

Yellowstone Fall

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Park mission: Preserved within Yellowstone National Park are Old Faithful and the majority of the world's geysers and hot springs. An outstanding mountain wildland with clean water and air, Yellowstone is home of the grizzly bear and wolf and free-ranging herds of bison and elk. Centuries-old sites and historic buildings that reflect the unique heritage of America's first national park are also protected. Yellowstone National Park serves as a model and inspiration for national parks throughout the world.


Top 10 things to know


Welcome to Yellowstone. We're glad you're here.


As you enter the park, please become familiar with some of the rules and advisories that are important to a safe and enjoyable visit. More are described inside and online at


www.nps.gov/yell/planyourvisit/rules


 **Give wildlife a brake.** Unless posted slower, top speed throughout the park is 45 mph (73 kph). To assure yourself enough stopping distance if you encounter animals unexpectedly, please slow down.


 **Watch from pullouts.** If you see wildlife while driving, do not stop or impede the safe and free flow of traffic along any portion of the roadway. Instead, find the next established pullout, park, and watch from a safe distance.


 **Campfires** are allowed only in designated grills in park campgrounds, some picnic areas and specific backcountry campsites. Ask locally about current fire restrictions. Campfires must be extinguished before leaving unattended.


 **Do not approach wildlife.** You must stay at least 100 yards (91 m) from bears and wolves. A distance of 25 yards (23 m) is required from bison, elk, and other animals. Regardless of distance, if any animal changes its behavior due to your presence, you are too close.


 **Do not feed any wild animals,** including birds. Consuming human food is unhealthy and encourages aggressive behavior that may require management action. All food, trash, coolers, and cooking tools must be kept secure in a bear-proof container unless in immediate use.

 **Stay on designated trails and boardwalks.** Ground in hydrothermal areas is fragile and thin, and there is scalding water just below. Visitors have fallen through and died here. Keep your children close at hand.

 **Unmanned aircraft are prohibited.** Launching, landing, or operating unmanned aircraft on lands and waters administered by the National Park Service is prohibited.

 As you enjoy trails, **be bear aware.** You are safer hiking with groups of three or more. In areas of low visibility, make noise to avoid surprise encounters. Do not run from a bear under any circumstance. Carry bear spray and know how to use it safely.

 **Control your pet.** Pets are not allowed on trails or boardwalks, in the backcountry or hydrothermal basins. Where allowed, pets must be leashed and remain within 100 feet (30.5 m) of a road or parking area. Do not leave a pet unattended or tied to an object. Owners must bag and dispose of pet waste.

 **Cell phone service** may be available in the developed areas at Canyon, Grant, Lake, Mammoth Hot Springs, Old Faithful, Tower, and the North and West entrances. Check with your provider for coverage areas. As a courtesy to others, please silence your mobile device while enjoying Yellowstone's natural features. Wi-Fi is available to visitors at the Mammoth Hotel lounge and the Old Faithful Snow Lodge for a fee.

Emergency

Dial 911

Information line 307-344-7381

TTY 307-344-2386

Road updates 307-344-2117

Medical services • Yellowstone is on 911 emergency service, including ambulances. Medical services are available year round at Mammoth Clinic (307-344-7965), except some holidays. Services are also offered at Lake Clinic (307-242-7241) May 23–September 20 and at Old Faithful Clinic (307-545-7325) May 16–October 3.

Lodging, dining, and activity reservations

Xanterra Parks & Resorts 866-439-7375 (toll free) or 307-344-7311. TTY 307-344-5395

www.YellowstoneNationalParkLodges.com

Lost and found • Call 307-344-5387 to report or retrieve items lost in lodging facilities. To report or retrieve items lost in other parts of the park, call 307-344-2109.

Accessibility • A printed guide for visitors who use wheelchairs is available at all visitor centers. To arrange for an ASL interpreter for NPS ranger-led programs, call 307-344-2251 at least three weeks in advance.

All hazards NOAA weather radio • If you have a weather radio receiver, tune to 162.425 MHz (Mammoth area) or 162.450 MHz (Lake area) to receive hazardous weather alerts. You can also check for updates posted at www.crh.noaa.gov/riw/nwr/

Connect with the park online



<http://twitter.com/YellowstoneNPS>

<http://twitter.com/GeyserNPS>

www.facebook.com/YellowstoneNPS

www.youtube.com/YellowstoneNPS

www.flickr.com/photos/YellowstoneNPS

Foreign language translations

歡迎光臨 • 欢迎光临 • Vítejte • Bienvenue

Willkommen • Benvenuti • ようこそ

환영합니다 • Добро пожаловать • Bienvenido



Scan this QR code with a free app for your smartphone to link directly to foreign language translations on the park website.

<http://go.nps.gov/translate-ynp>

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The development of new communication technology has changed the way visitors view, share, and experience the park.

Your Yellowstone experience has been more than 140 years in the making

You are the reason that Yellowstone National Park exists here today. So are your children, and their grandchildren.

Since Yellowstone's founding as the world's first national park on March 1, 1872, it has evolved a complex stewardship mission to be both available and conserved for the enjoyment of all.

As you explore the park today, try to imagine what it was like to come here as one of those earliest visitors, and then also whether your experience will still be similar for those who visit in generations to come.

Many of the people who work and volunteer here enjoy sharing it with visitors since it allows them to see it fresh through your eyes. Please, seek us out –

- Step inside a visitor center and explore the exhibits and interpretive offerings.
- Carve time into your travel plans to attend a ranger walk, talk, or evening program. Our summer offerings begin Memorial Day weekend, and run through Labor Day weekend.
- Encourage your child to complete a Junior Ranger or Young Scientist activity booklet. Many rangers believe signing a finished booklet and leading a child through the Junior Ranger pledge is one of the most important and honor-bound duties we have.

It turns out you also mean a great deal to the economies of our gateway communities. A recent study by the US Geological Survey

economists shows that total visitor spending in the local economies surrounding Yellowstone amounted to more than \$382 million in 2013. This spending supported 5,300 jobs in the local area. The national park system as a whole, which hosted 273 million recreational visits in 2013, injected an estimated \$14.6 billion into local economies across the country, and supported 237,000 jobs nationwide. Clearly, even through hard times, Americans see national parks as valuable, and a good value.

If you have suggestions for how we can further improve your experience, fill out a comment form at a visitor center, make use of contact information published here or on the park website at www.nps.gov/yell

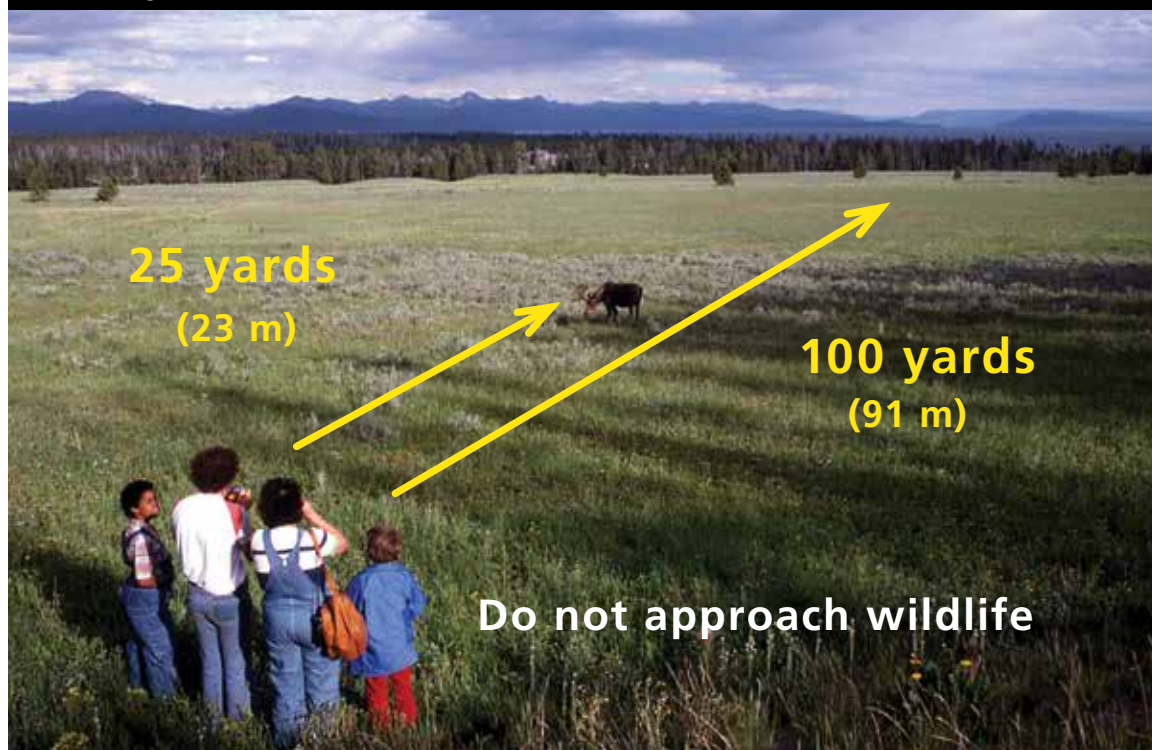
Have a safe visit and come back soon.



