

YOSEMITE VIEW LODGE EXPERIENCES

Nature

- In many ways a better experience than staying inside Yosemite Valley.
- The natural experience is emphasized.
- Many rooms overlook the Wild and Scenic Merced River.
- The river is illuminated at night providing a dramatic show of nature's power and beauty.
- Fewer people are concentrated here.
- Soak in an outdoor spa beside the river.
- Private balconies and patios with river views.

Recreation

- Hite Cove Wildflower Trail, one of California's finest (February - April).
- Whitewater rafting on the Merced River Class III and IV (April - June).
- Many lightly visited beaches, picnic and fishing spots between the View and the Valley.
- Yosemite Gateway Visitor center
 - Operated by the area's most authoritative and respected private guide service.
 - Provides orientation, large 3-D maps of Yosemite Valley.
 - Sign up for naturalist-guided walks, hikes, fly fishing, wildlife viewing, snowshoe, photography and stargazing sessions.
 - Join an easy sunset hike to awe-inspiring Sentinel Dome, led by a naturalist, picnic dinner included. Feel on top of the world as you survey a 360-degree view of Sierra peaks.
- Cross country ski at Crane Flat (30 min).
- Alpine or cross country ski at Badger Pass (35 min).
- Yosemite National Park

The Property

- The experience visitors wish they could find inside the park at an affordable price.
- 279 rooms and suites.
- Three-star property.
- At the west entrance to Yosemite National Park.
- Closest property to Yosemite Valley.
- Loaded with amenities: Cable TV, alarm clocks, kitchenettes, in-room fireplaces, spa tubs, balconies or patios, and double showers.
- Indoor and outdoor pools and spas.
- Convenience Store and gift shop.
- Family restaurant, pizza restaurant and bar.
- Many rooms have been renovated with rustic Lodge-styled furnishings.
- All are comfortably appointed and in excellent condition.
- Explore one of the world's finest collections of British cigarette and tea cards.
- Easy to reach by the All Year Highway (State Route 140).
- No mountain passes to cross.
- YARTS public bus to Yosemite Valley.

YOSEMITE CEDAR LODGE EXPERIENCES

Yosemite Bears

- Thirty-two whimsical, bigger-than-life, hand-carved wooden bears are located across the property.
- The Cedar Lodge store is filled with colorful plush, carved and porcelain bears.
- A Kid's Guide to the Cedar Lodge Resort provides families with a map of the bears' locations.

Nature

- Directly across from the Merced River.
- Private beach, river walk and picnic areas.
- Many lightly visited beaches, picnic and fishing spots between Cedar Lodge and the Valley.

Recreation

- Whitewater rafting (April – June).
- Hite Cove Wildflower Trail (February – April).
- Cross country ski at Crane Flat (30 min).
- Alpine or cross country ski at Badger Pass (45 min).
- Yosemite National Park

The Property

- 211 rooms and suites.
- Two-star accommodation.
- On State Route 140, 8 miles from park entrance.
- Appeals to couples and families.
- Rooms are comfortably appointed and compare well with moderately priced chain hotels.
- Many rooms have been refreshed recently.
- King spa rooms are popular with couples seeking luxury.
- Families appreciate the double queen rooms.
- Cable TV, alarm clocks, refrigerators and coffee makers in every room.
- Kitchenettes available.
- Two large public pools, one indoors and one out, plus spa tubs.
- Private pool and garden are attached to a family suite.
- Family-style restaurant, pizza parlor and bar.
- Conference Room (250)
- No mountain passes to cross.
- YARTS public bus to Yosemite Valley.

BEST WESTERN YOSEMITE WAY STATION EXPERIENCES

Heritage

- Mariposa was a major mining town during the California Gold Rush, Many of its 1850s-era structures remain.
- Walk to downtown Mariposa along a paved footpath beside Mariposa Creek.
- Behind authentic Western facades are restaurants, saloons and shops that sell arts, crafts, gifts, and wines reflecting the area's historic, scenic and agricultural qualities.
- California State Mining and Mineral Museum – see spectacular specimens including a massive chunk of filigree gold, tour a replica mine shaft.
- Mariposa History Center – explore elaborate street scenes and dioramas that showcase artifacts from the Gold Rush, see living history demonstrations.
- Mariposa County Courthouse, the oldest continuously operating court house west of the Rockies.

Recreation

- Yosemite National Park

The Property

- The first accommodation you encounter when entering Mariposa from Merced.
- On State Route 140, the west entrance to Yosemite.
- 45 minutes from Yosemite National Park
- 78 rooms.
- Maintains Best Western's standards of service, hospitality, amenities and cleanliness
- Outdoor pool and spa (seasonal).
- Cable TV.
- Courtesy continental breakfast.
- Conference Room (150)
- YARTS public bus to Yosemite Valley.

COMFORT INN OAKHURST EXPERIENCES

Culture

- Nearby, one of the finest restaurants in America, Erna's Elderberry House, is internationally recognized for its exceptional cooking and wine list, serving a prix-fixe, six-course dinner for \$82 per person in a charming country inn.
- Oakhurst has a wide selection of less expensive, but very satisfying, restaurants.

Heritage

- The southernmost mining town in California's Gold Country.
- Take a self-guided walking tour of Fresno Flats Historical Park, a collection of 19th-century structures.

Nature

- Stroll along the Oakhurst River Parkway and see beaver building dams and red-winged blackbird defending their reedy roosts.
- See the massive Giant Sequoias, the world's largest trees, inside the south entrance to Yosemite National Park.

Recreation

- Water ski, jet ski, fish and play at Bass Lake.
- Ride antique steam trains on the Yosemite Mountain Sugar Pine Railroad.
- Alpine or cross country ski at Badger Pass Ski Area (1 hour drive).
- Yosemite National Park

The Property

- An economical waystation for travelers heading to Yosemite from State Routes 41 and 99, Fresno and points south.
- 114 rooms and suites.
- Outdoor pool.
- Situated along State Route 41, the south entrance to Yosemite.
- 15 miles from the south entrance to Yosemite National Park
- This route travels from State Route 99 in Fresno north to Yosemite.