

The large 2015 Rough Fire burned in this area. Burned-out stumps and ash areas are unstable and dead standing trees can fall at any time. Stay on trails to avoid crushing new growth, and give the plants and animals a chance to recover.

Also review safety advice (page 10). Be careful near rivers and with fire. Always store food properly before leaving your car or campsite. Carry a map and water.

Grant Grove

Kings Canyon Visitor Center - See page 2. Exhibits/film in English & Spanish. Details, page 2.

Grant Tree Trail

General Grant, one of the world's largest trees, grows by this 1/3-mile (.5 km) paved trail. The tree is also a living national shrine and the Nation's Christmas Tree. Trail guides are sold at visitor centers & the trailhead. One mile/1.6km from the visitor center: north on Hwy 180 then follow signs.

North Grove Loop

This 1½-mile (2.4 km) trail offers a close look at Big Trees and a quiet forest walk. Start at Grant Tree bus/RV parking.

Panoramic Point Road

A narrow road to a trail to a beautiful Sierran vista. Trailers/RVs prohibited. Go east through visitor-center parking; follow signs to the paved, ¼-mile accessible trail to an overlook. Park Ridge Trail (4 miles/6.4 km round-trip) begins here. Closes with snowfall.

Big Stump Basin & Picnic Area

Late 19th-century logging left stumps here, including the giant Mark Twain Stump you can climb on. Slabs of this tree are in museums in New York and London. 1.5 mile loop, fairly easy.

Redwood Mountain Sequoia Grove

Unpaved, rutted dirt road to one of the world's largest Big Tree groves. Research here revealed the positive link between sequoias and fire. Across Generals Hwy from Quail Flat/Hume Lake junction; 7 miles south of Grant Grove. Turn right (west) at Redwood Saddle; 2 miles to parking lot. Loop trails up to 10 miles long.

Big Baldy Ridge

Great views over Redwood Canyon from the top at 8209'; elevation gain 600' (183m). Round trip 4 miles (6.4km). From Grant Grove, go 8 miles (13km) south on Generals Highway to trailhead.

Area Overlooks & Views

- **McGee Vista Point:** Sunset views. North of Grant Grove Village 3 miles on Hwy 180.
- **Kings Canyon Overlook:** View of the high country. On Generals Hwy, 7 miles south of Grant Grove.
- **Redwood Mountain Overlook:** Look west over one of the world's largest sequoia groves. South of Grant Grove 6 miles on the Generals Hwy.

The Kings Canyon/Cedar Grove

The road into the area closes at noon on 11/14.

Canyon View

The "U" shape of this canyon, apparent from this viewpoint, reveals its glacial history. 1 mile (1.6 km) east of Cedar Grove Village Road.

Knapp's Cabin

In the 1920s, before Kings Canyon was designated a national park, a businessman kept gear for lavish fishing trips in this cabin. East of village 2 miles.

Roaring River Falls

A very short, shady walk to a powerful waterfall rushing through a granite chute. East of the Village 3 miles. Paved, accessible with assistance.

Zumwalt Meadow

This 1.5-mile (2.4 km) loop passes high granite walls, lush meadows, and the Kings River. Parking is 4½ miles east of Cedar Grove Village. Buy a guide at trailhead or visitor center. Plan for 1 hour.

Mist Falls

One of the park's largest waterfalls. Don't get close to the edge! Allow 4-5 hours; 9 miles (14.4 km)

round trip from Road's End. 600' elevation gain in the last 2 miles.

Hotel Creek Trail

Starts 0.2 mile north of the market at the intersection with the pack-station road. Climbs through chaparral to forest and views from Cedar Grove Overlook. 5 miles (8 km) round trip; 1200'/365 m elevation gain. Strenuous; allow 3 -4 hours. Return via Lewis Creek Trail for an 8-mile (12.9km) loop.

National Forest / Monument

Giant Sequoia National Monument is part of Sequoia National Forest (USFS) next to these parks. Page 9 details how national parks and forests differ.

Converse Basin

Virtually every mature sequoia in this huge grove was felled early in the 1900s. Walk the 2-mile (3.2 km) Boole Tree loop, 6 miles north of Grant Grove to a monarch they spared, or the ½-mile (0.8 km) loop to the Chicago Stump, cut for exhibit at the 1893 World's Fair (2 miles north of Grant Grove).

Indian Basin

One-mile accessible trail & one-mile unpaved trail. On Highway 180, go six miles north of Grant Grove to Princess Campground (closed; do not block gate). Walk past the dump station to the trailhead.

Hume Lake

Formed by a rare type of historic dam, the lake supplied water to a flume that floated lumber 67 miles (108km) to the town of Sanger. An easy 2½-mile (4 km) trail circles it. Page 9 lists facilities. Six miles (12.8 km) north of Grant Grove on Highway 180; 3 miles (4.8 km) south on Hume Lake Road.



The Kings Canyon