

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

GENERAL INFORMATION

REGARDING

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

SEASON OF 1912

GENERAL STATEMENT.

The Yosemite National Park is situated along the crest of the Sierra Nevada and is reached from Merced, Cal., on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe and the Southern Pacific Railroads, thence by way of the Yosemite Valley Railroad to El Portal near the western boundary of the park. Stage lines run from the terminus of the Yosemite Valley Railroad to Yosemite Valley within the park and from the latter point through Wawona on the southern boundary of the park to the Mariposa Big Tree Grove.

The park is situated in Tuolumne, Mariposa, and Mono Counties, Cal., and originally had an area of about 1,512 square miles. The lands embraced therein were set aside by act of Congress approved October 1, 1890 (26 Stat., 650), and were placed under the supervision of the Secretary of the Interior. By the act of February 7, 1905 (33 Stat., 702), and the joint resolution of June 11, 1906 (34 Stat., 831), the boundaries were changed, excluding a total of 555.94 square miles therefrom and including a total of 168.35 square miles not previously within the reservation, making the present area of 1,124.41 square miles, or 719,622.40 acres. The second change in boundaries included the recession of Yosemite Valley and Mariposa Big Tree Grove to the Federal Government.

The park is under the supervision and control of the Secretary of the Interior, but it is patrolled by troops of cavalry under the command of a line officer of the Army.

General information may be obtained at the superintendent's office, Yosemite, Cal., and complaints should be addressed to that officer. The regular tourist season extends from May 1 to November 1, but the park is accessible and hotel accommodations are furnished throughout the year. Descriptive matter and circulars may be obtained from the railroads and hotels.

DESCRIPTION.

The most frequently visited places are the Yosemite Valley, the Hetch Hetchy Valley, and the Mariposa Grove of Big Trees.

Yosemite Valley in the southern part of the park is a great gorge about 7 miles long and three-fourths of a mile wide with a level park-like meadow in its center. The great cliffs which form the wall of the valley rise almost vertical to a height of about 3,000 feet and in many places are beautiful waterfalls which have a vertical drop of from 600 to 900 feet.

Altitude of summits in Yosemite Valley.

Name.	Altitude above sea level.	Altitude above pier near Sentinel Hotel.	Name.	Altitude above sea level.	Altitude above pier near Sentinel Hotel.
	<i>Feet.</i>	<i>Feet.</i>		<i>Feet.</i>	<i>Feet.</i>
Artist Point.....	4,701	739	Liberty Cap.....	7,072	3,112
Basket Dome.....	7,602	3,642	North Dome.....	7,531	3,571
Cathedral Rocks.....	6,551	2,591	Old Inspiration Point.....	6,603	2,643
Cathedral Spires.....	6,114	2,154	Panorama Point.....	6,224	2,264
Clouds Rest.....	9,924	5,964	Profile Cliff.....	7,503	3,543
Columbia Rock.....	5,031	1,071	Pulpit Rock.....	4,195	765
Eagle Peak.....	7,773	3,813	Sentinel Dome.....	8,117	4,157
El Capitan.....	7,564	3,604	Stanford Point.....	6,659	2,699
Glacier Point.....	7,214	3,254	Washington Column.....	5,912	1,952
Half Dome.....	8,852	4,892	Yosemite Point.....	6,935	2,975
Leaning Tower.....	5,863	1,903			

Height of waterfalls in Yosemite Valley.

	Height of fall.	Altitude of crest.	
		Above sea level.	Above pier near Sentinel Hotel.
	<i>Feet.</i>	<i>Feet.</i>	<i>Feet.</i>
Yosemite Falls.....	1,430	6,525	2,565
Lower Yosemite Falls.....	320	4,420	460
Nevada Falls.....	594	5,907	1,947
Vernal Falls.....	317	5,044	1,084
Illilouette Falls.....	370	5,816	1,856
Bridalveil Falls.....	620	4,787	827
Ribbon Falls.....	1,612	7,008	3,048
Widows Tears Falls.....	1,170	6,466	2,506

Hetch Hetchy Valley, in the northwestern portion of the park, is about $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles long and of a width varying from one-fourth to three-fourths of a mile. Its rugged granite walls crowned with domes, towers, spires, and battlements seem to rise almost perpendicular upon all sides 2,500 feet above an emerald meadow.

There are three groves of Big Trees in the Yosemite Park, the Merced and Tuolumne Groves northwest of Yosemite Valley and the Mariposa Grove on the southern edge of the park. These trees (*Sequoia gigantea*), which are the oldest living things in the world, grow to a height of 300 feet with a circumference of nearly 100 feet at the base and the bark sometimes exceeding 40 inches in thickness. Many of these trees are over 2,000 years old.

In the portion of the park outside of the valley and the Mariposa Grove is a wonderful area of mountains and valleys. Some points in this area can be reached by means of wagon roads, while other points can only be reached by means of a pack train.

TRANSPORTATION, HOTELS, AND CAMPS.

