

Yucca Valley: Sunny Days & Starry Nights



Yucca Valley and surroundings offer a variety of entertaining options for visitors whether your interests include nature and outdoor adventures, arts and culture, or history and heritage. There are so many enjoyable ways to experience the desert's stunning natural beauty, colorful history and lively art community! Only have one day in town? Following is a sample one-day itinerary of local attractions.

Begin the day at (1) **Black Rock Canyon**, located in the northwest corner of Joshua Tree National Park. This quiet campground is the starting point for multiple hiking trails surrounded by fascinating desert plant life, and wildlife sightings are frequent. The Visitor Center offers maps, books and nature guides. The Hi-View Nature Trail is a 1.3 mile interpreted walk identifying the desert flora and fauna.

Just minutes from Black Rock Canyon is downtown Yucca Valley and the (2) **Hi-Desert Nature Museum**. Enjoy their displays of gems and minerals, natural history dioramas, and Native American artifacts. This family-oriented educational center also boasts a mini-zoo and a Kids' Corner where children can play, read and color. An active schedule of temporary exhibits and programs makes your museum experience truly memorable.

Ready to enjoy lunch? Stop by the (3) **California Welcome Center** on your way to (4) **C&S Coffee Shop**, a popular diner known for their generous portions, or if you prefer sushi, the (5) **Kimi Grill** is a favorite with many locals.

Next is antiquing in (6) **Yucca Valley's Old Town District**. Take home a souvenir of your

desert vacation from one of the charming local antique shops such as Pioneer Crossing Antiques, Past Times Antiques, Route 62 Arts & Antiques, Mother Lode Antiques, and Tamma's Magic Mercantile.

Visit (7) **Desert Christ Park**, an iconic feature of Yucca Valley. Dedicated in 1951, the park is home to more than 40 large-scale concrete statues portraying scenes of Christ's life and teachings by artist Frank Antoine Martin.

Continue on to (8) **Pioneertown**, built in 1946 as a set for western movies starring Gene Autry and Roy Rogers. Take a walk along scenic Mane Street and on the weekends you may even see an old-time shootout!

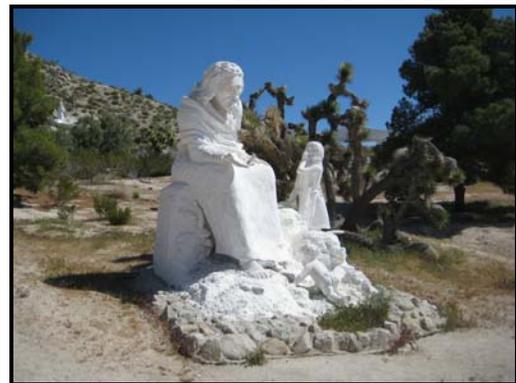
End the day at legendary (9) **Pappy & Harriet's Pioneertown Palace** for a dinner of mesquite BBQ while enjoying live music in this historic wild west watering hole. Musical entertainment includes diverse styles from bluegrass to country to rock 'n roll.



