

Today in Joshua Tree National Park

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

It's National Hug a Ranger day!

Today



Wind: 25 to 35 mph

Mostly Sunny
High: 59°F (15°C)

Sunrise: 6:23 AM
Sunset: 5:35 PM

Tonight



Waxing Crescent
(1% illum)

Partly Cloudy
Low: 26 °F (-3 °C)

Moonrise: 7:34 AM
Moonset: 7:30 PM

Forecast for Jumbo Rocks from weather.gov, updated at Feb 21 11:57 am

In The Park...

No Food • No Water • No Cell Service
Enjoy the park safely. Do Not Die Today!

Announcements and Closures

- 49 Palms Canyon trail is closed from Sunday night to Friday morning for trail maintenance. It is open to hikers on weekends.

Today's Recommendations for Visitors

- Weather can change rapidly. Always have warm clothing.
- Be off the trails before it gets dark.
- Avoid Key's View near sunset, unless you like sitting on LA freeways. Sunsets are great everywhere in the park.
- Always carry water, even on short hikes. You might need it.
- Let someone know where you're hiking and when you expect to return.
- Please: **Do Not Die Today!** Be Safe.

Weather

	Tuesday, Feb 21	Wednesday, Feb 22	Thursday, Feb 23
Jumbo Rocks			
Day	Mostly Sunny 59°F (15°C). Wind 25 to 35 mph	Sunny 40°F (4°C). Wind 30 to 35 mph	Chance Snow Showers 40°F (4°C). Wind 15 to 20 mph
Night	Partly Cloudy 26°F (-3°C). Wind 30 to 45 mph	Partly Cloudy 24°F (-4°C). Wind 15 to 30 mph	Chance Snow Showers 26°F (-3°C). Wind 15 mph
Cottonwood			
Day	Mostly Sunny 63°F (17°C). Wind 20 to 30 mph	Sunny 45°F (7°C). Wind 25 to 35 mph	Chance Snow Showers 44°F (7°C). Wind 10 to 20 mph
Night	Partly Cloudy 33°F (1°C). Wind 30 to 45 mph	Partly Cloudy then Slight Chance Snow Showers 29°F (-2°C). Wind 10 to 25 mph	Chance Rain And Snow Showers 33°F (1°C). Wind 15 to 20 mph
Black Rock			
Day	Partly Sunny 59°F (15°C). Wind 30 to 35 mph	Sunny 40°F (4°C). Wind 25 to 35 mph	Chance Snow Showers 38°F (3°C). Wind 20 to 25 mph
Night	Partly Cloudy then Slight Chance Snow Showers 30°F (-1°C). Wind 30 to 45 mph	Partly Cloudy then Slight Chance Snow Showers 29°F (-2°C). Wind 20 to 30 mph	Chance Snow Showers 31°F (-1°C). Wind 15 to 20 mph
Twentynine Palms			
Day	Patchy Blowing Dust 68°F (20°C). Wind 25 to 35 mph	Patchy Blowing Dust 48°F (9°C). Wind 25 to 35 mph	Chance Snow Showers 48°F (9°C). Wind 10 to 20 mph
Night	Patchy Blowing Dust 34°F (1°C). Wind 35 to 45 mph	Patchy Blowing Dust then Partly Cloudy 32°F (0°C). Wind 10 to 25 mph	Chance Rain And Snow Showers 34°F (1°C). Wind 10 to 15 mph

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Upcoming Events

Time	Program	Type	Location
Wednesday, February 22			
9:00 am	Ranger Chat	15 mins Ranger Chat	Joshua Tree VC, 29 Palms VC, Cottonwood VC
2:00 pm	Cholla Chat	2 hours Ranger Chat	Cholla Garden
	Chat with a Ranger about the vegetation		
Thursday, February 23			
9:00 am	Ranger Chat	15 mins Ranger Chat	Joshua Tree VC, 29 Palms VC, Cottonwood VC
9:30 am	Keys Ranch Tour	90 mins Guided Tour Reservation Req'd	Keys Ranch Gate (near Barker Dam)
	Take Barker Dam road to Keys Ranch Road; assemble at locked gate.		
1:00 pm	Keys Ranch Tour	90 mins Guided Tour Reservation Req'd	Keys Ranch Gate (near Barker Dam)
	Take Barker Dam road to Keys Ranch Road; assemble at locked gate.		
3:00 pm	All About Joshua Trees	1 hour Ranger Walk	Cap Rock

For reservations, go to [recreation.gov](https://www.recreation.gov) or call 1-877-444-6777

Campgrounds

Campground	Total Sites	Nightly Fee	Available Now	Note
Reserved Campgrounds Make reservations at recreation.gov or call 1-877-444-6777.				
Black Rock	99	\$ 25	40	
Cottonwood	62	\$ 25	10	
Indian Cove	101	\$ 25	8	
Jumbo Rocks	124	\$ 20	19	
Ryan	31	\$ 20	3	
Sheep Pass (group)	6	\$ 50	3	
First Come, First Served Campgrounds Find an empty site and claim it. Pay ranger or at entrance station.				
Belle	18	\$ 15	6 ?	
Hidden Valley	50	\$ 15	??	
White Tank	15	\$ 15	??	
Closed Campgrounds				
None				

Recreation.gov availability updated at Feb 21 5:00 pm
 Tag after availability: ? : Data 3 to 12 hours old. ?? : older and unreliable.



Reserve Your Campground

RECREATION.gov



Entrance Fees

Help Keep The Line Moving – Purchase Your Pass Before You Get To The Entrance

				Where to Buy		
Pass	For	Valid For	Price	Rec.gov	Entrance Station	Visitor Center
Passes for Joshua Tree National Park						
7-Day Vehicle	Everyone	7 days	\$ 30	✓	✓	✓
Annual Vehicle	Everyone	1 year	\$ 55	✓	✓	✓
Hikers and bikers	Individuals	7 days	\$ 15	✓	✓	
Vehicle Passes for all National Parks and Federal recreation sites						
America the Beautiful	Everyone	1 Year	\$ 80	✓	✓	✓
Senior Annual	US citizen Age 62+	1 Year	\$ 20		✓	
Senior Lifetime	US citizen Age 62+	Lifetime	\$ 80		✓	
Military, Gold Star Families, Disabled	Qualified Visitors	varies	free		✓	
Fourth Grade Students	Qualified Visitors	School Year	free		✓	

**Buy passes on line or by phone at recreation.gov.
Entrance stations take credit card only – no cash.**

