

2016 Experience Planner

A Guide to Lodging, Camping, Dining, Shopping, Tours and Activities in Yellowstone











# Don't just see Yellowstone. Experience it.

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For Camping and Summer Lodging reservations, a \$15 non-refundable fee will be charged for any changes or cancellations that occur 30 days prior to arrival. For cancellations made within 2 days of arrival, the cancellation fee will remain at an amount equal to the deposit amount.

(Dates and rates in this Experience Planner are subject to change without notice. Rates do not include tax, utility fee or gratuity.)

Lodging rates are per night, for up to 2 adults, and do not include tax or utility fee.

## MAP LEGEND



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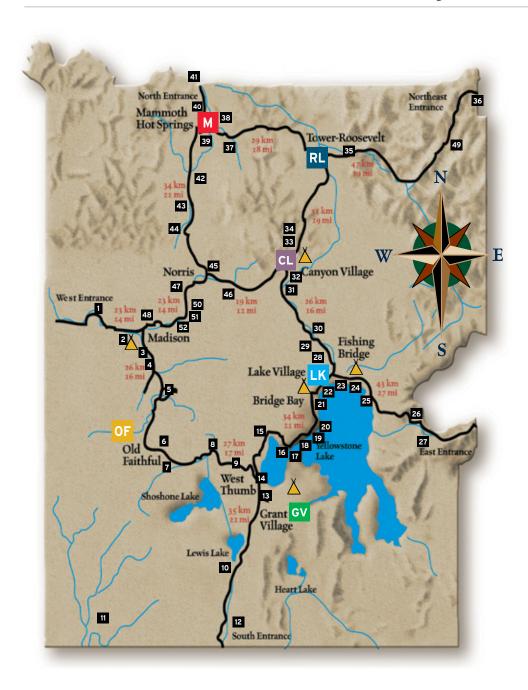
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Xanterra-operated Campground

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# WHAT'S IN YOUR PICNIC BASKET?

Let us prepare a box lunch for you (your choice of sandwich plus raisins, chips, cookies and canned water). Order your selection the night before at any dining room or cafeteria and pick it up at breakfast.



## JUST FOR KIDS

#### **Activity Book**

Collect at least four Yellowstone Park stickers for a free gift. Pick up a Kid's Activity Book at any Xanterra dining room. Contains games, coloring pages, and other fun activities.

#### Junior Ranger Program

Introduce your kids to the natural wonders of Yellowstone and their role in preserving them for the future. The Junior Ranger Program is \$3 to children ages 4 and up. Stop in at any National Park Service Visitor Center to enroll. After kids complete the requirements, they are awarded an official Yellowstone Junior Ranger patch by a park ranger!

#### Young Scientist Program

Students can become Young Scientists! Purchase your self-guided booklet for \$5 at the Old Faithful Visitor Center (for ages 5 and up) or Canyon Visitor Center (ages 10 and up). You'll investigate the mysteries of Yellowstone by following activities in the Visitor Center and field. Once your investigation is complete, you will be awarded an official Young Scientist patch or key chain. This program is funded by the National Science Foundation through a grant to the Yellowstone Park Foundation.

## RANGER-LED PROGRAMS

Join a Yellowstone Park Ranger for educational programs including talks, walks, evening campfire programs and other activities. Programs are presented from Memorial Day weekend through September and during the winter season. Check at NPS Visitor Center desks, in the *Yellowstone Today* newspaper (distributed at the entrance station when you arrived) or online at www.nps. gov/yell for more information on these programs.





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### FIND YOUR PARK

Find Your Park is a public awareness and education campaign celebrating the milestone centennial anniversary of the National Park Service in 2016 and setting the stage for the next 100 years. Find Your Park invites the public to see that a national park is more than just a place -- it can be a feeling, a state of mind, or a sense of American pride. Beyond vast landscapes, the campaign highlights historical, urban, and cultural parks, as well as National Park Service programs that protect, preserve and share nature, culture, and history in communities nationwide. Further, Find Your Park encourages people to find their own personal connections within the network of national parks and public lands. For more information please see the NPS Centennial supplement found inside the park newspaper. www.findvourpark.com

## PRIVATE CUSTOM TOURS

We can build a special touring itinerary to meet your specific interests. You, your family and/or group of friends can spend the day or days on a private tour, going to places you want to go, based on your timing. You can leave the driving to us. We'll pick you up and drop you off at your in-park hotel/campground or gateway town. The touring vehicles include 4-passenger autos, 12-passenger vans, 13-passenger historic Yellow Buses and 36-50 passenger buses. Stop by the activities desk or call us at 307-344-5437 for further information and reservations.

## RAINY DAY IDEAS

- Visit a National Park Visitor Center and spend some quality time enjoying the exhibits and video programs.
- Pick up your mementos in our hotel gift shops while it's wet outside.
- Play a game. Puzzles and playing cards are available in the gift shops.
- Take a tour. While driving you can play "I Spy" with the family - how many different animals can you find? How many different license plates can you find? See page 30 for an animal checkoff list.
- Select a comfy chair in the lobby of any of our hotels and curl up with a good book. Forgot your reading material? Our gift shops can help.
- The animals don't care if it's raining, why should you? Summer showers in Yellowstone are usually brief and refreshing, and can produce amazing rainbows. Grab your raincoat and enjoy Mother Nature at her finest.







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### ON YOUR OWN

#### **Visitor Centers**

Take time to visit one or all of the Visitor Centers. Each has a unique theme and a Yellowstone Association book store. A "\*" denotes a National Historic Landmark. National Park Visitor Centers are located at:

- Mammoth Hot Springs The Albright Visitor Center and all the red-roofed, houses with many chimneys down the street from it were built by the U.S. Cavalry as Fort Yellowstone, an army post dedicated to protecting the first national park. The beautiful stone building recently received a full interior renovation. The new exhibits focus on the ecology of Yellowstone's Northern Range, the development of the National Park idea, and the history of Fort Yellowstone. An orientation area with interactive displays offers enhanced trip planning information and Park Rangers give educational talks and tours throughout the year.
- Norris Area The Museum of the National Park Ranger\* is located at the entrance to the Norris Campground. Formerly the Norris Soldier Station; exhibits in the building depict the development of the park ranger profession, from its roots in the military tradition and early Rangers to the present array of NPS staff specialized duties. The Norris Geyser Basin Museum features information on thermal features and is located on the main walkway to the geyser basin.
- Madison The Madison Information Station and Trailside Museum\* was built in 1929-30.
   This small building currently houses the Junior Ranger Station and a Yellowstone Association book store.
- Old Faithful The Old Faithful Visitor Education Center, which opened in 2010, contains exciting interactive exhibits explaining Yellowstone's rare thermal features and a Young Scientist room for visitors of all ages. The theater features frequent showings of park videos. For geyser predictions, stop at the Visitor Education Center, call 307-344-2751, or follow on Twitter @GeyserNPS.



- Grant Village The theme of the Grant Village Visitor Center is the fires of 1988 and the role of fire in Yellowstone. It has a theater with a presentation titled 10 Years After the Fire.
- Fishing Bridge The Fishing Bridge Visitor Center and Trailside Museum\* is located one mile east of Fishing Bridge Junction on the East Entrance Road. Built in 1931, it is a National Historic Landmark and houses historic bird specimens and other animal mounts.
- Canyon Village The Canyon Visitor Education Center features Yellowstone's supervolcano concept. Through interactive exhibits, animations, audio-visuals, and real-time scientific data you will gain understanding about how Yellowstone's volcano, its geysers, hot springs, and geologic history affects all life here.
- West Yellowstone Information Center The West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center is located outside the West Entrance of the park and is managed jointly with the West Yellowstone Chamber of Commerce and the US Forest Service. It is a good location for visitors to get oriented to the park, forests and businesses available in the area.

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Wildlife Watching in Lamar or Hayden Valley We think Lamar Valley and Hayden Valley are gorgeous (the animals seem to like it there, too). Depending on the season, elk, bison, bears, coyotes, pronghorns, eagles and wolves might be spotted. You may want to take along a lunch, just in case you decide to stay for a while. Leave early for the best chance of experiencing a beautiful Yellowstone sunrise and seeing the wildlife at their most active time of the day. Evenings are also great for wildlife viewing! Lamar Valley is a scenic 1.5 hour drive toward the Northeast entrance from Mammoth, Havden Valley is a 10-minute drive south from Canvon Village or a 20-minute drive north from Lake Hotel. See page 30 for an animal checkoff list.

#### Star Gaze

If you ask anyone around here, we'll tell you that Yellowstone is about as close to heaven as you can get. When the stars come out it seems you can reach out and touch them. When the moon shines brightly on Old Faithful or Yellowstone Lake the night becomes even more magical. Get out there and take a leisurely starlit stroll you'll never forget. (Be sure to watch for wildlife.)



## ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Yellowstone's National Park Service is improving our roads, and there may be some temporary closures and delays you should know about. Check the Yellowstone Today newspaper you received at the gate, stop by any NPS Visitor Center, or call the National Park Service at 307-344-2117 for details.



