

This two-in-one Yosemite Valley and giant sequoia guided naturalist hike and tour is a memorable, fun day getting to know Yosemite from an insider's perspective. Let us do the driving while you enjoy dramatic waterfalls, a spectrum of colorful landscapes, stunning panoramic vistas and majestic giant sequoia trees.

The Yosemite Valley portion of 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.

The giant sequoia portion of our day includes a 3 mile round-trip walk (or snowshoe!) to a grove of these magnificent trees. Giant sequoias, among the largest living organisms on earth, are one of the reasons that Yosemite was declared a National Park. Once you stand next to one you'll fully appreciate the magnitude of their grandeur.



#### TRIP TIME

9:15-5:15pm

### **GROUP SIZE**

Up to 9 participants. 2 person minimum. Reservations recommended. Contact Recreation Desk for availability and pricing for groups of 10 or more.

#### **PRICE**

\$195 for adults 16+ and \$125 for youth 15 and under. Includes transportation, naturalist guide, snowshoe rental if needed, lunch voucher for use in our General Store. Additional \$20 park admission fee per adult (waived for Yosemite Annual Pass or America the Beautiful Pass holders).

## **DIFFICULTY/AGE LIMIT**

Participants should be comfortable walking up to 3 miles on varied terrain at elevation up to 6,000 feet. There are modest climbs and descents on the giant sequoia walk and it requires a reasonable effort. The trip is suitable for fit individuals ages 8 and above.

### **MEETING PLACE**

All trips meet in the Recreation Center 15 minutes before departure.

## WHAT TO BRING

- Completed trip registration forms
- Small backpack with at least 32 oz water and snacks
- Proper footwear–tennis shoes or hiking boots
- Layered clothing including wind/rain jacket
- Bug repellant, sunscreen, hat and sunglasses
- · Camera and binoculars
- In winter and early spring, the sequoia portion of the trip will be a snowshoe walk, so be prepared with waterproof boots, warm socks and other warm clothing, including thermal top and bottom, ski hat and gloves
- Weather permitting: swimsuit and towel (optional)

# OTHER INFORMATION

Our first-aid-certified guides carry first aid kits, permits, maps, radios/cell phones. Guide gratuity 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