Superintendent Daniel N. Wenk

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Keep your distance



- Federal regulations require you to stay at least 100 yards (91 m) away from bears and wolves, and at least 25 yards (23 m) away from all other wild animals, such as bison, elk, bighorn sheep, deer, moose, and coyotes.
- If an animal moves closer to you, you should move to maintain the appropriate distance.
- Do not surround, crowd, or disrupt an animal's path of movement.
- If other visitors put you or wildlife in danger, leave the scene and notify a park ranger.



These activities are prohibited within Yellowstone

- Willfully remaining near or approaching wildlife, including nesting birds, within any distance that disturbs or displaces the animal.
- Traveling off boardwalks or designated trails in hydrothermal areas.
- Throwing anything into thermal features.
- Swimming in hot springs.
- Removing or possessing natural or cultural resources (such as wildflowers, antlers, rocks, and arrowheads).
- Leaving detachable side mirrors attached when not pulling trailers.
- Traveling off-road by vehicle or bicycle.
- Camping outside of designated areas.
- Spotlighting wildlife (viewing with lights).
- Imitating elk calls or using buglers. Imitating wolf howls.
- Using electronic equipment capable of tracking wildlife.

For more information, consult 36 CFR and the Superintendent's Compendium posted online at www.nps.gov/yell/parkmgmt/lawsandpolicies

Unmanned aircraft prohibited

Launching, landing, or operating unmanned aircraft on lands and waters administered by the National Park Service is prohibited. Please check at a Visitor Center or Ranger Station for further information.



Park Tip Line • To report a crime or criminal activity please call 307-344-2132. Leave as much detail as you can. Remain anonymous, or leave a name and number.



Firearms—know your responsibilities.

Firearms are allowed in national parks pursuant to state and federal regulation. They are prohibited in facilities where signs are posted, such as visitor centers, government offices, and some concession operations. Discharge of firearms is prohibited. Possession and use of weapons, such as air guns, bows and arrows, spears and slingshots, is also prohibited. Details are available at www.nps.gov/yell/parkmgmt/lawsandpolicies

Keep your food secure



Do not feed any wildlife, including small mammals and birds. Consuming human food is unhealthy and encourages aggressive behavior that may require animals to be destroyed.

All food, trash, and scented items must be kept bear-proof at all times. Tents, truck beds, and picnic tables are not secure. In some areas, ravens have learned how to unzip packs and scatter the contents.

None of these items, even if clean and empty, may be left unattended at any time:

- Water and beverage containers
- Cooking or eating utensils
- Stoves and grills
- Coolers and ice chests
- Garbage—bagged or not
- Food, including condiments, even if in containers
- Cosmetics and toiletries
- Pet food and bowls
- Pails, buckets, and wash basins

Stay on boardwalks



You must stay on boardwalks and official trails around hydrothermal features. The ground surface is thin, and often overlies scalding water. Visitors have died here.

These activities require a permit

- Fishing
- Boating or use of float tubes
- Overnight backcountry camping
- Travel with a service animal in the backcountry
- All commercial services
- Commercial filming and photography with props or models
- Stock entry into the park requires Coggins testing

For your health

- Toxic gases may exist at dangerous levels in some hydrothermal areas. If you feel sick, leave immediately.
- Much of the park is above 7,500 feet (2,275 m). Allow yourself time to acclimate and drink plenty of liquids to avoid dehydration. Be aware of your physical limitations and don't overexert. Visitors with cardiac or respiratory medical history may wish to consult a physician before a visit.

Backcountry camping



Overnight backcountry camping in Yellowstone requires a permit. Permits are free if acquired in person within 48 hours before the start of your trip. Each year, starting April 1, you can request advance permits and campsite reservations by mail for a \$25 fee. The backcountry trip planner is available online at www.nps.gov/yell/planyourvisit/backcountryhiking.htm



Filter **drinking water** with a commercial filter, treat it with a chemical such as iodine or chlorine, or boil it at least one minute. Never drink water from a thermal area or hot spring.



Sanitation matters. Do not wash yourself, clothing, or dishes in lakes, ponds, rivers, or streams. Bury human waste six to eight inches (15–20 cm) below ground and a minimum of 100 feet (30 m) from water. Dispose of wastewater at least 100 feet (30 m) from water or campsites.

Boating

Boating is allowed on most of Yellowstone Lake and on Lewis Lake. Only non-motorized boating is allowed on most other lakes. Only one river is open to non-motorized boating, the Lewis River channel between Lewis and Shoshone lakes. Permits are required for all boats and float tubes. Boaters must have a Coast Guard-approved wearable flotation device for each person.

All boat permits (motorized and non-motorized) can be purchased at the South Entrance, Grant Village Backcountry Office, and Bridge Bay Ranger Station. Mammoth Backcountry Office sells only **non-motorized permits** (kayak, canoe, or float tube). Northeast Entrance, Canyon and Old Faithful backcountry offices, and Bechler Ranger Station sell only **float tube permits**.



STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!
Prevent the transport of nuisance species.
Clean all recreational equipment.
www.ProtectOurWaters.net

All boats will be inspected by NPS rangers for Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) when obtaining a permit. As a precaution, any type watercraft suspected of harboring AIS will be subject to a non-chemical decontamination treatment.

Transporting water, or any aquatic plants and animals into park waters is illegal. **Aquatic Invasive Species** are nonnative plants and animals that can cause irreversible harm to the park ecosystem. New Zealand mudsnails, whirling disease, and lake trout have resulted in loss of native fish and closure of some areas. Watercraft users and anglers are asked to inspect all items that may come in contact with park waters, ensuring that they are clean and dry. If you witness a violation, call 307-344-7381 or contact a ranger.

Walking trails



Stretch your legs on self-guiding trails. Most offer wayside exhibits and a printed trail guide, available for a \$1 donation at trailheads and visitor centers.

Canyon Area

View the colorful Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River and the Upper and Lower Falls from overlooks and walkways.

Forces of the Northern Range

Eight miles (12.9 km) east of Mammoth, exhibits describe how volcanoes, glaciers, and fire shaped the landscape, as well as identify the area's plants and animals.

Fort Yellowstone

Enjoy a walking tour of historic sites at Mammoth Hot Springs, from the time of U.S. Army, 1886–1918.

Fountain Paint Pot

View four types of hydrothermal features—geysers, hot springs, fumaroles, and mudpots—all in one place. Eight miles (12.9 km) north of Old Faithful.

Mammoth Hot Springs

Explore along the boardwalks winding through ever-changing travertine terraces and enjoy a scenic drive through the Upper Terraces.

Mud Volcano Area

Discover turbulent and explosive mudpots, including Mud Volcano and Dragon's Mouth. Located six miles (9.6 km) north of Fishing Bridge Junction.

Norris Geyser Basin

Explore the hottest, most dynamic geyser basin. Norris includes Steamboat, the world's tallest geyser, and a variety of other geysers and hot springs.

Old Faithful Area

The world's largest concentration of active geysers is here. View Old Faithful Geyser, then walk past hundreds of active geysers and hot springs along the Firehole River.

Old Faithful Historic District

Enjoy a tour of this historic district, which includes Old Faithful Geyser, the Inn, and other historic buildings.

Two Ribbons

Two miles (3.2 km) east of the West Entrance, enjoy a trail that loops beside a stretch of the Madison River and through a lodgepole forest affected by the historic 1988 fires.

West Thumb Geyser Basin

The boiling springs in this basin, including the famous Fishing Cone, discharge their waters into chilly Yellowstone Lake.

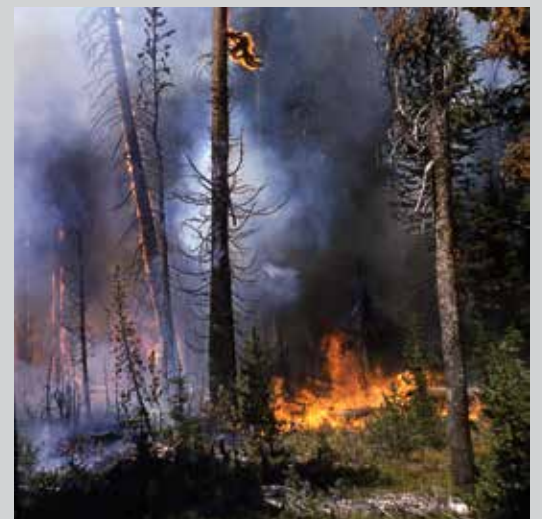
Wild lands and wildfire

Wildfire may affect your visit. Smoke may be visible from ongoing fires, and changing conditions could impact your travel plans.

Naturally occurring fires are an important part of the ecosystem. Vegetation has evolved in the presence of fire. Fire returns necessary nutrients to the soil and some species, like lodgepole pine (*Pinus contorta*), actually depend on fire for regeneration.

Fire promotes habitat diversity by replacing the forest overstory, allowing different plant communities to become established, and preventing trees from taking over grassland.