## TOUR/ACTIVITY ICON KEY

(You'll find these symbols used with our tour/activity descriptions)

- Historic Yellow Bus Tour
- Bus Tour
- Bicycling
- **K** Walking Tour
- A Hiking
- Corral Operations
- Scenicruise Tour
- Boating

# WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VEHICLES

We do have vehicles that are equipped to accommodate wheelchairs that may be used for tours with a 48-hour advance notice.

# Mammoth Hot Springs Area



### LODGING

Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel & Cabins

Open April 29 - October 10, 2016

Rates: Cabin without Bathroom, 1 Queen - \$98

Two Room without Bathroom - \$186

Frontier Cabin - \$160

Standard Hotel Room without Bathroom - \$90

Standard Hotel Room - \$150 Hot Tub Cabin - \$262

Suite - \$499

The Mammoth Hotel was built in 1936, incorporating a wing of rooms from the former National Hotel. Mammoth lodging options include both hotel rooms and cabins with and without private bathrooms. Four hot-tub cabins are also available in both the summer and the winter. There are over 200 units in summer season and about half of that during winter season as the cabins are closed. The hotel has queen beds; cabins have full beds and queen beds.

## DINING

## Mammoth Hot Springs Dining Room

Open April 29 - October 10, 2016

Open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner (first come, first-served seating). This Certified Green Restaurant®, denoting it's high standards for sustainable operations, is one of only two in Wyoming. The Mammoth Dining Room delivers great selection and affordability with its "small plates" at lunch and dinner. Try our Bison or Trout Tacos, Italian Prime Rib Sliders, or our popular Thai Curry Mussels. For breakfast enjoy Cream of the West 7 Grain Pancakes or our Huevos Rancheros.

#### Terrace Grill (Quick Service)

Open April 29 - October 16, 2016

Open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Your quickservice stop for burgers, sandwiches and local hand-dipped ice cream from Big Dipper. Breakfast sandwiches are part of the morning menu.

#### Mammoth Lounge

Recount the day's adventures in the cozy atmosphere of our lounge, located just off the Mammoth Dining Room. Here we feature locally brewed draught beers and locally distilled spirits.

#### **SHOPPING**

## For Future Generations: Yellowstone Gifts at the Mammoth Hotel

Open April 29 - October 10, 2016

An innovative concept that emphasizes environmental stewardship while providing a sustainable shopping experience. Visitors to the shop will view exhibits devoted to the interpretation of climate change and its impacts on our parks. Customers can learn about actions they can take to minimize their impacts on the environment, and learn about Xanterra's extensive sustainability efforts. There is also a large array of opportunities to select environmentally preferable products that support businesses and manufacturers in and around the Greater Yellowstone region as the selection includes a mix of sustainable and conventional gift items.



# Mammoth Hot Springs Area

## **ALL-DAY ADVENTURES**

## Yellowstone in a Day



A great overview of the park! Recommended as a "best first activity" by many of our quests. We'll show you the park highlights, including Old Faithful, Yellowstone Lake and the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone.

Daily ~ Gardiner, Montana May 28 - Sept 17 ~ 7:30 am - 6:30 pm Adult \$11700 Child (3-11) \$5850

\*Park entrance fee is not included with the Gardiner tour

Daily ~ Mammoth Hotel May 28 - Sept 17~ 8:00 am - 6:00 pm Adult \$110° Child (3-11) \$55° (Children 2 and under free)



## **ONLY HAVE A FEW HOURS?**



Wake up to Wildlife The early morning hours and Lamar Valley's broad vistas provide great opportunities to spot wildlife grazing or hunting on the open hillsides. If the wildlife is lying low, the spectacular scenery is sure to please. A muffin and juice will be provided. Daily ~ Mammoth Hotel

May 28 - Sept. 17 ~ 6:15 am - 11:30 am Adult \$8700 Child (3-11) \$4350

(Children 2 and under free)





#### Albright Visitor Center and Museum

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# Mammoth Hot Springs Area

### Ranger-Led Interpretive Walks

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## Historic Walking Tour



Did vou know that the Mammoth Hot Springs area used to be the location for the U.S. Cavalry when they helped manage the park? Pick up a guide in front of the NPS Visitor Center and take a self-guiding walking tour of Mammoth's historic Fort Yellowstone buildings.

## Take a Hike

For the latest information on trail conditions, bear closure areas and other important information, we recommend checking with a National Park Service Visitor Center before hiking in Yellowstone.

#### **Explore the Terraces**

Drive or walk from the hotel about 1/2 mile to the boardwalks at the base of the Terraces and follow them to the thermal features at the top. Or drive to the top and park to explore on foot from there. The Upper Terrace Loop Drive is a short and scenic one-way drive from the parking lot, and is well worth the time.

#### Wraith Falls

This is a short, easy, one-mile hike through open sagebrush and fir forest to the foot of Wraith Falls on Lupine Creek. The trail begins at the pull-off 1/4 mile east of the Lava Creek Picnic Area on the Mammoth - Tower road, about 5 miles east of Mammoth Hot Springs.



## AT THE END OF THE DAY...

## Evening Wildlife Encounters



The combination of early evening hours and our historic Yellow Bus creates the perfect wildlife viewing opportunity. This is prime "critter country." Along the way, your guide's insight will be enhanced by the nostalgic ride on board this classic touring car.

Daily ~ Mammoth Hotel May 28 - Aug 16 ~ 4:15 pm - 8:30 pm Aug 17 - Sept 17 ~ 3:45 pm - 8:00 pm Adult \$6400 Child (3-11) \$3200

(Children 2 and under free)





### LODGING

#### Old Faithful Inn

Open May 6 - October 9, 2016 Rates: Old House Room without Bath - \$115 Old House Room with Bathroom - \$185 Old House 2 Room without Bathroom - \$220 Old House 2 Room with Bathroom - \$285 Standard Room West Wing - \$229 Premium Room West Wina - \$254 Premium Hotel Room - \$243 Superior Hotel Room - \$268 Junior Suite - \$503 Suite - \$572

As an inspiration for the rustic architecture, and as one of the most famous buildings in the National Park System, the Old Faithful Inn features a 76-foot tall lobby, a huge roughstone fireplace, overhanging balconies and railings made of spectacular twisted gnarled logs. The Old Faithful Inn offers accommodations ranging from rustic historic rooms (with and without private bathrooms) to newer suites, all with queen beds.

#### Old Faithful Lodge Cabins

Open May 20 - October 5, 2016 Rates: Cabin without Bathroom - \$88 Frontier Cabin - \$148

The dining and lobby area in Old Faithful Lodge offer fantastic views of Old Faithful Geyser and the

surrounding geyser basin. Cabins are located behind the main lodge building. While some cabins have private bathrooms with shower, others have a sink only. Cabins have double or single beds.

#### Old Faithful Snow Lodge & Cabins

Open April 29 - October 16, 2016 Rates: Frontier Cabin - \$114 Western Cabin - \$163 Premium Lodge Room, 2 Queens - \$264 Premium Lodae Room, 1 Kina - \$284

One of two hotels in the park that is open for the winter season, Snow Lodge features heavy timber construction, hand wrought iron accents, specially designed furnishings and unique lighting fixtures. Old Faithful Snow Lodge has both rooms and cabins, all with private bathrooms. All hotel rooms and western cabins have shower/tub combinations. Frontier cabins have shower only. All Frontier Cabins have double beds, Lodge Rooms have Queen or King beds, Western Cabins have gueen beds.

## DINING

#### Old Faithful Inn Dining Room

Open May 6 - October 9, 2016

Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. The dining room has a classic signature dinner buffet offering Prime Rib carved to order and Sautéed Trout. Menu items include Wild Alaska Salmon Hash. Pork Osso Buco, and Chicken and Dumplings. At lunch, enjoy a fast but satisfying Western Buffet. Breakfast options include a buffet and à la carte menu.

Advanced dinner reservations are required and can be made by calling 307-344-7311. Dinner reservations can be made beginning May 1 for the following year with Old Faithful Inn room reservations and two months in advance without Old Faithful Inn room reservations.

#### Bear Paw Deli at Old Faithful Inn

Open May 6 - October 8, 2016 Breakfast, lunch, dinner, espresso, specialty to-go sandwiches, salads and hand-dipped local ice cream from Big Dipper.

## Bear Pit Lounge at Old Faithful Inn

You'll find etched glass replicas of the historic Bear Pit murals depicting human-like animal characters. Drinks, sandwiches, and appetizers are served. A beverage service is also available upstairs on the 2nd floor Mezzanine of the Inn.



Old Faithful Lodge Cafeteria - The only dining room with a view of Old Faithful Geyser!
Open May 20 - October 2, 2016
Open for lunch and dinner. Multiple serving stations provide various selections including Noodle Bowls, Bison Meatloaf, Hot Sandwiches, Roasted Turkey carved to order, entrée salads, deli sandwiches, and more.