Automobiles and motor cycles are not allowed in the park. There are several hotels, camps, and transportation lines operated under concessions from the Department of the Interior, but every person is at liberty to provide his own means of transportation, subject to the regulations printed on pages 19-22.

The authorized rates are as follows:

Authorized rates of Yosemite Transportation Co.

From El Portal, near western boundary (terminus of Yosemite Valley Railroad Co.), to hotels and camps in Yosemite Valley: Single fare, \$2.50; round trip, \$4.50 or \$5.

The Southern Pacific and Santa Fe systems sell through rail and stage tickets, and baggage is checked through to Yosemite. Free allowance on railroads for 150 pounds; on stages, 50 pounds; excess baggage, \$1 per hundredweight.

Authorized rates of Yosemite Stage & Turnpike Co.

From Sentinel Hotel or Glacier Point, in Yosemite Valley:

To Wawona: Single fare, \$6.50; round trip, \$13.

To Mariposa Big Tree Grove: Single fare, \$7.50; round trip, \$15.

Authorized rates of J. W. Coffman.

CARRIAGE TRIPS.

	Rates.	Round-trip distances (miles).
From Sentinel Hotel or camps to—		
1. Mirror Lake and return, each (any number).....	\$1.00	5.24
2. Happy Isles and return, each.....	1.00	4.00
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	.50	
3. Yosemite Falls and return, each.....	.75	3.00
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	.50	
4. River View and Bridalveil Falls and return, each.....	1.50	10.41
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	1.00	
5. New Inspiration Point on Big Oak Flat Road and return, each.....	2.50	14.38
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	2.00	
6. Cascades, Yosemite, and Bridalveil Falls and return, each ..	2.00	16.00
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	1.50	

TRAIL TRIPS (SADDLE HORSES).

From Sentinel Hotel or camps to—		
1. Vernal and Nevada Falls and return, each.....	3.00	10.90
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	2.50	
2. Vernal and Nevada Falls and Glacier Point and return (continuous trip), each.....	5.00	19.22
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	4.00	
3. Vernal and Nevada Falls and Clouds Rest and return (same day), each.....	5.00	22.00
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	4.00	
4. Glacier Point and Sentinel Dome via Union Point (short trail) and return, each (any number).....	3.00	11.14
5. Glacier Point, Sentinel Dome, and Fissures via Union Point (short trail) and return, each.....	3.75	14.00
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	3.00	
6. Yosemite Point and return, each.....	3.00	10.00
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	2.50	

From Sentinel Hotel or camps to—Continued.	Rates.	Round-trip dis- tances (miles).
7. Eagle Peak and return, each (any number).....	\$3. 00	12.28
8. Yosemite Falls and Eagle Peak and return, each (any number).....	3. 00	13. 00
9. Old Inspiration Point and Stanford Point via Fort Monroe and return, each (any number).....	4. 00	16. 00
10. Pohono trail trip: Foot of Vernal and Nevada Falls trail by carriage; saddle horses to Glacier Point, where night is spent; to Inspiration Point via Pohono trail; carriage from Inspiration Point; each (any number).....	8. 00	30. 00
11. North Dome and return via Mirror Lake, each.....	4. 00	14. 00
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	3. 50	
12. North Dome via Mirror Lake, and return via Yosemite Falls, each.....	5. 00	16. 00
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	4. 00	
13. Lake Tenaya and return (same day), each.....	5. 00	26. 00
Parties of 4 or more, each.....	4. 00	
This trip includes Mirror Lake.		

Parties taking trail trips 1, 2, and 10 may visit Mirror Lake by carriage trip No. 1 without additional charge en route to foot of Vernal and Nevada Falls trail.

Trips 11 and 12 will not be practicable until trail is completed, about June 1, 1912. Saddle horses, \$2 for half day.

Charges for guide, when furnished (including horse), \$3 for parties of less than 4; free for parties of 4 or more.

Distances are estimated from the superintendent's office.

Trips other than those given will be subject to special agreements.

Complaints as to service or the hiring of unsafe vehicles or animals should be made in writing to the superintendent before leaving the park.

Authorized rates at Sentinel Hotel, on floor of valley.

Board and lodging:		Lodging.....	\$0. 50—\$1. 00
Per day.....	\$3. 00—\$4. 00	Bath.....	.25
Per week.....	20. 00—25. 00	Hair cutting.....	.25
Per month, 5 per cent less than weekly rates.		Shampooing.....	.25
Meals:		Shaving.....	.15
Each.....	1. 00		
Per day.....	3. 00		

Authorized rates at Glacier Point Hotel and camp, on rim of valley, 5 miles from Sentinel Hotel.

[Patrons can divide their stay between this camp and Camp Yosemite, if desired.]

HOTEL.		CAMP ACCOMMODATIONS.	
Board and lodging:		Board and lodging:	
Per day.....	\$4. 00	Per day.....	\$2. 00
Per week.....	25. 00	Per week.....	12. 50
Per month, 5 per cent less than weekly rates.		Per month.....	50. 00
Meals:		Meals:	
Each.....	1. 00	Each.....	.50
Per day.....	3. 00	Per day.....	1. 50
Lodging.....	1. 00	Lodging.....	.50
Bath.....	.25		

Authorized rates at Camp Lost Arrow, near foot of Yosemite Falls.

