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*Facts and Fun Trivia About
Thompson's® WaterSeal's® Very Important Places™ (VIPs)*



NIAGARA FALLS

- Niagara Falls actually comprises three separate waterfalls – two located in the U.S. (American Falls and Bridal Veil Falls) and one in Canada (Horseshoe Falls).
- Niagara Falls is North America's most powerful waterfall. Seventy-five thousand gallons of water per second flow over the U.S. side of the falls. It's the largest transnational waterfall in the world. (The second largest is the Detian Waterfall and the Banyue Waterfall spanning the borders of China and Vietnam.)
- Niagara Falls State Park is America's oldest State Park. It is located just 15 miles north of Buffalo, New York, and attracts more than seven to eight million visitors annually.
- President Theodore Roosevelt visited both Niagara Falls State Park and Yellowstone National Park. Marilyn Monroe filmed the movie "Niagara" at the Falls in 1952.

GLACIER NATIONAL PARK

- Glacier National Park, located on one-million acres in northwest Montana, was established as the 10th National Park in America in 1910.
- Glacier National Park contains 37 named glaciers and 131 named lakes. In 1850, there were 150 glaciers in the Park. Today there are 26. If present trends continue, by 2030, there will be no glaciers remaining in the Park.
- Built in 1933, the Park's Going-to-the-Sun Road is a National Historic Civil Engineering Landmark that takes visitors to the heights of the continental Divide.
- Glacier National Park borders Canada's Waterton Lakes National Park. In 1931, the two parks formed Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park – the first Park of its kind in the world, symbolizing friendship between the two countries. More recently, the Parks have been named Biosphere Reserves, and in 1995, this became a World Heritage Site, one of only 20 WHS sites in America.





YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK

- Designated on March 1, 1872 by President Ulysses S. Grant, Yellowstone National Park is the world's first national Park, and it predates the National Park System, which was created in 1916. Its more than 2.2 million acres are located primarily in Montana, but parts of the Park spill into Wyoming and Idaho.
- Yellowstone is the home to more than 300 geysers -- two-thirds of the geysers on Earth. The most famous geyser is Old Faithful, which erupts approximately every 90 minutes, although this can vary. However, it's not the tallest geyser. That designation goes to Steamboat Geyser, which is the tallest active geyser on Earth!
- Yellowstone is also home to more than 10,000 "hydrothermal features," including hot springs, mud pots and fumaroles (jets of steam from below ground). It is the world's most diverse concentration of these natural wonders.
- National Historic Landmarks within Yellowstone include Old Faithful Inn (one of the few remaining log hotels in the U.S.), Mammoth Campground (the first designed campground in the National Park Service program), Fort Yellowstone, Norris, Madison and Fishing Bridge Museums and Obsidian Cliff.