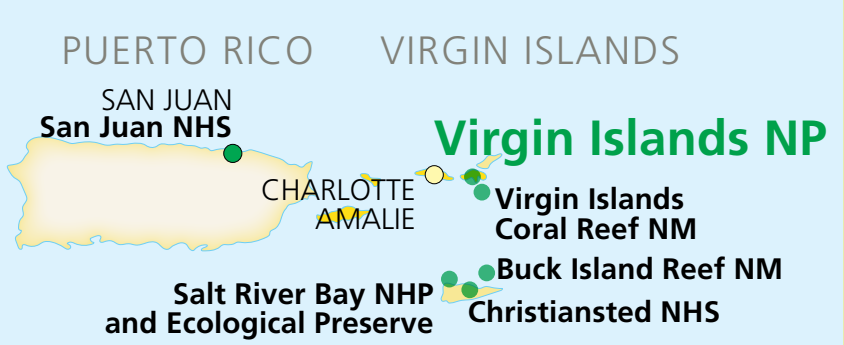
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AMERICAN SAMOA (Washington, DC, minus 5 hours; minus 6 hours during daylight saving time)



U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

PUERTO RICO and VIRGIN ISLANDS (Washington, DC, plus 1 hour; same time during daylight saving time)



REMOTE ISLANDS

Virgin Islands Basics

Size (acres)	Visitation (2025)	Trails (miles)
14.7K (60 of 63)	423K (+48K from '24) (42 of 63, +3 from 2024)	40 (40 of 63)

(340) 776-6201 x238 | nps.gov/viis
Entrance Fee: None
Lodging: Caneel Bay Resort*
Camping: Cinnamon Bay**

*Closed due to hurricane damage
**reserve at cinnamonbayresort.com

Why Visit?

- For a change of pace from the typical national park vacation, a Caribbean beach holiday!
- To snorkel and sail and sunbathe, and you'll find some hiking, too

Virgin Islands Driving Distances

St. John is small, and you can manage just fine without a car, but it will take a few taxi rides to check out all the attractions.

Charlotte Amalie	25 minutes / 10 miles	Red Hook (ferry to Cruz Bay)
Cruz Bay	12 minutes / 3 miles	Trunk Bay
Trunk Bay	12 minutes / 3 miles	Annaberg Ruins
Annaberg Ruins	10 minutes / 3 miles	Coral Bay
Coral Bay	12 minutes / 4 miles	Saltpond Bay
Saltpond Bay	35 minutes / 12 miles	Cruz Bay