[Patrons can divide their stay between this camp and the one at Glacier Point, if desired.]

Board and lodging:		Meals:	
Per day.....	\$2. 00	Each.....	\$0. 50
Per week.....	12. 50	Per day.....	1. 50
Per month.....	50. 00	Lodging.....	.50

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The following rates at hotels and camps, approved July 3, 1912, supersede those given on pages 4 and 5 of the circular entitled "General information regarding Yosemite National Park: Season of 1912."

Authorized rates at Sentinel Hotel, on floor of valley.

Board and lodging:	Meals:
One person, per day .. \$3.50 to \$5.00	Each
One person, per week .. 23.00 to 30.00	Per day
Two persons, per day .. 3.00 to 4.00	Lodging
Two persons, per week .. 20.00 to 25.00	Bath
Per month, 5 per cent less than weekly rates.	Hair cutting
	Shampooing
	Shaving

Authorized rates at Glacier Point Hotel and camp, on rim of valley, 5 miles from Sentinel Hotel.

[Patrons can divide their stay between this camp and Camp Yosemite, if desired.]

HOTEL.	CAMP ACCOMMODATIONS.
Board and lodging:	Board and lodging:
Per day	Per day
Per week	Per week
Per month, 5 per cent less than weekly rates.	Per month
Meals:	Meals:
Each	Each
Per day	Per day
Lodging	Lodging
Bath	

Authorized rates at Camp Lost Arrow, near foot of Yosemite Falls.

[Patrons can divide their stay between this camp and the one at Glacier Point, if desired.]

Board and lodging:	Meals:
Per day	Breakfast or lunch
Per week	Dinner
Per month	Lodging
	Bath

Authorized rates at Camp Curry, beneath Glacier Point, on south side of valley.

Board and lodging:	Meals:
Per day	Breakfast or lunch
Per week	Dinner
Per month (calendar)	Lodging not furnished separate from meals.
Four weeks	Bath

Authorized rates at Camp Ahwahnee, near foot of Glacier Point trail, south side of valley.

Board and lodging:	Board and lodging:
One person, per day	Two persons, per month
One person, per week	Meals:
One person, per month	Each
Two persons, per day	Per day
Two persons, per week	Lodging

Distances from Yosemite to principal points in park.

YOSEMITE TO WAWONA BY HORSE TRAIL, VIA GLACIER POINT.

Name.	Distance between points.	Distance from Yosemite.	Elevation above sea level.	Remarks.
	<i>Miles.</i>	<i>Miles.</i>	<i>Feet.</i>	
Yosemite.....			3,960	
Glacier Point.....	4.5	4.5	7,297	Hotel and camp accommodations.
Bridalveil Creek.....	6.0	10.5	8,000	Good fishing, grazing, and camping.
Westfall Meadows.....	2.0	12.5	7,500	Good camping.
Empire Meadows.....	4.0	16.5	6,500	Good fishing and camping.
Alder Creek.....	3.0	19.5	5,500	Good fishing.
Wawona.....	4.5	24.0	4,096	Hotel; good camping and fishing.

YOSEMITE TO MARIPOSA BIG TREES BY WAGON ROAD, VIA WAWONA.

Yosemite.....			3,960	
El Capitan Bridge.....	3.0	3.0	3,976	Bridge across Merced River.
Bridalveil Falls (620 feet).....	1.0	4.0	3,960	
Artists Point.....	2.0	6.0	4,701	Beautiful view of the valley.
Inspiration Point.....	1.5	7.5	5,391	From this point on the old Indian trail Yosemite was discovered in 1851.
Fort Monroe.....	.5	8.0	5,540	Stage relay station.
Grouse Creek.....	2.5	10.5	5,500	Do.
Chinquapin.....	4.0	14.5	6,256	Do.
Elevenmile Station.....	2.0	16.5	6,000	Do.
Eightmile Station.....	3.0	19.5	5,700	Do.
Wawona.....	8.0	27.5	4,096	Hotel; good camping and fishing.
Big Tree Road Junction.....	4.0	31.5	5,500	Stage relay station.
Mariposa Big Tree Grove.....	4.0	35.5	6,000	Largest grove of big trees in the world. Discovered by Galen Clark in 1857.

YOSEMITE TO MERCED BIG TREES BY WAGON ROAD VIA CASCADE FALLS.

Yosemite.....			3,960	
Cascade Falls and junction of Coulterville Road.....	8.0	8	3,450	Beautiful water falls close by the road leading to El Portal. Coulterville road is direct road to Merced; distance, Yosemite to Coulterville, 50 miles; to Merced, 92 miles.
Big Meadows.....	4.0	12	4,500	Meadow land owned by Myers and Mason.
Merced Grove of Big Trees.....	9.0	21	6,000	Beautiful grove of Sequoias composed of about 40 trees. While the trees are not so large as those in the Mariposa grove, they are well worth seeing.

