

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

all in the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area is a great time to escape the fast pace of everyday life and discover our incredibly diverse plant and animal neighbors. These mountains are home to over 1,000 plant and animal species including valley oak, toyon, red-tailed hawk and bobcat.

The Santa Monica Mountains are part of the larger South Coast Mediterranean Type Ecosystem. Ecosystems are made up of plants and animals that are dependent on each other for survival. A healthy ecosystem can support a great diversity of life. Ecosystems don't recognize property or political borders but are impacted by how people use the land. What happens both inside and outside the Santa Monica Mountains impacts the quality of our lives as well as that of plants and animals. In order to preserve and conserve the diversity of our ecosystem, the National Park Service works cooperatively with private landowners and over 100 public and private agencies.

Help protect your ecosystem by carpooling, recycling, conserving water, and learning more about your environment. Take a guided bird walk or witness nature's rebirth by attending fire ecology programs at Cold Creek Canyon or at our Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa Site. Increase native biodiversity by assisting the California Native Plant Society with its monthly weed wars or by including native plants in your yard. Volunteers are one of our most valuable assets. Join your neighbors by volunteering to build trails or by performing maintenance, office, computer or other work.

We look forward to seeing you and to your continued support of National Park Service and our cooperating agencies' programs.

David E. Gackenbach

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HOW TO USE THIS CALENDAR

Date - Activities occurring on a specific day are listed in order of the time they occur.

Time - If a single time is listed, the program begins at that time and lasts for the number of hours indicated. If a span of time is listed, you may attend the program any time within those hours.

Location - Directions to listed parkland areas are found on page 15 and 18. Between these pages is a map of the national recreation area. These four pages may be removed together for easy reference.

Reservation - If required, it will be indicated.

Length - The approximate length (in hours) of the program is indicated.

Sponsoring Agency - The acronym for the agency sponsoring the activity is listed. Participating organizations and their phone numbers to call for further information are listed on page 3. You may also call:

National Park Service Visitor Center 8 1 8 - 5 9 7 - 9 1 9 2 or

Mountains Parks Information Service 1 - 8 0 0 - 5 3 3 - P A R K



REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

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Circle X Ranch Site	Camping, hiking, picnicking in high mountain country. 30 miles of trails and fire roads. Camping fee. NPS.
Cold Creek Canyon Preserve	Open daily by reservation only for group & individual walks. Scheduled interpretive plant & bird walks. Tours for private groups may be arranged. 818-591-9363. CCD/MRT.
Coldwater Canyon Park	TreePeople location. Open daily 9am to dusk. Nursery open weekends noon to 5pm. Free tours by reservation. TP.
Franklin Canyon Ranch Site/ Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr	Open daily. Hiking, picnicking, and nature trails. Regularly scheduled naturalist programs. NPS/WODOC/MEP.
Leo Carrillo State Beach	Campfire programs & hikes as scheduled; camping. Visitor center open 10am to 3pm weekends. Parking fee. CDPR.
Malibu Creek State Park	Camping, picnicking, fishing, hiking, bicycling, & equestrian trails. Visitor center open weekends noon to 4pm. Regularly scheduled naturalist walks & group programs by reservation. Day-use parking/individual entry fee. CDPR/MCD.
Malibu Lagoon State Beach/ Historic Adamson House	Tours of historic Adamson House and museum WED thru SAT 11am to 3pm. Reservations required for 12 or more. TUES: groups by reservation. Tour fees. Bird walks at the state beach lagoon. CDPR/MLMD/SMBAS.
Paramount Ranch Site	Open daily. Picnicking, jogging, equestrian, and hiking trails. Western Town movie set. NPS.
Peter Strauss Ranch Site	Open 8am to 5pm daily. Hillside loop trail, picnicking. Art exhibits and concerts as scheduled. NPS.
Point Mugu State Park	Camping, picnicking, hiking, bicycling, and equestrian trails. Naturalist hikes and campfires as scheduled. CDPR.
Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site	Open daily. Rancho Sierra Vista: Hiking trails, tours & naturalist walks as scheduled. Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center open SUN 10am to 5pm with exhibits & talks on Native American Indian culture. NPS/FOS.
Rocky Oaks Site	Open daily. Hiking and equestrian trails, picnic area, seasonal pond. NPS.
Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area Visitor Center	Open MON thru FRI 8am to 5pm and SAT & SUN 9am to 5pm. Info on Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area & other national parks. NPS.

