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Yosemito National Park embraces a vast tract of scenic wiidlands set aside in 1890 to preserve a portion of the Sierra Neswada mountains that stretches along California's eastern flank. The park of the Sierra Sie

leave your car and take a few steps on a trail. You don't have to walk far to discover the grandour that can be tound here and the values this special place offers. Thousands of people have come to "osentite and left refreshed and relaxed and perhaps a bit more knowledgeable about what they want out office. See what you can find.

The story of Yosemite began about 500 million years ago when the Sierra Nevada region lay beneath an ancient sea. Thick layers of sediment lay

on the sea bed, which eventually was folded and twisted and thrust above sea level. Simultaneously molten rock welled up from deep within the earth and cooled slowly beneath the layers of sediment to form granite. Erosion gradually were away almost all the overlying rock and exposed the granite. And even as uplifts continued to form the Sierra, water and then glacelrs went to work to carve the face of Yosemite. Weathering and erosine continue to shape it today.

Visiting the Park













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Note the V-shape of the valley from which Yosemite Falls (739 meters/2,425 feet high) plunges.



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