YOSEMITE TO TUOLUMNE BIG TREES, SODA SPRINGS, AND TIOGA, VIA TIOGA ROAD.

Yosemite.....			3,960	
Junction Big Oak Flat Road.....	3.83	3.83	3,965	
Gentry's.....	4.37	8.20	5,759	An old sawmill site.
Tamarack Flat.....	2.81	11.01	6,390	Good grazing, camping, and fishing.
Gin Flat.....	3.07	14.08	7,000	Good camping.
Crane Flat.....	2.0	16.08	6,311	Do.
Tuolumne Big Trees.....	1.0	17.08	6,000	Grove of about 20 Sequoias.
Hodgdon Ranch.....	4.44	21.52	4,678	Mountain cattle ranch.
Crossing South Fork of Tuolumne River.....	1.18	22.70	4,500	South Fork of Tuolumne River.
Junction Tioga Road.....	1.0	23.70	5,000	
Aspen Valley.....	7.36	31.06	6,390	Good camping and grazing; poor road beyond Aspen Valley, not suitable for wagons.
Lower crossing Middle Fork of Tuolumne River.....	4.30	35.36	6,500	
Upper Crossing Middle Fork of Tuolumne River.....	5.62	40.98	8,000	
White Wolf.....	1.56	42.54	8,090	Good camping and grazing.
Summit.....	1.0	43.54	8,100	
Yosemite Creek crossing.....	3.85	47.39	7,200	
Porcupine Creek.....	3.84	51.23	8,000	Do.
Snow Creek.....	3.48	54.71	8,500	
Snow Creek Summit.....	1.71	56.42	8,705	
Lake Tenaya.....	2.81	59.23	8,146	Good camping, fishing, and grazing.
Summit.....	2.95	62.18	9,000	
Junction of Cathedral Peak trail.....	5.38	67.56	8,555	Junction of trail leading to Yosemite.

Distances from Yosemite to principal points in park—Continued.

YOSEMITE TO TUOLUMNE BIG TREES, SODA SPRINGS, AND TIOGA, VIA TIOGA ROAD—Continued.

Name.	Distance between points.	Distance from Yosemite.	Elevation above sea level.	Remarks.
	<i>Miles.</i>	<i>Miles.</i>	<i>Fect.</i>	
Soda Springs.....	0.5	68.06	8,594	Natural soda springs. Good camping and fishing.
Tioga Pass.....	6.53	74.59	9,941	Between Soda Springs and Tioga there are many good camping places.
Tioga.....	2.06	76.65	9,795	Abandoned mining camp.

YOSEMITE TO GLACIER POINT BY POHONO TRAIL AND RETURN VIA FORT MONROE.

Yosemite.....			3,960	
Glacier Point.....	4.5	4.5	7,297	Hotel and camp.
Taft Point.....	3.0	7.5	7,000	Taft Point is close to the Fissures and overlooking them. They are several hundred feet deep.
Bridalveil Creek.....	3.0	10.5	7,000	Good fishing and camping.
Dewey Point.....	2.0	12.5	6,000	Beautiful view of Yosemite Valley.
Crocker Point.....	.5	13.0	6,000	Do.
Stanford Point.....	.75	13.75	6,000	Do.
Old Inspiration Point.....	1.0	14.75	6,000	Do.
Fort Monroe.....	2.0	16.75	5,540	Fort Monroe is on the main road to Wawona and Mariposa Big Trees. Stage can be taken here for either Yosemite or Wawona.
Yosemite.....	8.0	24.75	3,960	

YOSEMITE TO BUCK CAMP BY HORSE TRAIL VIA GLACIER POINT, AND RETURN VIA MERCED LAKE.

Yosemite.....			3,960	
Glacier Point.....	4.5	4.5	7,297	Hotel.
Mono Meadow.....	4.0	8.5	7,000	Good camping and fishing.
Ostrander Lake.....	5.0	13.5	8,500	Good fishing.
Crescent Lake.....	10.0	23.5	8,521	Good camping.
Johnson Lake.....	1.0	24.5	8,521	Good fishing.
Buck Camp.....	2.5	27.0	8,000	Good camping.
South Fork of Merced River.....	7.5	34.5	9,000	Good camping and fishing.
Fernandez Pass.....	3.0	37.5	10,175	
Isberg Pass.....	6.0	43.5	10,502	
Lyell Fork of Merced River.....	8.0	51.5	9,520	Fair camping.
McClure's Fork of Merced River.....	7.0	58.5	9,000	
Merced Lake.....	5.0	63.5	7,500	Good camping and fishing.
Yosemite.....	19.0	82.5	3,960	

YOSEMITE TO TUOLUMNE MEADOWS AND SODA SPRINGS VIA ROAD TO MIRROR LAKE THENCE VIA HORSE TRAIL AND TENAYA CANYON.