## Old Faithful Lodge Bakery/Snack Shop

Bake Shop: Open May 12 - October 2, 2016 Ice Cream: Open May 20 - October 5, 2016 Fresh-baked muffins, bagels, sandwiches, and soft-serve ice cream.

#### Obsidian Dining Room at Snow Lodge

Open April 29 - October 16, 2016 Open for breakfast and dinner. Choose from Wild Alaska Salmon Tostada, Montana Natural Lamb, Natural Prime Rib and several other delicious options. Breakfast is à la carte and buffet.

#### Geyser Grill at Snow Lodge

Open April 15 - November 6, 2016 Quick service for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Offers burgers, chicken sandwiches, bison bratwurst sandwiches, cold sandwiches, and other on-the-go choices.

#### Firehole Lounge

Located in the Snow Lodge serving local beers, signature cocktails, and appetizers. Look for the bears in the fireplace.

### SHOPPING

#### Old Faithful Inn Gift Shop

Open May 6 - October 9, 2016

The historic Old Faithful Inn Gift Shop transports you back in time, featuring a wide selection of memorable gifts, from fun keepsakes to fine apparel. The acclaimed Inn Gallery is devoted to regional carvings and bronzes as well as exquisite Native American jewelry, drums, headdresses, fetishes, carvings and an outstanding array of artifacts. Visit with our artist-in-residence and also see who's participating in Yellowstone Stage, a daily series of visiting regional authors and artists.

#### Old Faithful Lodge Gift Shop

Open May 20 - October 5, 2016

Discover Yellowstone and its wonders through the many themed items you'll find at the Old Faithful Lodge Gift Shop, our premier geyser basin store. It features high energy, great selection, and fun folks to help you find just the right items. Gifts, fun souvenirs, and apparel for the entire family await you at your #1 stop to "Discover Yellowstone."

#### Bear Den Gift Shop at Snow Lodge

Open April 15 - November 6, 2016

Features an emphasis on bears and wildlife as well as winter in Yellowstone. After all, the Snow Lodge is our premier winter location. As winter fades and spring approaches, the ski shop transitions to "Bear Den Bikes," a rental program featuring bikes for in-park excursions (weather permitting, early June through early October). You'll discover a large selection of regional gifts, plus "Yellowstone Kids" a "store within a store" with the largest selection of youth-oriented products and apparel in the park.





## **ALL-DAY ADVENTURES**

## Circle of Fire Tour



Discover the story and scenery behind Yellowstone's amazing geysers and hot springs. You'll have the opportunity to see and explore Yellowstone Lake, the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone, and the Fountain Paint Pots. Our guides know where to look for wildlife.

Daily ~ Old Faithful Inn May 28 - Oct. 8 ~ 8:15 am - 4:30 pm Adult \$7900 Child (3-11) \$3950 (Children 2 and under free)





### Yellowstone in a Day



A great overview of the park and recommended as a "best first activity" by many of our guests. We'll show you the park highlights, including Yellowstone Lake, the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone and Mammoth Hot Springs. Make your reservations at the front desk or activities desk.

Daily ~ Old Faithful Inn May 28 - Oct. 8 ~ 8:15 am - 6:00 pm Adult \$110°° Child (3-11) \$55°° (Children 2 and under free)

## **ONLY HAVE A FEW HOURS?**

## Firehole Basin Adventure



This three-hour exploration will take you to where the action is "steamulating." Your guide will leave you with a new appreciation and understanding of Yellowstone's underground geothermal plumbing.

Mon., Tue., Wed., Fri., Sun. ~ Old Faithful Inn June 10 - Sept 9~ 12:45 pm - 4:00 pm

Daily ~ Old Faithful Inn May 28 - June 8 ~ 12:45 pm - 4:00 pm Sept 11- Oct. 8 ~ 12:45 pm - 4:00 pm Adult \$5250 Child (3-11) \$2625

(Children 2 and under free)









#### Picture Perfect Photo Safari



Explore the thermal features and scenic areas from the Firehole River to the Madison River with a photographer-guide who knows photography, cameras, and the photo hot spots. Our specific destinations will vary based on reported wildlife sightings and seasonal conditions. Whether you're an experienced shutterbug or a pointand-shoot novice, you'll enjoy this experience. Since tours leave early in the morning, please dress warmly. A muffin and juice will be provided. Daily ~ Old Faithful Inn

May 18 - Aug. 9 ~ 5:45 am - 11:00 am Aug. 10 - Sept. 6 ~ 6:00 am - 11:15 am Sept. 7 - Sept. 28 ~ 6:15 am - 11:30 am Adults \$90° Child (11 and under) \$45°

## Old Faithful Inn Tour K



The Old Faithful Inn caused a revolution in national park architecture and established the reputation of its young and gifted architect, Robert Chambers Reamer. A National Historic Landmark today, we invite you to come and learn the history and quirks of this national treasure. Daily - Meet by the fireplace in the lobby May 6 ~ 2:00 pm and 3:30 pm

May 7-Oct. 8 ~ 9:30 am, 11am, 2pm, and 3:30 pm Free

## Geyser Gazers



Join us for a 1.5 hour adventure in the Fire Hole, a name bestowed by mountain men of the early 19th century. Enjoy expansive views in the historic Yellow Bus (top down if the weather's nice) and take in the sights along Firehole Lake Drive, where Firehole Spring, Surprise Pool, Great Fountain Geyser, and other wonders lie adjacent to the road. From here, this tour makes its major walking stop at Midway Geyser Basin.

Daily ~ Old Faithful Inn

May 28 - August 23 ~ 4:15 pm - 6:00 pm Sept 11 - October 8 ~ 4:15 pm - 6:00 pm Adult \$2700 Child (3-11) \$1350

(Children 2 and under free)

## Rent a Bicycle

Go for a bike ride down to Morning Glory Pool or to Lone Star Geyser. Bicycle rentals are available in the Bear Den Gift Shop at Old Faithful Snow Lodge.

### **National Park Service Visitor Education Center**

The Old Faithful Visitor Education Center, which opened in 2010, contains exciting interactive exhibits explaining Yellowstone's rare thermal features and a Young Scientist room for visitors of all ages. The theater features frequent showings of park videos. Stop at the Visitor Education Center for the next prediction for Old Faithful Geyser and a few other geysers or call 307-344-2751.

## Take a Hike

For the latest on trail conditions, bear closure areas, and other important information, we recommend checking with a National Park Service Visitor Center before hiking in Yellowstone. The NPS Visitor Center will also have the latest geyser eruption predictions.

### Upper Gevser Basin

Yellowstone is home to more thermal features than anywhere in the world-and you're smack-dab in the middle of it! One of our favorite walks in the Old Faithful area takes you down the boardwalk to Morning Glory Pool and loops back past many amazing features that should not be missed. 3-mile round-trip walk.

#### Lone Star Geyser Trail

Hike or even bike along the Firehole River to this cone geyser which erupts for 30 minutes about every 3 hours. Bring a box lunch and spend some quality time in this lovely area. An easy, 4.8-mile round-trip hike from the trailhead just south of Kepler Cascades parking area.

#### **Observation Point**

Take the boardwalk across the Firehole River and follow the signs up the hill. You'll have a bird's-eve view of the gevser basin and a frontrow seat for Old Faithful's eruption. This is a steep 1-mile round-trip hike, but worth the effort.

## Ranger-led Interpretive Walks

Interpretive walks are available throughout Yellowstone. Refer to the schedule at the National Park Service Visitor Center or in the Yellowstone Today newspaper you received at the entrance station. You'll be glad you did.

### AT THE END OF THE DAY...

## Twilight on the Firehole



The Firehole (or Fire Hole) was named by the mountain men of the 19th century. What they experienced then still inspires visitors today. Exploring the Firehole area during the later part of the day is especially appealing as evening is a "golden hour" in Yellowstone. That later daylight adds a dramatic hue to the landscape, and wildlife tends to be more active in early mornings and evenings. This tour allows us to introduce you to an evening in the Firehole.

Daily ~ Old Faithful Inn

May 28 - July 26 ~ 7:15 pm - 9:30 pm

July 27 - Aug. 9 ~ 6:45 pm - 9:00 pm

Aug. 10 - Aug. 23 ~ 6:15 pm - 8:30 pm

Aug. 24 - Sept. 10 ~ 5:45 pm - 8:00 pm

Adult \$3550 Child (3-11) \$1775

(Children 2 and under free)

#### **Evening Programs**

Catch an interpretive program in the National Park Service Visitor Education Center, or relax with piano music in the Old Faithful Inn. Refer to the National Park Service newspaper Yellowstone Today you received at the gate, ask at one of the desks or stop by the Visitor Education Center for more information on evening programs offered in the Old Faithful Area.