Periodic, patchy fires also reduce the amount of fuel available, and thereby help prevent larger, more expansive blazes across the landscape.



Campfires are allowed only in designated grills in park campgrounds, some picnic areas, and specific backcountry campsites. Ask locally about current fire restrictions.

Be prepared for bear country



Wildlife scientists note that there is an average of one bear attack in the park each year. In 2011, in separate incidents, two visitors were killed by bears inside the park. **Your safety cannot be guaranteed.**

Hiking in bear country takes appropriate preparation. Before you set out, be sure to learn what to do if you ever encounter a bear unexpectedly.

You are most likely to encounter bears at park roadsides

If you see a bear while driving, do not stop and do not block any portion of the road. Regardless of what other people do, keep moving to the next paved pullout and park safely. If the bear is within 100 yards, watch and take photographs from inside your car.

Store all food, trash, and scented items properly

All food, trash, scented items, coolers, and cooking tools must be kept secure in a bear-proof container or vehicle. Tents, truck beds, unattended packs, and picnic tables are not secure.

For your safety and the safety of others, please report all bear incidents and wildlife encounters to a park ranger immediately.

Scan this QR code with a free app for your smartphone to link directly to information about bears on the park website.

<http://go.nps.gov/ynp-bear>

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Changing climate, new challenges

The National Park Service anticipates that climate change will create significant challenges to the preservation of park resources, infrastructure, and visitor experience. Within Yellowstone specifically, scientists expect ecosystems to change due to increased temperatures and changing rain and snow patterns. Some observed and expected effects of climate change are:

- The alpine zone, which currently begins at 9,500 feet, will shift and likely decrease in size, jeopardizing species that rely on this important habitat.
- Wildland fire in the western states is expected to intensify. Research in Yellowstone is less certain. Fires may intensify or be more frequent, but smaller.
- Increased insect or disease infestations in trees. Five native insect pests erupt to epidemic levels in drought conditions and kill many trees. One lethal, non-native fungus spreads in cool, wet, fall conditions.
- Declining wetlands will decrease essential habitat for frogs, salamanders, and many birds and insects.

- Wildlife predictions vary. Grassland animals may be able to find suitable habitat due to earlier green-up and longer, warmer growing seasons. Animals who depend on substantial spring snowpack—like wolverines, who need deep snow for denning and raising young—will be endangered by earlier, faster snowmelts.
- Native plants may shift their ranges or be replaced with nonnative, invasive plants more adapted to the altered conditions.



Climate change poses a major threat to sensitive species like American pika (*Ochotona princeps*).

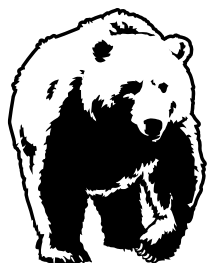
Hiking in bear habitat

- **BE ALERT** for bears, watch for fresh tracks, or scat.
- **MAKE NOISE** in areas where visibility is limited.
- **CARRY BEAR SPRAY** and know how to use it.
- **AVOID HIKING ALONE**—hike with three or more people.
- **DO NOT RUN.**

Bear encounters

Remember to check at local visitor centers or ranger stations for recent bear activity before hiking, and respect all bear management closure areas. Bears and other wildlife rely on carcasses for food and will protect a food source aggressively. Bears with cubs are especially dangerous.

- If you encounter a bear (*most common*)—**slowly back away.**
- If the bear charges at you (*rare*)—**stand your ground and use bear spray.**
- If a bear charges and makes contact with you (*very rare*)—**fall onto your stomach and “play dead.”**
- If a bear stalks you, then attacks (*extremely rare*)—**fight back.**
- If a bear attacks you in your tent (*extremely rare*)—**fight back.**



Bear spray



Bear spray is proven to be highly successful at stopping aggressive behavior in bears.

Bear spray is sold at gift shops, outdoor stores, gas stations, and bookstores inside the park, as well as in many stores in the surrounding communities.


















Follow manufacturers' instructions for use and remember to replace any discharged canisters before your next hike or trip. Bear spray canisters (full or empty) can be dropped off for recycling at most hotels and stores, or any visitor center or ranger station.

If a bear charges at you:

- Remove the safety clip.
- Aim slightly downward and adjust for crosswind.
- Begin spraying when the charging bear is 30–60 feet (10–20 yards) away.
- Spray at the charging bear so that the bear must pass through a cloud of spray.

If the bear continues to charge:

- Spray into the bear's face.

	Canyon Village	Fishing Bridge	Grant & West Thumb	Lake & Bridge Bay	Mammoth Hot Springs	Norris	Old Faithful	Tower & Roosevelt	West Entrance & Madison
Visitor information bookstores, books, videos, maps, gifts, educational items 	Visitor Education Center Through 9/1 8 AM–8 PM 9/2–9/30 8 AM–6 PM 10/1–10/13 9 AM–5 PM	Visitor Center Through 9/30 8 AM–7 PM Information Station (West Thumb) Through 9/30 9 AM–5 PM	Visitor Center (Grant) Through 9/30 8 AM–7 PM Information Station (West Thumb) Through 9/30 9 AM–5 PM		Mammoth Temporary Visitor Center Through 9/30 8 AM–7 PM Oct. 1 through winter 9 AM–5 PM	Information Station Through 9/30 9 AM–6 PM Museum of the National Park Ranger Through 9/29 9 AM–5 PM	Visitor Education Center Through 9/30 8 AM–8 PM 10/1–11/2 9 AM–5 PM		West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center: NPS Desk Through 9/1 8 AM–8 PM 9/2–11/2: 8 AM–4 PM Madison Information Station Through 9/30 9 AM–6 PM
Medical clinic 					5/23–9/20 307-242-7241	Year-round, except weekends and some holidays. 307-344-7965	5/16–10/3 307-545-7325		
Service stations snacks, drinks, ice. All have credit card service at pumps 24 hours a day 	Gas: 5/2–10/20 Repairs: 5/23–9/1 Wrecker: 5/2–10/12 LP gas available Call 406-848-7548 for assistance	Gas: 5/9–9/21 Repairs: 5/23–9/1 Wrecker: 5/23–9/1 LP Gas available Call 406-848-7548 for assistance	Gas (Grant): 5/23–9/28 Repairs: 5/23–9/1 Wrecker 5/23–9/1 LP Gas available Call 406-848-7548 for assistance		5/9–10/6 LP gas available Call 406-848-7548 for assistance		Lower: 5/2–10/12 Upper: 5/16–9/15 Repairs: 5/23–9/1 Wrecker: 5/2–10/12 LP gas available Call 406-848-7548 for assistance	6/6–9/1 LP gas available Call 406-848-7548 for assistance	
General stores groceries, ice cream restaurant, souvenirs, apparel 	5/16–9/29 also has water filling station	5/9–9/25 also has water filling station	Grant 5/30–9/22 also has footwear, outdoor supplies	Lake 5/23–9/22	Year-round no restaurant lunch available late fall to early spring also has water filling station		Lower: 5/23–9/29 Upper: 5/2–10/13 also have water filling stations	Tower 5/30–9/18 also has water filling station	
Specialty/Mini stores recreation gear, snacks, fast food souvenirs 	Yellowstone Adventures 4/18–11/3 Camping and outdoor gear, footwear, fishing supplies, frozen yogurt		Grant 5/16–9/29	Bridge Bay 5/30–9/8 Camping and outdoor gear, fishing supplies				Roosevelt 6/6–9/1	
Gift shops 	Canyon Lodge 5/30–9/21		Grant Village 5/23–9/28	Lake Hotel 5/16–10/5 Lake Lodge 6/10–9/28	Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel 4/25–10/12		Old Faithful Inn 5/9–10/12 OF Snow Lodge 4/18–11/2 Old Faithful Lodge 5/16–10/5	Roosevelt Lodge 6/6–9/1	
Hotel 	Canyon Lodge 5/30–9/21		Grant Village 5/23–9/28	Lake Hotel 5/16–10/5	Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel 5/2–10/6		Old Faithful Inn 5/9–10/12 Old Faithful Snow Lodge 5/2–10/19		
Cabins 	Canyon Lodge 5/30–9/21			Lake Hotel 5/16–10/5 Lake Lodge 6/10–10/5	Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel 5/2–10/6		OF Snow Lodge 5/2–10/19 Old Faithful Lodge 5/16–10/5	Roosevelt Lodge 6/6–9/1	
Restaurants 	Canyon Lodge 5/30–9/21		Grant Village 5/23–9/28 Lake House at Grant 5/23–9/21	Lake Hotel 5/16–10/5	Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel 5/2–10/6		Old Faithful Inn 5/9–10/12 Old Faithful Snow Lodge 5/2–10/19	Roosevelt Lodge 6/6–9/1	
Cafeteria 	Canyon Lodge 5/24–9/14			Lake Lodge 6/10–9/28			Old Faithful Lodge 5/16–10/5		
Snacks light meals, fast food 	Picnic Shop 5/30–9/21			Lake Hotel Deli 5/16–10/5	Terrace Grill 4/25–10/12		Old Faithful Inn, Bear Paw Deli: 5/9–10/12 Old Faithful Snow Lodge, Geyser Grill 4/18–11/2 Old Faithful Lodge Bake Shop 5/16–10/5		
<div> Road, facilitiy, service, and program schedules may change. Check locally and at www.nps.gov/YELL for current information. </div>									
Campgrounds (details page 7) ** Reservations accepted 	**Canyon 5/30–9/14 Norris 12 mi west, 5/16–9/29	**Fishing Bridge RV Park (hard-sided units only) 5/9–9/21	**Grant 6/21–9/21 Lewis Lake 9 mi south, 6/15–11/2	**Bridge Bay 5/23–9/1 **Fishing Bridge RV Park (hard-sided units only): 5/9–9/21	Mammoth All year Indian Creek 9 mi south 6/13–9/8 Norris 21 mi south 5/16–9/29	Norris 5/16–9/29	**Madison 16 mi north 5/2–10/19	Tower Fall 2.5 mi south 5/23–9/29 Slough Creek 6 mi east 6/15–10/7 Pebble Creek 20 mi east 6/15–9/29	**Madison 5/2–10/19
Showers 	Canyon Campground 5/30–9/14	RV park 5/9–9/21	Grant Campground 6/21–9/21		Mammoth Hotel 5/2–10/6		Old Faithful Inn 5/9–10/12	Roosevelt Lodge 6/6–9/1	
Laundry 	Canyon Campground 5/30–9/14	RV park 5/9–9/21	Grant Campground 6/21–9/21	Lake Lodge 6/10–9/28			Snow Lodge 5/2–10/19		
Marina, boat tours, trail rides   	Trail Rides 6/25–8/30			Bridge Bay Dock rental 5/23–9/14 Boat Tours 6/15–9/14	Trail Rides 5/23–9/6			Trail & Stagecoach Rides 6/6–8/31 Cookout 6/7–9/14	