Temescal Canyon/ Presbyterian Conference Grounds Docent-led hikes in Pacific Palisades & Temescal Canyon area, TCA.

Topanga State Park

Hiking, picnicking, equestrian and mountain bike trails. Docent-led walks as scheduled. Parking fee. CDPR/TCD.

Will Rogers State Historic Park



Park grounds open 8am to 6pm. Film, self-guided audio tour & guided tour of ranch house available 10am to 5pm. Polo matches SAT at 2pm and SUN at 10am, conditions permitting. Day use fee. Reservations needed for groups of 25 or more. CDPR/WRD.

PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS

AASMM Allied Artists, Santa Monica Mountains 818-597-1036 ext. 230

CCD Cold Creek Docents 818-591-9363

CDPR California Dept. of Parks & Recreation 818-880-0350

CNP Charmlee Nature Preserve 310-457-7247
CNPS California Native Plant Society 818-348-5910
CORBA Concerned Off-Road Bicyclists Assn. 818-773-3555

FOS Friends of Satwiwa 805-499-2837

FORC Friends of Runyon Canyon 213-666-5004 GSSA Golden State Sculptors Assn. 818-784-4849

LACP Los Angeles County Recreation & Parks Dept. 213-738-2961

LED Los Encinos Docents 818-784-4849
MC Moorpark College 805-499-7990
MCD Malibu Creek Docents 818-706-8809

MCF Mountains Conservancy Foundation 310-456-7154
MEP Mountains Education Program 310-457-9227
MLMD Malibu Lagoon Museum Docents 310-456-8432

MRCA Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority 310-456-7807

MRT Mountains Restoration Trust 310-456-5625

NNW Nursery Nature Walks 310-998-1151 NPS National Park Service 818-597-9192

SC Sierra Club 213-387-4287

SMBAS Santa Monica Bay Audubon Society 310-457-2240
SMMPA Santa Monica Mountains Parklands Assn. 818-597-1036
SMMC Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy 310-456-5046
SMMTC Santa Monica Mountains Trails Council 818-222-4530

TCA Temescal Canyon Association 310-454-4188 TCD Topanga Canyon Docents 818-888-6856

TLVRCD Topanga-Las Virgenes Resource Conservation District

310-455-1030

TP TreePeople 818-753-4600

WODOC William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom 310-858-3090 WRD Will Rogers State Historic Park Docents 310-454-8212

WI Wilderness Institute 818-991-7327

AUTUMN PROGRAMS

Learn about
the natural and
cultural history of
the Santa Monica
Mountains National
Recreation Area.
Attend a program
or train to be a
docent and share
your knowledge



SAT 10/1

9am

Lower Stunt High Trail
1st Saturday Walk at Cold
Creek Valley Preserve
Explore this fire-recovering
preserve. See streamside
pools and woodlands in a
chaparral basin set amidst
craggy sandstone peaks.
Meet at Lower Stunt High
Trailhead 1 mile from
Mulholland Hwy on
Stunt Rd. 2hrs CCD

SAT 10/1

9am

Lower Stunt High Trail

Fisher Firsts Gentle twomile walkabout in this new parkland to view riparian areas, oak woodlands and gently rolling hills. Find signs of fourlegged denizens. Bring lunch and water. Meet at the Stunt High Trailhead. 3hrs CCD/MRT

Free training. Volunteers needed to work with children,

staff the nature center

310-858-3090

x112

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SAT 10/1

9am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

WODOC & The Movies

Tour an area which has been the site of many movie and T.V. productions. See how the industry has learned to help preserve the environment. 2hrs WODOC