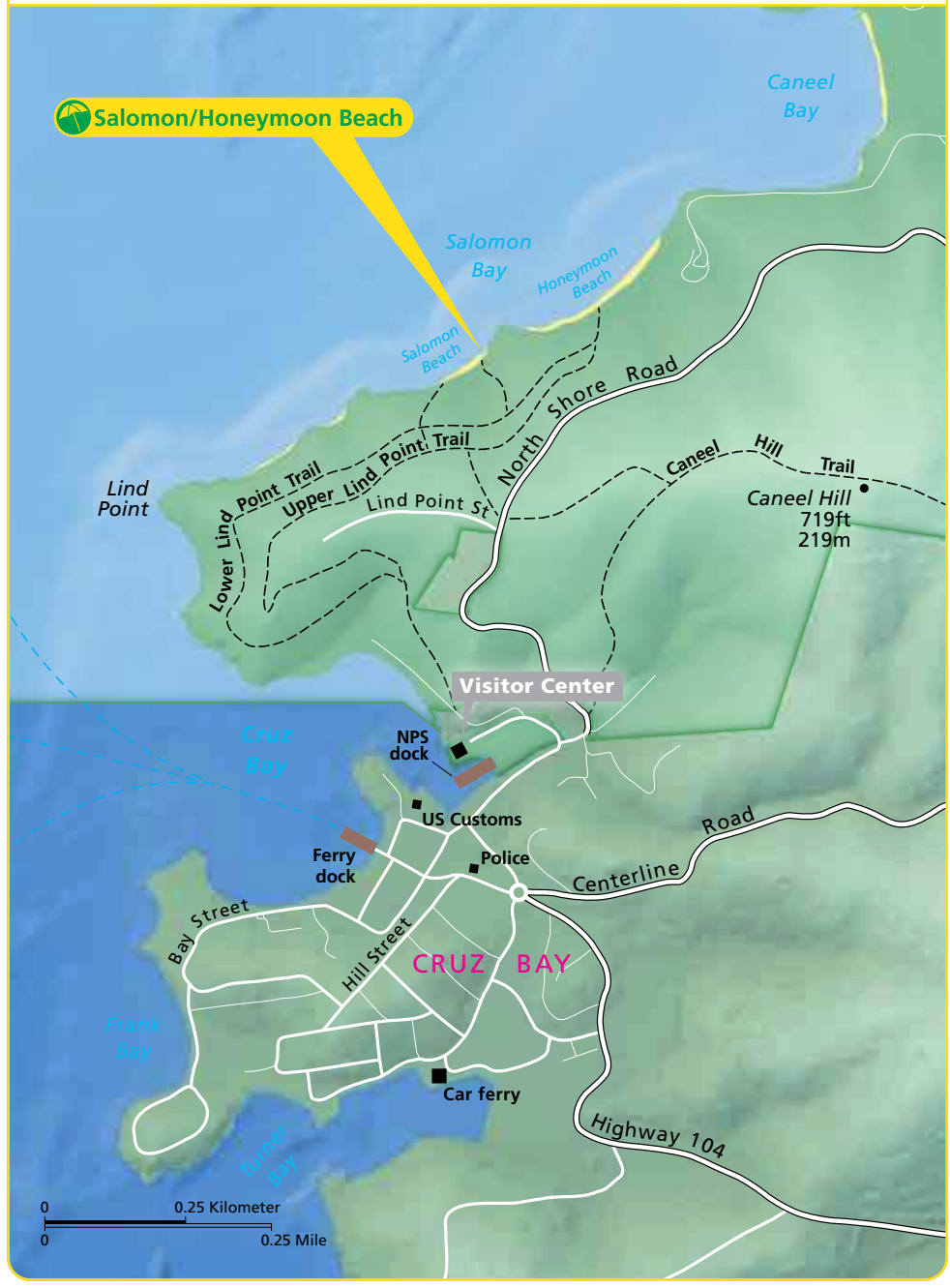

Salomon Beach


Trunk Bay

Virgin Islands Favorites

Hikes: Lind Point (easy, 2.4 miles), Ram Head (moderate, 2), Reef Bay (moderate, 4.4)
Activities: Snorkel, SCUBA, SUP, all the fun water activities!
Views: Trunk Bay Beach (and overlook), Salomon/Honeymoon Beach, Denis Beach

Lind Point



What You Need to Know

- Trunk Bay features a bathhouse, snack bar, souvenir shop, and lifeguards. It also has a nominal entrance fee.
- Guests typically fly into Cyril E. King Airport on St. Thomas, then ferry (or water taxi) from Charlotte Amalie or Red Hook to Cruz Bay on St. John.
- If you don't want to rent a car, a few companies offer driving tours.
- Rent a car, and they'll likely be at the dock (confirm). You drive on the left-hand side of the road.
- The park non-profit organizes a ranger-led Reef Bay hike. There is a fee. Transportation (land and water) is included. Reserve your spot at the park visitor center in Cruz Bay (or give them a call).


Drunk Bay

When to Visit Virgin Islands

Visitation drops a bit in summer during hurricane season (June-November), but for the most part, weather and visitation are pretty steady.

How Much Time Do You Have?

1 Day: If it was a mainland park, a day would be fine to see the sights (Salomon Beach, Trunk Bay Beach, Annaberg Ruins, Ram Head). But since you flew all this way, stick around for a while (or spend time on St. Thomas, St. Croix, or the British Virgin Islands).

3 Days: If you're a beach person, you'll want to spend plenty of time at Salomon Beach and Trunk Bay. If you're into activities, go snorkeling or book a boat/sailing/SCUBA charter. There are a few hiking trails. Reef Bay heads down to the coast, passing petroglyphs. Ram Head leads to a scenic viewpoint. Or hike to Brown Bay in the park's northeastern corner.

Beyond Virgin Islands

You might want to explore St. Thomas, St. Croix, or the British Virgin Islands while you're down here.


Caneel Bay



For safe boating, use NOAA nautical charts 25641 and 25647. These charts show navigational aids like markers and buoys, and hazardous areas in detail. Do not use this map for navigation.

NO-ANCHOR ZONE
Anchoring is prohibited in the park except in designated anchorages at Francis Bay, Lind Point, and Cruz Bay. No overnight anchoring in Cruz Bay. No anchoring is allowed in the monument. Over 200 mooring buoys have been installed in the bays around St. John.

Virgin Islands Region



Cruz Bay - West End Ferry

Cruz Bay - Road Town Ferry

LITTLE THATCH ISLAND

FRENCHMAN CAY

UNITED KINGDOM

UNITED STATES

VIRGIN ISLANDS CORAL REEF NATIONAL MONUMENT

Waterlemon Cay

WATERLEMON CAY

LEINSTER BAY

Leinster Point

Threadneedle Point

Murphy Great House

Johnny Horn Trail

Brown Bay

Brown Bay Trail

Leinster Bay Trail
NETWORK TO FREEDOM SITE

Annaberg Historic District and Sugar Mill (ruins)

Annaberg Ruins

HISTORIC DISTRICT

Hermitage

Mermebeck Bay

Gowed Point

Borck Creek

Princess Bay

Otter Creek

Water Creek

Mardenboro Point

Emmaus Moravian Church

CORAL BAY

Palestina

Popilleau Bay

Carolina

CORAL HARBOR

HURRICANE HOLE

Elk Bay

Maulover Bay

Newfound Bay

EAST END

Fortsberg
426ft
130m

Private land within boundary

National Park Service boundary

Harbor Point

Sanders Bay

CORAL BAY

Turner Point

ROUND BAY

VIRGIN ISLANDS CORAL REEF NATIONAL MONUMENT

Limetree Cove

Hansen Bay

Blackrock Hill
499ft
152m

East End Bay

Privateer Bay

Privateer Point

Long Bay

Long Point

Pond Bay

Red Point

Johnson Bay

Lagoon Point

Bordeaux Mountain
1277ft
389m

Bordeaux Mountain Trail

Calabash Boom

Virgin Islands Environmental Resource Station (VIERS)

