



# MAY 2019 RECREATION & ACTIVITIES

*schedule and activities subject to weather and changing conditions – visit Recreation Desk for updates*



# GUIDED RECREATION



## TOURING & HIKING



### 'Wonders of Yosemite' Naturalist Hike & Tour

Enjoy the beauty and grandeur of Yosemite during our uniquely combined Yosemite Valley and Giant Sequoia guided naturalist tour. This two-in-one tour offers an unparalleled Yosemite experience, from dramatic waterfalls, endless wildflowers and stunning panoramas to a serene 3-mile hike to the Giant Sequoia trees.

*Reservations encouraged, 9am-5:30pm, \$175 per adult, \$95 per youth (8-12)*

### 'Range of Light' Yosemite Valley Naturalist Tour

Springtime creates spectacular conditions, with dramatic waterfalls, endless wildflowers and stunning panoramas throughout Yosemite. Our tour showcases the Valley's most famous and impressive wonders. During our tour we will stop at breathtaking vistas, take short walks and explore the many iconic landmarks in Yosemite National Park.

*Reservations encouraged, offered through May 15, 9am-3pm, \$150 per adult, \$80 per youth (4-12)*

### Yosemite Valley Explorer

Come to explore the hidden trails of Yosemite Valley! Our gentle to moderate 4 to 5-mile hike (or snowshoe) winds around many of Yosemite's iconic wonders and provides splendid views of seasonal creeks, meadows, and boulders with memorable views of Yosemite's iconic sights. This tour showcases the Valley's icons as well as its hidden secrets. You'll gain an understanding of how glaciers, rivers, rocks, and erosion created this scenic wonder, and get some insight into John Muir's legacy as our friendly naturalist guides do the driving.

*Reservations encouraged, 9:30am-3:30pm, \$150 per adult, \$80 per youth (4-12)*



### Hetch Hetchy Wapama Falls Naturalist Hike

Explore Yosemite's hidden gem, Hetch Hetchy, a dramatic, crowd-free jewel complete with domes, waterfalls and an idyllic, serene feel. On this 5-mile hike you'll learn about Hetch Hetchy's long and storied history as we make our way among creeks and small meadows to the beautiful 1,000-foot Wapama Falls.

*Reservations encouraged, 10am-2:30pm, \$125 per adult, \$65 per youth (8-12)*



### Rancheria Falls Naturalist Hike

Continue past Wapama Falls and head deep into the lesser traveled Hetch Hetchy Valley on this spectacular hike along steep granite walls to Rancheria Falls. You'll enjoy breathtaking views and get to see abundant wildflowers, beautiful waterfalls and possibly bears and other furry/scaly friends on this full day, 12-mile hike. Along the way we'll discuss local flora and fauna as well as the historic Hetch Hetchy Dam predicament.

*Reservations encouraged, 9am-5:30pm, \$175 per person 12+*



### Granite Gorge and Preston Falls Naturalist Hike

The beautiful hike to Preston Falls takes us along the Main Fork of the Tuolumne River, below the Hetch Hetchy Reservoir. We will likely have the trail to ourselves as we enjoy abundant wildflowers throughout our trip, and have lunch on the banks of the crisp, clear waters of the mighty Tuolumne River.

*Reservations encouraged, 9am-4pm, \$150 per adult, \$80 per youth (10-12)*



### 'Bike & Hike' to Granite Gorge

Cruise the quiet back roads of the Stanislaus National Forest on this classic bike and hike combo trip to one of our favorite waterways. Our adventure leads to a dramatic vista along the rim of the Tuolumne River Canyon and includes a memorable walk along the pristine Tuolumne River.

*Reservations encouraged, 9:30am-2:30pm, \$150 per person 12+*



### Sunset Vista Happy Hour Tour

Join us for this popular two-hour tour and happy hour to view the sun setting over the Tuolumne River Canyon. We provide chairs, a glass of wine (or soda) and snacks for you to enjoy while you savor the serenity.

*Reservations encouraged, departure time varies. See Rec Desk for details, \$55 per adult, \$30 per youth (12 and under)*

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FOR YOUR GUIDED TRIPS OR SELF-GUIDED ADVENTURES!

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## STARGAZING



### Guided Stargazing

Experience the night sky like never before! Far from light pollution, you'll be up close to nature's light show, gazing through our Dobsonian telescope. Observe stars, planets, constellations, and glimmering galaxies while listening to fun facts and mythology of the night's sky.

See Recreation for details and availability, \$35 per adult \$15 per youth (12 and under).

## FLY FISHING & RAFTING TRIPS



### Private Full & Half Day Fly Fishing Trips

Our Private Fly Fishing trips allow every experience level to find just what they need in order to obtain the upper hand in the Yosemite area. Our knowledgeable outfitters get you away from the crowds of Yosemite's main tourist attractions, as you fly fish in pristine locations around the park.

Advance reservation required, visit the Recreation Desk for details.

Private Half Day prices start at \$300, Private Full Day prices start at \$450



### Rafting Trips on the Tuolumne & Merced Rivers

Experience the exhilaration of the finest whitewater rafting in the state, on the beautiful Merced and Tuolumne Rivers (class II to V). Full and half day trips are available.

Offered daily, times vary and prices start at \$118.72 per adult, \$108.12 per youth (10-17), visit the Recreation Desk for details and booking.

## WELLNESS



### Therapeutic Massage

After a hard day of play in the great outdoors, enjoy an indulgent full body massage by one of our certified massage therapists, who offer a blend of traditional European modalities as well as Swedish Massage, Hot Stone Massage, Deep Tissue Massage, Pregnancy Massage, Hand/Foot/Scalp Massage, Reflexology Massage, and Stretching.

