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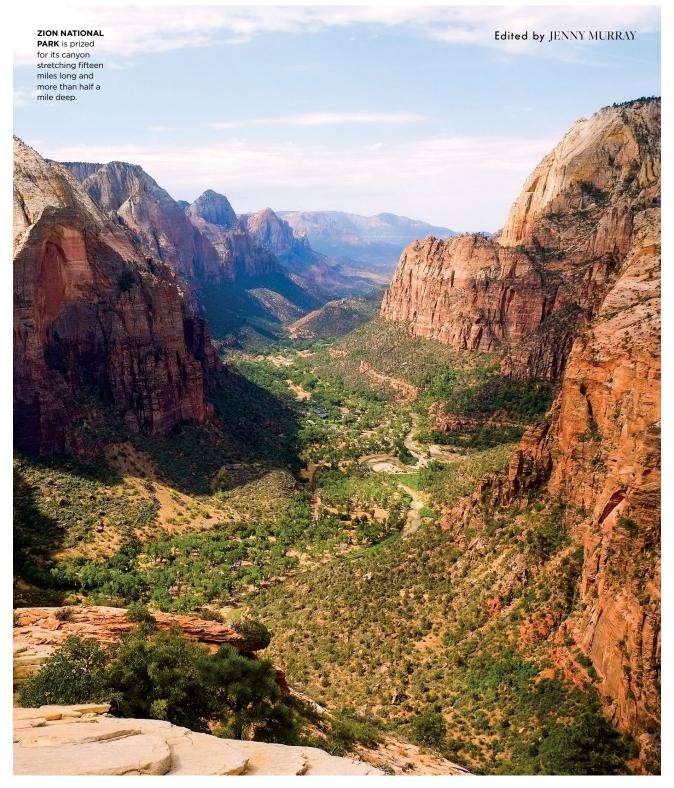












Parks and Recreation Celebrating its CENTENNIAL, the National Park Service ushers in a new, LUXURIOUS CHAPTER >

TRAVEL

This year, the National Park Service marks its hundredth birthday-and we should all be celebrating, because how different would our childhood family vacations look without fondly remembered road trips to Yellowstone and Yosemite? Today, there are more than 400 national parks across the country, including 27 here in California. And a clutch of sophisticated bolt-holes means your days of shacking up in the family camper are long behind you.

Jackson Hole, Wyoming, was the first place the vaunted Amanresorts group landed in North America nearly two decades ago, Clockwise from top: STRING LAKE in Grand Teton National Park. A guest suite in Jackson Hole's AMANGANI. A herd of bison in

Yellowstone's Lamar Valley.

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drawn to the picturesque setting in the shadow of the Grand Tetons near Yellowstone National Park. Any of the 40 suites at Amangani (aman.com) make a prime setting for a ski getaway in winter and a hiking retreat in summer with natural wood-and-stone interiors that evoke the outdoors. We're partial to the top-floor Spring Gulch suite for its expansive balcony with panoramic views. If you have more classic tastes, the historic Jenny Lake Lodge (gtlc.com) in Grand Teton National Park is a study in rustic refinement, Old West style—cozy log cabins with handstitched quilts and wood-burning stoves.

In our own neck of the woods, there's some exciting news out of Yosemite: Rush Creek Lodge (rushcreeklodge.com) marks the park's first resort opening in over a quarter century, offering a contemporary new vantage point for taking in the Giant Sequoias. And while the Ahwahnee Hotel remains as iconic as ever, with a past clientele as varied as Queen Elizabeth II and Leonard Nimov, the 1920s-era lodge is taking on a new identity (following a legal dispute): In March, it was rechristened the Majestic Yosemite Hotel (travelyosemite.com).

Can't plan a trip just yet? Check out Greg MacGillivray's centennial ode, the IMAX documentary National Parks Adventure, released this past February. • SARAH KHAN



Wheels Up

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This spring, Parisian fashion house Longchamp is adding a touch of whimsy to your travel plans with multihued hard-shell suitcases, outfitted in a playful marble motif. An expandable bellows pocket on the exterior (perfect for last-minute buys) offers added convenience while maintaining a lively, graphic style. Plus, it's hard to miss on the baggage carousel. us.longchamp.com.