HISTORIC DISTRICT

Lameshur

Minna Hill
989ft
301m

Yawzi Point Trail

Johns Folly

Johns Folly Bay

Fris Bay

Sabbat Point

SABBAT CHANNEL

LEDUCK ISLAND

Europa Bay

Little Lameshur Bay

Great Lameshur Bay

Tektite Trail

Nanny Point

Saltpond Bay Trail

Saltpond Bay

Drunk Bay Trail

Salt Pond

Drunk Bay

Grootpan Bay

Cabritte Horn Point

Kiddel Bay

Kiddel Point

Saltpond Bay

Ram Head Trail

EAGLE SHOAL

BOOBY ROCK

200ft
61m

Ram Head

Ram Head

North

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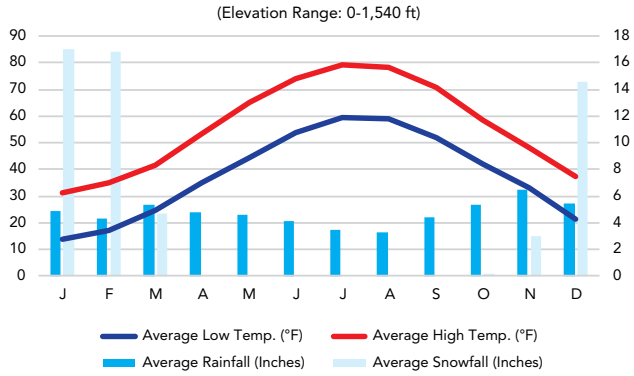
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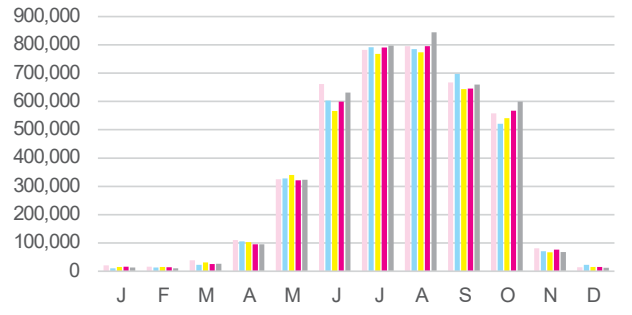
- Ranger station
- Picnic area with pit toilet
- Restaurant and/or snack bar
- Self-guiding trail
- Wheelchair-accessible
- Campground
- Restrooms
- Windmill ruins
- Other plantation ruins
- Trail
- Unpaved road (4-wheel-drive vehicles may be needed; check locally for conditions)
- National Park Service land
- NPS boundary (private land exists within boundary)
- Coral Reef

A user fee is charged at Trunk Bay.

Acadia: 470 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 0-1,540 ft)



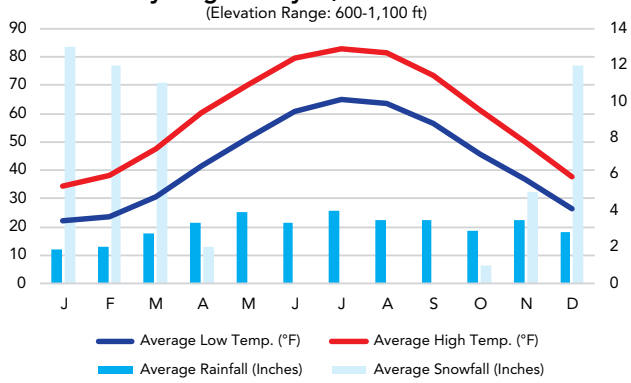


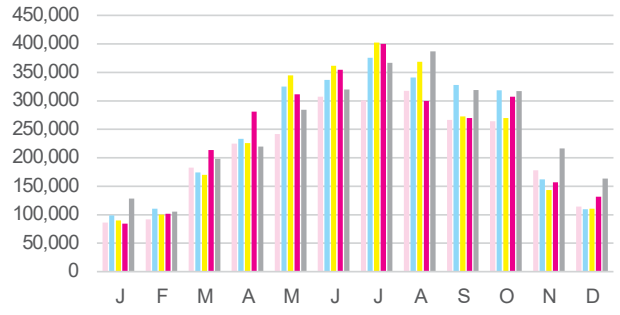
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Acadia: 49K acres | 4.0M visitors (2025) | 150+ miles of trails

Cuyahoga Valley: 1,080 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 600-1,100 ft)