Advance reservation required. 25, 50 and 80-minute sessions available.



### Yoga Classes

Join us for a peaceful Hatha Flow featuring a blend of strength building, flexibility, slow and fluid movement, and deep stretches. We'll cycle between building heat and cooling down for a practice that is uplifting and strong, leaving you with more energy than when you began. Classes are designed for all ability levels.

\$25 per person (ages 15+), Offered upon request – visit the Recreation Desk for details and availability.

## RENTALS & MORE



- **Mountain Bike, Kids Trailer & Tag-Along Rentals**
- **Child Carrier Backpack & Mountain Stroller Rentals**
- **Trekking Poles & Daypacks**
- **Onsite Geocaching Circuit & Nature Trail**

Visit the Recreation Desk for details.

## LIVE MUSIC



- **Other Mother Brother Band; Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 6pm, Main Plaza.**

An eclectic progressive instrumental group based out of Los Angeles.

- **James Faifua and the Jukes; Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 6pm, Main Plaza.**

A five-piece band playing progressive urban blues infused with jazz and funk. Join us at our sister property, Rush Creek Lodge, for more music!

Visit the Recreation for details.

# OTHER ACTIVITIES



## Monday

- **Nature Craft:** 10am-3pm, Tuolumne Hall. Join us for a family-friendly, self-guided craft
- **Build Your Own Hummingbird Feeder:** 3-5pm, Recreation Center, (\$5 per kit) Make your own hummingbird feeder that you can take home with you and attract Hummingbirds to your garden.
- **Natural History Film Series:** 5pm, Tuolumne Hall Theater. Ordinary, Extraordinary Junco
- **S'mores:** 7-9pm, Outdoor Fireplace. A campfire treat of marshmallow, chocolate and graham cracker
- **Adventure Film Series:** 7:30pm. Tuolumne Hall Theater. Valley Uprising: Yosemite's Rock Climbing Revolution

## Tuesday

- **Nature Craft:** 10am-3pm, Tuolumne Hall. Join us for a family-friendly, self-guided craft
- **Build a Birdfeeder:** 3-5pm, Recreation Center. (\$15 per birdfeeder, ages 8 and up)
- **Evergreen Natural History Film Series:** 5pm, Tuolumne Hall Theater. Bears in Our National Parks
- **S'mores:** 7-9pm, Outdoor Fireplace. A campfire treat of marshmallow, chocolate and graham cracker
- **Adventure Film Series:** 7:30pm. Tuolumne Hall Theater. Vertical Frontier – A History of Rock Climbing in Yosemite

## Wednesday

- **Nature Craft:** 10am-3pm, Tuolumne Hall. Join us for a family-friendly, self-guided craft
- **Basket Weaving:** 3-5pm, Recreation Center, (\$10 per kit) Make a basket out of reed, wood, and beads
- **Natural History Film Series:** 5pm, Tuolumne Hall Theater. Counting Sheep: Restoring the Sierra Nevada Bighorn
- **Bingo!** 8pm, Recreation Center. Join us for some classic family-friendly fun and a chance to win a prize
- **S'mores:** 7-9pm, Outdoor Fireplace. A campfire treat of marshmallow, chocolate and graham cracker

## Thursday

- **Nature Craft:** 10am-3pm, Tuolumne Hall. Join us for a family-friendly, self-guided craft
- **Animal Tracks:** 3-5pm, Recreation Center (\$10 per track) It's time to get creative, using clay and life size animal track molds, create your own imprint to take home!
- **Natural History Film Series:** 5pm, Tuolumne Hall Theater. Hetch Hetchy – Yosemite's Lost Valley
- **S'mores:** 7-9pm, Outdoor Fireplace. A campfire treat of marshmallow, chocolate and graham cracker
- **Adventure Film Series:** 7:30pm. Tuolumne Hall Theater. Tell it on the Mountain: Tales from the Pacific Crest Trail

## Friday

- **Nature Craft:** 10am-3pm, Tuolumne Hall. Join us for a family-friendly, self-guided craft
- **Tie Dye!** 3-5pm, Main Plaza. (\$20 per logo tee shirt – Purchase at Rec Desk)
- **Natural History Film Series:** 5pm, Tuolumne Hall Theater. Secret Yosemite
- **S'mores:** 7-9pm, Outdoor Fireplace. A campfire treat of marshmallow, chocolate and graham cracker
- **Adventure Film Series:** 7:30pm. Tuolumne Hall Theater. Vertical Frontier – A History of Rock Climbing in Yosemite

## Saturday

- **Firefly Craft:** 10am-3pm, Coyote Hill. Drop by for a family-friendly, self-guided craft
- **Bingo!** 8pm, Coyote Hill. Join us for some classic family-friendly fun and a chance to win a prize
- **S'mores:** 7-9pm, Coyote Hill. A campfire treat of marshmallow, chocolate and graham cracker

## Sunday

- **Incredible Insects:** 10am-3pm, Recreation Center. Make your own bug out of clay and natural objects
- **Sierra Reptiles:** 3-5pm, Tuolumne Hall, (\$5 per reptile) Paint a wooden snake or lizard to take home with you. Get yours from our Recreation Desk!
- **Natural History Film Series:** 5pm, Tuolumne Hall Theater. Bears in our National Parks
- **S'mores:** 7-9pm, Outdoor Fireplace. A campfire treat of marshmallow, chocolate and graham cracker
- **Adventure Film Series:** 7:30pm. Tuolumne Hall Theater. Valley Uprising- Yosemite's Rock Climbing Revolution

**\*\*SEE MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND CALENDAR FOR MAY 25-27\*\***