# TAFT POINT AND SENTINEL DOME LOOP

May-October\*

This 5.8 mile hike takes you between two stunning lookouts (Taft Point and Sentinel Dome) that gaze over the entirety of the valley throughout the majority of your hike. Once you reach the top of Sentinel Dome, you are provided with a 360 degree view of Yosemite National Park (including Half Dome and Yosemite Falls), and Taft Point allows for some of the most picturesque views of the valley's plunging cliffs. This hike has unlimited scenic views, but be prepared to work for them as you will overcome about 1,200 feet of elevation while you hike! Your naturalist guide will provide you with an abundance of interesting and interactive information about the wildlife, vegetation, and geology you experience while on your hike. If you are looking for a beautiful, dynamic, and iconic way to view this part of Yosemite National Park, then this is the tour for you!



## TRIP TIME

7:45am-3:15pm

### **GROUP SIZE**

Up to 7 participants. 2 person minimum. Reservations recommended. Contact Recreation Desk for availability and pricing for groups of 10 or more.

#### PRICE

\$200 adult; \$130 youth (age 9-15). Includes transportation, naturalist guide, 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 12 years and up should be comfortable hiking up to 5.8 miles from 7,327 ft. to 8,114 ft. in elevation. There is about 1,200 feet of elevation gain on this hike.

#### **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 3 liters water and snacks
- Proper footwear tennis shoes or hiking boots
- Layered clothing, including wind/rain jacket or fleece
- Bug repellant, sunscreen, hat and sunglasses
- Camera and binoculars (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 <u>recreation@rushcreeklodge.com</u> Prices are subject to change.