Lodging

For facility hours, see pages 8-9.

Three park areas have lodging, as do several locations in the nearby national forest:

In these National Parks (NPS)

IN SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK

· Wuksachi Lodge
All year. Reservations 1-888-252-5757; www.visitsequoia.com. North of Lodgepole two miles at 7200'. Lodge, restaurant, lounge, gifts.

IN KINGS CANYON NATIONAL PARK

Reservations 1-877-436-9617; www.visitsequoia.com. Lodging in two areas:

· Grant Grove Cabins & John Muir Lodge
All year. Hotel, cabins, restaurant, market, gifts at 6500' elevation. 1-559-335-5500. Details, page 9.

· Cedar Grove Lodge in the Kings Canyon
Motel, restaurant, market at 4600' elevation.

Sequoia National Forest (USFS)

Montecito Sequoia Lodge (FS permittee)
All year. Reservations 1-800-227-9900; 1-559-565-3388; www.mslodge.com. On Generals Hwy 9 miles south of Grant Grove. Cabins, restaurant, hotel, seasonal & children's activities. Details, page 9.

Stony Creek Resort (USFS permittee)
(KCPS) Mid-May to early October. Reservations 1-800-227-9900; www.sequoia-kingscanyon.com. On Generals Highway south of Grant Grove. Hotel, gasoline, pizza, market, showers, laundry.

Big Meadows Cabin (USFS)
July to mid-October. 1-877-444-6777; www.recreation.gov. Historic station south of Grant Grove.

On Private Land in Park/Forest

** Note: These two lodges on private land surrounded by national park or forest cannot be evaluated, regulated, or endorsed by these agencies.*

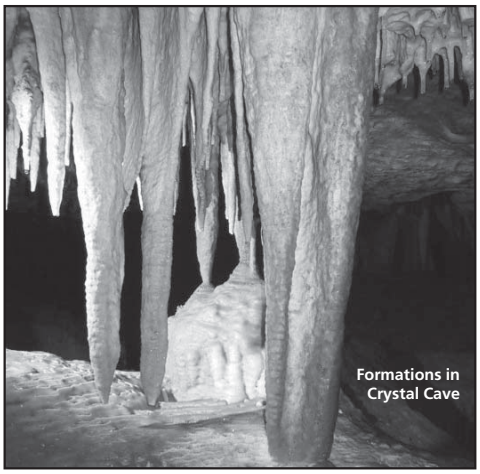
*** Silver City Mountain Resort (private)**
Open. www.silvercityresort.com; 1-559-561-3223. Cabins, supplies, showers. No gas. Store, restaurant/bakery.

*** Kings Canyon Lodge (private)**
Open May to mid-October. Reservations: 1-559-335-2405. On Hwy 180, 13 miles (21 km) east of Grant Grove. Lodge, food, gasoline.

Neighboring Towns

Three Rivers, Lemon Cove, Squaw Valley & others offer year-round lodging & camping. Ask at visitor centers or see www.nps.gov/seki/planyourvisit.

Programs & Tours - Summer 2015


Formations in Crystal Cave

Crystal Cave Tours

NOTE: Tickets sold *only* at Lodgepole & Foothills visitor centers, *not* at the cave. Buy tickets at least 1½ hours in advance.

Crystal Cave Road is 15 miles from the Sequoia Park entrance at Hwy 198; 3 miles south of Sherman Tree (map, page 8). It is narrow and winding; maximum vehicle length on the road is 22'. Use parking-lot restrooms; the cave has none. Wear sturdy shoes; the ½-mile trail (0.8 km) to the cave is steep. Wear a jacket; it's 50°F (10°C) inside. No bags/packs of any kind, strollers, or tripods; no flash/lighted photography/video. Not wheelchair accessible. Ask about group, wild-cave, & school tours: 1-559-565-3759. Tours are weather-dependent and subject to change.

Family Cave Tour Daily - 45 minutes

June 6 - September 7:
- **Saturday**: Every 1/2 hour 10am-6pm
- **Sunday:** Every 1/2 hour 10am-5:30pm
- **Weekdays:** Every 1/2 hour 10am-4:30pm

Extra tours holiday weekends (Friday-Monday).

September 8 - 27:
- **Weekends**: 11am, noon, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm
- **Weekdays:** 11am, noon, 2pm, 3pm

Fees: Age 5-12 $8; 13-61 $16; 62 & up $15. Ask about veteran, military & SNHA member discounts! National Park & Interagency passes do not apply.

Special tours for special interests:

- **Junior Caver Tour** 6/24-8/20, Tuesday-Wednesday 1-3:30pm. Ages 8 to 12. $30.
- **Discovery Tour** 6/25-8/14. Age 13 & up. Thursday-Friday at 5pm, Sundays 6pm (except holiday weekends). $18.
- **Adult Tour** Age 13 & up only. Daily 10am (except holiday weekends) through 8/7.

Free Ranger Walks & Talks

Join us in the Foothills, Giant Forest, Lodgepole, Grant Grove, Cedar Grove, Mineral King, and other locations! Most programs run through early September. See bulletin boards for schedules of ranger-led activities.

Junior Ranger Program - free

For ages 5 to 105! Pick up a free booklet at any visitor center, finish the activities for your age group, & earn your badge. See Junior Caver tours, left.

Sequoia Field Institute (SFI)

Over 50,000 visitors yearly explore the parks and Lake Kaweah with SFI guides. These experts help you see, paint, photograph, or write as you walk, ski, snowshoe, boat, and enjoy! SNHA members may get a discount on SFI activities: 1-559-565-4251; sfi@sequoiahistory.org

Touring on Horseback

Hourly rides, spot trips, guided trips. Opening & closing dates depend on weather conditions.

Cedar Grove May 22 to October 12, 9am-4pm 1-559-565-3464 summer, 1-559-337-2413 off season

Grant Grove June 12 to September 7, 9am-4pm: 1-559-335-9292 summer

Horse Corral Late May through September: At Big Meadows in Sequoia National Forest (USFS) 1-559-565-3404 summer, 1-559-679-3573 cell

Interested in volunteering?

Log in to volunteer.gov and enter keywords "Sequoia and Kings Canyon" to see available opportunities. Or call the volunteer office: 1-559-565-4232. Volunteers are needed for invasive plant control, special events, and routine clerical and maintenance tasks. Individuals and groups welcome!

Teachers & Parents, Take Note!

Expand your classroom: Invite a ranger to your class, visit the parks with your school group, download lesson plans, and participate in distance learning. All education programs are standards-based and free! Visit nps.gov/seki/learn/education.