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Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks

at a glance

The largest tree on Earth stands beside a paved path, but the road there is too narrow for RVs.

83.8

HEIGHT OF GENERAL SHERMAN
metres (275 ft)

31.1

CIRCUMFERENCE AT THE BASE
metres (102 ft)

about 1,487

VOLUME
m³ (52,500 cu ft)

BEFORE YOU GO



Two parks in one visit

The National Park Service manages Sequoia and Kings Canyon as a single unit.



Always open, no reservation

The parks are open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. There is no entry reservation.



Two entrances, two highways

Highway 198 leads via Visalia and Three Rivers to Sequoia's Ash Mountain Entrance, Highway 180 via Fresno to the Big Stump Entrance of ...



Shuttle in summer only

In 2026 the free shuttle ran from 22 May to 7 September on four routes between the Giant Forest Museum, General Sherman Tree, Moro Rock ...



No bear spray

Weapons are banned in the park, and that explicitly includes bear spray, as well as air guns, bows and slingshots.



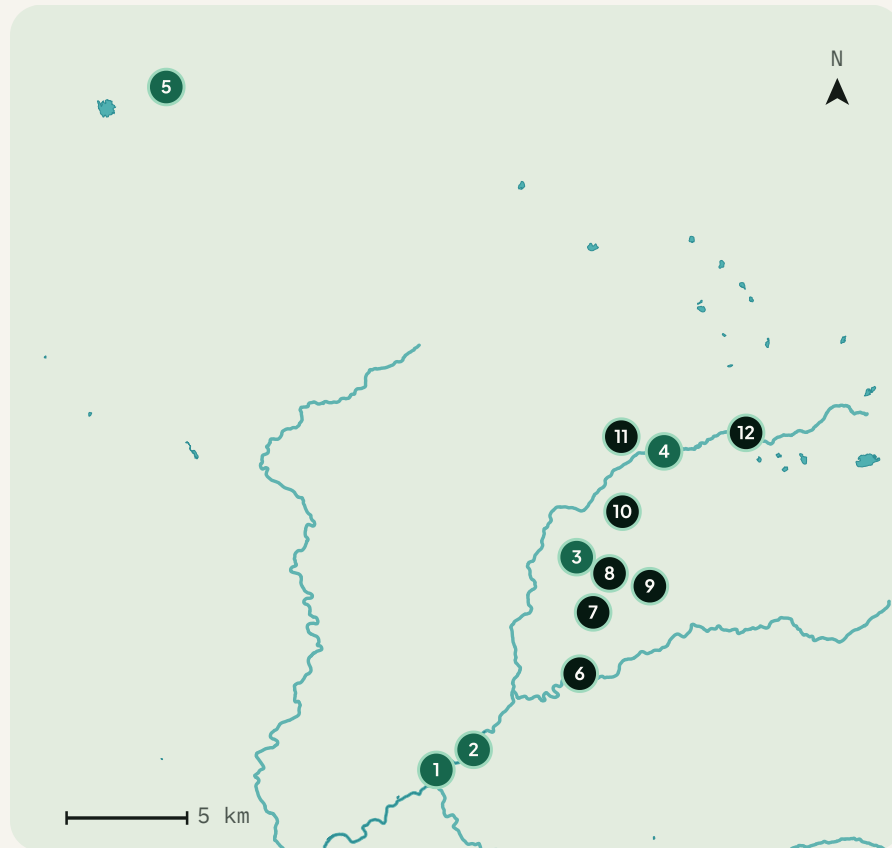
Never leave food in the car

Bears break into cars when they smell food.



Fees and opening hours, up to date

Fees and times change. The park page lists them with source and date: nationalparksatlas.com/en/usa/sequoia



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| 6 Hospital Rock | 12 Tokopah Falls |

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GENERAL SHERMAN TREE



MORO ROCK



CRESCENT MEADOW ROAD AND TUNNEL LOG

THINGS TO DO

General Sherman Tree

From the main car park on Wolverton Road, a paved path of 0.8 kilometres (0.5 mi) with some steps leads down ...

Big Trees Trail

A paved, accessible path of one kilometre (0.6 mi) around Round Meadow, with panels on giant sequoia ecology.

General Grant Tree

The second-largest tree on Earth stands in Grant Grove, Kings Canyon.

Up to 3,400 years old

Giant sequoias grow only at mid elevations on the western slope of the Sierra Nevada.

[More on the park page](#)

Congress Trail: currently no loop

The paved loop of about three kilometres (two miles) starts at the Sherman Tree.

Moro Rock

A staircase climbs about 90 metres (300 ft) up the granite dome, with views of the Great Western Divide.

Crystal Cave not until 2027

The marble cave can be seen only on a guided tour; tickets are sold online only, at least 36 hours in advance.

Fire is part of the cycle

The bark grows up to 46 centimetres (18 in) thick and protects against the heat.

TOURS AND GETTING THERE · AD



Guided walk to the General Sherman Tree and along the Congress Trail
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Winter hike in the Giant Forest with a naturalist
ON GETYOURGUIDE ➤



STARGAZING · 1 HOUR
Sequoia National Park: one hour of stargazing
ON GETYOURGUIDE ➤



SMALL GROUP · FROM THREE RIVERS
From Three Rivers: small-group day tour of Sequoia National Park
ON VIATOR ➤



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