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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.

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

What you need to know

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.htm

 **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 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.



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



Control your pet. Pets are not allowed on trails or boardwalks, in the backcountry or in 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, tied to an object, or without adequate food, water, shade, ventilation, or other basic needs. Owners must bag and dispose of pet waste. We recommend that someone in your group remain with your pet to personally ensure their well being.



Cell phone service is limited in the park and surrounding areas. Cell service may be accessible in some developed areas and at the

Think Safety, Act Safely *Yellowstone is a Dangerous Place*

Animals are Dangerous

- Do not approach or feed any animal.
- Bison and elk have injured people.
- Stay 100 yards (91 m) from bears and wolves.
- Stay 25 yards (23 m) from all other animals.

Expect Travel Hazards and Delays

- Drive cautiously and defensively.
- Allow time for road congestion.
- Do not stop on or block a road.
- Use pullouts; stay in your car to watch animals.

Be Prepared to Encounter Bears

- Carry bear spray and know how to use it.
- Hike in groups of three or more people.
- Make noise to avoid surprise encounters.
- Never run from a bear. They have an instinct to chase.

Use Caution in Thermal Areas

- Stay on boardwalks and trails.
- Thermal water can severely burn you.
- Never run, push, or shove.
- Supervise children at all times.

Anticipate Potential Hazards

- Observe safe distances and settings for selfies.
- Stay behind fencing, guard rails, and ledges.
- Use caution; park waters are cold and fast.
- Show patience and courtesy to other people.

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North and West entrances. Cell tower locations are identified on the park map (pg. 16). 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, the Old Faithful Snow Lodge, Lake Lodge cafeteria, and Grant Lodges for a fee, and at Albright Visitor Center, free of charge.

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 13–September 24 and at Old Faithful Clinic (307-545-7325) May 13–October 2.

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

instagram.com/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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A 1936 White Motor Company bus from the park's historic vehicle collection drives through the Roosevelt Arch at the north entrance to Yellowstone in Gardiner, Montana.

Your national park experience has been 100 years in the making

On August 25, 2016, the National Park Service will celebrate its 100th birthday. For a century the National Park Service has cared for and protected wildlife, land, waterways, accomplishments, lessons, and stories belonging to the citizens of the United States. And we are ready to connect with and create the next generation of park visitors, supporters, and advocates.

On August 25, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson signed the act creating the National Park Service, a new federal bureau in the Department of the Interior. The National Park Service of the United States now comprises more than 400 areas covering more than 84 million acres in 50 states, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, Saipan, and the Virgin Islands. These areas are of such national significance as to justify special recognition and protection in accordance with various acts of Congress.

The National Park Service strives to meet its original goals, while filling many other roles as well: guardian of our diverse cultural and recreational resources, environmental advocate, partner in community revitalization, world leader in the parks and preservation community, and pioneer in the drive to protect America's open space.

You are the reason that Yellowstone National Park exists here today. So are your children, and their grandchildren. Many of the people who work and volunteer here enjoy sharing the

park with visitors because 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 leading a child through the Junior Ranger program is one of the most important and honor-bound duties we have. If you have suggestions for how we can further improve your experience, fill out a comment form at a visitor center, or make use of contact information published here and on the park website at www.nps.gov/yell.

Have a safe visit and come back soon.



Daniel N. Wenk
Superintendent Daniel N. Wenk

Keep your distance



Do not approach wildlife

- 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.htm



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.htm

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, regardless of equipment, 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 over-exert. 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 can be obtained up to two days before the start of your trip at any backcountry office. Permits are free prior to Memorial Day. From Memorial Day through September 10, a per-person, per-night fee applies.

- Backpackers and boaters: \$3 per-person per-night (group maximum \$15 per night).
- Groups with stock animals: \$5 per-person per-night.

Detailed information on backcountry permit fees and making advanced reservations is available online at www.nps.gov/yell/planyourvisit/backcountryhiking.htm

Backcountry Offices are located at:

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| • Albright Visitor Center | • South Entrance |
| • Tower Ranger Station | • Bechler Ranger Station |
| • Canyon Visitor Education Center | • Old Faithful Ranger Station |
| • Bridge Bay Marina | • West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center |
| • Grant Village Visitor Center | |

Boating

Motorized 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, non-motorized, and float tubes) can be purchased at the South Entrance, Grant Village Backcountry Office, and Bridge Bay Ranger Station.

Float tube permits are available at Mammoth, Canyon, and Old Faithful backcountry offices, Northeast Entrance, and Bechler Ranger Station.



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

All boats will be inspected by NPS rangers for Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) when obtaining a permit. As a precaution, any type

of 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.

General fishing season opens May 28

The general fishing season opens May 28. However, some areas remain closed until July 15. Fishing permits are required in Yellowstone, state-issued fishing permits are not valid within the park. Anglers 16 years or older need a permit to fish in the park. Younger children can fish for free under certain conditions.

Anglers are responsible for knowing how to tell the difference between species. Native fish must be released unharmed back into the water immediately. These include:

- Arctic grayling
- cutthroat trout
- mountain whitefish

Special tackle restrictions are also in effect for park waters:

- Hooks must be barbless.
- Tackle and lures must be non-toxic. Leaded split-shot sinkers, soft lead-weighted ribbon, and other toxic tackle are not allowed.
- Bait is not allowed. Organic bait (worms, minnows, etc.) and inorganic bait (rubber worms, scented attractant, etc.) are both prohibited.

