



HALF DOME NATURALIST HIKE

2022 Permit Dates: October 5 and 10



If you're an avid hiker who's been dreaming of Yosemite's world-famous Half Dome hike, but haven't had time for all the permits and planning, then this trip is for you! We are thrilled to be able to invite you to join us on the ultimate Yosemite day hike to the top of the parks' most iconic formation: Half Dome. This hike's 17 rugged round-trip miles and 4,800 feet in elevation gain will challenge your strength and courage. The scenery from the top is unsurpassed, and the journey to the summit is a tale for the ages.

The hike begins in Yosemite Valley and winds up the Mist Trail, passing 900 feet of spectacular waterfalls, and continues upward through lush coniferous forest. The crux of the hike is ascending the legendary steel cables bolted to Half Dome's sheer granite face - not for the faint of heart. Yosemite Valley at your feet and sweeping panoramas of Sierra peaks are your generous reward. This will be an experience you will remember for the rest of your life.

Be sure to contact our Recreation Department to reserve your spot! Call them at (209) 379-2373 or email recreation@rushcreeklodge.com.



TRIP TIME

October 5 and 10, 2022, 5:45am - 6:45pm

GROUP SIZE

2-5 participants. 2 person minimum. Reservations recommended. Contact Recreation Desk for availability and pricing for groups of 6 or more.

PRICE

\$310 per person (ages 14 and older). Includes transportation, naturalist guide, gloves for climbing Half Dome summit cables, lunch vouchers for use in our General Store, and Half Dome hiking permit. Additional \$20 park admission fee per adult (*waived for Yosemite Annual Pass or America the Beautiful Pass holders*).

DIFFICULTY/AGE LIMIT

Participants 14 years and up should be comfortable hiking up to 17 miles on steep terrain traveling from 4,000 feet to 8,900 feet in elevation.

MEETING PLACE

All trips meet at the Recreation Desk located in the Guest Lounge 15 minutes before departure.

WHAT TO BRING

- Completed trip registration forms
- Small backpack with at least 100 oz water (3 liters or more) and snacks
- Lunch and snacks. Please get your lunch the evening before your trip
- Proper footwear: hiking boots or athletic shoes with substantial grip required
- Layered clothing including wind/rain jacket (high country weather is unpredictable)
- Bug repellent, sunscreen, hat and sunglasses
- Camera and binoculars

OTHER INFORMATION

Our first-aid-certified guides carry first aid kits, permits, maps, radios/cell phones and water filters. Guide gratuity is not included; for exemplary service, a 10-20% tip is customary.

*Conditions permitting. Call for additional seasonal availability. (209) 379-2373 x3 recreation@rushcreeklodge.com
Prices are subject to change.