Yosemite.....			3,960	
Mirror Lake.....	3.0	3	4,096	Small lake showing a beautiful reflection.
Foot of trail in Tenaya Canyon.....	1.0	4	4,100	
Snow Creek.....	3.0	7	6,500	
Lake Tenaya.....	6.0	13	8,146	Splendid feed and good fishing.
Soda Springs.....	8.0	21	8,594	Do.

YOSEMITE TO HETCH HETCHY BY HORSE TRAIL VIA TENAYA CANYON AND MCGEE LAKE.

Yosemite.....			3,960	
Lake Tenaya.....	13.0	13.0	8,146	Good camping and fishing.
McGee Lake.....	6.0	19.0	9,020	Good fishing.
Conness Creek.....	.5	19.5	9,000	Good camping.
Virginia Canyon.....	6.0	25.5	9,000	Do.
Matterhorn Canyon.....	6.0	31.5	9,000	Do.
Bensons Pass.....	3.0	34.5	10,130	
Smedburg Lake.....	1.5	36.0	9,214	Good fishing.
Rodgers Lake.....	1.0	37.0	9,214	Do.
Rodgers Meadows.....	1.0	38.0	9,000	Good camping and fishing.
Pleasant Valley.....	9.0	47.0	8,000	Do.
Rancheria.....	4.0	51.0	8,500	Do.
Hetch Hetchy.....	8.0	59.0	3,660	Do.

Distances from Yosemite to principal points in park—Continued.

YOSEMITE TO HETCH HETCHY BY HORSE TRAIL VIA TENAYA CANYON, MATTERHORN, AND TILTILL.

Name.	Distance between points.	Distance from Yosemite.	Elevation above sea level.	Remarks.
	Miles.	Miles.	Feet.	
Yosemite.....			3,960	
Matterhorn Canyon.....	30.5	30.5	9,000	Good camping.
Slide Canyon.....	10.0	40.5	9,500	Do.
Kerrick Canyon.....	6.5	47.0	8,500	Good camping and fishing.
Junction of Thompson and Stubblefield Canyons.....	12.0	59.0	8,500	Good camping.
Tilden Lake.....	8.0	67.0	9,000	Good camping and fishing.
Jack Main Canyon.....	2.0	69.0	9,000	Do.
Lake Vernon.....	10.0	79.0	6,600	Do.
Tiltill.....	7.0	86.0	5,675	Do.
Hetch Hetchy.....	6.0	92.0	3,660	Do.

YOSEMITE TO HETCH HETCHY BY HORSE TRAIL VIA TENAYA CANYON TRAIL, SMEDBERG AND BENSON LAKES.

Yosemite.....			3,960	
Smedberg Lake.....	36.0	36	9,214	Good camping and fishing.
Benson Lake.....	5.0	41	9,200	Do.
Kerrick Canyon.....	6.0	47	6,500	Do.
Rancheria Mountain.....	5.0	52	8,000	Do.
Hetch Hetchy.....	8.0	60	3,660	Do.

YOSEMITE TO SODA SPRINGS BY HORSE TRAIL VIA VOGELSANG PASS.

Yosemite.....			3,960	
Nevada Falls.....	6.0	6.0	7,000	Beautiful view from top of falls.
Junction of Cloud's Rest and Soda Springs trail.....	5.52	11.52	7,000	Good camping.
Echo Creek.....	5.0	16.52	8,000	Good fishing.
Lake Merced.....	2.48	19.0	7,500	Good fishing and camping.
McClure Fork.....	3.0	22.0	9,000	Good camping and fishing.
Junction of Isberg Pass and Tuolumne Pass trails.....	4.0	26.0	9,000	No camping.
Upper Crossing of McClure Fork.....	4.8	30.8	10,000	Can camp in August; before then feed is scarce.
Fletcher Lake.....	1.5	32.3	10,000	Good camping.
Tuolumne Pass.....	1.6	33.9	10,000	No camping.
Evelyn Lake.....	1.5	35.4	10,000	Poor camping.
Junction of Lyell Fork of Tuolumne and Ireland Creek.....	3.0	38.4	9,000	Excellent camping and fishing.
Soda Springs.....	7.0	45.4	8,594	Do.

YOSEMITE TO SODA SPRINGS AND LYELL FORK MEADOWS BY HORSE TRAIL VIA NEVADA FALLS.

Yosemite.....			3,960	
Top of Nevada Falls.....	6.0	6.0	7,000	
Junction of Cloud's Rest trail.....	3.52	9.52	7,167	
Top of Sunrise Hill.....	3.23	12.75	8,000	Good camping.
Divide at head of Cathedral Meadows.....	5.20	17.95	9,000	Do.
Junction of Tioga Road.....	4.44	22.39	8,550	Good camping and fishing.
Soda Springs.....	1.0	23.39	8,594	Do.
Junction of Lyell and Dana Forks of Tuolumne.....	.6	23.99	8,594	Good camping.
Head of Lyell Fork Meadows.....	9.31	33.30	9,000	Fine camping and excellent fishing.