Permits are available as locations open. Inquire at ranger stations, visitor centers, or general stores, and at select locations outside the park. Regulations are posted at www.nps.gov/yell/planyourvisit/fishing.htm

Visiting anglers asked to help manage invasive lake trout

Each year, visitors catch thousands of non-native lake trout. Regulations require anglers to kill all lake trout that they catch in Yellowstone Lake and its tributaries.

Yellowstone Lake's native cutthroat trout are severely threatened by lake trout, voracious predators that were introduced illegally to the lake and verified in 1994. Adult cutthroat trout are a critical food source for a variety of wildlife such as bald eagles, ospreys, pelicans, cormorants, gulls, otters, and grizzly bears. Lake trout do not serve this same role for wildlife throughout the ecosystem.

The park now targets lake trout with an intensive gill-netting program that begins each spring after ice is gone from Yellowstone Lake and continues into October. While managers don't expect to eliminate lake trout entirely,

they do hope to limit growth of the population and to recover cutthroat trout to the greatest extent possible.

More information is available online at www.nps.gov/yell/planyourvisit/fishing.htm



Each year, an individual lake trout can prey upon as many as 41 cutthroat trout.

Joining the herd

Bison are animals of the grasslands; they eat primarily grasses and sedges. The bison is the largest land mammal in North America.

Cows, calves, and some younger bulls comprise a herd. Mature bulls spend most of the year alone or with other bulls, except during the rut, or mating season.

After a gestation period of 9 to 9 1/2 months, calves are born in late April and May. Orange fur makes them easy to see, even from a distance. Look for them in open country along the Lamar, Yellowstone, Firehole, and Madison rivers.

Calves can keep up with the herd about 2-3 hours after birth and are protected by their mothers and other herd members.



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Be prepared to encounter bears

Safety For Bears, Safety For People



Wildlife scientists note that there is an average of one bear attack in the park each year. In 2015, a man was killed by a bear 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.

For more information about your safety in bear country visit www.nps.gov/yell/planyour-visit/bearsafety.htm

Hiking in bear habitat

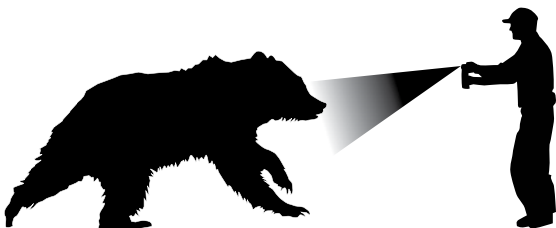
- **BE ALERT** watch for bears, fresh tracks, or scat.
- **MAKE NOISE** in areas with limited visibility.
- **CARRY BEAR SPRAY** and know how to use it.
- **HIKE WITH THREE** or more people.
- **DO NOT RUN.**

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 Works, Know How to Use It

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

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.

Once discharged, it is difficult to tell how much spray remains in the canister. Follow manufacturer's recommendations for canister replacement.

Rental

Bear spray is now available for rent at Canyon Village from May 21 to September 18. Bear Aware, LLC, will rent 9.2 oz. Pepper Power® bear spray from a kiosk near the Canyon Visitor Education Center (at the north end of the visitor center plaza, 20 yards from the main entrance). Rentals can be returned at the kiosk or at YPSS Sinclair Gas Stations at Mammoth, Tower, Fishing Bridge, Grant, and Old Faithful.

Rentals include holster and belt, hiking safety information, and instructions on proper use of bear spray. Cost is \$9.25 per day or \$28.00 per week (3–7 days). Prices do not include tax. For more information visit

www.bearaware.com.

Bear Aware, LLC, is an authorized permittee of the National Park Service.



BEAR aware
BEAR SPRAY RENTALS

Recycling

Safe disposal of bear spray can be a challenge. It can't be taken on airplanes. And if thrown in the trash, it can injure others or become a hazard in landfills.

A group of private and public partners has developed a machine that safely removes active ingredients and propellant from each bear spray canister. The components are sorted for recycling and diverted from landfills.

Bear spray canisters can be recycled at park hotels, stores, visitor centers, backcountry offices, and ranger stations, as well as area camping stores, and the Bozeman airport.



