

# **Yosemite National Park**

**Participant Trip Packet** 



# **YOSEMITE CAMPING**

This is a two or three day camping trip within Yosemite National Park. The day-to-day schedule for this trip is determined by the guides and is based on group preference, size and ability.

AREA DESCRIPTION	Not just a great valley, but a shrine to human foresight, the strength of granite, the power of glaciers, the persistence of life, and the tranquility of the High Sierra.  First protected in 1864, Yosemite National Park is best known for its waterfalls, but within its nearly 1,200 square miles, you can find deep valleys, grand meadows, ancient giant sequoias, a vast wilderness area, and much more.		
ONLINE RESOURCES	Yosemite National Park <a href="https://www.nps.gov/yose/index.htm">https://www.nps.gov/yose/index.htm</a>		
DRIVING TIME	3 hours 31 minutes both ways		
MEDICAL CONCERNS	To assist Outdoor Adventures staff in providing the most safe and inclusive experience possible, please alert us of any medical (including allergy) concerns that you may have by emailing oaland@ucdavis.edu.		
ACCOMMODATIONS	Outdoor Adventures is committed to creating a space where people of all abilities can enjoy our programs. If you require any accommodations to allow you to enjoy our outdoor adventure experiences, please contact us at <a href="mailto:oaland@ucdavis.edu">oaland@ucdavis.edu</a> and we will try our best to help. Due to our trips being in wilderness locations, we may not be able to accommodate all participant needs.		

# **SAMPLE TRIP ITINERARY**

This itinerary is subject to change depending on group size, ability level, and weather.

DAY 1				
8:00am	Arrive at the Outdoor Adventures Lodge			
	Opening Circle			
	Leave OA			
	Arrive at Yosemite			
	Set up camp			
	Short Hike: Vernal and Bridal Veil Falls			
	Dinner, campfire, games, sleep			
DAY 2				
8:45am	Breakfast			
	Hike:			
	Arrive back at camp			
	Dinner, campfire, games, sleep			
DAY 3				
8:45am	Breakfast			
	Tour the Valley, purchase souvenirs, etc			
6:00pm	Arrive back in Davis, CA			

<sup>\*</sup>while we aim to be back in Davis by 6pm, factors such as traffic, and multiple stops can delay our arrival time.

### **FOOD CONSIDERATIONS**

Most meals are provided by Outdoor Adventures. We work hard to be able to accommodate all dietary needs, however, participants who have many dietary restrictions should bring supplemental food items. Speak with your guides during the pre-trip meeting if you have any concerns.



	Meals provided on a 2 day trip:	Meals provided on a 3 day trip:		
	Day 1: Lunch, Dinner	Day 1: Lunch, Dinner Day 2: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner		
	Day 2: Breakfast, Lunch			
		Day 3: Breakfast, Lunch		
	Meals NOT provided	Meals NOT provided		
A STORY	Day 1: Breakfast	Day 1: Breakfast		
	Day 2: Dinner (if necessary)	Day 3: Dinner (if necessary)		

For meals which are not provided, participants are encouraged to bring cash, credit or debit card to be able to purchase food while on the road. Participants are also welcome to bring their own food for these meals, however refrigeration may not be available.

Outdoor Adventures is a participation based program.

Participants will be expected to help cook meals and also clean group dishes.

# **PACKING LIST**

CLOTHING				
Feet Synthetic or wool socks (2-3 pairs) Hiking boots or athletic shoes Sandals for camp Lower Body Hiking pants Light weight shorts (warmer months) Long underwear (synthetic or wool) Rain pants (if weather necessitates) Underwear (2-3) Upper Body T-shirt (2-3) (synthetic materials are best)				
Long underwear (synthetic materials are best)  Mid weight fleece jacket  Warm jacket (if weather necessitates)  Beanie or fleece/wool hat  Rain Jacket or Poncho (if weather necessitates)  Sports bra/ Halter top  Sun Hat  Sun Glasses  Gloves				
CAMPING				
☐ Water bottles/ water bladder, 2 liters ☐ Small travel pillow				
MISCELLANEOUS				
<ul> <li>☐ Medications</li> <li>☐ Sunscreen</li> <li>☐ Prescription eyeglasses or contacts</li> <li>☐ Zip-loc bags or shopping bags         *** pack anything that has a scent in a single zip-lock or shopping bag**</li> <li>☐ Toiletries (toothpaste, tooth brush, etc)</li> <li>☐ Snacks</li> <li>☐ Money: souvenirs &amp; communal dinner cost</li> </ul>				

