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It's rare to travel to any U.S. destination without there being a national park nearby. Each of our country's 58 scenic gems is special. A great handbook to them all is "National Geographic Guide to National Parks of the United States" (\$26), updated last year. The book's 380 color photographs and 80 color maps can help you plan your trip -- or inspire one. Those 62 and over, take note: A lifetime senior pass to national parks costs \$10 and can be purchased at any national park.

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