YOSEMITE TO SODA SPRINGS BY HORSE TRAIL VIA YOSEMITE FALLS, EAGLE PEAK, AND YOSEMITE POINT TRAIL.

Yosemite.....			3,960	Left-hand trail to Eagle Peak; right-hand trail to top of Yosemite Falls, where from a railing can be seen 1,600 feet of perpendicular waterfall and a beautiful view of Yosemite Valley. The second left-hand trail leads to Yosemite Point, which affords a splendid view of Yosemite Valley and surrounding hills. There is good grazing and camping at Porcupine Flat, and good camping and fishing at Lake Tenaya and Soda Springs.
Junction of Eagle Peak trail.....	4.5	4.5	7,283	
Junction of Yosemite Point trail.....	.5	5.0	7,300	
Porcupine Flat and junction of Tioga road.....	7.5	12.5	8,066	
Tenaya Lake.....	8.0	20.5	8,146	
Soda Springs.....	8.0	28.5	8,594	

MAPS.

The following topographic maps may be purchased from the Director of the Geological Survey, Washington, D. C.:

Yosemite National Park on a scale of 2 miles to the inch, 25 cents a copy unbound; 35 cents a copy folded and bound between covers.

Yosemite Valley, on a scale of 2,000 feet to the inch, 10 cents a copy.

LITERATURE.

BOOKS.

Below is given a selective list of books on the parks. These books are issued by commercial publishing houses and are not sold by the department or any Government officer.

BUNNELL, LAFAYETTE HOUGHTON. Discovery of the Yosemite and the Indian war of 1851. [1897.] 349 pp.

Historical and descriptive.

CHASE, J. S. Cone-bearing trees of the California mountains. 1911. 99 pp., illustrated.

— Yosemite trails; camp and pack-train in the Yosemite region of the Sierra Nevada. 1911. 354 pp., illustrated.

CHENEY, JOHN VANCE. At the Silver Gate. 1911. 94 pp.

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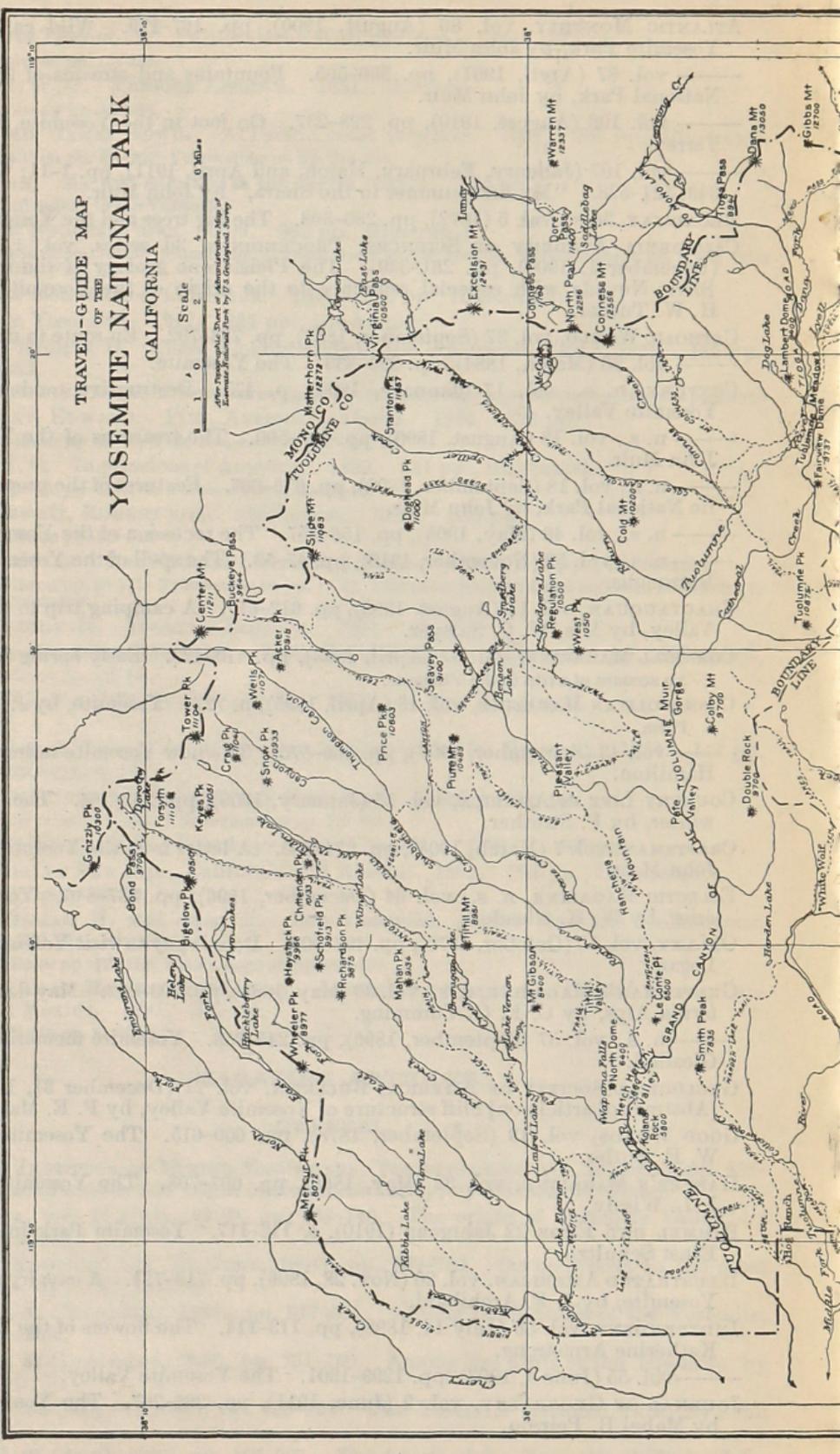
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RULES AND REGULATIONS.

