

FACILITIES IN SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK

Giant Forest Area

GIANT FOREST SEQUOIA GROVE

6400' (1950m) elevation. Home of the world's biggest trees, it offers 40 miles (64 km) of walking trails. For nearby picnic areas see page 3 and the map on page 12. See Highlights on page 6.

- **Giant Forest Museum (NPS):** Daily 9am-4:30pm through 5/21, then 9am-7pm. Exhibits about the Big Trees. Books, maps, first aid. 1-559-565-4480. No payphone; closest are at Lodgepole & Wolverton (don't rely on cell phones).
- **Beetle Rock Nature Center (NPS):** Opens June 27. Across the Generals Highway from Giant Forest Museum. Stop in, one and all!

CRYSTAL CAVE - OPENS MAY 10

One of the park's highlights! See page 3 for details & schedule.

Lodgepole Area

LODGEPOLE VILLAGE

6700' (2040 m) elevation. A few miles north of Giant Forest, in beautiful Tokopah Canyon along the Marble Fork of the Kaweah River. For near-by picnic areas see page 3 & the map on page 12.

INFORMATION (NPS)

- **Wilderness Permits:** Required for backcountry overnight trips. Self-issue outside on the front of the visitor center through 5/21, then go to the visitor center. See page 4 for details. 1-559-565-3766.
- **Visitor Center:** Opens 5/8. Daily 9am-4:30pm through 5/28, then 7am-5pm. *Bears of the Sierra* movie; exhibits on geology & forest life; books; maps; first aid. Wilderness permits starting 5/22. Crystal Cave tickets sold 9am-4pm through 5/28, then 8am-4pm. Pay phone. 1-559-565-4436.

FOOD, SHOPS & OTHER SERVICES (DNCPR)

- **Market, Gift Shop (DNCPR):** Through 4/30, daily 10am-4:30pm. 5/1-21 9am-6pm, then 8am-8pm. Groceries, pre-made sandwiches, supplies, bear canisters, ice cream, film, souvenirs.
- **Watchtower Deli (DNCPR):** Opens 5/22, daily 11am-6pm. Sandwiches, salads.
- **Harrison BBQ & Grill (DNCPR):** Open 5/1-21 weekends only, 9am-6pm. Starting 5/22, daily 8am-7:45pm.
- **Laundry (DNCPR):** Same hours as Market. Last load in 1 hour before closing.
- **Showers (DNCPR):** Open 5/1-21, daily 9am-1pm & 3-5:45pm. Starting 5/22, 8am-1pm & 3-7:45pm.
- **Post Office:** Weekdays 8am-1pm & 2-4pm. 1-559-565-3678. Lobby open 24 hours. Address mail to visitors: c/o General Delivery, Sequoia National Park, CA 93262.
- **Lodgepole Campground (NPS):** Open all year. Details on page 11.
- **Pay Telephones:** Outside visitor center & market (cell-phone signals are usually poor).

WOLVERTON MEADOWS

7200' (2160 m) elevation. North of Sherman Tree 2 miles (3.2km).

- **Wolverton BBQ (DNCPR):** Nightly 6/12-9/6, weather permitting. All-you-can-eat, served outdoors at 6pm (time adjusts with sunset).

Foothills Area

500-3500' (457-1067 m) elevation. Oaks, chaparral, & river canyons; hot summers & snow-free winters; & the greatest biological diversity in these parks. Park headquarters is at Ash Mountain.

- **Visitor Center (NPS):** Daily 8am-4:30pm through 5/21, then 8am-6pm. Exhibits, books, maps, bear canisters, first aid, local wilderness permits. 1-559-565-3135.
- **Camping (NPS):** At Potwisha (year-round) & Buckeye Flat (closed in winter). Details on page 11.
- **Pay Telephones** (cell phone signals are usually poor): Foothills Visitor Center near front door; Potwisha Campground, Hospital Rock Picnic Area (on restroom wall).

Mineral King Area

The road to this area is open May 22 to November 1.

NOTE: Until May 22, Mineral King Road is closed about 9 miles from Highway 198. Visitors can go through the first gate (at the park boundary) with a permit from the Foothills Visitor Center (see hours above). You can then go another 8 miles up (to a second gate) weather permitting. The road ends 8 miles beyond that.

7800' (2380 m) elevation. A subalpine valley at the end of a steep, narrow, difficult road. No RVs, buses, or trailers, please. No electricity or gasoline. *Be aware:* In spring & early summer, marmots chew on hoses and wiring in parked cars in the valley.

- **Ranger Station (NPS):** Opens Saturday, May 23. Until then, self-register for wilderness permits on the porch.
- **Pay Telephones:** Cold Springs Campground, Sawtooth parking area. Cell phone signals are usually poor.
- **Silver City Mountain Resort:** Open 5/22 thru 10/31. Cabins, chalets, showers, small store (gifts, limited supplies, ice, **no gasoline**, no fishing licenses). Restaurant/store: Thursday-Monday 8am-8pm; Tuesday-Wednesday 8am-5pm pie & coffee only. Pay telephone. 1-559-561-3223; www.silvercityresort.com.
- **Camping (NPS):** No RVs or trailers. Details: page 11.

Wuksachi

LODGE & DINING ROOM (DNCPR)

7200' (2160 m) elevation. Year-round center for lodging & food services in Sequoia; 4 miles (6.4 km) north of the Sherman Tree.

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- **Dining Room:** Daily, through 5/21 7:30-9:30am; 11:30am-2:30pm; 5-8:30pm. Starting 5/22, 7-10am, 11:30am-2:30pm, 5-10pm. Dinner reservations required. Box lunches available. 1-559-565-4070. Lounge daily 5-8:30pm through 5/21, then 5-10pm.
- **Gift Shop:** Daily 8am-8pm. Film, souvenirs, crafts, clothing.
- **Wuksachi Lodge:** See page 10 for details. Front desk 24 hours.
- **Pay Telephones:** At main lodge. Cell-phone signals are often poor.

FREE NATURE PROGRAMS

GIANT FOREST/ WUKSACHI LODGE

- In spring, rangers usually offer programs on weekends & holidays.
- Daily activities start Memorial Day weekend. Ask at visitor centers or see local bulletin boards for times, locations, & topics.

IN THE FOOTHILLS

- Potwisha Campground Saturday Evening Programs start 5/4 (not 4/25) at 7:30pm. Non-campers may attend! Check for additional programs.
- National Junior Ranger Family Day - April 25 - 10am-2pm at Hospital Rock Picnic Area. Get a badge & certificate! See page 3.

