

## The Yosemite

By John Muir

Unabridged

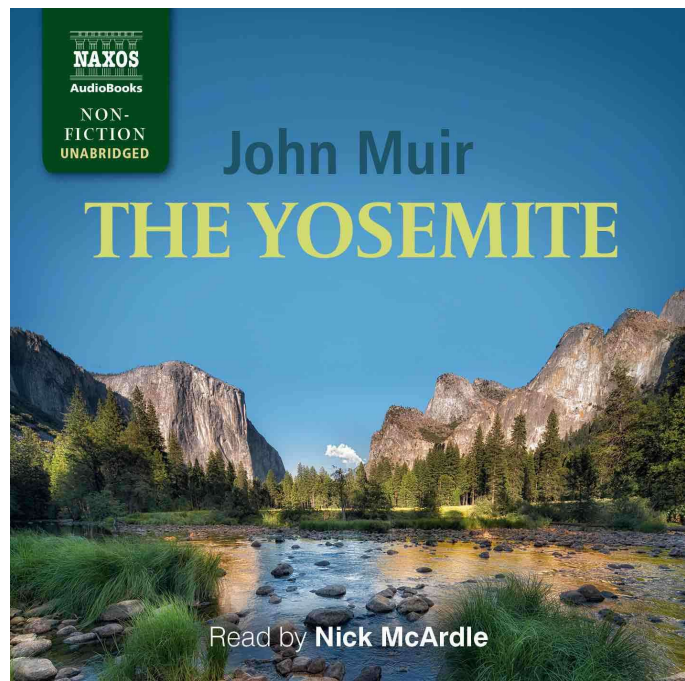
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### DESCRIPTION

For two years Scots-born John Muir lived in a small cabin along the Yosemite creek, observing the valley's natural beauty and reading Emerson under the stars. The experience forged a lifelong affinity with the site, which would result in its establishment as a national park in 1890. Originally written as a guidebook to the park, *The Yosemite* describes every aspect of wildlife and landscape that one might encounter there. In exuberant and reverent language, Muir presents its scaling peaks, winding rivers and thunderous creeks, and gives observations on nearly every plant, animal, and geological feature. With childlike awe he rides in avalanches, rushes to witness floods, and climbs rocks under waterfalls. *The Yosemite* is Muir's ode to nature and the magnificence of the outdoors.

### SALES AND MARKETING POINTS

- A vivid and memorable portrait of one of America's most cherished national parks.
- About 4 million people visit Yosemite each year. Muir's text is still regarded as the essential guide to the area.
- Indispensable listening for fans of Thoreau, Emerson and Whitman. Emerson once described Muir as 'the prophet-naturalist he had called for so long ago'.



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