OPTIONAL				
☐ Biodegradable soap ☐ Deck of cards ☐ Recreational book/ Kindle ☐ Journal				
DO NOT BRING				
Cotton clothing (If possible. This includes jeans.)  Text books  Blow dryers or other electric hair care devices iPads or expensive electronics Drones  Weapons including knives and hatchets Drugs or alcohol				
OUTDOOR ADVENTURES PROVIDES				
★ Sleeping bags, pads, backpacks and tents				
★ Head lamps/ camp lighting				
★ Camp kitchen				
★ Bear canisters (if necessary)				
★ Water Filtration Devices (if necessary)				
<ul> <li>★ First Aid Kit</li> <li>★ Satellite Communication Device</li> </ul>				

### **CONDUCT**

All Outdoor Adventures participants are expected to follow our rules of conduct while on a trip. Participants who do not follow these rules could be removed from the activity. Participants who are removed from a trip will not receive a refund.

- Participants are expected to arrive to the meeting location (typically Outdoor Adventures Lodge) prepared and on time.
  - a. Participants who are more than 30 minutes late will be considered a "no show".
- Drugs and alcohol are strictly prohibited on Outdoor Adventures trips.This is a zero tolerance policy.
- 3. Participants must follow all instructions communicated by Outdoor Adventures guide staff.
- 4. Participants must treat guide staff and other participants with respect and refrain from using language that could cause emotional harm.
  - a. This includes speech which could be considered racist, sexist, homophobic, anti-semetic, or bullying.
- 5. Participants must stay with the group at all times, or tell their guides if they are going somewhere alone.
  - a. There are very few times when participants will be allowed to travel alone. This is a safety measure.
- 6. Participants are expected to act in the best interest of the group as a whole, never causing unnecessary risk to themselves or others.



#### **Informed Consent**

Backpacking, hiking and camping have inherent risks which may cause injury. Below is a list of these risks, ways to avoid them, and possible treatment if injury does occur.

Risks	Prevention	Solution/Treatment		
Strains, sprains, or broken bones	Be careful of where you step. The trail can be uneven, and rocky. Be sure of your footing with each step, especially on loose terrain or while going downhill. Move at a slower pace.	Inform guide staff of injury for assistance. Guide staff may provide 1st aid, or recommend evacuation if injury is more severe.		
Blisters, hot spots, soreness	Wear properly fitted footwear and clean socks.	Inform guide staff of discomfort. Guide staff may provide 1st aid treatment.		
Sore muscles	Stretch before and after activity.	Inform staff of discomfort for assistance.		
Dehydration	Drink plenty of water. Bring multiple water bottles. Alert guide staff when water bottles are getting close to empty.	Rest and slowly drink water, preferably in the shade. Inform guide staff as soon as symptoms are present.		
Sunburn	Bring plenty of sunblock on your trip and reapply regularly. Wear lightweight clothes and hats to reduce exposure to the sun.	Wear clothing that covers your arms and legs to prevent further burn. Apply aloe lotion or other topical treatment. Stay out of the sun for extended periods of time. Alert your guides.		
Hypothermia	Bring sleeping bag and clothing appropriate for the time of year and weather. Wear layered clothing. Drink plenty of fluids, and eat plenty of food.	Inform guide staff of any discomfort caused by the cold.		
Scrapes and cuts  Watch out for branches or thorny bushes while hiking. We clothing that covers your arms and legs. Take care when us kitchen tools, such as knives.		Inform guide staff of injury for assistance. Guide staff may provide 1st aid, or recommend evacuation if injury is more severe.		
Bug bites	Wear clothing that covers your arms and legs. Consider using bug repellant. Examine resting areas for bug nests such as ant hills or spider webs.	Inform guide staff of bites that are causing discomfort. Guide staff may apply insect bite medication.		
Allergic Reactions	Alert guides and participants of any allergies that you have.	Inform guides as soon as an allergic reaction begins to occur. If you use an Epipen, make sure it is within reach at all times and that guides are aware.		
Food Borne Illness	Wash your hands before preparing an eating meals. If a hand wash system is not available, use hand sanitizer. Ensure food is wrapped in plastic to avoid contamination from bear canister.	Inform your guides if you begin to feel any gastro-intestinal distress.		
Death or serious injury	Listen to guide staff. Notify staff of any physical or emotional concerns. Follow safety instructions.			