This map should not be used for backcountry trips. Use a detailed trail map or topographic map instead.

Always be prepared for sudden changes in weather and carry plenty of water. Treat all water obtained from natural sources.

Stay on trails; taking shortcuts causes trail erosion and can be dangerous.

Never feed or approach wildlife!
Glacier Point Area Hiking Map

Easy

**Glacier Point**
- Begin at Glacier Point parking area
- Moderate hike on a wide trail
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**McGurk Meadow**
- Begin at McGurk Meadow trailhead
- Easy hike with a wide trail
- Explore the unique views of El Capitan, Cathedral Rocks, Half Dome, and the Yosemite high country. Return the same way, or you can continue on the Pohono Trail west to more viewpoints and eventually the Tunnel View parking area.

**Taft Point & The Fissures**
- Begin at McGurk Meadow trailhead
- Easy hike on a wide trail
- Watch out for drops near these fractures of up to 2,000 feet!

**Sentinel Dome**
- Begin at Sentinel Dome/Taft Point trailhead
- Easy hike on a wide trail
- Enjoy magnificent views of Yosemite Valley, including El Capitan and Yosemite Falls. Near Taft Point, you’ll see the Fissures—narrow fractures in the granite called joints. Watch out for drops near these fractures of up to 2,000 feet!

**Ostrander Lake**
- Begin at Ostrander Lake trailhead
- Easy hike on a wide trail
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**Strenuous**

**Four Mile Trail**
- Begin at Glacier Point parking area
- Strenuous hike on a narrow trail
- The Four Mile Trail follows a series of switchbacks downhill the south rim of Yosemite Valley. Although lacking shade during the heat of summer, this trail has no lack of views—El Capitan and the Cathedral Rocks tower to the west, while Yosemite Falls plummets in the north and Half Dome looms eastward. The trail ends about a mile west of Yosemite Village, which is accessible by riding the El Capitan Shuttle (summer only) or by crossing the Merced River on Swinging Bridge.

**Panorama Trail**
- Begin at Glacier Point parking area
- Strenuous hike on a narrow trail
- This longer route to Yosemite Valley brings hikers past Illilouette, Nevada, and Vernal Falls. After descending 1,300 feet (400 m) to Illilouette Fall during the first 2.0 miles (3.2 km), the trail climbs nearly 800 ft (240 m) to gain the Panorama Cliff ridgeline. Next, a 600 ft (175 m) descent leads you to the intersection with the John Muir Trail above the top of Nevada Fall. You now have two choices to reach Yosemite Valley: a left turn follows the John Muir Trail downhill for the remaining 3.3 miles (5.3 km), while a right turn crosses the brink of Nevada Fall before passing Vernal Fall enroute to Yosemite Valley over 2.9 miles (4.7 km). Consider combining this trail with the Four Mile Trail for a long, strenuous loop!

**Mt. Starr King View**
- Begin at Mono Meadow trailhead
- Strenuous hike on a narrow trail
- The trail descends steeply to Mono Meadow—an area that is very wet throughout the summer. Expect log crossings over creeks and lots of mud. Follow the trail from the east end of the meadow for a half mile (0.8 km) to an unmarked clearing. Enjoy magnificent views of the Clark Range, Mt. Starr King, and Half Dome. Adventurous hikers can continue another 1.5 miles (2.4 km) downhill to Illilouette Creek (no footbridge). A turn left (north) at the junction brings hikers an additional 3.5 miles (5.6 km) to Glacier Point, climbing 1,000 ft (240 m).

**Ostrander Lake**
- Begin at Ostrander Lake trailhead
- Strenuous hike on a narrow trail
- The first half of this hike gently inclines through forest and meadow where you can observe severe scars and regrowth from a 1987 lodgepole pine forest fire. A steep 1,500 foot (450 m) elevation gain opens up to views of granite domes, Mt. Starr King, and the Clark Range just prior to arriving at Ostrander Lake.

**Pohono Trail**
- Begin at Glacier Point parking area or Tunnel View parking area on Wawona Road
- Strenuous hike on a narrow trail
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The Four Mile Trail and Panorama Trail can be hiked one-way during the summer by purchasing a one-way bus tour ticket between Yosemite Valley and Glacier Point. Note that tours can fill, so it is recommended to first ride the bus and then hike your return trip. Please visit a DNC tour desk for details. Other trails listed here can be hiked one-way by shuttling two vehicles or having a friend or family member drop you off at one trailhead and hiking to another.