Joshua Tree National Park



Hi-Desert Nature Museum



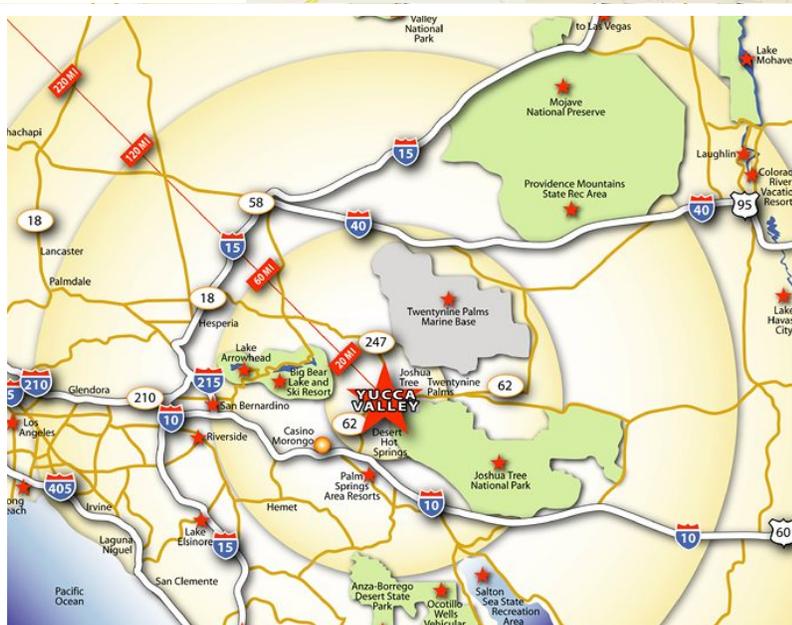
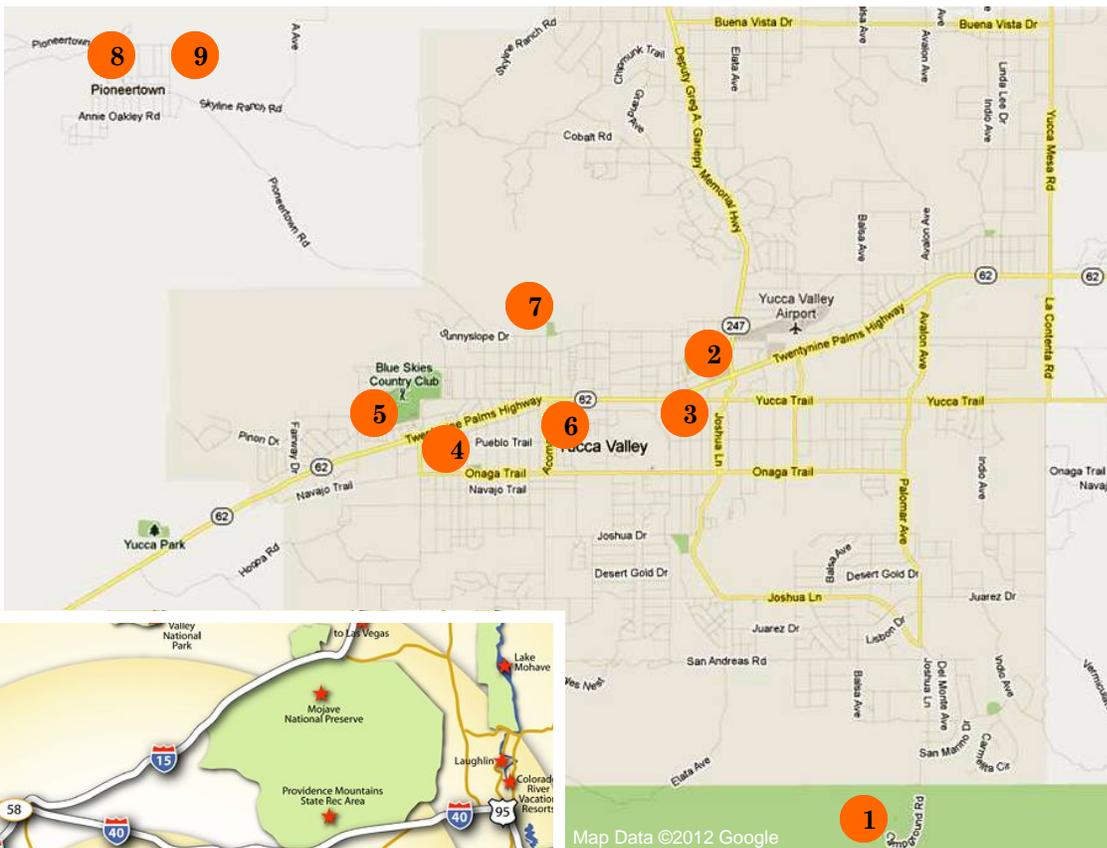
Desert Christ Park



Pioneertown

Yucca Valley is a high desert town located in the Morongo Basin of the Mojave Desert, within a 30 minute drive from downtown Palms Springs.

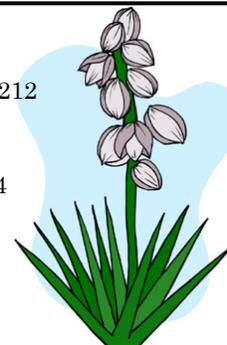
Discover Yucca Valley's scenic desert landscapes, clean air and small town appeal, which make it a great vacation getaway.



Yucca Valley plays host to many exciting special events throughout the year including the Earth Day Conservation Fair in April, Grubstake Days Celebration in May, Summer Music Concerts, Starry Nights Festival in the Fall, and the Old Town Light Parade in December.

For a full schedule of upcoming special events visit the Town of Yucca Valley website at: www.yucca-valley.org

1. **Black Rock Canyon**, Joshua Tree National Park, (760) 367-5500
Black Rock Canyon Road dead ends at the campground, www.nps.gov/jotr
2. **Hi-Desert Nature Museum**, Yucca Valley Community Center, Hwy 62 & Dumosa, (760) 369-7212
Open Tuesday—Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Free Admission
www.hidesertnaturemuseum.org
3. **California Welcome Center**, 56711 Twentynine Palms Highway, Yucca Valley, (760) 365-5464
Open Monday—Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday—Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
www.visitcwc.com/YuccaValley
4. **C&S Coffee Shop**, 55795 Twentynine Palms Highway, Yucca Valley, (760) 365-9946
5. **Kimi Grill**, 7500 Camino del Cielo Trail, Yucca Valley, (760) 369-1122
6. **Old Town Merchants**, along the west end of Twentynine Palms Highway, Yucca Valley
7. **Desert Christ Park**, 56218 Sunnyslope Drive, Yucca Valley, (760) 365-3984, www.desertchristpark.org
8. **Pioneertown**, 4 miles north of Yucca Valley on Pioneertown Road
9. **Pappy & Harriet's Pioneertown Palace**, 53688 Pioneertown Road, Pioneertown, (760) 365-5956
Thursday—Sunday, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., Monday 5:00 p.m. to midnight, Closed Tues-Wed
www.pappyandharriets.com



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