All of your food, cooking utensils, and garbage must be kept secure unless in immediate use.

Quiet hours

During quiet hours, 10 PM to 6 AM, no loud audio devices or other noise disturbances are allowed. Where allowed, generators may operate only between 8 AM and 8 PM.

Group camping

Group camping (tents only) is available at Madison, Grant, and Bridge Bay for organized groups with a designated leader. Fees range from \$110 to \$360 (plus tax and utilities) per night, depending on group size. Advance reservations are required.



Food storage boxes are available at many campsites. Proper food storage is essential to the safety of visitors and wildlife.

Contact Xanterra Parks & Resorts

P.O. Box 165, Yellowstone WY 82190
www.YellowstoneNationalParkLodges.com
Reserve_YNP@Xanterra.com
Toll-free 866-Geyserland (866-439-7375)
TDD 307-344-5395
Same-day reservations 307-344-7311

Key to campground features

- Δ Sites you can reserve
- Ω Rate does not include tax or utility pass-through
- ‡ Site with full hook ups
- A Accessible sites available
- F Flush toilets
- V Vault toilets
- S/L Pay showers/laundry onsite
- NS Showers not included
- 2S Two showers included each night
- DS Dump station
- G Generators okay 8 AM to 8 PM

Camping makes memories for a lifetime

First-come, first-served

Campsite availability is first-come, first-served at the following NPS-operated campgrounds: Mammoth, Norris, Indian Creek, Lewis Lake, Pebble Creek, Slough Creek, and Tower Fall. During peak season (late June to mid-August) campgrounds may fill. Arrive early to obtain a site.

Reservable sites

Reserve sites at Canyon, Bridge Bay, Madison, Grant Village, and Fishing Bridge RV Park through Xanterra Parks & Resorts. Hookups are available at Fishing Bridge RV Park, including water, sewer, and 50 amp electrical service. Fishing Bridge is restricted to hard-sided camping units. Tents and tent trailers are not allowed. There are no picnic tables or fire grates.

Overflow camping

There are no overflow camping areas available within Yellowstone. No camping or overnight vehicle parking is allowed in pullouts, parking areas, picnic grounds, or any place other than a designated campground. Additional camping may be available in neighboring communities.

Check-in and check-out

Check-in any time, but sites may not be available before 11 AM. Registration desks at Xanterra’s campgrounds are open 7 AM to 10 PM during peak season, and 8 AM to 9 PM during early and late season. Check-out time is 11 AM.

Length of stay

Camping is limited to 14 days from July 1 through Labor Day (first Monday in September) and 30 days the rest of the year. There is no limit at Fishing Bridge.

Discounts

Holders of Senior and Access passes receive approximately a 50 percent discount on camping fees, except at Fishing Bridge, where no discounts apply.

Know your vehicle, tent, and tow sizes

If you want to reserve a site, you will be asked for the length and width of your tent, RV, or the combined length of your vehicle and anything you are towing. For non-reservable sites, use the total length to determine which campground can best accommodate your rig.

In order of opening	Dates*	Rate	Sites	Elev (ft)	Features	RV sites
Mammoth	All year	\$20	85	6,200	A, F, G	Most are pull-through
Madison Δ Ω	5/2–10/19	\$21.50	278	6,800	A, F, NS, DS, G	Call for availability and reservations
Fishing Bridge RV Δ Ω ‡	5/9–9/21	\$47.75	346	7,800	F, S/L, 2S, DS, G	Call for availability and reservations
Norris	5/16–9/29	\$20	>100	7,500	A, F, G	2 sites are 50 ft (signed), 5 sites are 30 ft
Tower Fall	5/23–9/29	\$15	31	6,600	V	All sites are 30 ft or less. Has hairpin curve
Bridge Bay Δ Ω	5/23–9/1	\$21.50	432	7,800	A, F, NS, DS, G	Call for availability and reservations
Canyon Δ Ω	5/30–9/14	\$26	273	7,900	A, F, S/L, 2S, DS, G	Call for availability and reservations
Indian Creek	6/13–9/8	\$15	75	7,300	A, V	10 sites are 35 ft, 35 sites are 30 ft pull-through
Pebble Creek	6/15–9/29	\$15	27	6,900	V	Some long pull-throughs
Slough Creek	6/15-10/7	\$15	23	6,250	V	14 sites at 30 ft – walk first to assess sites
Lewis Lake	6/15–11/2	\$15	85	7,800	V	All sites are 25 ft or less
Grant Village Δ Ω	6/21–9/21	\$26	430	7,800	A, F, S/L, 2S, DS, G	Call for availability and reservations

*Campgrounds open at 8 AM of first date listed and close for the season at 11 AM of last date listed.

Ranger-led programs

Canyon Village

Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Hayden Valley Views (September 2–September 21) Hike through a variety of wild habitats, including Yellowstone River, Upper Falls, Clear Lake, meadows, forests, and a Hayden Valley vista. Meet a park ranger at Uncle Tom’s Parking Lot on the South Rim Drive (road to Artist Point) for this moderate walk of approximately 3 miles. 3–3½ hours.	9 AM 9/7–9/21	9 AM 9/8–9/15	9 AM 9/2–9/16	9 AM 9/3–9/17	9 AM 9/4–9/18	9 AM 9/5–9/19	9 AM 9/6–9/20
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (September 2–September 30) Whether you’re hiking a backcountry trail, camping, or just enjoying the park’s amazing wildlife from the road, this quick workshop is for you and your fam-ily! Park rangers will help you learn where to look for animals and how to safely enjoy your wildlife watching experience. Meet in front of the Canyon Visitor Education Center. Accessible. 20 minutes.	10 AM 2 PM 9/7–9/28	10 AM 2 PM 9/8–9/29	10 AM 2 PM 9/2–9/30	10 AM 2 PM 9/3–9/24	10 AM 2 PM 9/4–9/25	10 AM 2 PM 9/5–9/26	10 AM 2 PM 9/6–9/27
Canyon Talks at Artist Point (September 2–September 30) From a classic viewpoint enjoy the Lower Falls, Yellowstone River, and the spectacular colors of the canyon while learning about the area’s natural and human history. Discover why artists and photographers continue to be drawn to this special place. Join a ranger on the lower platform at Artist Point on the South Rim Drive for this short talk. Accessible. 20 minutes.	10:30 AM 11 AM 2 PM 2:30 PM 9/7–9/28	10:30 AM 11 AM 2 PM 2:30 PM 9/8–9/29	10:30 AM 11 AM 2 PM 2:30 PM 9/2–9/30	10:30 AM 11 AM 2 PM 2:30 PM 9/3–9/24	10:30 AM 11 AM 2 PM 2:30 PM 9/4–9/25	10:30 AM 11 AM 2 PM 2:30 PM 9/5–9/26	10:30 AM 11 AM 2 PM 2:30 PM 9/6–9/27
Walking the Edge (September 2–September 30) Enjoy learning about the ecology, geology, and history of the canyon while walking along the South Rim Trail with a ranger. Enjoy stunning views of the Yellowstone River, the Upper and Lower Falls, and the gorgeous colors of the canyon walls. Meet a park ranger at Uncle Tom’s Parking Lot on the South Rim Drive (road to Artist Point) for this easy walk of approximately 1 mile. 1½ hours.	3 PM 9/7–9/28	3 PM 9/8–9/29	3 PM 9/2–9/30	3 PM 9/3–9/24	3 PM 9/4–9/25	3 PM 9/5–9/26	3 PM 9/6–9/27
Fall Evening Program (September 2–September 30) Join a ranger for an illustrated talk and learn more about Yellowstone’s natural or cultural history. Meet in front of the Canyon Visitor Education Center. In the event of inclement weather, program will be held indoors. 30 minutes.	6:30 PM 9/7–9/28	6:30 PM 9/8–9/29	6:30 PM 9/2–9/30	6:30 PM 9/3–9/24	6:30 PM 9/4–9/25	6:30 PM 9/5–9/26	6:30 PM 9/6–9/27

