

What is the reason to visit America?



Chicago, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, New York, Washington, and San Francisco, Miami.



Official buildings, landmarks and memorials, night life, shopping, beaches.



The moment you roll up to a national park kiosk you feel it. And if you can only sample a taste of what these parks have to offer, these are the top sites and activities that can't be missed.



Yosemite National Park

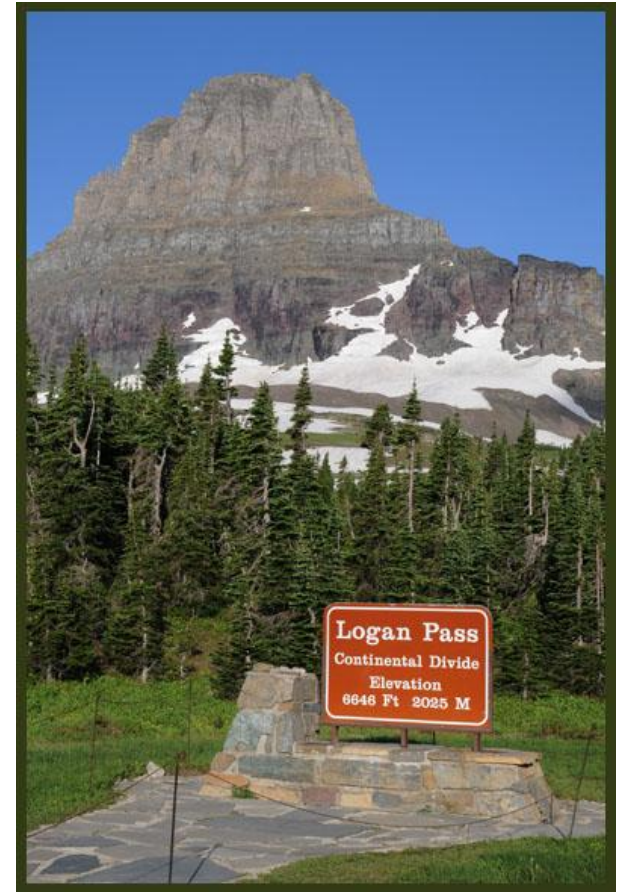
In Yosemite Valley, the national park system's crown jewel, massive granite rock formations tower thousands of feet over the Merced River.



Wild creeks plummet from the cliff tops, creating a spectacle of waterfalls unlike anywhere on earth. And presiding over it all stand the iconic and mighty sentinels of rock.

Glacier National Park

One of America's most spectacular roads is in Glacier, Going-to-the-Sun Rd offers steely-nerved motorists the drive of their life.



Although it only climbs to 6646ft - 2025m - (at Logan Pass), it feels as if you're driving on the roof of the world.

Grand Canyon National Park

Of all the places to watch the sunset in the world, few can measure up to the Grand Canyon. Lipan Point is one of the finest spots to do it.



But if you're feeling leisurely, simply grab a drink and a porch swing on the patio of El Tovar lodge, where you can watch the sunset in style.

Yellowstone National Park

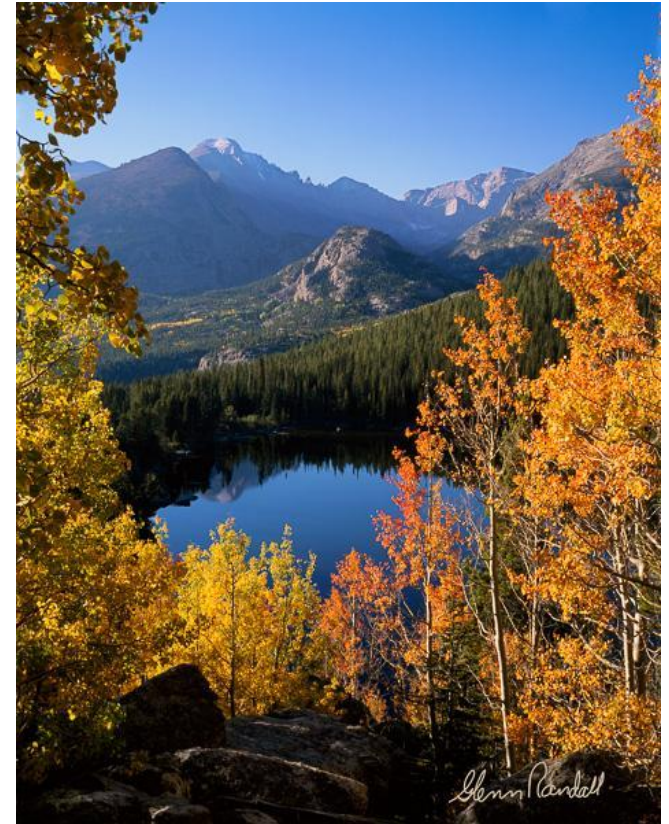
Old Faithful and the majority of the world's geysers are preserved here.