	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 4/15–5/27: 9 AM–5 PM <i>(Limited services through 4/30)</i> 5/28–9/5: 8 AM–8 PM 9/6–9/30: 8 AM–6 PM 10/1–11/6: 9 AM–5 PM	Visitor Center 5/27–9/30: 8 AM–7 PM 10/1–10/10: 9 AM–5 PM	Visitor Center (Grant) 5/27–9/30: 8 AM–7 PM Information Station (West Thumb) 5/27–9/30: 9 AM–5 PM Both sites 10/1–10/10: 9 AM–5 PM		Albright Visitor Center Through 5/27: 9 AM–5 PM 5/28–9/30: 8 AM–7 PM 10/1 through winter: 9 AM–5 PM	Norris Geyser Basin Museum 5/21–9/30: 9 AM–6 PM 10/1–10/10: 9 AM–5 PM Museum of the National Park Ranger 5/28–9/25: 9 AM–5 PM	Visitor Education Center 4/15–5/27: 9 AM–6 PM 5/28–9/30: 8 AM–8 PM 10/1–11/6: 9 AM–5 PM		West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center: NPS Desk 4/15–5/27: 8 AM–4 PM 5/28–9/5: 8 AM–8 PM 9/6–11/6: 8 AM–4 PM Madison Information Station 5/27–9/30: 9 AM–6 PM 10/1–10/11: 9 AM–5 PM
Medical clinic 				5/13–9/24 307-242-7241	Year-round, except weekends and some holidays. 307-344-7965		5/13–10/2 307-545-7325		
Service stations snacks, drinks, ice. All have credit card service at pumps 24 hrs/day 	Gas: 4/22–10/23 Repairs: 5/27–9/5 Wrecker: 4/29–10/16 LP gas available Call 406-848-7548 for assistance	Gas: 5/6–9/18 Repairs: 5/27–9/5 Wrecker: 5/27–9/5 LP Gas available Call 406-848-7548 for assistance	Gas (Grant): 5/27–9/25 Repairs: 5/27–9/5 Wrecker 5/27–9/5 LP Gas available Call 406-848-7548 for assistance		5/6–10/3 LP gas available Call 406-848-7548 for assistance		Lower: 4/29–10/9 Upper: 5/20–9/12 Repairs: 5/27–9/5 Wrecker: 4/29–10/9 LP gas available Call 406-848-7548 for assistance	6/3–9/5 LP gas available Call 406-848-7548 for assistance	
General stores groceries, ice cream, restaurant, souvenirs, apparel 	5/13–9/25 also has water filling station	5/6–10/2 also has water filling station	Grant 5/27–9/18 also has footwear, outdoor supplies	Lake 5/20–9/21	Year-round no restaurant lunch available late fall to early spring also has water filling station		Lower: 5/20–9/21 Upper: 4/29–10/16 also have water filling stations	Tower 5/27–9/18 also has water filling station	
Specialty/Mini stores recreation gear, snacks, fast food souvenirs 	Yellowstone Adventures 4/15–11/6 Camping and outdoor gear, footwear, fishing supplies		Grant 5/13–9/18	Bridge Bay 5/20–9/4 Camping and outdoor gear, fishing supplies				Roosevelt 6/10–9/4	
Gift shops 	Canyon Lodge 5/28–9/18		Grant Village 5/27–10/2	Lake Hotel 5/14–10/9 Lake Lodge 6/10–9/25	Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel 4/29–10/10		Old Faithful Inn 5/6–10/9 OF Snow Lodge 4/15–11/6 Old Faithful Lodge 5/20–10/5	Roosevelt Lodge 6/10–9/5	
Hotel 	Canyon Lodge 6/3–9/25		Grant Village 5/27–10/2	Lake Hotel 5/14–10/9	Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel 4/29–10/10		Old Faithful Inn 5/6–10/9 Old Faithful Snow Lodge 4/29–10/16		
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Restaurants 	Canyon Lodge 6/3–9/25		Grant Village 5/27–10/2 Lake House at Grant 5/27–9/25	Lake Hotel 5/14–10/9	Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel 4/29–10/10		Old Faithful Inn 5/6–10/9 Old Faithful Snow Lodge 4/29–10/16	Roosevelt Lodge 6/10–9/5	
Cafeteria 	Canyon Lodge 5/28–9/18			Lake Lodge 6/10–9/25			Old Faithful Lodge 5/20–10/5		
Snacks light meals, fast food 	Picnic Shop 5/28–9/18			Lake Hotel Deli 5/14–10/9	Terrace Grill 4/29–10/16		Old Faithful Inn, Bear Paw Deli: 5/6–10/9 Old Faithful Snow Lodge, Geyser Grill: 4/15–11/6 Old Faithful Lodge Bake Shop: 5/20–10/5		
Road, service, and program schedules may change. Check locally and at www.nps.gov/YELL for current information.									
Campgrounds (details page 7) ** Reservations accepted 	**Canyon 5/27–9/11 Norris 12 mi west, 5/20–9/26	**Fishing Bridge RV Park (hard-sided units only) 5/6–9/18	**Grant 6/19–9/18 Lewis Lake 9 mi south, 6/15–11/6	**Bridge Bay 5/20–9/5 **Fishing Bridge RV Park (hard-sided units only): 5/6–9/18	Mammoth All year Indian Creek 9 mi south 6/10–9/12 Norris 21 mi south 5/20–9/26	Norris 5/20–9/26	**Madison 16 mi north 4/29–10/16	Tower Fall 2.5 mi south 5/27–9/26 Slough Creek 6 mi east 6/15–10/7 Pebble Creek 20 mi east 6/15–9/26	**Madison 4/29–10/16
Showers 	Canyon Campground 5/27–9/11	RV park 5/6–9/18	Grant Campground 6/19–9/18		Mammoth Hotel 4/29–10/10		Old Faithful Inn 5/6–10/9	Roosevelt Lodge 6/10–9/5	
Laundry 	Canyon Campground 5/27–9/11	RV park 5/6–9/18	Grant Campground 6/19–9/18	Lake Lodge 6/10–9/25			Snow Lodge 4/29–10/16		
Marina, boat tours, trail rides   	Trail Rides 6/22–9/4			Bridge Bay Dock rental 5/20–9/11 Scenic Cruiser Boat Tours 6/13–9/11				Trail & Stagecoach Rides 6/3–9/4 Cookout 6/4–9/10	



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 \$335 (plus tax and utilities) per night, depending on group size. Advance reservations are required.

Food storage boxes

Food storage boxes are available at all of the campsites at Indian Creek, Pebble Creek, Slough Creek, and Tower Fall campgrounds. Many campsites in other campgrounds are also equipped with bear-proof storage boxes.