Fishing Bridge and Lake Village

Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Lake Scenic Cruise (September 2–September 14) Join a park ranger on a narrated boat tour on the ethereal water of Yellowstone Lake, with views of the wondrous Absaroka Mountains, historic Lake Hotel & Village, and surrounding lodgepole pine forest. Reservations required in advance through Xanterra Parks and Resorts. Call 307-344-7311 or stop by the Bridge Bay Marina (\$15 <i>plus tax for adults</i> , \$10 <i>plus tax for kids ages 3–11, free for kids under 3 years old</i>). Accessible. 1 hour.	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/7–9/14	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/8	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/2–9/9	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/3–9/10	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/4–9/11	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/5–9/12	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/6–9/13
Storm Point Saunter (September 2–September 27) Wander along the ever–changing lakeshore and through a diversity of land-scapes including a lush meadow dotted with wildflowers and an ancient forest of spruce, pine, and fir. Experience Yellowstone in its true splendor. Meet at Indian Pond and the Storm Point trailhead, 3 miles east of Fishing Bridge. Easy 2.3 mile hike. 2 hours.	10 AM 9/7–9/21	10 AM 9/8–9/22	10 AM 9/2–9/23	10 AM 9/3–9/24	10 AM 9/4–9/25	10 AM 9/5–9/26	10 AM 9/6–9/27
Mud Volcano Ramble (September 2–September 27) “ <i>The greatest marvel we have yet met with,</i> ” declared early explorers. View color-ful, vociferous, and intriguing mudpots and hot springs, and find out what they reveal about Yellowstone’s explosive past and future. Moderately strenuous. Meet at the Mud Volcano parking area. 1½ hours.	11 AM 9/7–9/21	11 AM 9/8–9/22	11 AM 9/2–9/23	11 AM 9/3–9/24	11 AM 9/4–9/25	11 AM 9/5–9/26	11 AM 9/6–9/27
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (September 2–September 27) Whether hiking the backcountry, camping, walking in the frontcountry, or just enjoying the park’s amazing wildlife from your car, this workshop is for you and your family. Park rangers will help you learn how to avoid dangerous encoun-ters with wildlife in these hands–on demonstrations. Meet a park ranger at the Fishing Bridge Visitor Information Center. Accessible. 20 minutes.	4:30 PM 9/7–9/21	4:30 PM 9/8–9/22	4:30 PM 9/2–9/23	4:30 PM 9/3–9/24	4:30 PM 9/4–9/25	4:30 PM 9/5–9/26	4:30 PM 9/6–9/27

Grant Village and West Thumb

Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (September 2- September 30) Whether you’re hiking a backcountry trail, camping, or just enjoying the park’s amazing wildlife from the road, this quick workshop is for you and your fam- ily! Park rangers will help you learn where to look for animals and how to safely enjoy your wildlife watching experience. Meet on the back portch of the Grant Village Visitor Center. Accessible. 20 minutes.	9:30 AM 9/7–9/28	9:30 AM 9/8–9/29	9:30 AM 9/2–9/30	9:30 AM 9/3–9/24	9:30 AM 9/4–9/25	9:30 AM 9/5–9/26	9:30 AM 9/6–9/27
Hot Water Wilderness (September 2–September 30) Stroll along the beautiful shores of Yellowstone Lake and explore the origins of glittering geysers, belching mud pots, and emerald hot springs in West Thumb’s dynamic geyser basin. Meet at the West Thumb Visitor Information Station. Round trip distance is ¾ mile. Accessible with assistance. 1 ½ hours.	11 AM 4 PM 9/7–9/28	11 AM 4 PM 9/8–9/29	11 AM 4 PM 9/2–9/30	11 AM 4 PM 9/3–9/24	11 AM 4 PM 9/4–9/25	11 AM 4 PM 9/5–9/26	11 AM 4 PM 9/6–9/27
Wildlife Wonders (September 2–September 30) Are you wondering about the best wildlife viewing areas, or perhaps how Yellowstone’s fauna have survived through time? Relax in the shade as a ranger reveals the secrets of Yellowstone’s wildlife. Meet on the back porch of the Grant Village Visitor Center. Accessible. 30 minutes.	2:30 PM 9/7–9/28	2:30 PM 9/8–9/29	2:30 PM 9/2–9/30	2:30 PM 9/3–9/24	2:30 PM 9/4–9/25	2:30 PM 9/5–9/26	2:30 PM 9/6–9/27
Grant Village Evening Program (September 2–September 21) Park rangers present illustrated talks focusing on Yellowstone’s natural or cultural wonders. Check locally for program topics. Meet at the Grant Village Visitor Center Auditorium. Accessible. 45 minutes.	7:30 PM 9/7–9/21	7:30 PM 9/8–9/15	7:30 PM 9/2–9/16	7:30 PM 9/3–9/17	7:30 PM 9/4–9/18	7:30 PM 9/5–9/19	7:30 PM 9/6–9/20

Madison

Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Madison Evening Program (September 2–September 30) Each night a park ranger will present an illustrated program highlighting a dif- ferent aspect of Yellowstone’s wonders. Inquire locally on bulletin boards and at the Madison Information Station for program titles and descriptions. Meet at the Madison Amphitheater. Accessible. 45 minutes.	8 PM 9/7–9/28	8 PM 9/8–9/29	8 PM 9/2–9/30	8 PM 9/3–9/24	8 PM 9/4–9/25	8 PM 9/5–9/26	8 PM 9/6–9/27

Mammoth

Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (September 2 - September 30) Whether you’re hiking a backcountry trail, camping, or just enjoying the park’s amazing wildlife from the road, this quick workshop is for you and your fam- ily! Park rangers will help you learn where to look for animals and how to safely enjoy your wildlife watching experience. Meet in front of the Albright Visitor Center. Accessible. 20 minutes.	10 AM 4 PM 9/7–9/28	10 AM 4 PM 9/8–9/29	10 AM 4 PM 9/2–9/30	10 AM 4 PM 9/3–9/24	10 AM 4 PM 9/4–9/25	10 AM 4 PM 9/5–9/26	10 AM 4 PM 9/6–9/27
Tales of the Travertine (September 2–September 30) The travertine terraces at Mammoth Hot Springs are one of Yellowstone’s most unusual, beautiful, and misunderstood hydrothermal features. Come learn how earth’s mysterious forces constantly create and change these formations. Meet at the end of the Palette Spring boardwalk, just up from the Liberty Cap rock formation. Accessible. 20 minutes.	1 PM 9/7–9/28	1 PM 9/8–9/29	1 PM 9/2–9/30	1 PM 9/3–9/24	1 PM 9/4–9/25	1 PM 9/5–9/26	1 PM 9/6–9/27
Calling in the Cavalry Walk (September 2–September 30) In its early days, Yellowstone National Park was protected by the U. S. Army. Join a ranger on this short, relaxed walk around Fort Yellowstone to learn about important historic park events and to discover the role the military played in protecting Yellowstone. Meet beside the Temporary Visitor Center. Accessible. 1 hour.	6 PM 9/7–9/28	6 PM 9/8–9/29	6 PM 9/2–9/30	6 PM 9/3–9/24	6 PM 9/4–9/25	6 PM 9/5–9/26	6 PM 9/6–9/27
Mammoth Evening Program (September 2–September 14) Enjoy an illustrated program about Yellowstone’s natural or cultural history. Inquire locally on bulletin boards and at Albright Visitor Center for program titles and descriptions. Meet at the Mammoth Campground amphitheater. Accessible. 45 minutes.	8 PM 9/7–9/14	8 PM 9/8	8 PM 9/2–9/9	8 PM 9/3–9/10	8 PM 9/4–9/11	8 PM 9/5–9/12	8 PM 9/6–9/13

