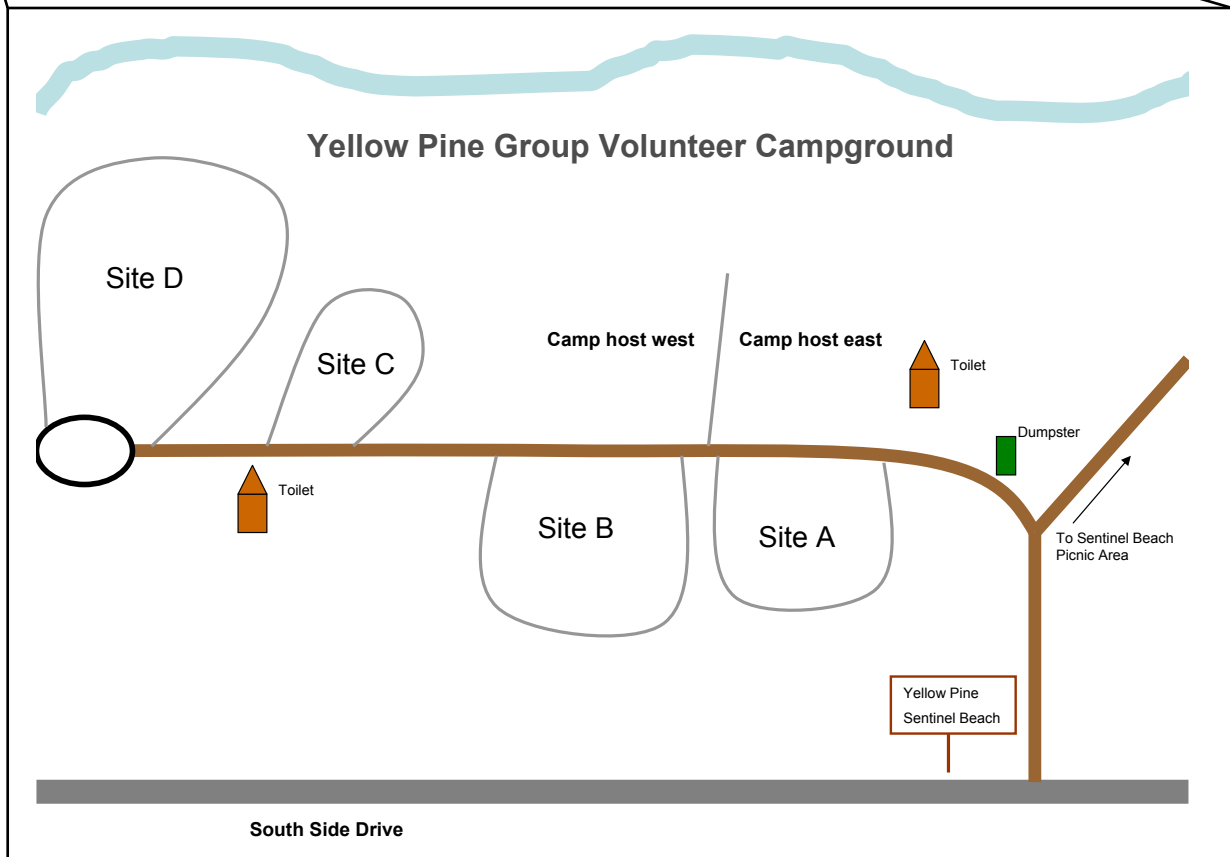