### LODGING

#### Lake Yellowstone Hotel & Cabins

Open May 14 - October 9, 2016 Rates: Frontier Cabin - \$157 Sandpiper Room - \$237 Premium Room, 1 Queen - \$380 Premium Room, 2 Queens - \$390 Premium Room, 1 King - \$409 Superior Lakeside Room, 1 Queen - \$405 Superior Lakeside Room, 2 Queens - \$415 Superior Lakeside Room, 1 King - \$425 Suite - \$572

Presidential Suite - \$690

Upon arrival, the hotel's massive white columns welcome you to a time of classic, yet casual elegance. Among its many accolades, the Lake Hotel is a National Historic Landmark and a Green Seal-certified hotel. It recently underwent a full interior renovation, restoring it's Colonial Revival qualities and features in public spaces, guest rooms, the dining room and deli. All hotel rooms have in-room baths (tub/ shower combinations). Cabins have showers. There are over 300 guest units with cabins and Standard rooms containing double beds; hotel rooms have gueen or king beds.

#### Lake Lodge Cabins

Open June 10 - September 25, 2016 Rates: Pioneer Cabin - \$88 Frontier Cabin - \$138 Western Cabin - \$204

From here, time is captured in the shimmering reflections of lakeside mountains. Lake Lodge is an inviting location with cozy multiplex cabins. All cabins include private bath, some shower/tub, some shower only. The main building has a front porch overlooking Yellowstone Lake. Almost 200 units with Western cabins having queen beds and Pioneer/Frontier Cabins having full beds.

## DINING

## Lake Yellowstone Hotel Dining Room

Open May 14 - October 9, 2016

Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Treat yourself to the Eggs Benedict for breakfast. Unique specialty sandwiches and entrée salads are offered at lunch. And at dinner enjoy Bison Tenderloin, Wild Alaskan Salmon, or Montana Natural Lamb.

Advanced dinner reservations are required and can be made by calling 307-344-7311. Dinner reservations can be made beginning May 1 for the following year with Lake Hotel room reservations and 2 months in advance without Lake Hotel room reservations.

#### The Lake Hotel Deli

Open May 14 - October 9, 2016

Delivers quality on-the-go options like specialty deli sandwiches and soups for lunch and dinner, and Starbucks coffee.

#### Lake Hotel Lounge

Located in the Sun Room of the Lake Hotel. Enjoy a drink while listening to piano music or the string quartet.

### Lake Lodge Cafeteria

Open June 10 - September 25, 2016

Offers a pleasing selection of value-priced entrée salads and to-go items. Slow-Roasted Natural Prime Rib and Turkey are carved to order. A rotating menu of daily specialties is sure to satisfy. Enjoy breakfast, lunch and dinner with stunning views of Yellowstone Lake.

#### Lake Lodge Lounge

Wind down from your big day at the Lake Lodge Lounge. On cool evenings, the large fireplace provides welcome warmth and atmosphere.

## SHOPPING

## Lake Yellowstone Hotel Gift Shop

Yellowstone's largest apparel sections.

Open May 14 - October 9, 2016 Visiting Yellowstone Lake is an incredible experience and we've brought it indoors. You'll discover that the waters of Yellowstone dictate the theme with a wide array of gifts promoting the lake lifestyle. Collectibles, carvings, exquisite Native American iewelry and distinctive regional products are merchandised with one of

#### Lake Lodge Gift Shop

Open June 10 - September 25, 2016 Designed to be a fun stop for kids of all ages, our staff created it with young people in mind. It's packed with a huge selection of kids' items as well as regional gifts and great apparel items.

## **BRIDGE BAY MARINA ACTIVITIES**

(Located about 2 miles south of Lake Village)

#### Scenicruise on Yellowstone Lake (from Bridge Bay Marina)



"All Aboard" the Lake Queen II for a relaxing, entertaining one-hour cruise! Motor out to Stevenson Island where you will see the wreck of the SS E.C. Waters, and hear her story and a bit about the "colorful" man who had her built. Daily ~ Bridge Bay Marina

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Aug. 13 - Sept. 6 ~ 9:15 am, 10:45 am, 1:15 pm. 2:45 pm, 4:15 pm, 5:45 pm

Sept. 7 - Sept. 11 ~ 9:15 am, 10:45 am, 1:15 pm, 2:45 pm, 4:15 pm

Adult \$1700 Child (3-11) \$1000 (Children 2 and under free)



#### Guided Fishing or Sightseeing Charters



Our captains can take you fishing for Lakers and Cutthroat, or trolling for discovery onboard our charter boats. Visit the Lake Hotel Front Desk or Bridge Bay Marina for more information and reservations.

Daily ~ Bridge Bay Marina June 13 - August 12 ~ 7:45 am - 8:00 pm Aug. 13 - Sept 4 ~ 8:45 am - 6:30 pm 22' Cabin Cruiser, 1-6 people ~ \$9000/hour Price includes 3 rods and tackle. 2-hour minimum rental.

#### Boat Rentals from Bridge Bay Marina



For some self-guided adventures, 16-foot rowboats and 18-foot outboard motor boats can be rented from the marina. Rental boats are available on a first-come, first-served basis, 2 person minimum.

Daily ~ Bridge Bay Marina June 13 - September 4 Row Boats ~ \$1000/hour Outboard Motor Boats ~ \$5250/hour

Price includes personal floatation devices and gas or oars. Deposit required. Advance reservations not accepted.

#### Bridge Bay Marina Dock Slip Rentals

Daily ~ Bridge Bay Marina May 20 - Sept. 11 16' and under ~ \$20°°/day Over 16' ~ \$2700/day

#### Backcountry Shuttle



Our Backcountry Shuttle Service can carry up to 6 people, gear, and boats to backcountry drop-off locations and campsites on Yellowstone Lake. Use this service to enjoy a unique backcountry experience in Yellowstone. Venture to one of the most remote locations in the lower 48 states while backpacking. hiking, camping, or boating. Drop-off points include: Eagle Bay, Wolf Bay, Plover Point, Promontory, and the mouth of Columbine Creek. The shuttle can be booked one way, round trip, or for any point-to-point service from the five mentioned drop off points, as well as to and from Bridge Bay Marina.

Daily ~ Bridge Bay Marina June 13 - August 29 Office hours 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Last departure 3:00 pm August 30 - Sept. 11 Office hours 9:00 am - 5 pm Last departure 2:00 pm Drop-off's ~ \$9900/hour (2 hour min.) Towing ~ \$11000/hour (2 hour min.)

## **ALL DAY ADVENTURES**

#### Circle of Fire Tour

(Children 2 and under free)



Discover the story and scenery behind Yellowstone's amazing geysers and hot springs. You'll have the opportunity to see Old Faithful and explore the Fountain Paint Pots and the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone. Our guides know where to look for wildlife.

Daily ~ Lake Yellowstone Hotel May 28 - Sept. 17~ 9:30 am - 6:15 pm Daily ~ Fishing Bridge RV Park May 28 - Sept. 17 ~ 9:15 am - 6:00 pm Daily ~ Bridge Bay Campground May 28 - Sept. 4 ~ 9:45 am - 6:30 pm Adult \$7900 Child (3-11) \$3950



### ONLY HAVE A FEW HOURS?

## Picture Perfect Photo Safari



Explore the northern shores of Yellowstone Lake, Hayden Valley and the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone areas with a photographer-guide who knows photography, cameras, photo hot spots and prime times for viewing wildlife. Our specific destination will vary based on reported wildlife sightings and seasonal conditions. Whether you're an experienced shutterbug or point-andshoot novice, you can enjoy this experience. Because tours leave early in the morning, please dress warmly. A muffin and juice will be provided. Daily ~ Lake Hotel

May 20 - Aug. 9 ~ 5:45 am - 11:00 am Aug. 10 - Sept. 6 ~ 6:00 am - 11:15 am Sept. 7 - Sept. 24 ~ 6:15 am - 11:30 am Sept. 25 - Oct. 8 - 6:30 am - 11:45 am Adult \$90° Child (11 and under) \$45°

#### Lake Yellowstone Hotel Tour

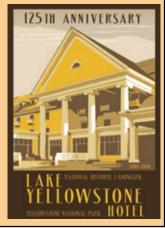


No hotel has stood in any national park longer than the Lake Yellowstone Hotel. So come along as our interpretive guide shares the history, the hardships and the idiosyncrasies of Yellowstone's oldest hostelry.

Daily ~ Lake Hotel Lobby May 28 - Aug. 9 ~ 5:30 pm Aug. 10 - Sept. 17 ~ 4:30 pm Free

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LAKE YELLOWSTONE HOTEL!

In 2016, the Grand Old Lady of the Lake turns 125! The original Lake Hotel was completed in 1891 at a cost of \$46,000. In 1903/04 Robert Reamer added guest rooms and extended the gables, supporting them with hotel's signature 50 iconic columns. Beginning in 1919 and continuing into the 1920's, Reamer added the port cochere, east wing and Sun Room and many other modifications. Again in 2014, extensive structural and interior renovations were completed and showcase her Colonial Revival stylings. Today she stands proudly as the oldest hotel in the oldest national park.