Norris

Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Windows Into Yellowstone (September 2–September 30) Experience the muddy caldrons, acid geysers and clear pools of Norris Geyser Basin! Join a park ranger for a walk through this magical land and learn about the park’s geologic past, present, and future. Meet at the Norris Geyser Basin Museum . Bring water, sunglasses and sunscreen. 1–1½ hours .	9:30 AM 9/7–9/28	9:30 AM 9/8–9/29	9:30 AM 9/2–9/30	9:30 AM 9/3–9/24	9:30 AM 9/4–9/25	9:30 AM 9/5–9/26	9:30 AM 9/6–9/27
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (September 2–September 30) Whether hiking the backcountry, camping, walking in the frontcountry, or just enjoying the park’s amazing wildlife from your car—this workshop is for you and your family! Park rangers help you learn how to avoid dangerous encounters with wildlife in these hands–on demonstrations. Meet at the Norris Geyser Basin Museum . Accessible. 20 minutes .	10 AM 9/7–9/28	10 AM 9/8–9/29	10 AM 9/2–9/30	10 AM 9/3–9/24	10 AM 9/4–9/25	10 AM 9/5–9/26	10 AM 9/6–9/27
World’s Tallest Geyser (September 2–September 30) Explore the rare and fascinating world of geysers at the world’s tallest active geyser! Meet at Steamboat Geyser , a 15–minute walk from the Norris Geyser Basin parking lot. In rainy weather, the talk will be held at the Norris Geyser Basin Museum. Check with ranger at information desk. 20 minutes .	2 PM 3 PM 9/7–9/28	2 PM 3 PM 9/8–9/29	2 PM 3 PM 9/2–9/30	2 PM 3 PM 9/3–9/24	2 PM 3 PM 9/4–9/25	2 PM 3 PM 9/5–9/26	2 PM 3 PM 9/6–9/27
Wild Yellowstone (September 2–September 30) Park rangers share insights into a fascinating aspect of Yellowstone’s wild nature. Meet at Steamboat Geyser , a 15-minute walk from the Norris Geyser Basin parking lot. In rainy weather, the talk will be held at the Norris Geyser Basin Museum. Accessible. 20 minutes .	4 PM 9/7–9/28	4 PM 9/8–9/29	4 PM 9/2–9/30	4 PM 9/3–9/24	4 PM 9/4–9/25	4 PM 9/5–9/26	4 PM 9/6–9/27
Stars Above Yellowstone (September 4, 18, and 25) Like the landscape, the night sky is part of what makes Yellowstone so special. Explore the pristine night sky over Yellowstone with a park ranger. Meet at Norris Campground entrance , near registration board and comfort station. Bring flashlight, warm clothes, and binoculars (optional). Accessible. 1 hour .					8:30 PM 9/4–9/25		
Full Moon Walk (September 9) Join a ranger for a 2/3 mile walk through Norris Geyser Basin and experience Yellowstone by the light of a full moon. Meet in the Norris Geyser Basin parking lot . 1 hour .			8:30 PM 9/9				

Old Faithful

Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Geyser Hill Walk (September 2–September 29) Explore the heart of the world’s greatest concentration of geysers and learn about the relationship between Yellowstone’s volcanic history and hydrothermal features on this 1–1/4 mile walk. Meet outside on the geyser side of the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center . 1 ½ hours .	9 AM 9/7–9/28	9 AM 9/8–9/29	9 AM 9/2–9/23	9 AM 9/3–9/24	9 AM 9/4–9/25	9 AM 9/5–9/26	9 AM 9/6–9/27
Geysers Galore! (September 2–September 30) Take a quick peek at Yellowstone’s fascinating geysers and visible geologic story. Meet a park ranger at the benches in front of Old Faithful near the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center . Accessible. 10 minutes .	11:15 AM 11:45 AM 12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/7–9/28	11:15 AM 11:45 AM 12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/8–9/29	11:15 AM 11:45 AM 12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/9–9/30	11:15 AM 11:45 AM 12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/3–9/24	11:15 AM 11:45 AM 12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/4–9/25	11:15 AM 11:45 AM 12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/5–9/26	11:15 AM 11:45 AM 12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/6–9/27
Black Sand Walk (September 2–September 20) Discover a lesser–known gem! Learn about volcanic geology and the unique history of Black Sand Basin on this ½–mile walk. Meet at Black Sand Basin parking lot, one mile north of Old Faithful . 1 hour .	12:30 PM 9/7–9/14	12:30 PM 9/8–9/15	12:30 PM 9/2–9/16	12:30 PM 9/3–9/17	12:30 PM 9/4–9/18	12:30 PM 9/5–9/19	12:30 PM 9/6–9/20
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (September 2–September 29) Whether hiking, camping, or just enjoying the park’s amazing wildlife from your car—this workshop is for you! Park rangers help you learn how to avoid dangerous encounters with wildlife in these hands–on demonstrations. Meet outside on the geyser side of the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center for this outdoor program. Accessible. 20 minutes .	3 PM 9/7–9/28	3 PM 9/8–9/29	3 PM 9/2–9/23	3 PM 9/3–9/24	3 PM 9/4–9/25	3 PM 9/5–9/26	3 PM 9/6–9/27
Old Faithful Evening Program (September 2–September 29) Join a park ranger for an illustrated program highlighting a fascinating aspect of Yellowstone’s wonders. Meet atthe theater of the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center . Check locally for program titles and descriptions. Accessible. 45 minutes .	7 PM 9/7–9/28	7 PM 9/8–9/29	7 PM 9/2–9/23	7 PM 9/3–9/24	7 PM 9/4–9/25	7 PM 9/5–9/26	7 PM 9/6–9/27

West Yellowstone

Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Afternoon Talk in West (September 2–September 29) Each afternoon, a ranger will present a talk on a captivating aspect of Yellowstone’s natural or cultural history in West Yellowstone, Montana. The Yellowstone Historic Center Museum is located at the corner of Yellowstone Avenue and Canyon Street. The Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center is located at 201 South Canyon Street. Talks are free and open to the public. <i>There is a fee if you choose to visit the rest of the Yellowstone Historic Center or the Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center.</i> ♿ Accessible. 30 minutes.	Yellowstone Historic Center Museum 2 PM 9/7–9/28	Yellowstone Historic Center Museum 2 PM 9/8–9/29	Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center 2 PM 9/2–9/23	Yellowstone Historic Center Museum 2 PM 9/3–9/24	Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center 2 PM 9/4–9/25	Yellowstone Historic Center Museum 2 PM 9/5–9/26	Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center 2 PM 9/6–9/27
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (September 2–September 28) Whether you’re hiking, camping, or enjoying wildlife from the road, this workshop is for you! In this interactive demonstration, park rangers will help you learn where to look for animals and how to safely enjoy your wildlife watching experience. Meet at the West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center in West Yellowstone (corner of Yellowstone Avenue and Canyon Street). ♿ Accessible. 20 minutes.	3 PM 9/7–9/28	3 PM 9/8–9/22	3 PM 9/2–9/23	3 PM 9/3–9/24	3 PM 9/4–9/25	3 PM 9/5–9/26	3 PM 9/6–9/27

Visitor centers

Mammoth Temporary Visitor Center
Located at Mammoth Hot Springs and open daily, year round, the center offers information, a bookstore, trip planning, and ranger programs.
Through 9/30 8 AM–7 PM
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Call 307-344-2263



Canyon Visitor Education Center
Explore Yellowstone’s supervolcano and other aspects of its geology through interactive exhibits, including a room-size relief map of Yellowstone.
Through 9/1 8 AM–8 PM
9/2–9/30 8 AM–6 PM
10/1–10/13 9 AM–5 PM
Call 307-344-2550

Fishing Bridge Museum and Visitor Center
Offers exhibits about the park’s birds and Yellowstone Lake’s geology, including a relief map of the lake bottom.
Through 9/30 8 AM–7 PM
Call 307-344-2450

Grant Visitor Center
Exhibits describe the park’s historic fires of 1988.
Through 9/30 8 AM–7 PM
Call 307-344-2650



Madison Information Station Junior Ranger Station
Through 9/30 9 AM–6 PM
Through 9/1 9 AM–6 PM
Call 307-344-2876

Museum of the National Park Ranger
Located one mile north of Norris, the museum presents the history of the park ranger profession through exhibits and videos, and through the stories of retired rangers who volunteer to staff the center.
Through 9/29 9 AM–5 PM
Call 307-344-7353

Norris Geyser Basin Museum and Information Station
Features exhibits about the hydrothermal features of Yellowstone.
Through 9/30 9 AM–6 PM
Call 307-344-2812



Old Faithful Visitor Education Center
Yellowstone’s newest visitor center offers dynamic exhibits about hydrothermal features. Geyser eruption predictions are posted, or call ahead.
Through 9/30 8 AM–8 PM
10/1–11/2 9 AM–5 PM
Call 307-344-2751

West Thumb Information Station
Offers information about the adjacent geyser basin on the shore of Yellowstone Lake.
Through 9/30 9 AM–5 PM
Call 307-344-2650

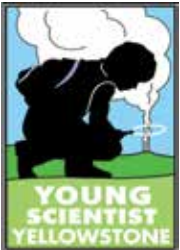
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Programs for young people

Junior Ranger Program
If you are age 4 or older, you can become a Yellowstone Junior Ranger. Stop by any visitor center to purchase a new Junior Ranger activity booklet for \$3. Hike on a park trail, complete the age-appropriate activity pages, and attend a ranger-led activity, to earn your official Yellowstone Junior Ranger patch. Both children and adults benefit by learning more about the natural wonders of the park and sharing the fun of becoming a Junior Ranger.