REGULATIONS APPROVED MARCH 30, 1912.

The following rules and regulations for the government of the Yosemite National Park, including the Yosemite Valley and Mariposa Big Tree Grove, are hereby established and made public, pursuant to authority conferred by the acts of Congress approved October 1, 1890, February 7, 1905, and June 11, 1906:

1. It is forbidden to injure or disturb in any manner any of the mineral deposits, natural curiosities, or wonders on the Government lands within the park.

2. It is forbidden to cut or injure any timber growing on the park lands, or to deface or injure any Government property. Camping parties will be allowed to use dead or fallen timber for fuel. When felling timber, stumps must not be left higher than 12 inches from the ground.

3. Fires should be lighted only when necessary and completely extinguished when not longer required. The utmost care must be exercised at all times to avoid setting fire to the timber and grass.

4. Hunting or killing, wounding or capturing any bird or wild animal on the park lands, except dangerous animals when necessary to prevent them from destroying life or inflicting an injury, is prohibited. The outfits, including guns, traps, teams, horses, or means of transportation used by persons engaged in hunting, killing, trapping, ensnaring, or capturing such birds or wild animals, or in possession of game killed on the park lands under other circumstances than prescribed above, will be taken up by the superintendent and held subject to the order of the Secretary of the Interior, except in cases where it is shown by satisfactory evidence that the outfit is not the property of the person or persons violating this regulation and the actual owner thereof was not a party to such violation. Firearms will only be permitted in the park on written permission from the superintendent thereof. On arrival at the first station of the park guard, parties having firearms, traps, nets, seines, or explosives, will turn them over to the sergeant in charge of the station, taking his receipt for them. They will be returned to the owners on leaving the park.

5. Fishing with nets, seines, traps, or by the use of drugs or explosives, or in any other way than with hook and line, is prohibited. Fishing for purposes of merchandise or profit is forbidden. Fishing may be prohibited by order of the superintendent in any of the waters of the park, or limited therein to any specified season of the year, until otherwise ordered by the Secretary of the Interior.

6. No person will be permitted to reside permanently, engage in any business, or erect buildings, etc., upon the Government lands in the park, without permission, in writing, from the Secretary of the

Interior. The superintendent may grant authority to competent persons to act as guides and revoke the same in his discretion. No pack trains will be allowed in the park unless in charge of a duly registered guide.

7. Owners of patented lands within the park limits are entitled to the full use and enjoyment thereof; the boundaries of such lands, however, must be determined, and marked and defined, so that they may be readily distinguished from the park lands. While no limitations or conditions are imposed upon the use of such private lands so long as such use does not interfere with or injure the park, private owners must provide against trespass by their stock or cattle, or otherwise, upon the park lands, and all trespasses committed will be punished to the full extent of the law. Stock may be taken over the park lands to patented private lands with the written permission and under the supervision of the superintendent, but such permission and supervision are not required when access to such private lands is had wholly over roads or lands not owned or controlled by the United States.

8. Allowing the running at large, herding, or grazing of cattle or stock of any kind on the Government lands in the park, as well as the driving of such stock or cattle over same is strictly forbidden, except where authority therefor has been granted by the superintendent. All cattle or stock found trespassing on the park lands will be impounded and disposed of as directed in regulations approved February 29, 1908.

9. No drinking saloon or barroom will be permitted upon Government lands in the park.

10. Private notices or advertisements shall not be posted or displayed on the Government lands within the reservation, except such as may be necessary for the convenience and guidance of the public.

11. It is forbidden to carve or write names or otherwise deface any of the posts, signboards, platforms, seats, railings, steps, boulders, trees, or structures of any kind in the park.

12. Persons who render themselves obnoxious by disorderly conduct or bad behavior, or who may violate any of the foregoing rules, will be summarily removed from the park and will not be allowed to return without permission, in writing, from the Secretary of the Interior or the superintendent of the park.

No lessee or licensee shall retain in his employ any person whose presence in the park shall be deemed and declared by the superintendent to be subversive of the good order and management of the reservation.