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
- 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 combined length of your vehicle and trailer 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	4/29–10/16	\$23.50	278	6,800	A, F, DS, G	Call for availability and reservations
Fishing Bridge RV Δ Ω ‡	5/6–9/18	\$47.50	346	7,800	F, S/L, 2S, DS, G	Call for availability and reservations
Norris	5/20–9/26	\$20	>100	7,500	A, F, G	2 sites are 50 ft (signed), 5 sites are 30 ft
Tower Fall	5/27–9/26	\$15	31	6,600	V	All sites are 30 ft or less. Has hairpin curve
Bridge Bay Δ Ω	5/20–9/5	\$23.50	432	7,800	A, F, DS, G	Call for availability and reservations
Canyon Δ Ω	5/27–9/11	\$28	273	7,900	A, F, S/L, 2S, DS, G	Call for availability and reservations
Indian Creek	6/10–9/12	\$15	70	7,300	A, V	10 sites are 35 ft, 35 sites are 30 ft
Pebble Creek	6/15–9/26	\$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	6/15–11/6	\$15	85	7,800	V	All sites are 25 ft or less
Grant Village Δ Ω	6/19–9/18	\$28	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.



Famously hot features

Yellowstone was established as the world’s first national park primarily because of its unparalleled collection of geysers, hot springs, mudpots, and steam vents.

Hot springs are the most common hydrothermal features in the park. They vary from frothing mocha-like boiling water to clear and calm pools of tremendous depth.

Mudpots are acidic features with a limited water supply. Their consistency and activity vary with the seasons and precipitation.

Fumaroles, or steam vents, are the hottest hydrothermal features in the park. They are easier to see in cool weather.

Travertine terraces are found at Mammoth Hot Springs, where the interactions of water and limestone create chalk-white travertine.

Geysers erupt with steaming hot water. They are hot springs with narrow spaces in their plumbing, usually near the surface. The constrictions prevent water from circulating freely to the surface where heat would escape. The deepest circulating water can exceed the surface boiling point (199°F/93°C).



The renovated Albright Visitor Center opened in spring 2015 with all new exhibits.

Visitor centers

Albright Visitor Center

Located at Mammoth Hot Springs and open daily, year round, the center offers information, a bookstore, trip planning, and ranger programs.

Through 5/27 9 AM–5 PM
5/28–9/30 8 AM–7 PM
Oct. 1 through winter 9 AM–5 PM
Call 307-344-2263

Canyon Visitor Education Center

Explore Yellowstone’s supervolcano and other aspects of its geology through interactive exhibits, including a Kugel globe and room-size relief map of Yellowstone.

4/15–4/30* 9 AM–5 PM
5/1–5/27 9 AM–5 PM
5/28–9/5 8 AM–8 PM
9/6–9/30 8 AM–6 PM
10/1–10/10 9 AM–5 PM
10/11–11/6* 9 AM–5 PM
**restrooms, lobby and info desk only*
Call 307-344-2550

Fishing Bridge Museum and Visitor Center

Offers exhibits about the park’s birds and other wildlife, and Yellowstone Lake’s geology, including a relief map of the lake bottom.

5/27–9/30 8 AM–7 PM
10/1–10/10 9 AM–5 PM
Call 307-344-2450

Grant Visitor Center

Exhibits describe the park’s historic fires of 1988.
5/27–9/30 8 AM–7 PM
10/1–10/10 9 AM–5 PM
Call 307-344-2650

Madison Information Station

5/27–9/30 9 AM–6 PM
10/1–10/10 9 AM–5 PM
Bookstore 9 AM–5 PM

Junior Ranger Station

5/27–9/5 9 AM–6 PM
Call 307-344-2821

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.
5/28–9/25 9 AM–5 PM
Call 307-344-7353

Norris Geyser Basin Museum and Information Station

Contains exhibits about the hydrothermal features of Yellowstone.
5/21–9/30 9 AM–6 PM
10/1–10/10 9 AM–5 PM
Call 307-344-2812
Bookstore 10 AM–6 PM

Old Faithful Visitor Education Center

Yellowstone’s newest visitor center offers dynamic exhibits about hydrothermal features. Geyser eruption predictions are posted, or call ahead.
4/15–5/27 9 AM–6 PM
5/28–9/30 8 AM–8 PM
10/1–11/6 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.
5/27–9/30 9 AM–5 PM
10/1–10/10 9 AM–5 PM
Call 307-344-2650

West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center

Inside the West Yellowstone Chamber of Commerce
THROUGH 4/30/2016:
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DAILY 5/22–9/5 8 AM–8 PM
DAILY 9/6–9/30 8 AM–6 PM
DAILY 10/1–11/11 8 AM–5 PM
WEEKDAYS 11/12–4/30/2017:
8 AM–5 PM
NPS Desk–Open daily
4/15–5/27 8 AM–4 PM
5/28–9/5 8 AM–8 PM
9/6–11/6 8 AM–4 PM
Call 307-344-2876

Road, service, and program schedules may change. Check locally and at www.nps.gov/YELL for current information.

Park highlights



Castle Geyser

Hydrothermal features

In the 50 miles between Mammoth Hot Springs and Old Faithful, you will see travertine terraces at Mammoth Hot Springs, acidic thermal features at Norris Geyser Basin, mudpots and geysers at Fountain Paint Pot, plus beautiful hot springs at Biscuit and Black Sand basins near Old Faithful. West Thumb Geyser Basin is 17 miles east of Old Faithful. Mud Volcano is north of Yellowstone Lake.

Grand Canyon

The Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River extends from south of Canyon Village north to Tower Junction. The most famous and spectacular section, including the Upper and Lower Falls, is seen from overlooks in the Canyon Village area.

