# **Alpine Escape Yosemite Rental Directions**

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Our house is down deep in the Yosemite West neighborhood. The road in the neighborhood winds back and forth many times, but the directions on how to get to Alpine Escape are simple: Henness Ridge Road to Yosemite Park Way to our house. Below you will find:

- GPS and online mapping information
- Step-by-Step Directions
- Maps

Please print or save to your device these maps and directions and take them with you. Also online at

• <u>https://yosemitehouse.com/directions</u>

## **Using Your GPS**

Most of the GPS systems out there — Google Maps, Apple Maps, Waze — will bring you straight to our house if you put in the address: **7193 Yosemite Park Way, Yosemite National Park, CA, 95389** 

Two important notes:

- You must start navigating before you lose cell/data reception. If you wait until you arrive at the park gate, you won't have cell reception and you'll be in double trouble no printed directions and no access to mapping apps.
- Pull into the narrow driveway **directly in front of the front door**.

# **Old-School Step-by-Step Directions (Battled Tested by Hundreds of Guests)**

#### **Coming from San Francisco, Sacramento or the East Entrance to the Park**

- Take Highway 120 East (or 120 West if coming from the east) to Crane Flat and follow the signs to Yosemite Valley.
  - Crane Flat is your **last gas.**
  - Get your **groceries** in either Oakdale (from West), Mammoth Lakes (from Southeast) or Gardnerville (from Northeast)
- Upon entering Yosemite Valley proper, you will have to take a right onto the one-way road around Yosemite Valley. You will immediately cross Pohono Bridge. Follow the Yosemite Valley directions from Pohono Bridge to Yosemite West (below).
- In the winter, it is better and usually faster to go south to Merced and take Hwy 140 through Mariposa and El Portal into Yosemite Valley. The grocery shopping is not as good, but the road is at lower altitude and rarely has snow.

#### Coming from Yosemite Valley (Yosemite Village and Pohono Bridge to Yosemite West)

- **From Yosemite Village**, follow the Valley Loop road as if making to leave the park, until you reach the intersection where Hwys 120 and 140 enter the Valley. Turn left and cross Pohono Bridge. This is the only left turn after El Capitan.
- From Pohono Bridge, continue toward Bridalveil Fall and turn right, following signs to Hwy 41, Wawona or Fresno.
- Stay on Hwy 41 past Wawona Tunnel (fantastic views of Half Dome, especially at sunset)
- It's about 7.5 miles from the Wawona Tunnel to the Yosemite West turn-off, which is the **only road on the right for about 20 miles**.
- Look for the Chinquapin intersection with some large parking areas, and white government buildings (including a restroom). There will be a road going up to the left toward Glacier Point or Badger Pass.
- The right turn into Yosemite West is about 0.2 miles past the Chinquapin intersection, and is marked with a big brown sign. If you start going downhill, you've missed it.
- Turn right onto Henness Ridge Road and then **follow the "In the Neighborhood" directions** on Page 3.

## Coming from the South Entrance via Los Angeles, Fresno, Oakhurst, Fish Camp, or Wawona

- Last groceries on this route are in Oakhurst.
- Stay on Hwy 41 past Fish Camp and through the South Entrance to Yosemite National Park.
- Turn left (the road to the right leads to the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias)
- Pass the village of Wawona. Wawona is your last gas on this route.
- The Yosemite West turn off is ~12.5 miles from Wawona just past the apex of the road. The Nature Bridge Educational Campus is on your left and the entrance to the neighborhood is just after you see the campus. It is the the only left turn for over 20 miles and the first buildings you will see after leaving Wawona.
- If you get to a big intersection with white buildings (restrooms!) and a road leading to the right you have gone about 0.2 miles too far. Pull into one of the parking areas and get turned around.
- Turn left onto Henness Ridge Road and then follow the "In the Neighborhood" directions on Page 3.

# In the Neighborhood

The total distance from where you leave Highway 41 until you arrive at the house is 2.7 miles. Numbers in parentheses are cumulative mileages from the intersection with Hwy 41.

- First Y intersection: turn right at the mailboxes (0.7 mi from Hwy 41).
- Second Y intersection (1.1 mi): turn right downhill next to the guard rail with a great view.
- First T intersection (1.7 mi): turn right left is a cul de sac. Follow this up, around a large horseshoe bend, and back downhill again.
- Second T intersection (2.7 mi): turn right again left is a cul de sac.
- Alpine Escape is the second house on the right a reddish brown ("manzanita") house between a gold-colored house and a large log house.
- Pull into the first driveway (the curvy one, not the one with the parking meter). See photo at the top of this document.

**Remove all food, trash and scented items from your car.** Bears will destroy your car door and perhaps your car interior to get at food and this will result in the bear being put down by rangers. Protect your car and our bears by bringing all food inside.

Kick off your shoes, relax and have a great stay in Yosemite!



#### **Yosemite West Detail Map**