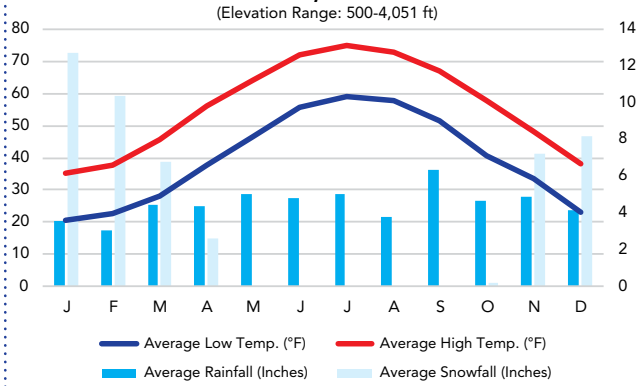


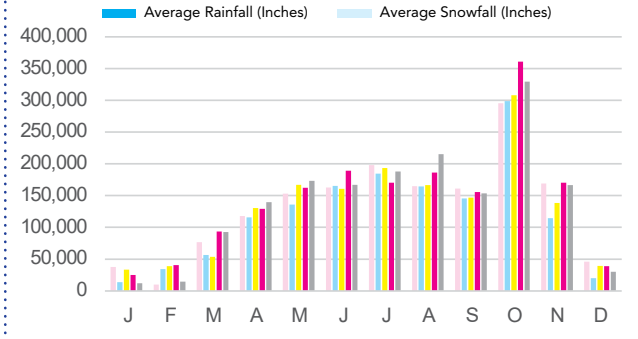
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Cuyahoga Valley: 33K acres | 3.0M visitors | 180+ miles of trails

Shenandoah: 3,539 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 500-4,051 ft)



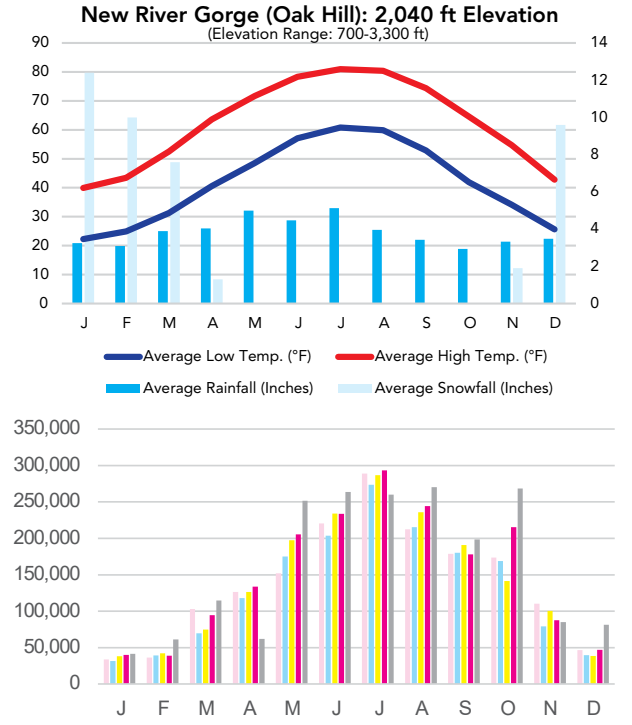


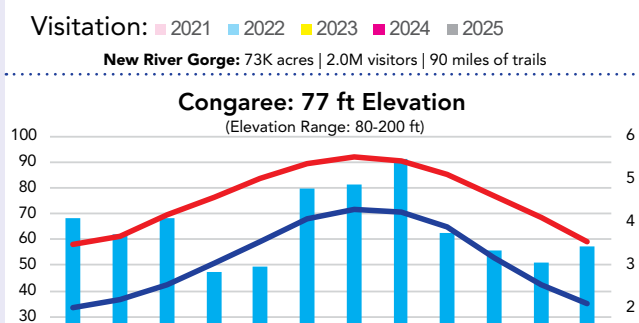
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Shenandoah: 199K acres | 1.7M visitors | 500+ miles of trails

New River Gorge (Oak Hill): 2,040 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 700-3,300 ft)



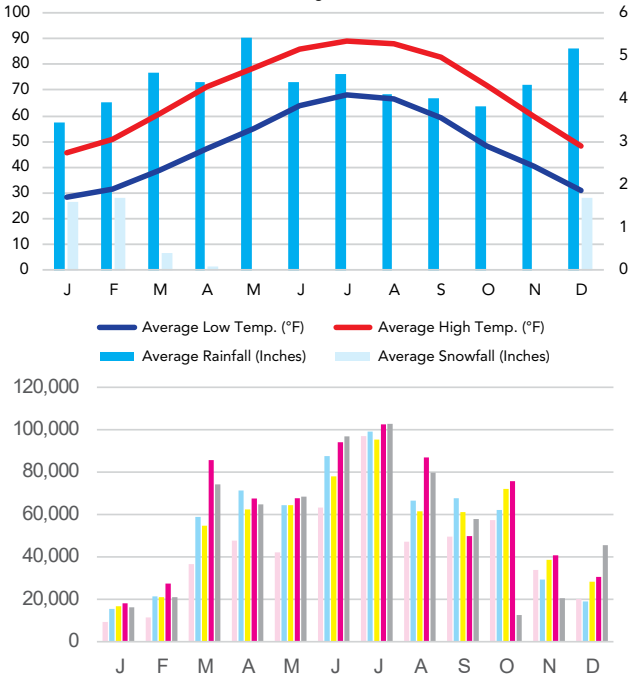


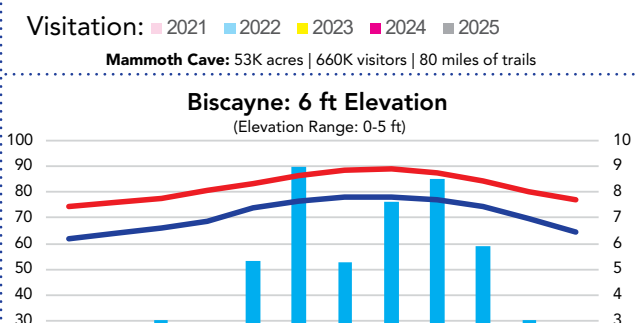
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New River Gorge: 73K acres | 2.0M visitors | 90 miles of trails