## Take a Hike

For the latest information on trail conditions, bear closure areas, and other important information, we recommend checking with a National Park Service Visitor Center before hiking in Yellowstone.

Elephant Back Trail - Enjoy this hike through a dense lodgepole pine forest to a sweeping panoramic view of Yellowstone Lake and the surrounding area. This moderately strenuous trail is a 3-mile loop starting one mile south of the Fishing Bridge Junction. This is a local favorite!

Storm Point Trail - This is an easy hike to scenic, windswept Storm Point. The 3-mile trail starts at the Indian Pond turnout three miles east of the Fishing Bridge Visitor Center and passes through an open meadow, a forested area, and then takes you along the lakeshore. Look for the colony of yellowbellied marmots that make their home near the rocky point.

#### **National Park Service Visitor Center**

The Fishing Bridge Visitor Center and Museum is located one mile east of Fishing Bridge Junction on the East Entrance Road. Built in 1931, it is a National Historic Landmark and houses historic bird specimens and other animal mounts.

### Ranger-Led Interpretive Walks

Interpretive walks are available throughout Yellowstone. Refer to the schedule at the National Park Service Visitor Center or in the Yellowstone Today newspaper you received at the entrance station. You'll be glad you did!

## AT THE END OF THE DAY...

Yellowstone Lake Butte Sunset Tour 🐃

Enjoy the scenic shores of Yellowstone Lake and breathtaking views from the Lake Butte Overlook. It's a ride through history and nature, as tales from the past are interwoven with sights of the present.

Dailv ~ Lake Hotel

May 28 - July 26 ~ 7:15 pm - 9:30 pm July 27 - Aug. 9 ~ 6:45 pm - 9:00 pm Aug. 10 - Aug. 23 ~ 6:15 pm - 8:30 pm Aug. 24 - Sept. 17 ~ 5:45 pm - 8:00 pm Sept. 18 - Sept. 24 ~ 5:30 pm - 7:45 pm Sept. 25 - Oct. 1 ~ 5:15 pm - 7:30 pm Oct. 2 - Oct. 8 ~ 5:00 pm - 7:15 pm

Daily ~ Fishing Bridge RV Park

May 28 - July 26 ~ 7:25 pm - 9:20 pm July 27 - Aug. 9 ~ 6:55 pm - 8:50 pm Aug. 10 - Aug. 23 ~ 6:25 pm - 8:20 pm Aug. 24 - Sept 17 ~ 5:55 pm - 7:50 pm Adult \$3650 Child (3 - 11) \$1825 (Children 2 and under free)

#### Lake Hotel Serenade

Take in the lake view while enjoying beautiful music. Piano and string quartet music alternate throughout the summer. The"centerpiece" bar is conveniently located in the Sun Room if you fancy a beverage.

## Lamar Valley Wildlife Excursion



The Northern Range, which includes the expansive Lamar Valley, provides perfect habitat for bears, wolves, elk, bison, pronghorn, eagles, and bighorn sheep.

Daily ~ Lake Hotel

June 4 - Aug. 23 ~ 3:15 pm - 9:00 pm Aug. 24 - Sept. 10 ~ 2:45 pm - 8:30 pm

Daily ~ Fishing Bridge RV Park June 4 - Aug. 23 ~ 3:30 pm - 8:45 pm Aug. 24 - Sept. 10 ~ 3:00 pm - 8:15 pm

Daily ~ Bridge Bay Campground June 4 - Aug. 23 ~ 3:00 pm - 9:15 pm Aug. 24 - Sept. 4 ~ 2:30 pm - 8:45 pm Adult \$7400 Child (3-11) \$3700 (Children 2 and under free)

# **Canyon Area**



#### LODGING

### Canyon Lodge & Cabins

Open June 3- September 25, 2016 Rates: Western Cabin - \$204 Standard Lodge Room - \$140 Premium Lodge Room - \$230 Superior Lodge Room without Patio - \$255 Superior Lodge Room with Patio - \$265 Suite - \$499

If location is everything, this is a great central base for your park explorations. Canyon Lodge offers a mix of accommodation types, from Western Cabins to a range of lodge rooms. In 2015, three new sustainably built lodges were completed and opened to the public. The final two lodges in this project are scheduled for completion by September 2016. All guest lodging has private bathrooms. Most bathrooms have a tub/shower combination, while some have showers only. Bedding ranges from full size to gueen beds.

## DINING

#### Canyon Dining Room

Open June 3 - September 25, 2016 Open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner (first come, first-served seating). Serving an à la carte breakfast and a lunch menu that includes, burgers, sandwiches, and salads. For dinner, sink your teeth into several cuts of slow-roasted natural Prime Rib.

#### Canyon Cafeteria

Open May 28 - September 18, 2016 Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. All about value and variety. Choose from a mix of themed stations at lunch and dinner.

#### Canyon Lodge Deli

Open May 28 - September 18, 2016 Open breakfast through dinner. Offers grab-andgo deli sandwiches, coffee, Nathan's Famous Hot Dogs, salads, beverages, hand-dipped ice cream, and other to-go favorites.

#### Canyon Lodge Lounge

Tasty appetizers, Yellowstone signature beverages, and microbrews are available.

#### **SHOPPING**

#### Canyon Lodge Gift Store

Open May 28 - September 25, 2016 Focuses on wildlife in Yellowstone with interpretive souvenirs, unique plush animals, and other fine gifts and apparel.





## **ALL DAY ADVENTURES**

#### Circle of Fire



Discover the story and scenery behind Yellowstone's amazing geysers and hot springs! You'll have the opportunity to see Old Faithful and explore the colorful Fountain Paint Pots and the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone. Our guides know where to look for wildlife! Daily ~ Canyon Lodge Registration Building June 4 - Sept. 17 ~ 7:45 am - 4:15 pm Adult \$7900 Child (3-11) \$3950 (Children 2 and under free)

## **ONLY HAVE A FEW HOURS?**

## Wake Up to Wildlife



The early morning hours and Lamar Valley's broad vistas provide great opportunities to spot wildlife grazing or hunting on the open hillsides. If the wildlife is lying low, the spectacular scenery is sure to please. A muffin and juice will be provided. Daily ~ Canyon Lodge Registration Building June 4 - Sept. 17 ~ 6:15 am - 11:30 am Adult \$8700 Child (3-11) \$4350 (Children 2 and under free)

## Saddle Up

Whoa partner! Take the time to "slow down and smell the sagebrush" as you and your horse mosey on the trail along Cascade Creek. At Canyon Lodge Corral one-hour horseback rides are offered throughout the day, and a two-hour ride is offered in the morning. The Corral is about a mile south of Canyon Lodge. (To ride a horse a person must be at least 8 years old, 48 inches tall and weigh under 240 lbs, understand English, ages 8-17 must be accompanied by an adult 18 years or over).

1-hour rides June 22 - Aug. 11 ~7:45 am, 9:15 am, 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm, 2:30 pm, 3:00 pm, 5:45 pm, 6:15 pm Aug. 12 - Sept. 4 ~ 7:45 am, 9:15 am, 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm, 2:30 pm, 3:00 pm, 5:45 pm Ages 8 through Adult \$4700

2 Hour Rides June 22 - Sept. 4 ~ 8:45 am Ages 8 through Adult \$7100

Daily ~ Canyon Corral

## Take a Hike



There are many trails along the North and South Rims, offering breathtaking views of the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River. For information on trail conditions, bear closure areas, and other important information, we recommend checking with the NPS Visitor Center before hiking in Yellowstone.

## Ranger-Led Interpretive Walks 🐧



Interpretive walks are available throughout Yellowstone. Refer to the schedule at the National Park Service Visitor Center or in the Yellowstone Today newspaper you received at the entrance station. You'll be glad you did!

#### National Park Service Visitor Education Center

The Canyon Visitor Education Center features Yellowstone's supervolcano concept. Through interactive exhibits, animations, audio-visuals and real-time scientific data you will gain understanding about how Yellowstone's volcano, its geysers, hot springs, and geologic history affect all life here.

## AT THE END OF THE DAY...

## Lamar Valley Wildlife Excursion



The Northern Range, which includes Lamar Valley, provides perfect habitat for bears, wolves, elk, bison, pronghorn, and bighorn sheep. Find out what makes this area so popular with animals and people. Daily ~ Canyon Lodge Registration Building June 4 - Aug. 23 ~ 4:15 pm - 8:15 pm Aug. 24 - Sept. 10 ~ 3:45 pm - 7:45 pm Adult \$4600 Child (3-11) \$2300

## (Children 2 and under free)



The combination of early evening hours and our historic Yellow Bus creates the perfect wildlife viewing opportunity. This is prime "critter country." Along the way your guide's insights will be enhanced by the nostalgic ride on board this classic touring car.