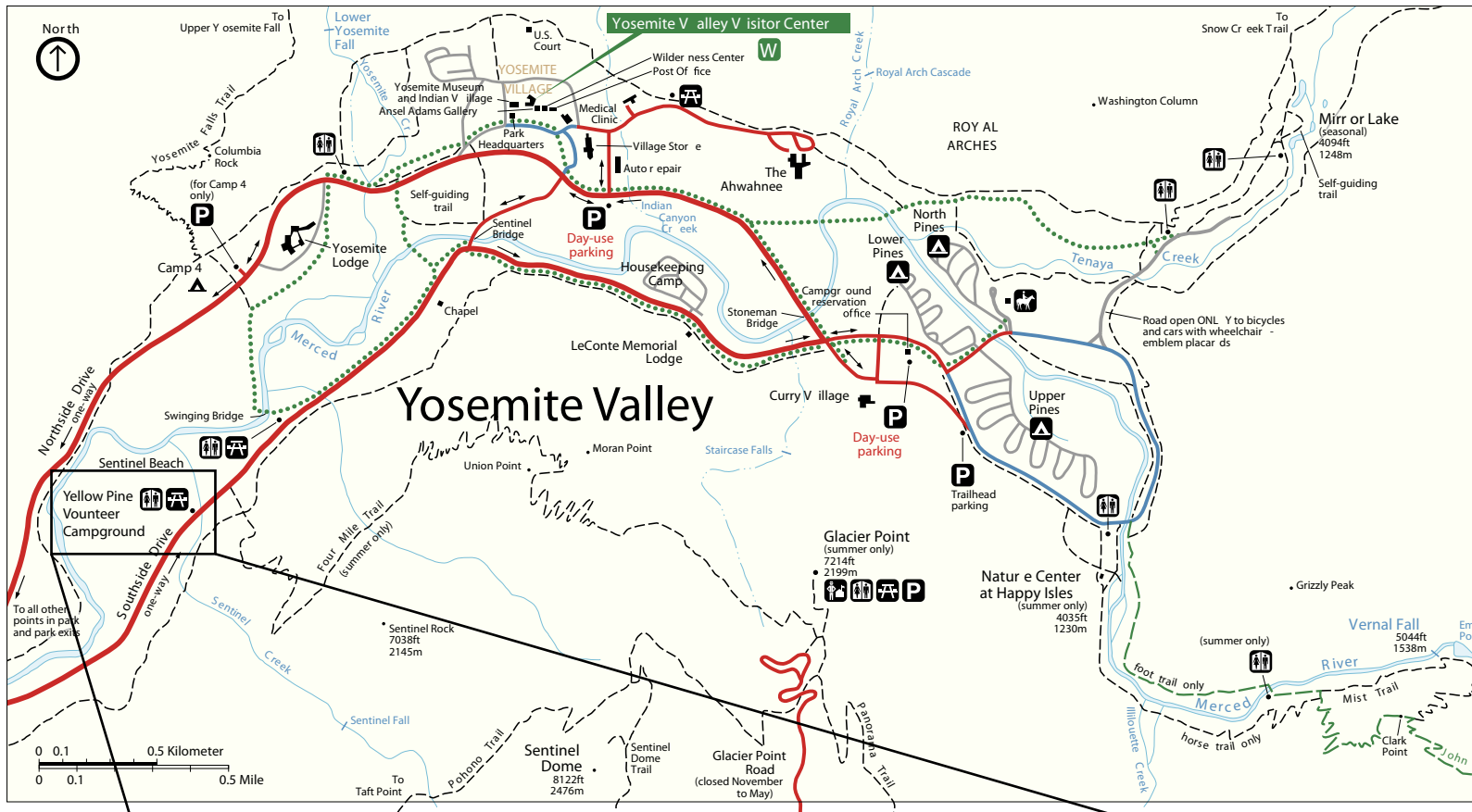