Mammoth Cave: 760 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 400-900 ft)



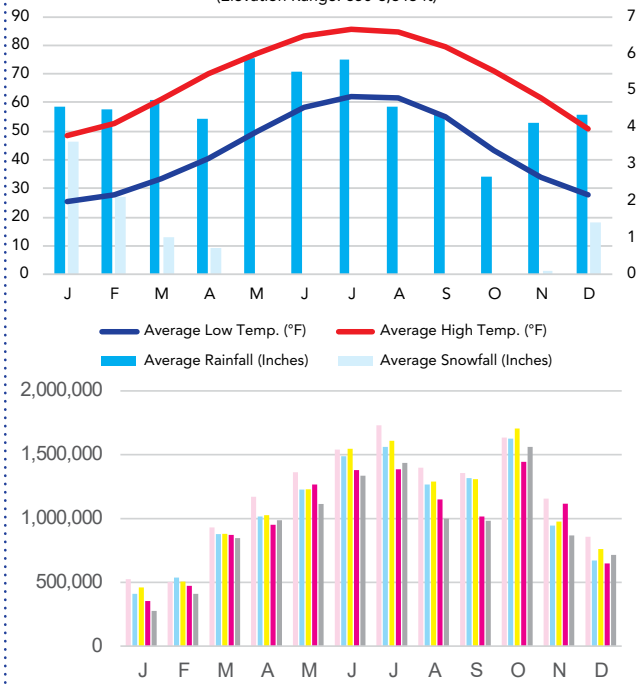


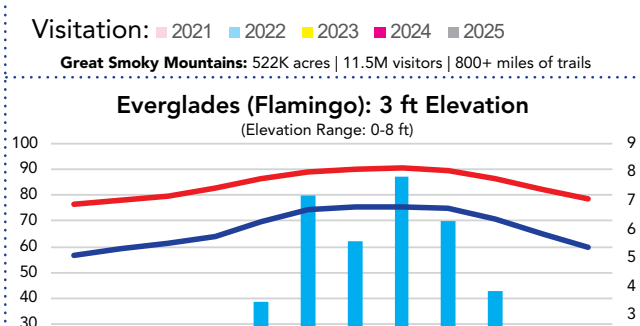
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Mammoth Cave: 53K acres | 660K visitors | 80 miles of trails

Great Smoky Mountains (Gatlinburg): 1,454 ft El.

(Elevation Range: 850-6,643 ft)



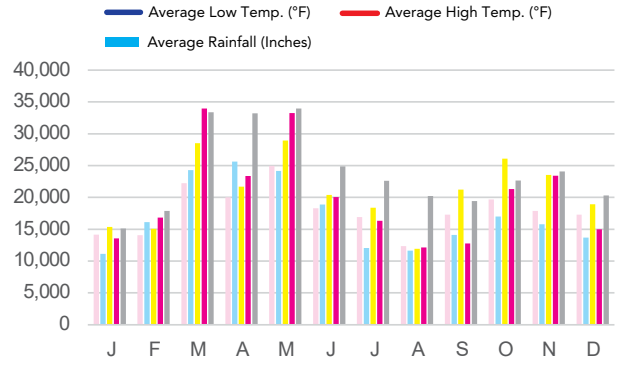


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Great Smoky Mountains: 522K acres | 11.5M visitors | 800+ miles of trails

Congaree: 77 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 80-200 ft)

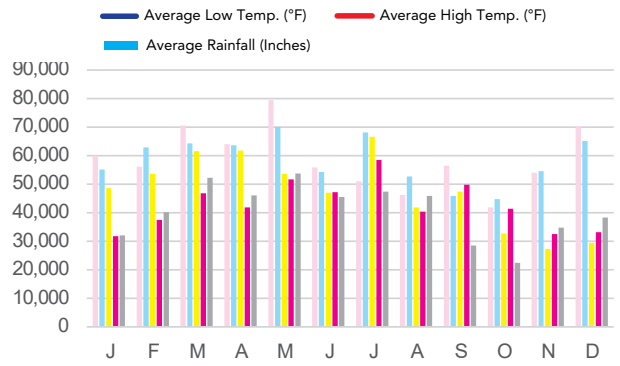


Visitation: 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025

Congaree: 27K acres | 288K visitors | 20 miles of trails

Biscayne: 6 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 0-5 ft)