Daily ~ Canyon Lodge Registration Building May 28 - Aug. 16 ~ 4:15 pm - 8:30 pm Aug. 17 - Sept. 17 ~ 3:45 pm - 8:00 pm Adult \$64°° Child (3-11) \$32°°

(Children 2 and under free)

## **Roosevelt Area**



## LODGING

#### Roosevelt Lodge Cabins

Open June 10 - September 5, 2016 Rates: Roughrider Cabin - \$89 Frontier Cabin - \$142

From the front porch of the lodge, you can rock your stress to sleep and awaken your old west spirit. Roosevelt Lodge features rustic cabins. Most of the cabins are without private bath and are heated with wood stoves. 80 units, all with double beds, some have electric heat and private bathroom with shower.





## DINING

#### Roosevelt Lodge Dining Room

Open June 10 - September 5, 2016

Open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner (first come, first-served seating). Offers food fit for a cowboy! The breakfast menu offers traditional favorites. Starting at 11:30 am the menu has specialties including Wild Game Chili, the Wyoming Cheese Steak Sandwich, and our popular Taco Salad Grande with Bison, Chicken, or Black Bean Chili. Dinner fare includes our popular housemade Fried Chicken and Ribs, Top Sirloin, and Pan-Fried Rocky Mountain Trout.

#### **Guest Lounge**

Enjoy good conversation and Yellowstone signature beverages from the bar, located inside the Lodge. Sample locally distilled whiskey while you rock away your evening on the Lodge's front porch.

## **SHOPPING**

#### Roosevelt Lodge Gift Shop

Open June 10 - September 5, 2016

The Old West has arrived. Stop by for some personal attention and find just the right gift for your cowboys and cowgirls back home. Take a look at the fine Native American jewelry and fetishes too.

## Roosevelt Area

## **ONLY HAVE A FEW HOURS?**

## Wake Up to Wildlife



The early morning hours and Lamar Valley's broad vistas provide great opportunities to spot wildlife grazing or hunting on the open hillsides. If the wildlife is lying low, the spectacular scenery is sure to please. A muffin and juice will be provided. Daily ~ Roosevelt Lodge

June 11 - Sept. 4 ~ 7:00 am - 11:00 am Adults \$8700 Child (3-11) \$4350

(Children 2 and under free)

## Saddle Up!

Whoa Partner! Take the time to "slow down and smell the sagebrush" as you and your horse mosey along the trail. One-hour horseback rides are offered throughout the day. Two-hour horseback rides are offered once a day. (To ride a horse a person must be at least 8 years old, 48 inches tall and weigh under 240 lbs, understand English, ages 8-17 must be accompanied by an adult 18 years or over)

Daily ~ Roosevelt Corral

1 hour Rides

June 3 - Aug. 12 ~ 12:00 pm, 12:30 pm, 1:30 pm

Aug. 13 - Sept. 4 ~ 12:00 pm, 1:00 pm

Ages 8 - Adult \$4700

2 Hour Rides

June 3 - Sept. 4 ~ 9:30 am

Ages 8 - Adults \$7100

#### Go Western with a Stagecoach Adventure

Energize your pioneer spirit on a stagecoach ride. Feel the rumble of the replica Tally-ho coach. Hear about the history of the stagecoaches in Yellowstone. Offered throughout the day from the Roosevelt corral.

Daily ~ Roosevelt Corral

June 3 - June 10 ~ 1:15 pm, 2:15 pm, 3:15 pm

June 11 - Aug. 11 ~ 10:45 am, 1:15 pm,

2:15 pm, 3:15 pm

Aug. 12 - Sept. 4 ~ 10:45 am, 1:15 pm, 2:15 pm

Adult \$1400 Child (2-11) \$700

(Children 2 and under free)

## Take a Hike 🕅



For information on trail conditions, bear closure areas, and other important information, we recommend checking with an NPS Visitor Center before hiking in Yellowstone.

Slough Creek Trail - This scenic trail leads to a favorite area for catch and release anglers. The trail follows a historic wagon trail up Slough Creek through several meadows and over Plateau and Elk Tongue Creeks. This trail is moderately strenuous for the first 1.5 miles, then it is easy and takes one to three hours each way. Trailhead begins at the Slough Creek Campground (about 9 miles from Roosevelt Lodge).

### AT THE END OF THE DAY...

#### Old West Dinner Cookout



Head out from Roosevelt Lodge for some cowboy grub and tall tales! Feast on sizzling steaks, our famous Roosevelt baked beans, potato salad, corn, cole slaw, corn muffins, watermelon, and fruit crisp. It's all served up with music, storytelling, wranglers, horses, and wagons. Reserve in advance.

Daily ~ Roosevelt Corrals

Wagon

June 4 - Aug. 12 ~ 4:45 pm Check-in Aug. 13 - Sept. 4 ~ 3:45 pm Check-in Sept. 5 - Sept. 10 ~ 2:45 pm Check-in Adult \$6000 Child (3-11) \$4800 (2 and under free but must sit on parents lap)

1- Hour Horseback Ride

June 4 - Aug. 12 ~ 4:15 pm Check-in Aug. 13 - Sept. 4 ~ 3:15 pm Check-in Adult \$80° Child (8-11) \$69°

2- Hour Horseback Ride

June 4 - Aug. 12 ~ 3:30 pm Check-in Aug. 13 - Sept. 4 ~ 2:30 pm Check-in Adult \$8900 Child (8-11) \$8200



# Grant Village Area



## LODGING

#### **Grant Village**

Open May 27 - October 2, 2016 Rates: Premium Lodge Room - \$230

The name honors President Ulysses S. Grant, who established Yellowstone as the world's first national park in 1872. Grant Village offers guest rooms in 6 separate lodge buildings. One bedded rooms have a queen bed, two bedded rooms have double beds.

## DINING

#### **Grant Village Dining Room**

Open May 27 - October 2, 2016

Open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. For dinner enjoy Spicy Crab Ravioli, a Bison Burger, or our housemade Wild Game Meatloaf.

Advanced dinner reservations are required and can be made by calling 307-344-7311. Dinner reservations can be made beginning May 1 for the following year with Grant Village room reservations and two months in advance without Grant Village room reservations.

#### Lake House Restaurant

Open May 27 - September 25, 2016 Open for breakfast and dinner. Offering a casual dinner menu featuring noodle and rice bowls, Pho Bowls, and Banh Mi Sandwiches. Breakfast is buffet style.

#### Seven Stool Saloon

Enjoy good conversation and Yellowstone signature beverages in the Seven Stool Saloon located inside the Dining Room. Check out our local microbrews, too.

## **SHOPPING**

#### **Grant Village Gift Shop**

Open May 27 - October 2, 2016

Located in the registration building, the Grant Village Gift Shop provides an intimate shopping experience and features special promotional items daily. If you like bargains, this is your store! Stop by for great values, good quality and friendly, helpful service.



# Grant Village Area

## **ALL DAY ADVENTURES**

## Circle of Fire

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Daily ~ Grant Village Registration Building May 28 - Oct. 1 ~ 9:15 am - 6:30 pm Adult \$79°° Child (3-11) \$39<sup>50</sup>

(Children 2 and under free)





## **ONLY HAVE A FEW HOURS?**

## Scenicruise on Yellowstone Lake (from Bridge Bay Marina)

"All Aboard" the Lake Queen II for a relaxing, entertaining one-hour cruise! Motor out to Stevenson Island where you will see the wreck of the SS E.C. Waters, and hear her story and a bit about the "colorful" man who had her built. Daily ~ Bridge Bay Marina (Approx. 20 miles North) June 13 - Aug. 12 ~ 9:15 am, 10:45 am, 1:15 pm, 2:45 pm, 4:15 pm, 5:45 pm, 7:15 pm

Aug. 13 - Sept 6 ~ 9:15 am, 10:45 am, 1:15 pm, 2:45 pm, 4:15 pm, 5:45 pm

Sept. 7 - Sept. 11 ~ 9:15 am, 10:45 am, 1:15 pm, 2:45 pm, 4:15 pm Adult \$17°° Child (3-11) \$10°° (Children 2 and under free)

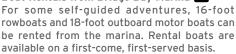
# Grant Village Area

#### **Private Sightseeing Charters**

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22' Cabin Cruiser, 1-6 people ~ \$9000/hour Price includes 3 rods and tackle.
2-hour minimum rental.

#### Boat Rentals from Bridge Bay Marina



Daily ~ Bridge Bay Marina (Approx. 20 miles North) June 13 - September 4

Row Boats ~ \$1000/hour

Outboard Motor Boats ~ \$5250/hour

Price includes personal flotation devices and gas or oars.

Deposit required. Advance reservations not accepted.

## Take a Hike 🏌

For information on trail conditions, bear closure areas and other important information we recommend checking with a National Park Service Visitor Center before hiking in Yellowstone.

#### West Thumb Gevser Basin

Stroll through the beautiful West Thumb Geyser Basin situated on the shores of Yellowstone Lake. The boardwalk trail is just over a mile long and twists through colorful hot springs and dormant lakeshore geysers. (Located approximately 2 miles north of Grant Village.)