Young Scientist Program
Become a Young Scientist at the Canyon (ages 10+) or Old Faithful (ages 5+) visitor education centers. Purchase a self-guiding booklet for \$5. If you investigate the Old Faithful area, check out a Young Scientist Toolkit for the gear you need. Once you finish, you will be awarded a Young Scientist patch or key chain.



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As an integral part of our mission, Yellowstone National Park, park concessioners, and park partners are committed to reducing the ecological footprint of park operations and preserving natural resources through sustainable practices. During your time in Yellowstone and beyond, we encourage you to do your part by practicing the following:



Please properly dispose of all waste items. Recycling bins are located throughout the park for plastic, glass, metal, paper, cardboard, propane canisters, bear spray, batteries, and more.



Yellowstone National Park encourages you to stay hydrated during your visit. Please use a reusable water bottle and fill it up for free at our many water filling locations.



In an effort to reduce harmful emissions from idling, please turn your vehicle off while you are parked or stopped for more than 30 seconds. Emissions can also be reduced by carpooling and utilizing transportation services to tour the park.



Reduce energy use by turning off lights, heat, and electrical devices when you leave your rooms.



Help reduce water consumption by being aware of your water use. Turn water off while brushing your teeth, shorten showers, and participate in towel and linen reuse programs if you are staying in park lodging.

This sustainability message is brought to you by the Yellowstone Environmental Coordinating Committee, a team of National Park Service employees, park concessioners, and non-profit partners working together to combine extensive resources to elevate the potential for sustainability achievements in Yellowstone National Park. The YECC is comprised of representatives from Delaware North Companies, Medcor Inc., National Park Service, Xanterra Parks & Resorts, Yellowstone Association, Yellowstone Park Foundation, and Yellowstone Park Service Stations.

Authorized guides and outfitters

Many authorized guides and outfitters are ready to show you the wonders of Yellowstone, and each has a unique approach. Make sure that your guide, tour company, or other commercial service is fully authorized by the park. Report unauthorized operators to a park ranger, or contact Concessions Management at 307-344-2271. Authorized providers are listed on the park website at www.nps.gov/yell/planyourvisit/services.htm.



**MEDICAL SERVICES
AT YELLOWSTONE**



Emergencies Dial "911" or contact any National Park Service ranger within Yellowstone. Specially trained rangers provide rescue, emergency medical care, and ambulance service.



Medical Clinics Medcor operates three urgent-care clinics within Yellowstone park. The clinic at Mammoth is open year round, staffed by a board-certified physician and experienced RNs. The clinics at Lake and Old Faithful are open seasonally (see below for schedules). All of these clinics are open to the public and are staffed and equipped for most medical emergencies and routine care. Services include injury and illness treatment, x-rays, and some lab and pharmacy services. If in-patient care or advanced services are required, the clinic staff can stabilize patients and arrange for appropriate transfer to a hospital.



Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center
Air and ground ambulance, emergency medical direction, training, and trauma/ specialty care from one of the top Trauma Centers in the U.S.
www.eirmc.com

For more information visit
www.medcor.com/Yellowstone.

Mammoth Clinic (307) 344-7965
Open Year Round Mon - Fri
Jun 1 - Sept 30 also open Sat & Sun

Lake Clinic (307) 242-7241
Open May 23 - Sept 20; 7 days a week

Old Faithful (307) 545-7325
Open May 16 - Oct 3; 7 days a week

Call for hours of operation. Appointment are not required; walk-in patients are welcome.

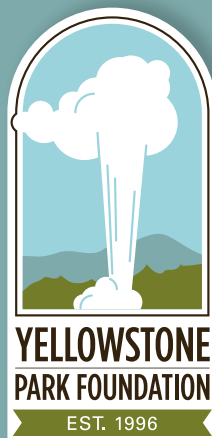
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America the Beautiful: *National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass*

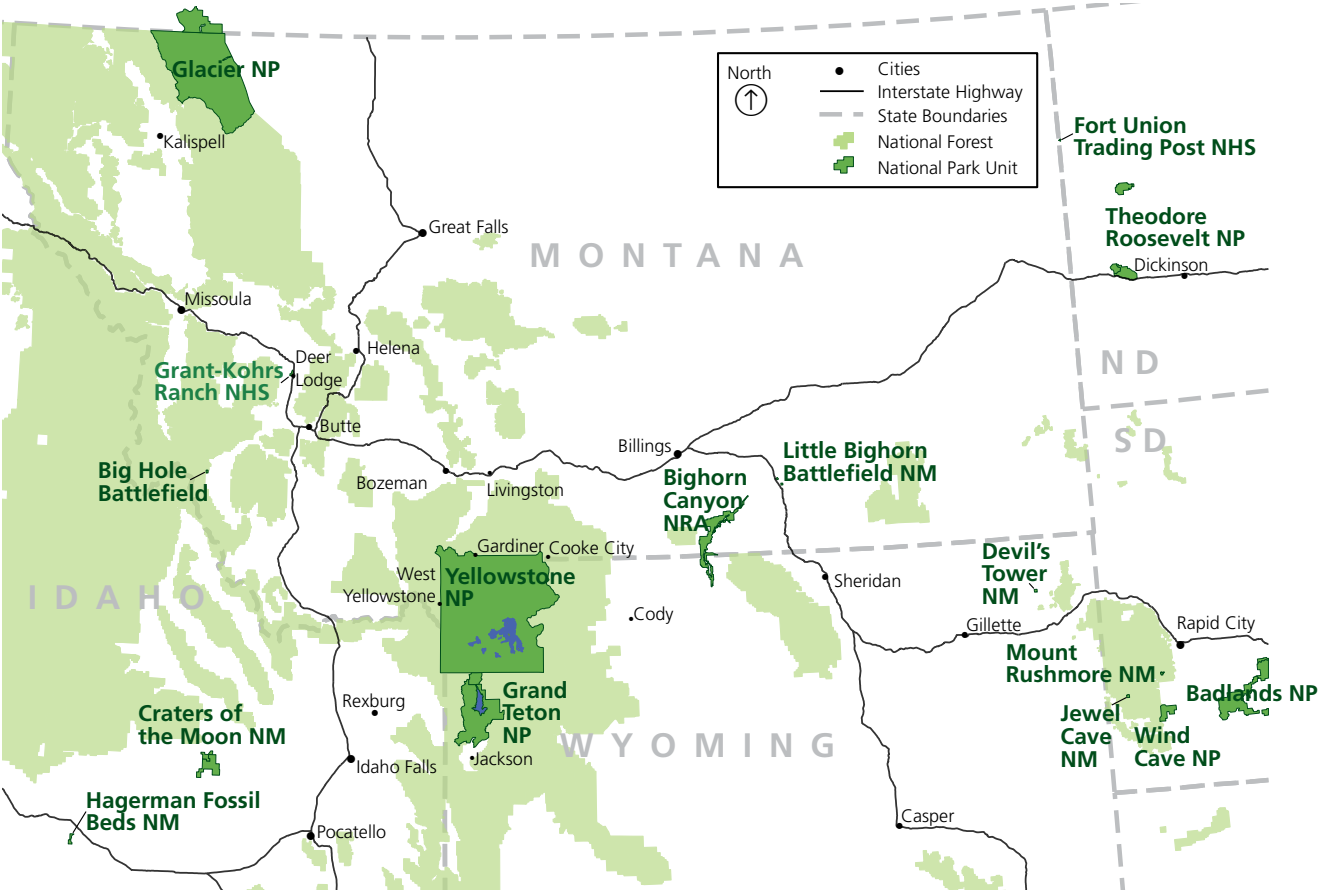
The National Park Service manages approximately 83 million acres in all 50 states, the Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, Guam, and American Samoa. To learn more about the National Park Service and its programs in America’s communities, visit www.nps.gov.

This pass provides several options for people to use at federal recreation sites, including national parks and wildlife refuges, where entrance fees are charged. You can purchase this pass at one of Yellowstone’s entrance stations, at Yellowstone Association bookstores (inside visitor centers), or visit <http://store.usgs.gov/pass>

The pass is not good for camping or for some other fees such as concessionaire parking fees at Mount Rushmore, or cave tours at various parks. Inquire locally.



Already paid? Apply the cost of your \$25 Yellowstone entrance fee to the purchase of this pass at Yellowstone Association stores in Mammoth Hot Springs, Canyon, Fishing bridge, Grant Village, West Thumb, Old Faithful, Madison, Norris, Bozeman Yellowstone Airport, and Gardiner.



Park entrance fees	
Private, noncommercial automobile, valid for seven days at both Yellowstone and Grand Teton	\$25
Individual motorcycle, seven days, both parks	\$20
Single entry (foot, bike, ski, etc) seven days, both parks	\$12
Yellowstone and Grand Teton Annual Pass, valid for one year from month of purchase for entrance to both parks	\$50
America the Beautiful: National Parks and Federal Recreation Lands Pass, valid for one year from month of purchase for entrance fees to federal fee areas	\$80
Senior Pass, U.S. Citizens or permanent residents age 62 or older*	\$10
Access Pass, U.S. Citizens or permanent residents with documentation of permanent disability*	Free
Military Pass, annual pass for active duty U. S. military personnel and their dependents with proper identification (CAC card or DD Form 1173).	Free

* Previously issued Golden Age Passports and Golden Access Passports are still accepted. They can also be exchanged for newer, more durable passes.