And in Yellowstone, if you don't see a moose – or a bison or a herd of elk or a bear – you probably have your eyes closed.

Rocky Mountain National Park

Whether you hike to the top of its 14,259ft (4346,143m) summit or just ogle its glaciated slopes from below, Longs Peak in the Rocky Mountains is truly a feast for the eyes.



The views from the top are mind boggling. Its a world of superlatives, Rocky is on top!

Zion National Park

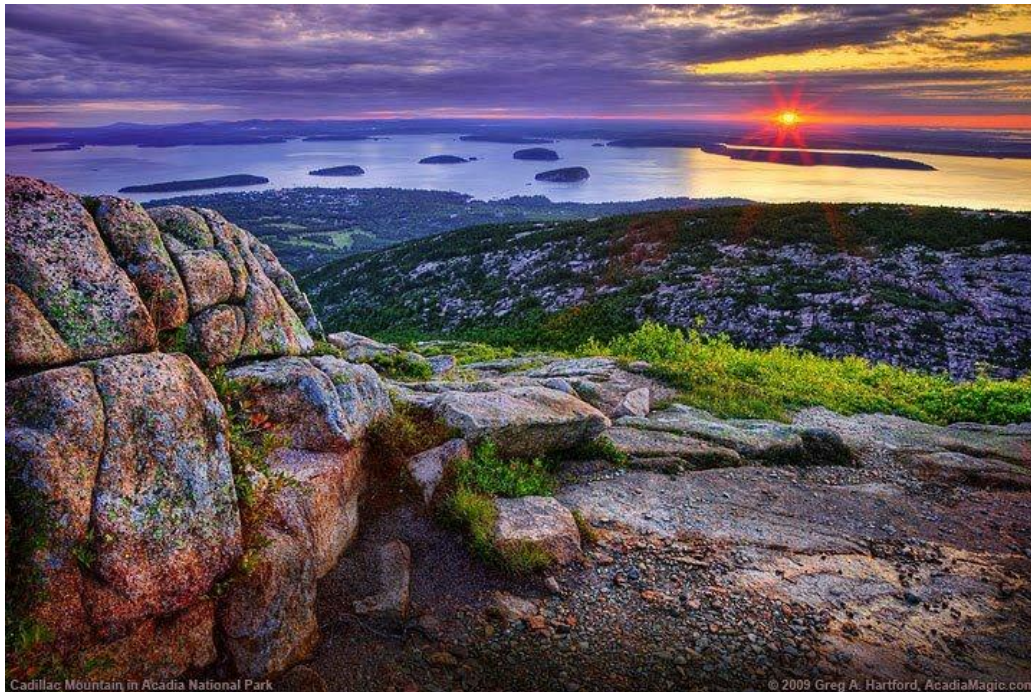
Check your claustrophobia at the door and prepare to get wet on this hike up the Virgin River into a 2000ft-deep slot canyon. As you make your way upriver, the cliffs press inward, towering higher until you reach Wall Street, where the canyon narrows to under 30ft wide.