#### West Thumb Overlook Trail

For a great view of Yellowstone Lake and the Absaroka Mountain Range, hike the West Thumb Overlook Trail. This two-mile trail starts at the west end of the West Thumb parking lot, crosses the South Entrance Road and climbs about 400 feet through meadows and forest.

#### Ranger-Led Interpretive Walks

Interpretive walks are available throughout Yellowstone. Refer to the schedule at the National Park Service Visitor Center or in the Yellowstone Today newspaper you received at the entrance station. You'll be glad you did!

#### **National Park Service Visitor Center**

The theme of the Grant Village Visitor Center is the fires of 1988 and the role of fire in Yellowstone. It has a theater and shows a presentation titled 10 Years After the Fire.

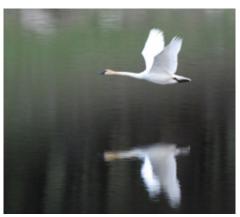
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#### **Evening Programs**

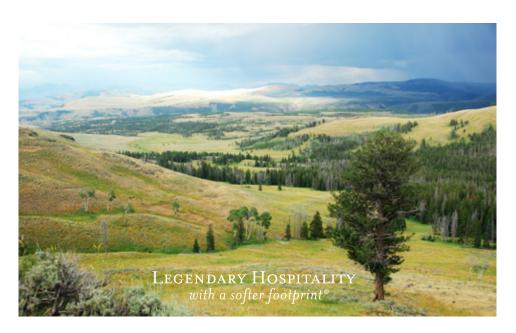
Enjoy a park ranger interpretive program. Refer to your copy of *Yellowstone Today* (the park newspaper that you received at the gate), or ask at one of the desks or stop by the Visitor Center for the schedule of programs.







# **Our Softer Footprint**



Xanterra's mission is to provide Legendary Hospitality with a Softer Footprint, and we take our role in environmental stewardship very seriously. Through our Enivronmental program, we incorporate sustainable practices in all aspects of our operations to reduce the impacts from fossil fuel consumption and work to educate our employees and guests on their individual environmental responsibility. During your stay, you can participate in this environmental commitment by helping us protect Yellowstone in the following ways:

#### Recycle:

For your convenience, we offer recycling containers for plastic (#1 and #2), paper, glass, cardboard, steel, and aluminum in all of our guest rooms. Recycling bins are also located at campgrounds and public areas throughout the park. With help from visitors like you, last year we recycled and composted nearly three million pounds of material and diverted nearly 60% of our waste from entering local landfills!

#### **Choose Green:**

When shopping in our retail gift shops, look for products that are marked as local, made with recycled content or more environmentally friendly

Be sure to use a reusable bag and a reusable water bottle (if you left yours at home, we have affordable options for you)! Our restaurants also offer a variety of sustainable choices including locally produced products and Rainforest Alliance certified coffee.

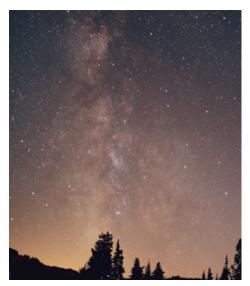
#### Conserve Energy:

When staying in the park's guest rooms, take advantage of the linen reuse program and be sure to turn off lights and heat when you leave the room.

Be Green at Home: Stewardship does not end at the national park borders. You can help protect Yellowstone and other national parks from the impacts of climate change and pollution by continuing these environmental practices at home.

For more info on Xanterra's commitment to environmental sustainability, we invite you to review our 'Softer Footprint' pamplet located in most rooms and lodging front desks. You can also find more information on our programs and what YOU can do to protect Yellowstone and all of our National Parks for future generations by visiting our website: YellowstoneNationalParkLodges.com/environment

# **Campground Information**



## PLEASE READ THESE GUIDELINES FOR A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE STAY

- All campgrounds operated by Yellowstone National Park Lodges have restrooms with cold water and flush toilets, coin-operated ice and soda machines, and recycling and refuse containers nearby.
- Individual campsites have one picnic table and one fire grate (except at Fishing Bridge RV Park, which does not have picnic tables or fire grates). Group campsites have one picnic table and one fire grate for approximately every six people and are for tent camping only. Firewood is sold at all campgrounds except Fishing Bridge RV Park. Food storage regulations are strictly enforced at all campgrounds. Please refer to the Campground Policies section for further food storage information.
- Sites that accommodate RVs at Canyon, Bridge Bay, Grant Village, and Madison campgrounds are either pull-through or back-in with limited width for slide-outs and MAY NOT BE LEVEL; please plan accordingly.
   Some sites are shaded while others are in open areas.
   All sites at Fishing Bridge RV Park are back-in sites, located in an open area surrounded by a pine forest.

## CAMPGROUND DESCRIPTIONS

#### Madison Campground

Open April 29 - October 16, 2016 Rates: \$23.50

Dump Station, Amphitheater

Located 16 miles north of Old Faithful at the confluence of the Gibbon and Firehole Rivers, which creates the Madison River. Restaurants, pay showers, and stores are located at Old Faithful. No utility hookups. Sanitary RV dump station available, however below-freezing temperatures in spring and fall can result in dump station closures. Showers are not included in campsite rate.

#### Fishing Bridge RV Park

Open May 6 - September 18, 2016

Rates: \$50.00

Dump Station, Pay Showers, Coin Laundry, Amphitheater

Located near Fishing Bridge Junction in the Yellowstone Lake area, the RV park is for hard sided units only. If your unit has any fabric construction on the exterior walls, we will try to accommodate you at our other campgrounds. Sites are double-wide with a limited width for slide-outs and maximum length of 40 feet (units over 40' cannot be accommodated). Electricity (20/30/50 amp), water and sewer hookups are provided. Pay showers, coin laundry, stores, and sanitary RV dump station available. The Lifetime Interagency Pass (for seniors and individuals with permanent disabilities) is not accepted at Fishing Bridge RV Park. Individual campsite rate includes two showers per night.



# **Campground Information**



#### Bridge Bay Campground

Open May 20 - September 5, 2016

Rates: \$23.50

Dump Station, Amphitheater

Located near the west shore of Yellowstone Lake adjacent to Bridge Bay Marina, three miles south of Fishing Bridge Junction. Group sites are available. Store, boat rental, dock rental, boat launch, guided fishing trips, and scenic boat rides available. Restaurants and stores are located at Lake Hotel and Lake Lodge, two miles north. Coin laundry and pay showers are located at Fishing Bridge RV Park, 4 miles north. No utility hookups. Sanitary RV dump station available. Showers are not included in campsite rate.

#### Canyon Campground

Open May 27 - September 11, 2016

Rates: \$28.00

Dump Station, Pay Showers, Coin Laundry,

Amphitheater

Centrally located near the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone. There are stores, restaurants, pay showers, and coin laundry nearby. No utility hookups. Sanitary RV dump station available. Individual campsite rate includes two showers per night.

#### **Grant Village Campground**

Open June 19 - September 18, 2016

Rates: \$28.00

Dump Station, Pay Showers, Coin Laundry,

Amphitheater

Located on the southwest shore of Yellowstone Lake, 22 miles north of the South Entrance. Group sites are available. Stores, restaurants, pay showers and coin laundry are within one mile. No utility hookups. Sanitary RV dump station available, however below-freezing temperatures in spring and fall can result in dump station closures. Individual campsite rate includes two showers per night.

# CHECK-IN AND CAMPSITE ASSIGNMENT

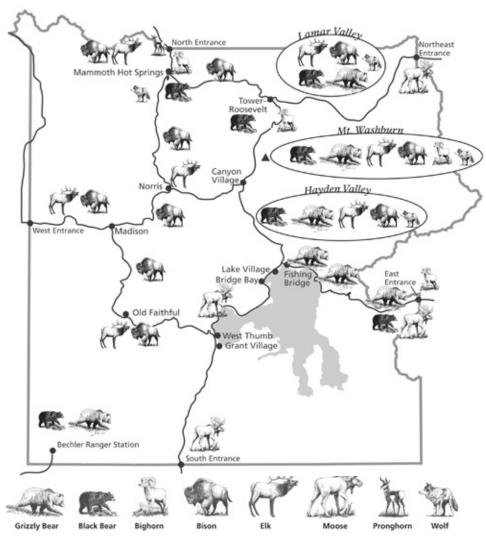
- Check-ins are handled throughout the day. Your site may not be available until after the 11:00 am check-out time.
- Accessible facilities are available. Please contact us with your specific requests, and we will do our best to accommodate you.
- Check-out time at all campgrounds is 11:00 am. Please be aware that incoming campers may be waiting for the campsite you are vacating.

## **BE BEAR AWARE**

- Keep a clean camp! Improperly stored or unattended food will be confiscated and you could be fined.
- Treat odorous products such as soap, toothpaste, fuel products, suntan lotion, and bug spray in the same manner as food.
- Never store food, garbage or toiletries in tents or sleeping bags.
- Place all trash in bear-resistant garbage dumpsters.
- Pets must be kept under physical restraint and never left unattended.
- Immediately report careless campers nearby and all bear sightings to the campground kiosk or nearest ranger.