The North Rim Drive features trails and overlooks that are wheelchair accessible. South

Rim Drive takes you to Uncle Tom's Point, where you can view the Upper Falls, and to Artist Point, where you can enjoy breathtaking scenery.

Lake Area

Yellowstone Lake is the largest high-elevation lake (above 7,000 feet) in North America. It has 141 miles of shoreline and is more than 400 feet deep.

With the Absaroka Mountains as a stunning backdrop, this area offers boating, fishing, hiking, wildlife viewing, and hydrothermal features. You can visit historic buildings, view hydrothermal activity, and see the Yellowstone River flow from the lake on its journey as the longest undammed river in America.

Four visitor areas lie along the lake's shoreline: Fishing Bridge, Bridge Bay, Lake Village, and Grant Village.



Lower Falls

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. To earn your official Yellowstone Junior Ranger patch, you need to:

- Hike on a park trail or boardwalk.
- Complete the age-appropriate activities on geysers, wildlife, and park habitats.
- Attend a ranger-led activity—such as a talk, guided walk, or evening campfire program—and get the ranger's signature.

Both children and adults benefit by learning more about the natural wonders of the park and sharing the fun of becoming a Junior Ranger.

Expedition Yellowstone

Live and learn in one of the most expansive outdoor classrooms. Yellowstone hosts teachers and their students in grades 4–8 in a five-day, curriculum-based residential program.

Students learn about the natural and cultural history of Yellowstone, investigate issues affecting the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, and promote stewardship and preservation in the park and in home communities. Emphasis is on learning through direct experience in the outdoors. Students participate with teachers and parent chaperones in hikes, field investigations, discussions, and journal writing. Find out more at www.nps.gov/yell/learn/education.



Young Scientist Program

Children can become a Young Scientist by buying a self-guiding booklet for \$5 at the Canyon Visitor Education Center (ages 10 and older) or Old Faithful Visitor Education Center (ages 5 and older). 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.

Tours and activities

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/guidedtours.htm

Yellowstone Association Institute

Programs about wildlife, plants, geology, and history are perfect for curious adults and families who want to spend a day or more exploring the park with a knowledgeable guide. To find out more, call 406-848-2400 or visit

www.YellowstoneAssociation.org

Xanterra Parks & Resorts

Under its concessions contract, Xanterra offers a wide variety of park tours and activities. In summer, visitors can enjoy photo safaris, partial or full-day tours, horseback and stage-coach rides, and boating and fishing adventures. In winter, there are partial or full-day tours by heated snowcoach, skiing, and snowshoe adventures. For more information, pick up an Experience Planner at any hotel or visit

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Bicycle safely



Bicycling is permitted on established public roads, parking areas, and designated routes. Bicycles are subject to the same traffic rules as automobiles and are prohibited on back-country trails and boardwalks.

Regulations require that cyclists ride single file and we strongly recommend wearing a helmet and high visibility clothing. Park roads are narrow and winding with few shoulders. During April, May, and June, high snowbanks may make travel more dangerous. Road elevations range from 5,300 to 8,860 feet (1,615 to 2,700 meters), and services and facilities are relatively far apart. Be wary of over-exertion.

Some gravel roads are open to both bicycle and automotive traffic. Find information on routes and safety on the park website or pick up the *Bicycling in Yellowstone* brochure at a visitor center or ranger station.

An inside look at park heritage



The **Heritage and Research Center** is located just beyond the North Entrance in Gardiner, Montana. This state-of-the-art facility is home to Yellowstone National Park's museum collection, archives, research library, archeology lab, and herbarium. The temporary exhibit: "*The Hayden Survey Through the Eyes of the Artists*" chronicles the work of Henry Wood Elliott, Thomas Moran, and William Henry Jackson.

Although primarily a storage and research facility, tours provide an inside look at some of the collections. More than a century of historic records, nearly 90,000 photographic prints and negatives, 20,000 books and manuscripts, cultural and natural science specimens, archeological artifacts, and plant specimens from the earliest exploration of the park are curated within the facility.

Tours are available Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:30 AM, May 31 through September 8, and are limited to 15 people. For reservations, call 307-344-2264.

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.

Where biology and geology thrive

Fumaroles, or steam vents, are abundant at Roaring Mountain. They are the hottest hydrothermal features in the park. They have so little water that it all flashes into steam before reaching the surface. The result is a loud hissing of steam and gases. They are easier to see in the cool weather of spring and early mornings.

Amid Roaring Mountain's steam and sulfur-rich gases, microscopic organisms are hard at work. This barren slope is the perfect home for *Sulfolobus acidocaldarius*. Billions upon billions of these thermophiles live here, consuming hydrogen sulfide gas and helping convert it into sulfuric acid. The acid breaks the mountain's volcanic rock into clay, accelerating erosion. Small, but mighty in numbers, *Sulfolobus acidocaldarius* help shape Roaring Mountain.



Roaring Mountain is located approximately six miles north of Norris Geyser Basin.

How do geysers work?



Lone Star Geyser, a short hike from the road about 3.5 miles southeast of Old Faithful overpass.

The Upper Geyser Basin of Yellowstone National Park has the largest concentration of geysers in the world. Geysers are hot springs with narrow spaces in their plumbing, usually near the surface. These constrictions prevent water from circulating freely to the surface where heat would escape. The deepest circulating water can exceed the surface boiling point (199°F/93°C).

The surrounding pressure also increases with depth, similar to the ocean. Increased pressure exerted by the enormous weight of the overlying rock and water prevents the water from boiling as it heats up.