the river is bound by massive cliffs

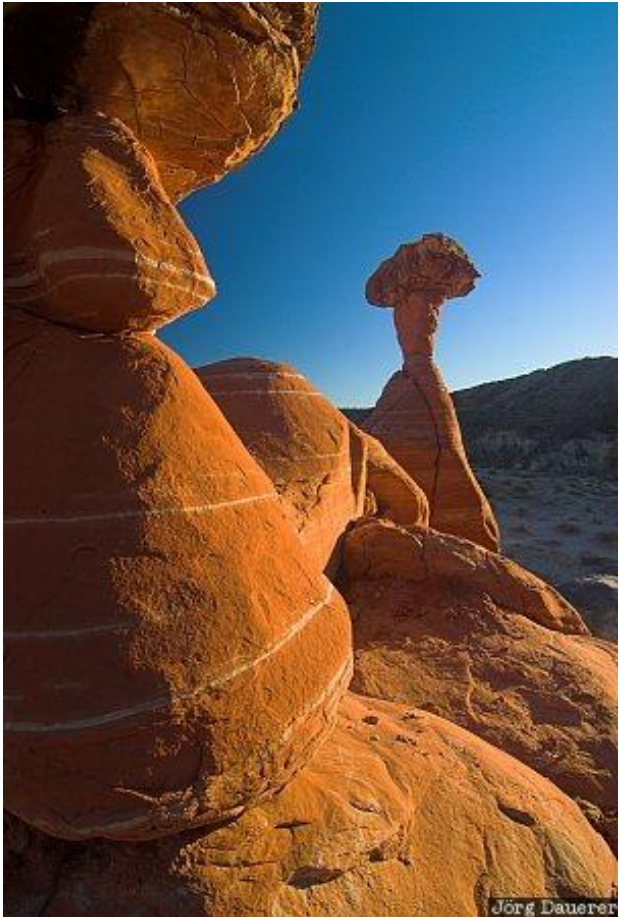
Acadia National Park

Catching the country's 'first sunrise' from the top of Cadillac Mountain in Acadia is one of the finest ways to kick off a day. The island is one of the easternmost points in the USA.



the views over the Atlantic are sublime.

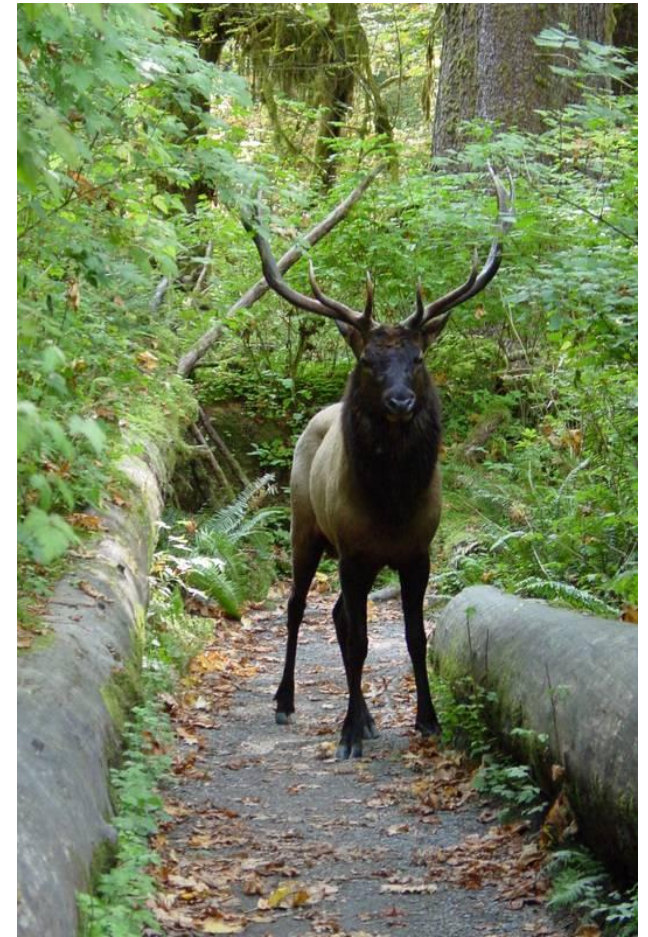
Bryce Canyon National Park



Proof that nature has a wild imagination, hoodoos are one of the strangest formations on the planet. From the rim of southern Utah's Bryce Amphitheater, you can look down upon thousands of these bizarre, ancient rock spires as they tower out of the so-called Silent City.

Olympic National Park

Olympic one of the greenest and wettest places in North America. The tremendous amount of water creates a forest covered in mosses, lichens and ferns, with a canopy so dense the forest floor seems trapped in the perpetual low light of dusk.



Embrace the rain & watch for the Roosevelt elk!

Everglades National Park

Everglades National Park protects an unparalleled landscape that provides important habitat for numerous rare and endangered species like the manatee, American crocodile, and the elusive Florida panther.



The country's third-largest national park is a paddler's paradise, with kayak and canoe 'trails' meandering through mangrove swamps and freshwater marshes that teem with wildlife.