## **Animals In Yellowstone**



## MAMMAL LOCATION MAP

Use the map above as a guide to areas frequented by these big mammals, and the list on the next page to check off all the mammals - big and small - while visiting Yellowstone National Park.

Illustrations and information provided by the NPS

### HIKING SAFETY

Minimize your risks of a bear encounter by making loud noises, shouting, or singing. *Always* carry bear spray. Hike in groups of 3 or more and use caution where vision is obstructed. Do not hike after dark. Avoid carcasses; bears often defend this source of food. Obtain more information by visiting a Ranger Station.

## **Animals In Yellowstone**

## ANIMALS IN THE PARK

More than 70 mammals live in Yellowstone. and the 8 to the left are the ones most visitors want to see. The map to the left shows the most likely places to see the big mammals, but what you see will vary with the weather, season, and behavior of the animals. You might see these and other animals in other places in the park, or you might not see any at all. Enjoy looking for and watching wildlife.

## BE CAREFUL

Wild animals are dangerous. To protect yourself and wildlife, follow these guidelines whether you are alone or in a wildlife jam:

- · Park in a turnout and make sure your car is completely off the road.
- Put your vehicle into park and engage your parking brake.
- Stay near your vehicle so you can retreat if the animal approaches.
- · Do not stand in the road
- Never surround, crowd, .approach, or follow
- Don't block an animal's line of travel.
- Do not run or move suddenly this may cause predators to attack.
- If other people in the area are putting you in danger, leave the scene and/or notify a park ranger.
- Do no ever feed wildlife, including birds.
- · Always carry bear spray when hiking backcountry trails.

## QUICK COMPARE: CANIDS

#### Fox

- · Red fur, dark legs
- 9-12 pounds

#### Covote

- Tan to gray fur
- 25-35 pounds

- · Gray, black, or white
- 80-100 pounds



## ANIMAL CHECKLIST

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- ☐ Bald Eagle □ Beaver
- □Bison
- ☐ Bighorn Sheep
- □ Black Bear
- □Bobcat
- ☐ Chipmunk, Least
- □ Cougar □ Coyote
- □ Deer. Mule ☐ Deer, White-tailed
- □ Elk
- □ Fox
- ☐ Gray Wolf
- ☐ Grizzly Bear

- □ Lvnx
- □ Mallard
- □Marten □Mink
- □Moose
- ☐ Mountain Goat
- □ Osprev
- □Pika
- □ Pronahorn
- □Raven
- ☐ River Otter ☐ Snowshoe Hare
- ☐ Striped Skunk
- ☐ Squirrel, Uinta Ground ☐ Trumpeter Swan
- ☐ Yellow-bellied Marmot

## QUICK COMPARE: BEARS

#### **Black Bear**

- No shoulder hump
- · Rump higher than shoulder



#### Grizzly Bear

- Shoulder hump
- Rump lower than shoulder

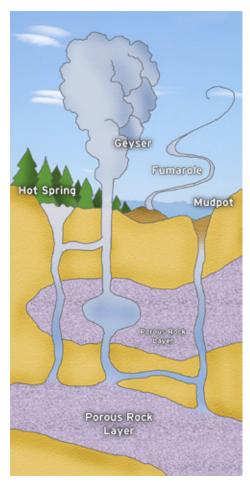


## **BE SAFE - AND LEGAL**

Stay at least 100 yards (91 m) away from bears and wolves.

Stay at least 25 yards (23 m) away from all other animals - including bison, elk, bighorn sheep, deer, moose, and coyotes.

## Thermal Features In Yellowstone



# FOUR TYPES OF THERMAL FEATURES

Geyser: A geyser is a hot spring with the intriguing habit of tossing underground water in the air. It's the equivalent of a giant pressure cooker; even though the temperature of water deep down may be well above boiling, the weight and pressure of the water above prevents that boiling from happening. Eventually, though, the pressure builds enough to push the water in the upper reaches up and out, causing an overflow. That overflow, in turn, relieves the pressure on

the super-heated water below, causing it to flash into steam. That flash, that explosion through a narrow, constricted place in the rocks, is what sends water shooting into the air.

Hot Spring: Hot springs are similar to geysers, but they have no constrictions in their plumbing. Convection prevents water from reaching the temperature needed to set off the chain reaction leading to an eruption. The many beautiful colors you see in hot springs are caused by light refraction, suspended mineral particles, and heat-loving microorganisms.

Fumarole (also called a steam vent): In simplest terms, a fumarole is a vent in the Earth's crust. Modest amounts of groundwater come into contact with hot rocks underground and are turned to steam. This steam rushes up through a series of crack and fissures and out the vent, sometimes with enough force to create a loud hiss or roar.

**Mudpot:** Mudpots occur in places where microorganisms help convert hydrogen sulfide, which rises from deep within the earth, into sulfuric acid. The acid dissolves surrounding rock into clay, which mixes with rising steam and groundwater to form mud of varying colors and consistencies.

# HIKING AROUND THE PARK AND THERMAL FEATURES

We invite you to spend a few hours hiking the area's scenic trails. The thin ground in the thermal areas breaks easily, and often overlies scalding water. Stay on the trail. There are numerous trails suitable for day hiking. Begin your hike by stopping at a Ranger Station or Visitor Center for information. Trail conditions may change suddenly and unexpectedly. Bear activity, rain or snow storms, high water, and fires may temporarily close trails. At a minimum, carry water, a raincoat or poncho, a warm hat, insect repellent, sunscreen, and a first aid kit. It is recommended that you hike with a party size of three or more, and carry bear spray. No permit is required for day hiking.

## Thermal Features In Yellowstone

## THERMAL FEATURE MEASURES

#### Upper Geyser Basin Old Faithful Geyser

Height: 106 - 184 feet / 32 - 56 meters

Duration: 1.5 - 5 minutes Interval: 90 minutes Temperature: 204° F / 95° C Discharge: 3,700 - 8,400 gallons

#### **Beehive Geyser**

Height: 150 - 200 feet / 46 - 61 meters

Duration: 4 - 5 minutes Interval: unpredictable

#### Norris Geyser Basin

## Steamboat Geyser (World's Tallest!)

Height: 300 - 400 feet / 91 - 122 meters

Duration: 20 minutes (water)
3 - 12 hours (steam)

Interval: unpredictable

#### **Echinus Geyser**

Height: 50 - 100 feet / 15 - 30 meters

Duration: 12 minutes - 1 hour Interval: unpredictable

#### Lower Geyser Basin Clepsydra Geyser

Height: 10 - 40 feet / 3 - 12 meters Duration: nearly continuous

#### Fountain Geyser

Height: 50 - 90 feet / 15 - 27 meters

Duration: 20 - 35 minutes Interval: 5.5 - 11 hours

#### Firehole Lake Drive Great Fountain Gevser

Great Fountain Geyser

Height: 100 - 230 feet / 30 - 70 meters Duration: 30 - 90 minutes Interval: 9 - 16 hours

#### White Dome Geyser

Height: 30 feet / 9 meters Duration: 2 minutes Interval: 9 minutes - hours

#### Pink Cone Geyser

Height: 20 feet / 6 meters Duration: 2 hours Interval: 13 - 17 hours

### WHAT ARE THOSE COLORS?

The vivid colors are the result of pigmented bacteria in the microbial mats that grow around the edges of the mineral-rich water. The bacteria produce multiple colors; the amount of color in the microbial mats depends on the ratio of chlorophyll to carotenoids and on the temperature of the water which favors one bacterium over another.

#### Mammoth Hot Springs

Characteristics

- Underlain by ancient limestone deposits
- Water rich in calcium and sulfur

Thermophiles by Color

- Orange Chloroflexus and cyanobacteria in summer
- Green Chloroflexus and cyanobacteria in winter. Chlorobium in cooler water
- Cream Filamentous bacteria

## Norris Geyser Basin and Mud Volcano Area Characteristics

Underlain by rhyolite rock

Thermophiles by Color

- Pink-pinkish-orange mats and streamers -Thermus aquaticus and other Thermus sp
- Green streamers and mats Cyanidium
- Orange Iron and/or arsenic, perhaps oxidized by thermophiles
- · Gray, muddy pools Sulfolobus

## Upper, Middle, and Lower Geyser Basins and West Thumb Geyser Basin

Characteristics

- Underlain by rhyolite rock
- Water rich in silica, which forms sinter and gevserite deposits

#### Thermophiles by Color

- Pink, yellow, orange, gray filaments -Thermocrinis bacteria
- Orange mats Cyanobacteria, especially on sunny summer days (carotenoids protect the organisms from the bright sun)
- Olive-green mats Cyanobacteria mixed with iron



# **Experience Winter**



Yellowstone National Park is mesmerizing when wrapped in a winter blanket.

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