

Yellowstone National Park Timeline

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
February 1 (2002)	<i>Yellowstone Treasures</i> publication date
March 1 (1872)	Pres. Ulysses S. Grant signs into law the act creating Yellowstone as the world's first national park
early in month	Road plowing begins; over-snow vehicles no longer allowed in park
15	All park roads close, except the road from Gardiner to Cooke City
mid month	Migratory birds such as the mountain bluebird begin to return
31 (1839)	Artist Thomas H. Thomas's birthday
April mid month	Park roads begin reopening (all roads are not open until late May)
16-24 (2016)	National Parks Week, all U.S. national parks FREE
17 (1870)	Journalist Ray Stannard Baker's birthday
May mid month (1882)	Round-the-world cyclist Frank D. Lenz set off from Pittsburgh
all month	Bighorn lambs, coyote pups, and elk calves are born
June 1 (2016)	<i>Through Early Yellowstone</i> publication date
1 (1904)	Magnificent Old Faithful Inn opens to guests
July 10 (1890)	Wyoming (where most of Yellowstone Park is located) is admitted to the Union as the 44th state
31	World Ranger Day
August 1 (1915)	Motorcars are first admitted to Yellowstone
9 (1832)	Explorer Nathaniel P. Langford's birthday
17 (1821)	Park Superintendent Philetus W. Norris's birthday
25 (1916)	Pres. Woodrow Wilson signed into law the act creating the National Park Service
25-28 (2016)	All U.S. national parks FREE
September 8 (1978)	Yellowstone is declared a World Heritage Site by the United Nations
24 (2016)	National Public Lands Day, all U.S. national parks FREE
October 11 (2016)	Dunraven Pass and Beartooth Pass roads close
25 (1858)	Engineer Hiram M. Chittenden's birthday
26 (1976)	Yellowstone is designated a Biosphere Reserve by the UN
all month	Birds migrate from and through Yellowstone
November 7 (2016)	All park roads close, except the road from Gardiner to Cooke City
11	Veterans Day, all U.S. national parks FREE
December mid month	Some roads open to over-snow vehicles