# DECEMBER 2023 Tours & Activities Calendar

	TIME / LOCATION	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
DAILY	10 am - 12 pm / Guest Lounge 8 am - 8 pm / Rec Desk 6 pm - 8 pm / Rec Desk	Kids Craft Animal Olympics S'mores	Join us for a self-guided craft for the kids. A property-wide scavenger hunt that tests your animal skills! Enjoy a classic, delicious campfire treat!
NOW	1 pm - 4 pm / Rec Desk 6 pm / Guest Lounge 7 pm / Guest Lounge	Animal Tracks (\$10) BINGO! *Paint Party (\$45)	Create your own imprint of a life-sized animal track. Prizes are on the line for the first to shout BINGO! Paint iconic Yosemite views with a local artist! Advanced reservation required.
IUE	1 pm - 4 pm / Rec Desk 6 pm / Guest Lounge	Geodes (\$10) Trivia	Crack open a geode, and discover the crystals inside! Test your knowledge, and win big!
WED	1 pm - 4 pm / Rec Desk 6 pm / Guest Lounge	Owl Pellets (\$5) Nature Talk	Discover what an owl eats with this hands-on activity.  Join us for an informative, all-ages talk about Yosemite!
THU	1 pm - 4 pm / Rec Desk 6 pm / Guest Lounge	Terrarium Craft (\$10) Storytime	Build your very own faux terrarium from scratch. Snuggle up for a bedtime story in our cozy guest lounge.
FRI	1 pm - 4 pm / Rec Desk 6 pm / Guest Lounge	Sierra Reptiles (\$5) BINGO!	Join us for this fun painting activity as we learn about the critters that call Yosemite home.  Prizes are on the line for the first to shout BINGO!
SAT	1 pm - 4 pm / Rec Desk 6 pm / Guest Lounge	Geodes (\$10) Trivia	Crack open a geode, and discover the crystals inside! Test your knowledge, and win big!
SUN	1 pm - 4 pm / Rec Desk 6 pm / Guest Lounge	Wood Ornaments (\$5) Nature Talk	Paint a wooden ornament to take home with you!  Join us for an informative, all-ages talk about Yosemite!



Schedule and activities subject to weather, holiday offerings and changing conditions. Visit the Recreation Desk for updates.











## **HIKES & TOURS**

#### Wonders of Yosemite Hike & Tour

This 2-in-1 Yosemite Valley and Giant Sequoia guided naturalist tour is a memorable, fun way to get to know the park from an insider's perspective. Enjoy dramatic waterfalls, a spectrum of colorful landscapes and majestic Giant Sequoia trees.

9am-5:30pm, Beginner-Intermediate Effort, \$185 per adult, \$120 per youth (ages 8-15)

#### Range of Light Yosemite Valley Tour

Following the footsteps of John Muir, we visit the Valley's most famous and impressive wonders as well as its hidden secrets, with plenty of time to stop, relax and enjoy on this Yosemite Valley Tour.

9am-3pm, Beginner Effort, \$160 per adult, \$105 per youth (ages 4-15)

### Hetch-Hetchy Wapama Falls Naturalist Hike

Leave the crowds behind and enjoy a leisurely and fascinating 5 mile hike above the shores of this tranquil reservoir to the 1,200 foot Wapama Falls.

10am - 2:30pm, Intermediate Effort, \$135 per adult, \$90 per youth (ages 8-15)

### Giant Sequoia Hike or Snowshoe

This 3-mile round trip snowshoe adventure combines the beauty of a snow covered Yosemite with the majesty of the Giant Sequoias. The stunning contrast of white snow against the reddish bark of the sequoias, the largest living species on earth, is like nothing you have ever seen.

9am - 1:30pm, Beginner-Intermediate Effort,\$135 per adult, \$90 per youth (ages 8-15)

#### **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!

8:30am - 2:30pm, Beginner-Intermediate Effort, \$160 adult, \$105 youth (age 8-15)

#### Upper Yosemite Falls and Columbia Rock Hike

This 7.6 mile hike takes you to breathtaking panoramic views of Yosemite Valley and picturesque views of both Yosemite Falls and Half Dome. During spring or early summer witness Yosemite Falls roaring and in full effect. This is the ultimate stair master hike so prepare yourself for a strenuous workout.

8:30am - 5pm, Advanced Effort, \$185 per person (ages 14+)

#### **Private Fly Fishing Adventure**

Enjoy the best of the Yosemite area on our full day fly fishing adventure for intermediate and advanced anglers. Whether you want to learn to fly fish in Yosemite's high country or spend your day in the iconic splendor of Yosemite Valley, our private guide can help you achieve all of your fishing goals!

Full Day trips available, see Rec Desk for details.

Tour pricing does not include the \$20 per adult admission fee, waived with Yosemite Annual Pass or America the Beautiful Pass.



