

NATIONAL PARK · UNITED STATES · WYOMING

Yellowstone

at a glance

The world's first national park, with more active geysers than the rest of the planet combined.

10,000

AND MORE
hydrothermal features in one
area

500

AROUND
geysers, more than half of all
worldwide

7

CM A YEAR
part of the caldera rose in
2006, measured by GPS

1872

SINCE
a national park, the world's first

BEFORE YOU GO



Open 365 days, five entrances

The park is open around the clock on every day of the year. As long as the roads are open, the entrances do not close at night.



No timed-entry reservation

Unlike other US parks, you need no vehicle reservation to enter.



North Entrance, Gardiner (Montana)

The only entrance open to cars all year. The 1903 Roosevelt Arch stands here.



Three seasons

The summer peak season is the busiest and has the most facilities open.



Stay on the boardwalk

Burns from hot springs are among the most common serious accidents in the park.



100 yards (91 m), 25 yards (23 m)

Stay at least 91 m (100 yards) from bears, wolves and cougars, and at least 23 m (25 yards) from all other animals, including bison and elk.



Fees and opening hours, up to date

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

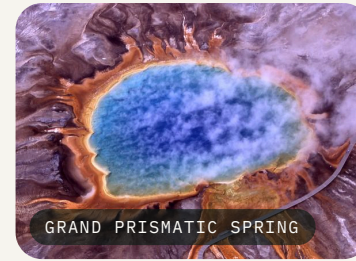


- | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 Roosevelt Arch | 7 Mammoth Hot Springs |
| 2 Northeast Entrance | 8 Lamar Valley |
| 3 West Yellowstone | 9 Tower Fall |
| 4 Old Faithful | 10 Lower Yellowstone Falls |
| 5 Grand Prismatic Spring | 11 Artist Point |
| 6 Norris Geyser Basin | 12 Hayden Valley |

Green: entrances. Map data © OpenStreetMap contributors (ODbL).



OLD FAITHFUL



GRAND PRISMATIC SPRING



MAMMOTH HOT SPRINGS

THINGS TO DO

Geyser basins

Old Faithful in the Upper Geyser Basin is the world's best-known geyser; the park posts a time window for ...

Wildlife watching

Lamar Valley in the northeast and Hayden Valley in the centre are the two main areas.

Winter

From mid-December to mid-March, guided snowmobile and snowcoach tours run into the park.

One of the largest eruptions in Earth's history

The park sits above a shallow source of magma.

[More on the park page](#)

The canyon

The Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone with its Lower and Upper Falls.

Hiking

More than 1,770 km (1,100 mi) of trails, with no permit needed for day hikes.

More geysers than the rest of the world

More than 10,000 hydrothermal features, including around 500 geysers: the largest concentration of active ...

The ground is moving

Since 2004, GPS stations and radar satellites have measured ground movement to the centimetre.

TOURS AND GETTING THERE • AD



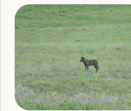
FROM HOTELS IN WEST
YELLOWSTONE
**West Yellowstone:
Yellowstone Day Tour
Including Entry Fee**
ON GETYOURGUIDE ➤



FROM ACCORDING TO THE
ROUTE
**From Bozeman: Express
Yellowstone Tour (1 Day)**
ON GETYOURGUIDE ➤



FROM ACCOMMODATION IN
CODY
**Full-Day Yellowstone
National Park Tour from
Cody, WY**
ON GETYOURGUIDE ➤



FROM HOTELS IN WEST
YELLOWSTONE
**From West Yellowstone:
Lamar Valley Wildlife Tour
by Van**
ON GETYOURGUIDE ➤



**Lamar Valley: Safari Hiking
Tour with Lunch**
ON GETYOURGUIDE ➤



**Grant Village: Yellowstone
Lake Guided Kayak Tour
with Lunch**
ON GETYOURGUIDE ➤



Partner links: we may earn a commission if you book. Dates and prices are set by the provider. Checked 20 Sep 2026.