As the water rises, steam forms. Bubbling upward, steam expands as it nears the top of the water column until the bubbles are too large and numerous to pass freely through the constrictions. At a critical point, the confined bubbles actually lift the water above, causing the geyser to splash or overflow. This decreases pressure on the system, and violent boiling results. Tremendous amounts of steam force water out of the vent, and the eruption begins.

Water is expelled faster than it can enter the geyser's plumbing system, and the heat and pressure gradually decrease. The eruption stops when the water reservoir is exhausted or when the system cools.

Yellowstone's geyser basins contain fountain-type geysers and cone-type geysers. Fountain-type geysers shoot water out in various directions from a pool of water. Cone-type geysers, like Lone Star Geyser (*photo left*) erupt in a concentrated jet of water from inside a rock formation.

Signs of spring renewal



Spring in Yellowstone is a feast for your senses. Young animals are being born all around the park, birds are returning or passing through in their timeless migration, frogs call in the ponds. Listen and look for the sights special to this time of year.

Mountain bluebirds (above) return to Yellowstone National Park while winter still cloaks the landscape. These insect eaters feast on the beetles and other scavengers consuming animals killed by the winter. As they flit to and from perches, they look like pieces of the sky flying about.

Both **grizzly** and **black bear** cubs were born in the deep winter months of January and February, while their mother still hibernated. In March and April, they begin to venture out with their mother as she digs for roots, insects, and squirrels. Look for black bears

along the edges of wooded areas in the Lamar and Hayden valleys, or among the trees near Mammoth and Tower. Grizzly bears are usually seen in open areas.

Sandhill cranes also return to Yellowstone in April, usually in pairs. Listen for their guttural calling; because they blend well with their grassland habitat, they are heard long before seen. If you observe a long-legged, tall bird, look closely—it's likely to be the sandhill.

Bighorn sheep (below) give birth on the sheer cliffs between Tower Junction and Tower Fall. They and their lambs blend in with the columnar basalt, but be patient—sometimes just a hint of movement is all you need to finally spot them.



Digital #YellowstoneNPS

Connect to Yellowstone from anywhere in the world. Get started on the park website. Plan your visit, customize your trip to the park at www.nps.gov/yell.

Webcams • Stay connected to Yellowstone's dynamic landscape through park webcams located at Old Faithful, Mammoth Hot Springs, and Mount Washburn Fire Lookout: www.nps.gov/yell/photosmultimedia/webcams.htm

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Old Faithful has its own following **@GeyserNPS** on Twitter. This feed offers predictions for the eruption of Old Faithful Geyser ± 10 minutes throughout the day.

Videos and podcasts • Learn about Yellowstone's treasures through videos available on the park website, the YellowstoneNPS YouTube channel, or free from iTunes.

- *Minute out in it*: video shorts of the special sights and sounds of Yellowstone.
- *Visiting Yellowstone*: A series of orientation videos.
- *Exploring Yellowstone*: Ranger Bach takes you on a tour of the Upper Geyser Basin, home to Old Faithful Geyser.
- *Inside Yellowstone*: Short ranger talks on park features and processes.
- *Yellowstone InDepth*: Major park issues are discussed by park rangers, scientists, historians, and visitors.

Canon U.S.A., Inc., through a grant to the Yellowstone Park Foundation, supports multimedia education projects. These include the Old Faithful live-streaming webcam, more than one hundred videos and podcasts, and the new geyser app.

Free NPS Yellowstone Geysers app



Discover the natural wonder of the most famous geyser of all, Old Faithful, and other geysers with this free app that you can use during your visit to the park and at home. App access in the park is limited by cellular network availability.



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The National Park Service mission

The National Park Service preserves unimpaired the natural and cultural resources and values of the national park system for the enjoyment, education, and inspiration of this and future generations.

Our commitment to environmental stewardship extends to sustainable operations and facilities. Yellowstone National Park, park concessioners, and partners work together to reduce the park’s ecological footprint from our operations and the services we provide, preserving natural resources through sustainable practices and extending the benefits of resource conservation and outdoor recreation throughout this country and the world.

During your time in Yellowstone and beyond, we encourage you to do your part by practicing the following:

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Minimize waste and 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.
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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. All Yellowstone tap water is clean and ready to drink.
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In an effort to reduce harmful emissions from idling, 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.
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Reduce energy use by turning off lights, heat, and electrical devices when you leave your rooms.
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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 (YECC), a team of National Park Service employees, park concessioners, and non-profit partners combining efforts to realize 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.



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.

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National Monument
Hagerman, ID 83332
208 933-4100
www.nps.gov/hafo

Minidoka Internment
National Monument
Hagerman, ID 83332
208-933-4127
www.nps.gov/miin

Nez Perce National
Historic Park
Spalding, ID 83540
208-843-7020
www.nps.gov/nepe

Montana

Big Hole Battlefield
Wisdom, MT 59767
406-689-3155
www.nps.gov/biho

Bighorn Canyon
National Rec. Area
Fort Smith, MT 59035
406-666-2412
www.nps.gov/bica

Little Bighorn
National Monument
Crow Agency, MT
59022
406-638-3217
www.nps.gov/libi

Glacier NP
W. Glacier, MT 59936
406-888-7800
www.nps.gov/glac

Grant-Kohrs Ranch
National Historic Site
Deer Lodge, MT 59722
406-846-2070
www.nps.gov/grko