### TRY SOMETHING NEW

### **Yosemite Paint Party**

Grab your friends and family and join step-by-step instruction with our experienced and enthusiastic local artists during our Yosemite Painting Party. You'll leave with a one-of-a-kind Yosemite creation to take home and plenty of great memories.

\$45 per person, See Recreation Desk for availability. Advance Reservation Required.

### **Peyote Stitch Beaded Earrings**

Learn how to do the traditional peyote stitch to start making a pair of earrings using glass seed beads. Class fee includes all materials needed so you can finish the project on your schedule –two to three colors of seed beads, bead dish/container, Nymo beading filament, nickel-free ear wires, and beading needle. Class fee includes all materials needed.

\$50 per person, ages 10+ See Recreation Desk for availability.

#### **Gemstone Bead Bracelets**

Make a beautiful bracelet keepsake of your Yosemite adventure using a variety of real gemstone, glass, wood, and other natural material beads. Class fee includes all materials needed.

\$50 per person, ages 10+ See Recreation Desk for availability.

### **Basket Weaving**

This class guides students through how to make a traditional California Native-style one-rod coiled basket with user-friendly raffia over a paper core, plus information about cultural practices of the Miwuk, Pomo, and Paiute.

\$60 per person. See Recreation Desk for availability.

### **Off-Road Jeep Tour**

Hit the trails with your friends or family on a guided off-road adventure tour! Explore the doorstep of Yosemite National Park during this off road adventure tour through the pristine Stanislaus National Forest where you will experience the breathtaking views and incredible wildlife of the Tuolumne River Canyon!

Beginner-Advanced Effort, Ages All welcome (booster/car seats need to be brought for young children), need to be 25+ years to drive Jeep, 3-4 hours From \$350 per Jeep

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### **ELEVATE YOUR EXPERIENCE**

### **Gear Rentals**

Snowshoes - \$30 (Full Day), \$20 (2 hours)

Back Pack - \$15

Trekking Poles (set of 2) - \$15

Stroller - \$35

Tenkara Fly Fishing Kit - \$40

Yoga Mat/Blocks - Complimentary

Stop by the Recreation Desk for available items and further details.

### Stargazing at Rush Creek

Join us for a journey through the night sky! 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 Yosemite sky.

Advance reservation required – Start times vary \$35 per adult, \$25 per youth (15 and under).

### **Yosemite Flight Tours**

Experience Yosemite from above with this once-in-a-lifetime flight over The Sierra Nevada wilderness. Enjoy a rare view with unmatched photography opportunities as you soar above the mountains.

For more information and to reserve, visit the rec desk One hour morning trips, \$249 per person (all ages)



### RUSH CREEK SPA

### DAY USE

Experience true relaxation and rejuvenation in our beautiful new spa! Our facilities include innovative amenities such as Warm Waterfall Coves, Himalayan Salt Block Dry Sauna, Granite Waterfall Mineral Hot Tub, Aromatherapy Sensory Room, and much more.

Day Use Pass \$65, Day Use included with treatments All ages welcome 8 -11am, Adults only (16+) 11am-9pm Twilight Special, \$45 per adult (16+) 7-10pm

### FAMILY & FRIENDS PRIVATE SPA EXPERIENCE

Enjoy two hours of playful relaxation for the entire family, including the kiddos, with exclusive use of all Spa amenities, including spa beverages, savory snacks and sweet treats.

Starts at \$1,500 for 2 hrs. All ages welcome. Advanced booking required.

### MASSAGE TREATMENTS

### Swedish Massage

Unwind with a relaxing massage that improves circulation and vitality while easing muscle tension through a variety of light to medium-firm techniques. 50-minute \$165 | 80-minute \$200

### **Deep Tissue Massage**

Intensive therapy targets specific areas of muscle tension, releasing tightness and reducing pain through use of firm pressure.

50-minute \$190 | 80-minute \$235

### Pregnancy Massage

Using adaptable massage techniques appropriate for your pregnancy stage, we ease the stress of both body and mind.

50-minute \$185 | 80-minute \$220

### Rush Creek Signature Massage

Our signature treatment integrates Swedish techniques, ayurvedic oil, hot stone and sound therapy, and balancing chakra crystal treatment. 80-minute \$235

### Hiker's Delight Massage

The combination of massage, hot stones and light exfoliation with muscle relief and EMU oil soothes sore muscles and aching joints.

80-minute \$225

### SKIN CARE TREATMENTS

These deep-cleaning experiences will leave you feeling revitalized, relaxed and rejuvenated. Our skin care experts use 100% natural products and craft unique, custom blends. Choose to emphasize Anti-Aging, Hydrating or Cleansing with your treatment.

Treatments start at \$165 for 50-minutes











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