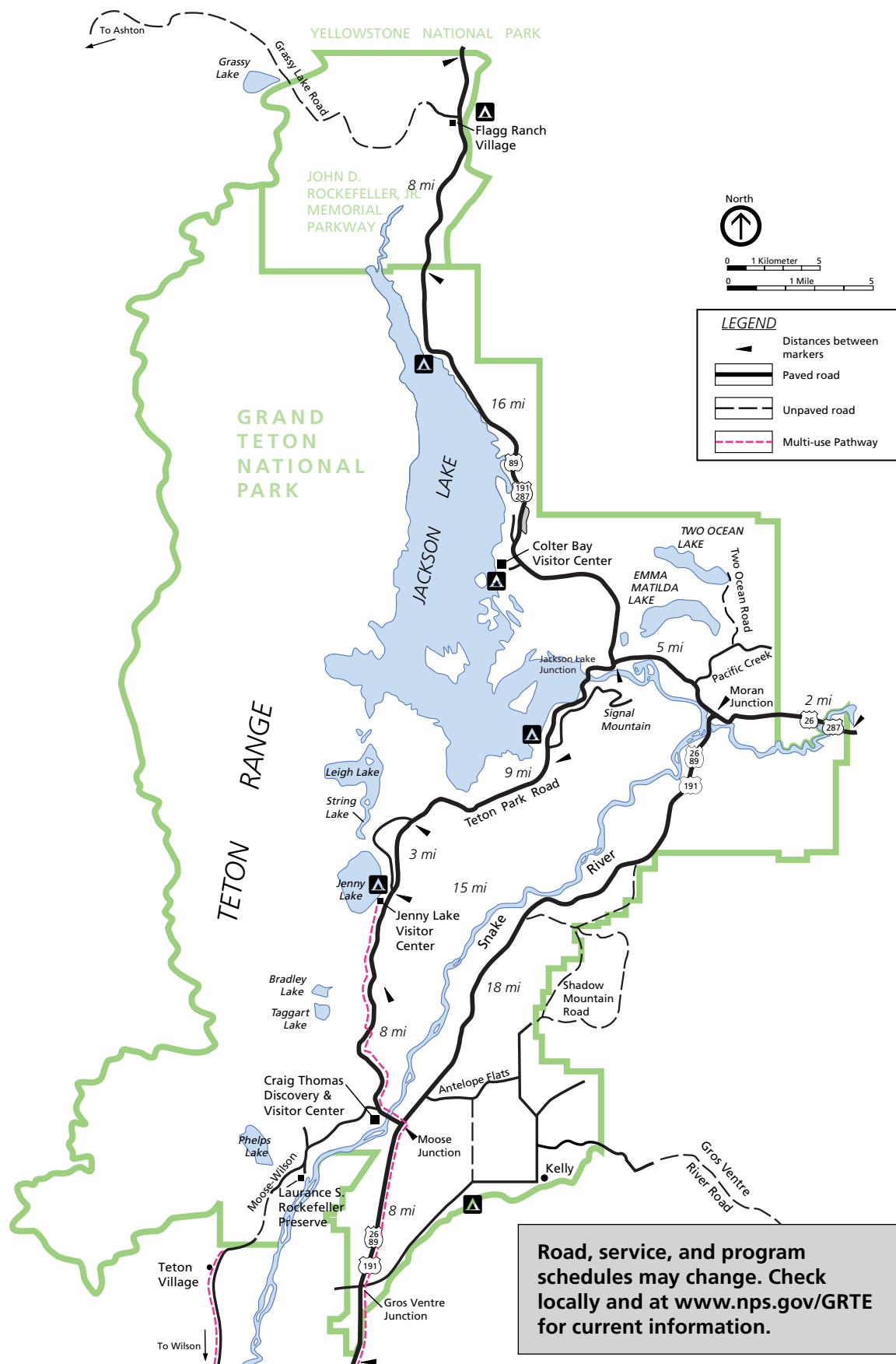
Area chambers of commerce

Idaho	Livingston
Idaho Falls	406-222-0850
866-365-6943	Red Lodge
Montana	888-281-0625
Big Sky	Virginia City
406-995-3000	800-829-2969
Billings	West Yellowstone
800-735-2635	406-646-7701
Bozeman	Wyoming
800-228-4224	Cody
Cooke City–Silver Gate	800-393-2639
406-838-2495	Jackson
Gardiner	307-733-3316
406-848-7971	

Area National Park Service units

Idaho	Little Bighorn National Monument
Craters of the Moon National Monument	Crow Agency, MT 59022
Arco, ID 83213	406-638-3217
208-527-1300	www.nps.gov/libi
www.nps.gov/crmo	
City of Rocks NR	Glacier NP
Almo, ID 83312	W. Glacier, MT 59936
208 824-5901	406-888-7800
www.nps.gov/ciro	www.nps.gov/glac
Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument	Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site
Hagerman, ID 83332	Deer Lodge, MT 59722
208 933-4100	406-846-2070
www.nps.gov/hafo	www.nps.gov/grko
Minidoka Internment National Monument	Wyoming
Hagerman, ID 83332	Devil’s Tower National Monument
208-933-4127	Devil’s Tower, WY 82714
www.nps.gov/miin	307-467-5283
Nez Perce National Historic Park	www.nps.gov/deto
Spalding, ID 83540	Fort Laramie National Historic Site
208-843-7020	Ft. Laramie, WY 82212
www.nps.gov/nepe	307-837-2221
Montana	www.nps.gov/fofa
Big Hole Battlefield	Fossil Butte National Monument
Wisdom, MT 59767	Kemmerer, WY 83101
406-689-3155	307-877-4455
www.nps.gov/biho	www.nps.gov/fobu
Bighorn Canyon National Rec. Area	John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Pkwy
Fort Smith, MT 59035	Moose, WY 83012
406-666-2412	www.nps.gov/jodr
www.nps.gov/bica	

NEIGHBORING PARKS AND TOWNS



Ask locally or call 307-739-3614 for updates on Grand Teton road construction projects.

Campgrounds

Park campgrounds are run by park concessionaires and are **first come, first served**. All sites cost \$22.00. Operating seasons vary. Ask at park entrance stations or visitor centers for current status updates.

Jenny Lake is open to tents only. Other campgrounds accommodate tents, trailers, and recreational vehicles. The maximum stay is seven days at Jenny Lake, 14 days at other campgrounds, 30 days total per year.

There is a 30-foot restriction in effect at Signal Mountain and Lizard Creek. All of the park's

campgrounds have modern comfort stations. There are RV sites with full hookups at Colter Bay RV park and at Headwaters Campground and RV park.

- **Colter Bay**, 350 sites, usually fills by evening
- **Gros Ventre**, 350 sites, rarely fills
- **Jenny Lake**, 49 sites, usually fills by 9 AM
- **Lizard Creek**, 60 sites, rarely fills
- **Signal Mountain**, 81 sites, usually fills by noon. 24 electric hookups, 1 full hookup.

More next door



Mount Moran and the Teton Range

Grand Teton National Park offers spectacular scenery, campgrounds, exhibits, and an abundance of outdoor activities. Hiking, sightseeing, boating, floating the Snake River, horseback riding, and fishing are all available depending on seasonal conditions.

Backcountry camping requires a permit from the Craig Thomas or Colter Bay visitor centers, or the Jenny Lake Ranger Station. Walk-in permits are \$25, permits with a reservation are \$35.

Boating requires a Grand Teton boating permit, sold at most visitor centers. A Wyoming fishing license is required to fish in the park.

Grand Teton Guide, the park newspaper, is available at entrance stations and visitor centers, or on the park website at www.nps.gov/grte

Visitor centers

Colter Bay Visitor Center

Information, exhibits, audiovisual programs, permits, and publication sales, 307-739-3594

Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center

Information, audiovisual programs, exhibits, permits, publication sales, 307-739-3399

Flagg Ranch Information Station 307-543-2372

Jenny Lake Ranger Station

Climbing information and permits. Open Mid-May to mid-September 307-739-3343

Jenny Lake Visitor Center

Information, publications sales, 307-739-3392

Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve Center

Sensory exhibits and orientation to an eight-mile trail network, 307-739-3654.

Lodging

Colter Bay Cabins 800-628-9988

Colter Bay RV Park 800-628-9988

Dornan's Spur Ranch Cabins 307-733-2522

Headwaters Lodge & Cabins at Flagg Ranch
307-543-2861, 800-443-2311

Jackson Lake Lodge 800-628-9988

Jenny Lake Lodge 307-733-4647; toll-free 800-628-9988

Signal Mountain Lodge 800-672-6012

