





# YELLOWSTONE

The wonders of Yellowstone National Park never cease to amaze visitors. The name “Yellowstone” was originally taken from French trappers who called it “Roche Jaune” literally meaning “stone yellow,” due to the number of yellow stones in the river. It also covers approximately 3,500 square miles of lakes, canyons, rivers and mountain ranges, making the experience of seeing a deer, bison, and even an occasional black bear exciting. The park is also home to half of the world’s geothermal features and the world’s largest active super volcano, with thousands of small earthquakes happening every year, many of which are undetectable by people. The most famous one of course is Old Faithful. Soak in the beauty and complexity of this national park and begin your adventure!

1. Roosevelt Arch is the north gate into Yellowstone Park and the top of the arch is inscribed with “For the Benefit and Enjoyment of the People.”
2. “Oh give me a home where the buffalo roam...”
3. Yellowstone has the largest, free-roaming herd of bison in the world.
4. The worst fires in Yellowstone history ravaged the park lasting from June until November of 1988.
5. The Lower Falls of the Yellowstone River is twice as tall as Niagara Falls.
6. Rock formations here are called “Hoodoos” in the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River.
7. The Yellowstone Tower Fall plunges 132 feet down.
8. Hamilton’s Stores was established in 1897.
9. The Lake Yellowstone Hotel first opened in 1891 and is the parks oldest standing hotel.
10. Fishing in the rivers and lakes of Yellowstone is great not only for the catcher but the environment as well.
11. There are 6-7 large herds of elk roaming the park in the summer.
12. Native Americans thought the land here possessed great magic. They were right.
13. People used to swim in the hot pots reach can reach 150 degree Fahrenheit (above boiling point. Not so anymore.
14. Camping in the park and roasting marshmallow by the campfire sounds just perfect to me!
15. Old Faithful—the most famous and most regular geyser in the park.
16. If you are lucky, you can see bald eagles in the park.
17. People thought John Colter, a fearless trapper and guide on the Lewis and Clark Expedition, was mad when he described the park dubbing it, “Colter’s Hell.”
18. Old Faithful Inn is the world’s largest log cabin building and was built in the winter of 1903-1904.
19. Moose are favorites of those who catch a glimpse of them.
20. Eric took much of his inspiration for the painting from historic images.
21. The variety of wildlife, including endangered animals that can be seen in the park is an experience you won’t forget.
22. It used to be common to feed the wild bears. Now it’s forbidden for obvious safety reasons.
23. Yellowstone—located mainly in Wyoming— was established on March 1, 1872 as America’s first national park.