Wyoming

Devil's Tower
National Monument
Devil's Tower, WY
82714
307-467-5283
www.nps.gov/deto

Fort Laramie
National Historic Site
Ft. Laramie, WY 82212
307-837-2221
www.nps.gov/fola

Fossil Butte
National Monument
Kemmerer, WY 83101
307-877-4455
www.nps.gov/fobu

John D. Rockefeller,
Jr. Memorial Pkwy
Moose, WY 83012
www.nps.gov/jodr

Area chambers of commerce

Idaho

Idaho Falls
866-365-6943

Montana

Big Sky
406-995-3000

Billings
800-735-2635

Bozeman
800-228-4224

Cooke City-Silver
Gate
406-838-2495

Gardiner
406-848-7971

Livingston
406-222-0850

Red Lodge
888-281-0625

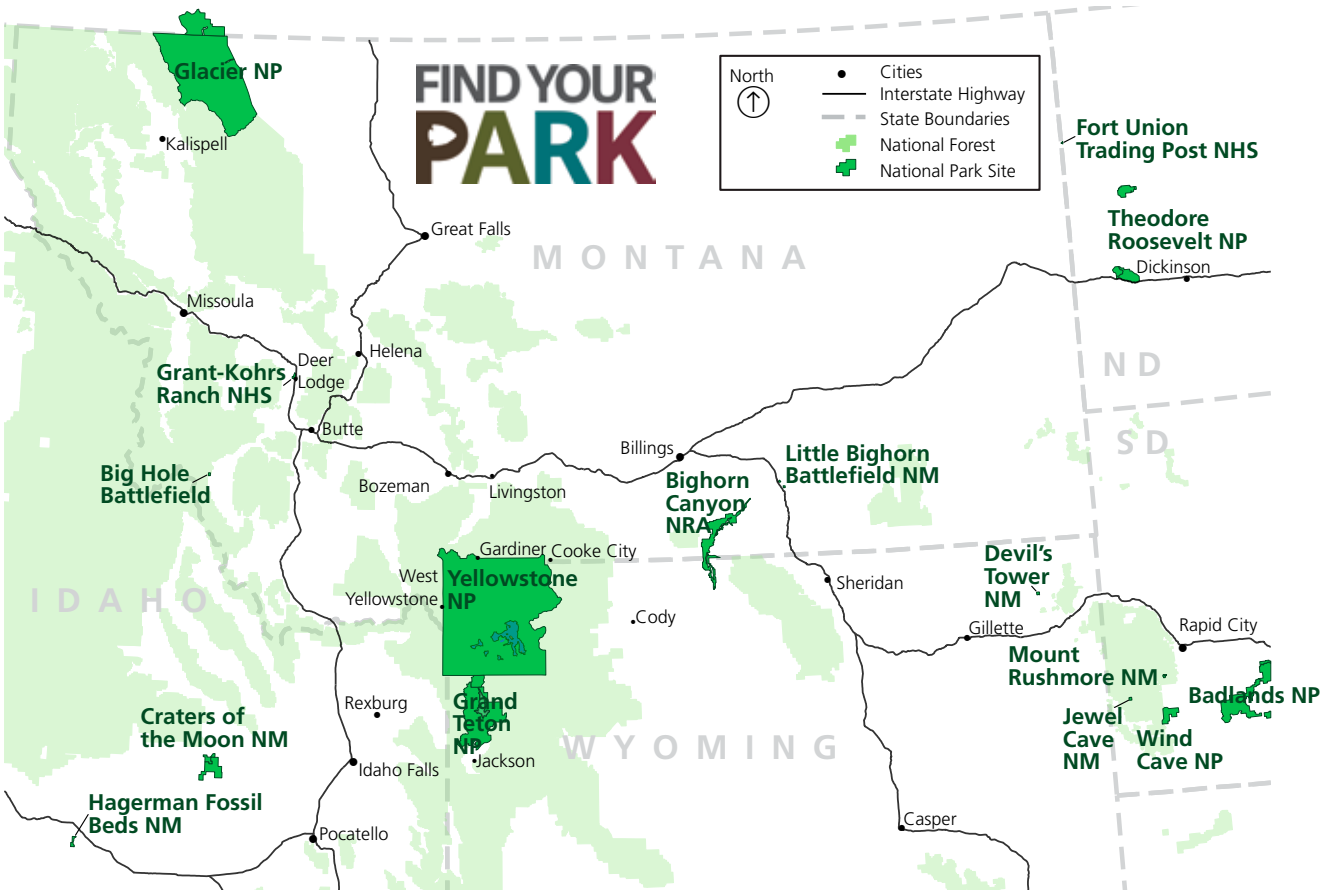
Virginia City
800-829-2969

West Yellowstone
406-646-7701

Wyoming

Cody
800-393-2639

Jackson
307-733-3316



NEIGHBORING PARKS AND TOWNS

Park entrance fees



Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks charge separate entrance fees. People visiting both parks can save money by purchasing a two-park pass or an Interagency Annual Pass.

