

In December 1874, [John Muir](#) naturalist and author, was staying at a cabin nestled in the Sierra Nevada when a storm whipped through the valley. Muir sought adventure, instead of shelter. He located the tallest cluster of Douglas Fir trees, climbed to the very top of a 100-foot-tall fir to ride out the gale. He said, "Nature always has something rare to show us." This is exactly why we value our Ticonderoga space! Although we recommend staying in your safe space during a storm, did you know Ticonderoga has many impressive trees, too?

When quizzed about the variety of wood in TOA, our informed Land Manager Herman rattled off a list of our special woods. Can you find these on your property or while out hiking? Tell us what unique wood you have found.



*Douglas Fir *White Fir *Bristlecone Pine
*Aspen *Ponderosa Pine *Black Jack Pine
*Engelman Spruce *Cedar
*Mountain Mahogany *Alligator Juniper *Gambel Oak
*Golden Currant *Black Currant

Here's a great archive for New Mexico Trees: <https://treenm.org/category/trees/>

We are pleased to announce that the base course gravel now covers the entire length of Ticonderoga Drive, providing a smoother and more stable driving surface throughout the community.

The main entrance gates now feature beautiful new metal wildlife silhouettes.

This decorative addition showcases a scenic mountain landscape, complete with stylized cutout figures of bugling elk, deer, and pine trees. The new artwork spans across the horizontal bars of the security gate to welcome members and guests with a touch of local nature.



A Huge Thank You to Jose Carillo & The Chama Forestry District!

We extend our deepest gratitude to Jose Carillo from the Chama Forestry District office for outstandingly staging and managing the critical hazardous fuel reduction project inside Ticonderoga.

Thanks to his leadership, his hard-working crew successfully removed miles of dense, flammable vegetation. This vital mitigation work directly lowers potential wildfire intensity, creating a safer environment that protects human life, community property, and the safety of our firefighters. Thank you, Jose, for your dedication to keeping Ticonderoga safe!

Live Ticonderoga Weather Updates

Do you want current weather conditions in Ticonderoga? Member Jeff Hellman maintains a weather station on his property. [Save this link.](#) (A bear recently destroyed the rain gauge. Jeff will get the gauge repaired soon.)