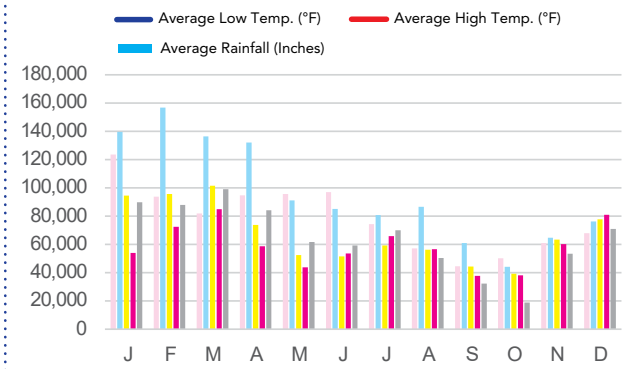


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Biscayne: 173K acres | 487K visitors | 8 miles of trails

Everglades (Flamingo): 3 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 0-8 ft)

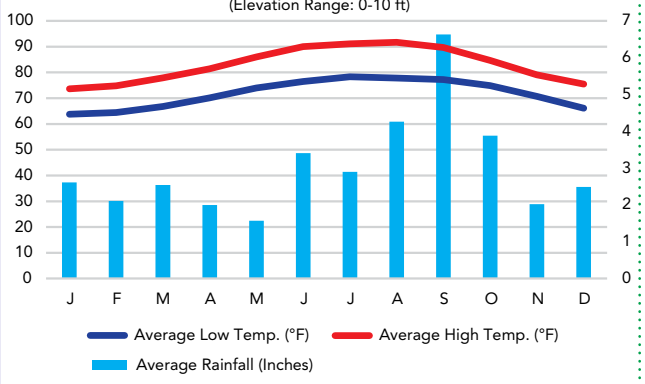


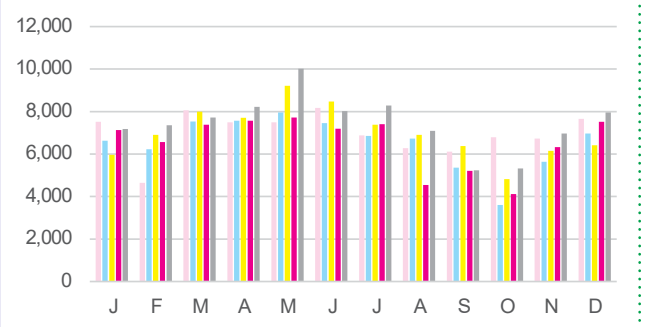
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Everglades: 1.5M acres | 778K visitors | 50 miles of trails

Dry Tortugas: 3 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 0-10 ft)



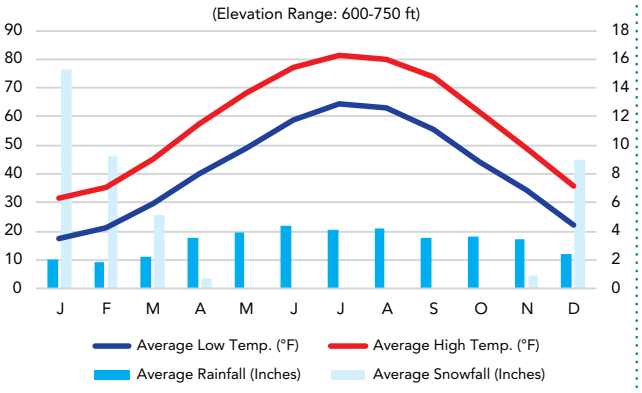


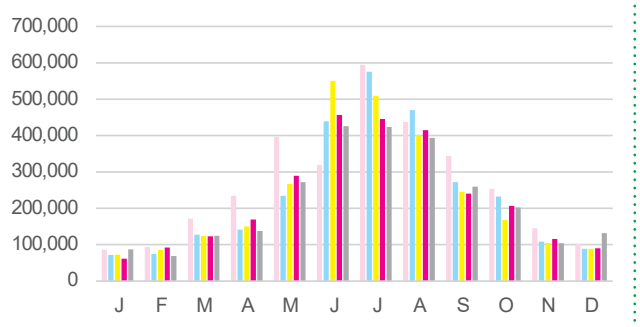
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Dry Tortugas: 65K acres | 89K visitors (2025) | 1 mile of trails

Indiana Dunes: 683 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 600-750 ft)



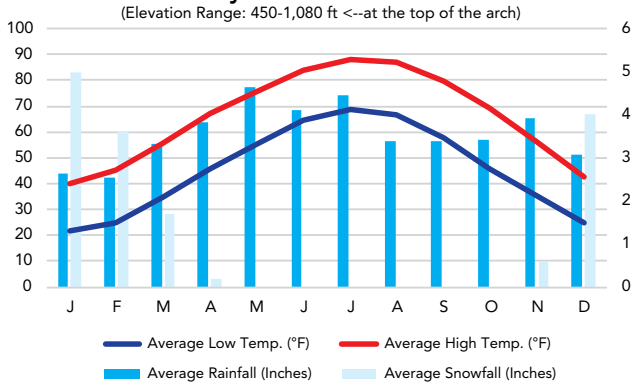


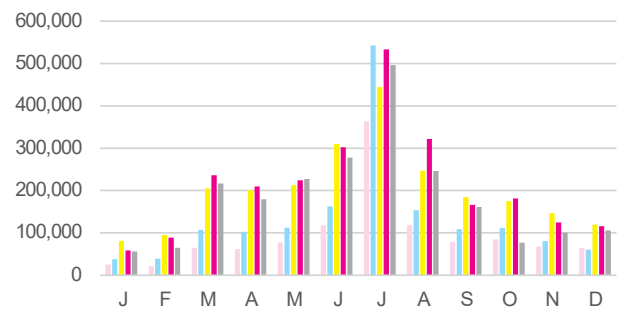
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Indiana Dunes: 15K acres | 2.6M visitors | 50 miles of trails