# Yellow Pine Volunteer Campground



# Yellow Pine Special Use Area for Volunteers in Parks

## Campground Rules and Regulations

### Facilities

Fire Ring      Picnic Tables    Vault Toilets    Food Storage Lockers    Mobile Water Tanks  
Lantern Poles    Recycling Bins    Dumpsters      Grills    Outstanding Scenery    4000' elevation

### Campground Rules and Regulations

1. Only tent camping is allowed in group sites – no RV's, tent trailers, etc.; cook trailers are permitted in the parking area, one per site, but may not be used for sleeping.
2. Parking is allowed only in the designated parking areas. Carpooling is encouraged.
3. There is a ten car per site limit. Additional cars may be parked on South Side Drive (off the road in legal parking sites) or at Sentinel Beach. Please put a note in the window explaining that you are a VIP in Yellow Pine. Sleeping in cars is prohibited.
4. Camping is allowed within marked camp boundaries only.
5. Quiet hours are from 10:00pm to 6:00am.
6. Generator use is prohibited between 7:00pm and 7:00am.
7. Loud music or boom boxes are not allowed; no exceptions.
8. No groups or minors may use the area without at least one adult supervisor per ten minors.
9. Each group camp site holds a maximum of 30 people. Sites are assigned by the Volunteer Office.
10. Camp fires are allowed in designated fire rings only. From May 1- October 1, they are limited to the hours between 5:00pm and 10:00pm only. Fires must be completely extinguished and cold before being left unattended.
11. Pets are prohibited from staying overnight in all group sites.
12. You must vacate your camping area by 12:00 noon on your departure day.
13. The area must be thoroughly cleaned of all garbage, trash, litter, recycling, etc. Leave it as you would wish to find it!
14. Report all discrepancies, concerns or suggestions you may have to the camp host or Volunteer Program Manager at (209) 379-1850. For emergencies call 911.

### Food Regulations to Protect Wildlife

**Bear Alert!!** Black bears are common visitors to the camping area you will be using in Yosemite. Special precautions are essential to protect your property and the bears. When bears obtain human food, they often become dangerously aggressive and destructive. Many of these bears must then be killed to protect public safety. Do your part for the bears and follow the above regulations. These precautions will help reduce the chances of bear damage and confrontations, however, be aware that such incidents are still possible even when all precautions are followed.

1. Remove ALL food and scented articles from your vehicles, and store them in the bear-proof food lockers. Make sure the lockers are secured with the attached latch. Bears recognize ice chests as a source of food and will break into your vehicle to get them.
2. Remember to remove snacks and lunch scraps from your day packs and either store them in the lockers or throw them away in an animal-resistant receptacle.
3. Put away food, wash dishes, and clean up all dropped food as soon after eating as possible. Do not put food scraps in the fire pit.
4. Make sure all garbage is deposited in animal-resistant cans or dumpsters before you leave the campground or retire for the night.
5. Do not over-stuff trash cans or leave garbage bags outside of them. If the dumpsters are full, transport your garbage to nearby dumpsters (such as at Swinging Bridge).
6. If a bear enters the campground, act immediately to drive it away. Shout, bang pots and pans, and throw rocks and sticks toward the bear (but not with the intention of hitting the bear) from a safe distance.
7. NEVER keep food or scented articles in your tent.

**Enjoy your stay and thank you for your help!**

**Yellow Pines Campground  
Yosemite National Park**

**Directions:**

**From any park entrance, follow signs to Yosemite Valley.**

**Once you are on the one-way eastbound road (Southside Drive), watch for Cathedral Picnic Area on the north (left) side of the road. Shortly after this point, get into the left lane.**

**Two miles east of Cathedral Picnic Area is the entrance to Yellow Pines Campground and Sentinel Picnic area on the north (left) side of the road. The small sign reads "Yellow Pines Sentinel Beach".**

**If you miss the turn into the campground, you must go around the one-way loop to return. If you arrive after dark, the gate may appear to be closed. Unloop the chain to open, drive through, and close the gate behind you.**

**As you drive into the campground, the road will fork. Stay to the left and pass through gate marked "Authorized Vehicles Only". There is also a sign indicating "Volunteers in Parks Special Use Area". Again, the gate may appear to be closed but will not be locked. If it is closed, please close the gate behind you.**

**Once you go through the gate, follow the road to the group site to which you are assigned. Sites A and B are on the left, Site C is on the right past a large tree, and Site D is at the end of the road.**

**Yellow Pine is equipped with drinking water in large silver tanks and pit toilets. Remember to store your food in the bear boxes immediately upon your arrival, even if it is during daylight.**