Entrance Fees (Valid for 7 days with receipt)

Private vehicle	\$30	\$50*
Individual motorcycle	\$25	\$40*
Per person (walk-in, bicycle)	\$15	\$20*

*Includes Grand Teton National Park

Annual Passes (Photo ID required)

Yellowstone National Park	\$60
Interagency (multiple federal fee areas)	\$80
Active Duty Military	Free [§]
Every Kid in a Park 4th Grade	Free [†]

Lifetime Passes

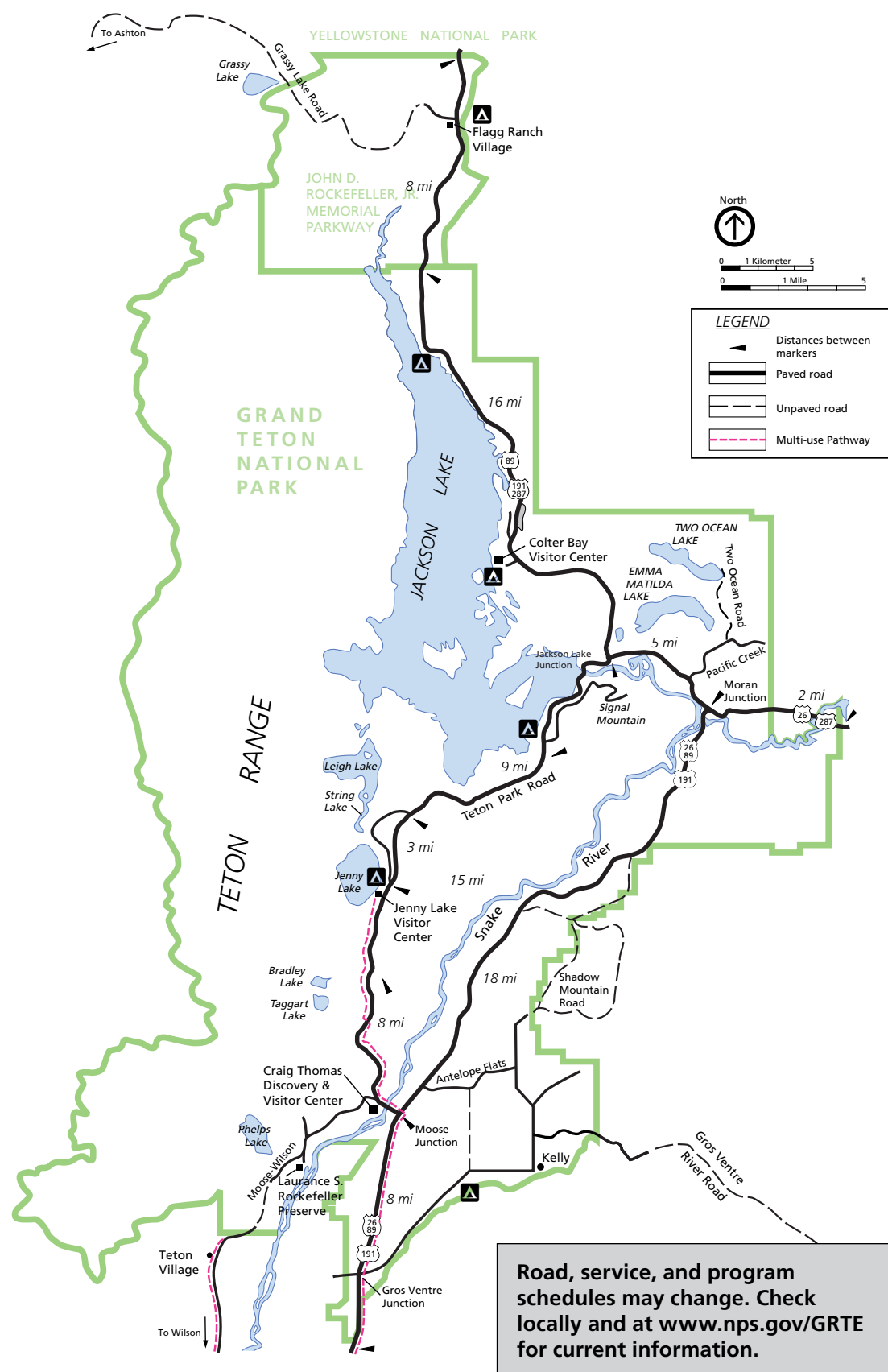
(US Citizens / Permanent Residents)

Interagency Senior (age 62 +)	\$10 [‡]
Interagency Access (Permanently disabled)	Free [‡]

[§] Annual pass for active duty U.S. military and dependents with proper identification: CAC or DD Form 1173 only.

[†] Printed paper voucher from *Every Kid in a Park* website (<http://everykidinapark.gov>) must be presented to redeem annual pass. Student must be present in vehicle at time of use.

[‡] Golden Age Passports and Golden Access Passports are still accepted, or can be exchanged for newer passes.



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**. Tent sites range from \$22 to \$35 per night. Discounts for Senior and Access pass holders are available. 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**, 346 sites, 13 electric hookups, usually fills by evening
- **Gros Ventre**, 300 sites, 36 electric hookups, rarely fills
- **Jenny Lake**, 49 sites, usually fills by 9 AM
- **Lizard Creek**, 60 sites, usually fills by evening
- **Signal Mountain**, 81 sites, 24 electric hookups, usually fills by noon

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, horse-back 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. Advanced reservations close on May 15.

Boating requires a Grand Teton boating permit, sold at most visitor centers. A Wyoming fishing license is required to fish in the park. Boats entering Wyoming require a boat inspection and AIS decal.

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 (May 7 to October 10)

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

Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center (March 4 to October 31)

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

Flagg Ranch Information Station (June 6 to September 5)
307-543-2372

Jenny Lake Ranger Station (Mid-May to mid-September)
Climbing information and permits, 307-739-3343

Jenny Lake Visitor Center (May 27 to September 25)
Information, publication sales, 307-739-3392

Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve Center (June 4 to September 25)
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