Gateway Arch: 400 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 450-1,080 ft <--at the top of the arch)



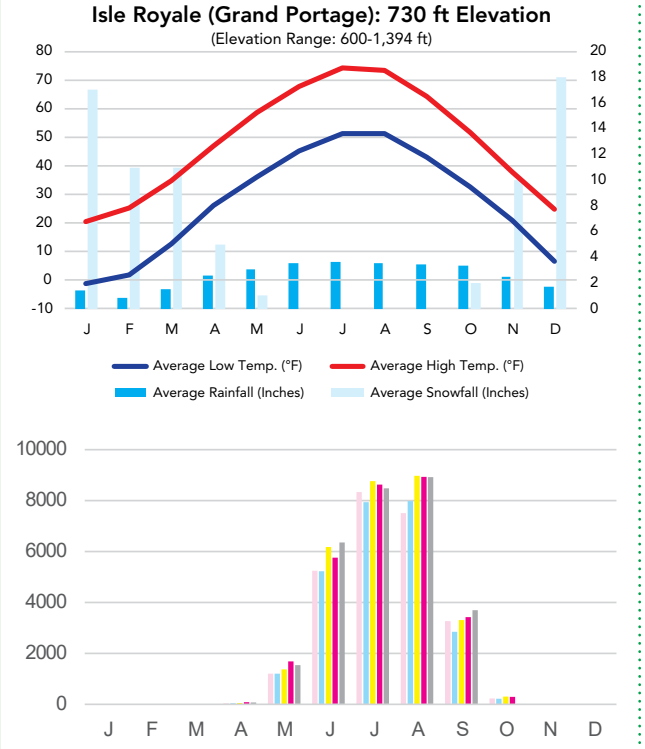


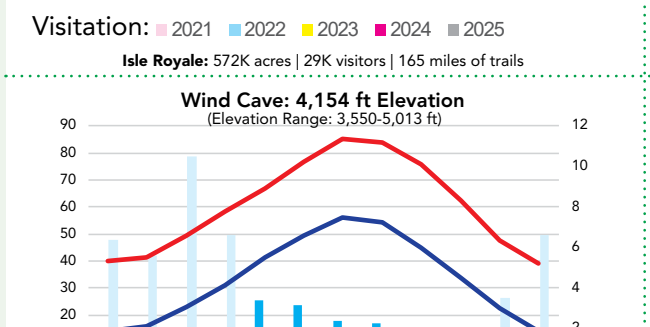
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Gateway Arch: 91 acres | 2.2M visitors | 2 miles of trails

Isle Royale (Grand Portage): 730 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 600-1,394 ft)



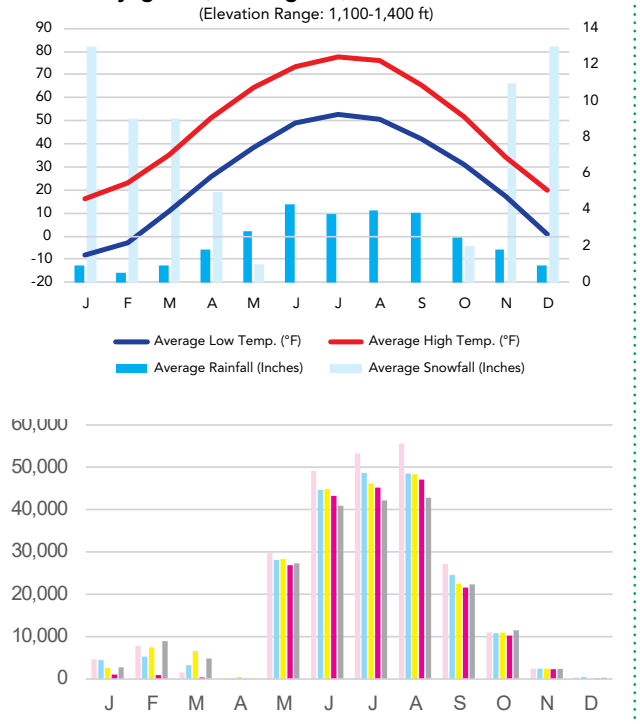


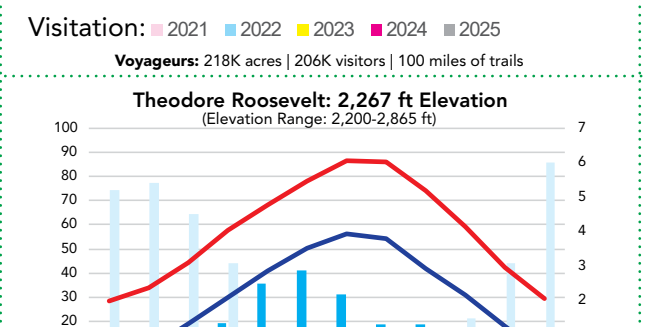
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Isle Royale: 572K acres | 29K visitors | 165 miles of trails