13. The superintendent designated by the Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to remove all trespassers from the Government lands in the park and enforce these rules and regulations and all the provisions of the acts of Congress aforesaid.

INSTRUCTIONS APPROVED MARCH 30, 1912.

1. Interference with, or molestation of, any bear or other wild animal in the park in any way by any person not authorized by the superintendent is prohibited.

2. The wanton destruction of wild flowers, plants, or shrubs growing on the park lands is forbidden.

3. *Fires*.—The greatest care must be exercised to insure the complete extinction of all camp fires before they are abandoned. All ashes and unburned bits of wood must, when practicable, be thoroughly soaked with water. Where fires are built in the neighborhood of decayed logs particular attention must be directed to the extinguishment of fires in the decaying mold. Fire may be extinguished where water is not available by a complete covering of earth well packed down. Care should be taken that no lighted match, cigar, or cigarette is dropped in any grass, twigs, leaves, or tree mold.

4. *Camps*.—No camp will be made except at designated localities. All campers in Yosemite Valley shall first report at the office of the superintendent for assignment to camping sites, and will not change camps without permission, nor shall fires be lighted in Yosemite Valley or Mariposa Big Tree Grove without the express permission of the superintendent. Blankets, clothing, hammocks, or any other article liable to frighten teams must not be hung near the road. The same rule applies to temporary stops, such as for feeding horses or for taking luncheon.

Many successive parties camp on the same sites during the season, and camp grounds must be thoroughly cleaned before they are abandoned. Tin cans must be flattened and, with bottles, cast-off clothing, and all other débris, must be deposited in a pit provided for the purpose. When camps are made in unusual places where pits may not be provided, all refuse must be hidden where it will not be offensive to the eye.

5. *Bicycles*.—The greatest care must be exercised by persons using bicycles. On meeting a team the rider must stop and stand at side of road between the bicycle and the team—the outer side of the road if on a grade or curb. In passing a team from the rear, the rider should learn from the driver if his horses are liable to frighten, in which case the driver should halt and the rider dismount and walk past, keeping between the bicycle and the team.

6. *Fishing*.—All fish less than 8 inches in length should at once be returned to the water with the least damage possible to the fish. Fish that are to be retained must be at once killed by a blow on the back of the head or by thrusting a knife or other sharp instrument into the head. No person shall catch more than 20 fish in one day.

7. *Dogs and cats*.—Dogs and cats are not permitted in the park.

8. *Stages*.—Stages entering Yosemite Valley shall stop at each hotel or permanent camp in the order of location, so that passengers may exercise the right of selection.

9. *Driving on roads of park*.—(a) Drivers of vehicles of any description when overtaken by other vehicles traveling at a faster rate of speed, shall, if requested to do so, turn out and give the latter free and unobstructed passageway.

(b) Vehicles in passing each other, must give full half of the roadway. This applies to freight outfits as well as any other.

(c) Freight, baggage, and heavy camping outfits on sidehill grades throughout the park will take the outer side of the road while being passed by passenger vehicles in either direction.

(d) Transportation companies, freight and wood contractors, and all other parties and persons using the park roads, will be held liable for violations of these instructions.

(e) Mounted men on meeting a passenger team on a grade will halt on the outer side until the team passes. When approaching a passenger team from the rear warning must be given, and no faster gait will be taken than is necessary to make the passage, and if on a grade the passage will be on the outer side. A passenger team must not be passed on a dangerous grade.

(f) All wagons used in hauling heavy freight over the park roads must have tires not less than 4 inches in width. This order does not apply to express freight hauled in light spring wagons with single teams.

10. *Miscellaneous*.—Automobiles and motorcycles are not permitted in the park.

No person shall ride or drive faster than a walk over any of the Government bridges within the park. Riding or driving at night, except on the floor of the Yosemite Valley, is forbidden.

Persons with animals using trails must keep therein; leaving the trails for the purpose of making short cuts will not be permitted.

Persons are not allowed to bathe near any of the regularly traveled roads in the park without suitable bathing clothes.

It is forbidden to bathe, wash clothes or cooking utensils, or in any other way pollute the waters of the river or creeks above the Sentinel Hotel in Yosemite Valley.

It is forbidden to water stock directly from the river or creeks above the Sentinel Hotel in Yosemite Valley. A bucket or other vessel should be used.

It is forbidden to tie stock within 100 yards of any tent or tent ground. It is forbidden to tie stock so near the river or creeks above the Sentinel Hotel in Yosemite Valley that the stock may enter these streams.

It is forbidden to soil or in any way write upon or mutilate any of the signs or structures erected for public convenience.

To take bark from any live sequoia tree on the park lands is forbidden.

Campers and all others, save those holding license from the Secretary of the Interior, are prohibited from hiring their horses, trap-pings, or vehicles to tourists or visitors in the park.

All complaints by tourists and others as to service, etc., rendered in the reservation should be made to the superintendent, in writing, before the complainant leaves the park.

11. The penalty for disregard of these instructions is summary ejection from the park.

