



# TOP HISTORY DESTINATIONS: Yosemite

Yosemite is one of the most treasured and breath-taking national parks in the United States. Established in 1864, Yosemite National Park consists of 1,200 square miles of deep valleys, meadows, 3,000-year-old giant sequoias and a vast natural wilderness area. Learn about the rich history of a land full dreams, diversity, hard times, adventures and preservation. Discover this legendary escape that became America's first national park in 1872 and laid the foundation for the establishment of the national and state park systems making this an amazing Educational Destinations adventure.

## EDUCATIONAL HISTORY OPPORTUNITIES:

- Step Back in Time and See What Life was Like During the Gold Rush Era
- See Fossils from Mammoths, Smilodons, Sloths, Dire Wolves, and More Dating Back 780,000 Years Ago
- Become a Geologists and Pan for Arrowheads, Amethysts, Emeralds, Rubies, Gold, and Crystals
- Take in the View at the Breathtaking Glacier Point Above Yosemite Valley
- See the Yosemite's Iconic Scenery and Fascinating Gold-Mining History Aboard a Train at Railtown 1897 State Historic Park
- Visit of the Pioneer Location that was 'The Gold Rush Town Too Tough To Die'
- Discover the Mountain Named 'Rock Chief' by Native Americans
- Learn About the Life of a Miner and Blacksmith in the late 1800's
- Discover how Glaciers Formed the 'Jewel of the High Country'
- Explore Displays Focused on the Heritage and Culture of the Ahwahnechee People
- Learn of the Role of the Country's Railroads in connecting California to the Rest of the Nation
- Conquer Several Hundred Feet of Granite Stairs and Reach the Half Dome
- Hear of Deadly Tales of the Permanent Residents of Yosemite Cemetery
- Enjoy the Epic Views of a 2,425 Feet Waterfall
- Visit Historic Structures from Different Eras of Yosemite History
- Visit the First Building Constructed as a Museum in the National Park System
- Learn About the Conflicts Between Settlers and the Ahwahnechee.
- Visit a Nature Center that Features Natural History Exhibits and Interactive Displays

## HISTORY ATTRACTIONS:

- Columbia State Historic Park
- Half Dome
- Yosemite Valley
- The Ahwahnee
- Yosemite Cemetery
- Yosemite Conservation Heritage Center
- Tenaya Lake
- Northern Mariposa County History Center
- Merced River
- Yosemite Museum
- Bridalveil Fall
- Ribbon Falls
- Happy Isles Nature Center
- Pioneer Yosemite History Museum
- Glacier Point
- Yosemite Falls
- Tioga Pass
- Vernal Fall
- El Capitan
- Tuolumne Meadows
- Valley View
- Lemberg Dome
- Cathedral Peak
- Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias
- Fossil Discovery Center of Madera County
- Gold Rush Country
- California Ghost Town in Bodie State Historical Park
- California State Railroad Museum in Sacramento

## OTHER ATTRACTIONS:

- Rock Climbing
- Zip Lines
- Yosemite Art Workshops
- The Mariposa Symphony Orchestra
- Biking
- Fishing
- Golfing
- Rock Climbing
- Spas
- The Ansel Adams Gallery
- Mule Riding
- Backpacking
- Shoeshoeing
- Hiking
- Ice Skating
- Rope Courses
- Gold Panning
- Rafting
- Ghost Town Tours
- Horseback Riding
- Skiing
- Snow Boarding
- Ride Horse-Drawn Wagons
- Nature/Ranger Programs
- Camping



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