Voyageurs (Kabetogama): 1,200 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 1,100-1,400 ft)



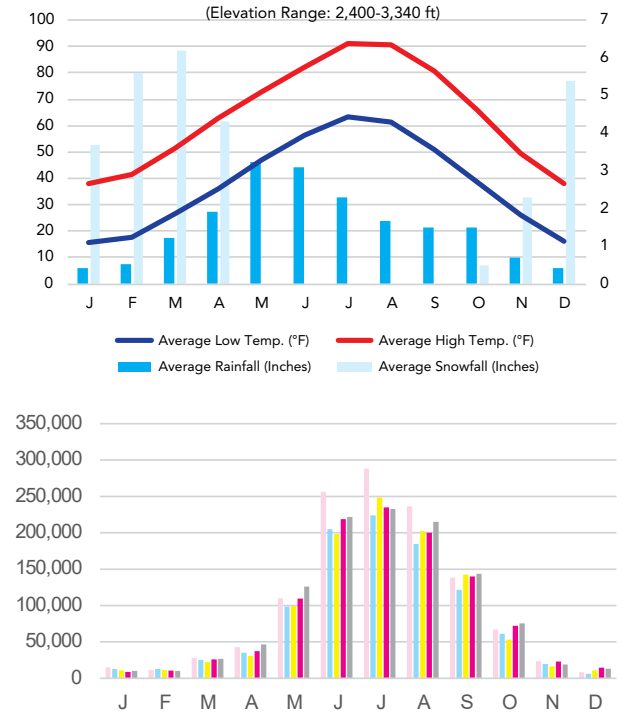


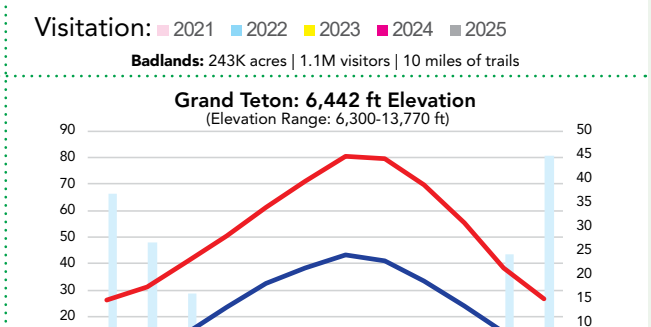
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Voyageurs: 218K acres | 206K visitors | 100 miles of trails

Badlands: 2,439 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 2,400-3,340 ft)



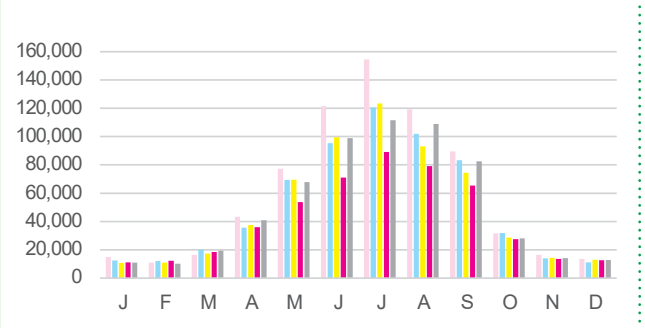


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Badlands: 243K acres | 1.1M visitors | 10 miles of trails

Wind Cave: 4,154 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 3,550-5,013 ft)

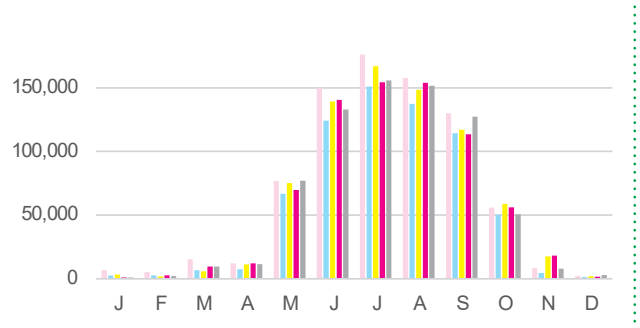


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Wind Cave: 34K acres | 606K visitors | 30 miles of trails

Theodore Roosevelt: 2,267 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 2,200-2,865 ft)

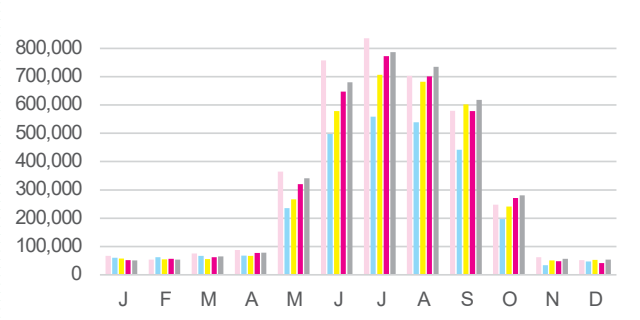


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Theodore Roosevelt: 70K acres | 730K visitors | 100 miles of trails

Grand Teton: 6,442 ft Elevation

(Elevation Range: 6,300-13,770 ft)



Visitation: 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025

Grand Teton: 310K acres | 3.8M visitors | 230 miles of trails