



The Big Pictures: GRAND
CANYON

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Sunlight peeks through winter storm clouds to illuminate the Grand Canyon's O'Neill Butte (foreground), as seen from Yaki Point on the South Rim. The butte is named for William "Buckey" O'Neill, a prominent figure in Arizona's early history.
Tom Danielsen



“What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness.”

– JOHN STEINBECK

With the North Rim in the background, snow covers the rocks and trees of the South Rim's Moran Point, located east of the Grand Canyon Visitor Center. Both rims of the Canyon typically receive several feet of snowfall each winter. *Tom Danielsen*



“The world seems to be made up of a never-ending series of overlapping forms. There always seems to be something in back of something else.” – DONALD GRAHAM



LEFT: As a major winter storm passes, clouds fill the Canyon below Yavapai Point at sunset. The point is just northwest of the Grand Canyon Visitor Center on the South Rim.

Derek von Briesen

ABOVE: After an overnight rainstorm, morning clouds break over the Canyon, as viewed from the North Rim's Point Sublime. During the North Rim's operating season (mid-May through mid-October), the secluded spot can be accessed in a high-clearance vehicle via a 17.7-mile dirt road leading west from State Route 67. *Wes Timmerman*



During an inversion, layers of clouds surround Mount Hayden, named for Arizona pioneer Charles Trumbull Hayden. This view is from the North Rim's Point Imperial, the Canyon's highest overlook (8,803 feet).
Jack Dykinga



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*Low clouds and a heavy blanket of snow shroud the Canyon's iconic buttes, as viewed from Yavapai Point at sunset. **Derek von Briesen***



Beams of sunlight find an opening on the horizon and illuminate the Canyon behind Yaki Point at sunrise.
Claire Curran