TOPANGA CANYON DOCENTS

20th Annual Docent Training Program

Learn from experts about birds, plants, insects and more. Fee. Saturdays, 9:30am-3:30pm:

OCT 8 & 22 / NOV 5 & 19 / DEC 3

Call: 818-881-9063

SAT 10/1 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center Canyon Tykes For 4-7 year olds accompanied by an adult. Explore trails, animal homes, and the sights, sounds and feel of nature. Reservation required 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs WODOC

SAT 10/1 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center
Saturday Saunter Learn
about the natural world
while enjoying the company of others on this
easy-paced walk in upper
Franklin Canyon. 1.5hrs
WODOC

SUN 10/2 8am

Topanga State Park
Bird Walk Buffs and
beginners will enjoy discovering the ways of the
birds. Bring water and
snack. 3hrs SC

SUN 10/2 9am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach
Ocean Day at Malibu
Lagoon Observe the ecology of the lagoon including birds and underwater life. Participate in a recycling and beach clean up workshop. Reservation required 310-455-1449. 3hrs TLVRCD

TRAIL BUILDING



Saturdays, 8am - noon at various sites.

New trails to build, old trails to repair.

The challenge is there.

Join in this satisfying work.

Call Ron Webster/Sierra Club:

310-451-1231

SUN 10/2 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Bird Walk for Children
Discover the birds of
Malibu Creek. For children
of all ages - must be accompanied by an adult. Bring
binoculars. Meet at lower
parking lot. 1hr MCD

SUN 10/2 10a-5pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site

Satwiwa Sundays

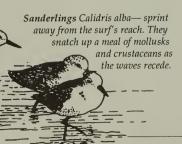
Visit the Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center. A Native American Indian guest host or an NPS ranger will answer questions. FOS/NPS



Adopt-a-Trail

Help keep your favorite trails safe and beautiful. Join the Santa Monica Mountains Trail Council crew on Saturdays, 8am-noon for a landshaping experience!

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October

SUN 10/2 10am

Franklin Canyon Ranch Site

Chronicles of the Canvon An exploration of the beauty and history of Franklin Canyon. From Native American Indians. Spanish and early settlers to modern water distribution and filmmaking, the canyon has seen it all! 2.5hrs WODOC

SUN 10/2 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Backpacking: Surviving the Fun Could you survive in the wilderness? Learn backpacking tips including safety and emergency techniques. Nature can be fun and safe! 1.5hrs WODOC

SUN 10/2 6pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

The Walk of Life, Sound & Light See the spirit and wonder of nature on this walk. Through guided meditation, we will see that we occupy a special place in the "cycle of life" on this planet. 1.5hrs WODOC



10th Annual TAFFY Festival Oct. 8th & 9th

Sat - Sun, 10am to 5pm Peter Strauss Ranch Site

The best in theatre, music, dance, puppetry, mime, bands-on crafts, workshops and games for family audiences... including the "Puddledumplin Players," Victorian animal characters from TAFFY's own town of Puddledumplin.

Ticket info: 818-998-2339

WED 10/5 10:30am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Babes In The Woods

Enjoy the companionship of other parents on this walk around the NPS Upper Franklin Canyon Reservoir. Introduce the natural world to your stroller-age child. Reservation required 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs WODOC

FRI 10/7

Caballero Canyon Twilight Hike Leisurely three-mile hike into beautiful Caballero Canyon to Mulholland Dr. Beginners welcome. 3hrs SC

7pm



SAT 10/8

8am

Malibu Creek State Park
Birding Tour A variety
of habitats support 160
species from hummingbirds to golden eagles.
Observe fall migrants
and winter arrivals on this
easy-paced walk. Bring
binoculars. Meet at lower
parking lot. 3hrs MCD

SAT 10/8 9am

Cold Creek Canyon
Preserve

An Open Book Rocks tell
a history of a streambed
on a mountaintop, ocean
fossils at 2,200' elevation
and a mountain-sized
landslide. Join geologist
Bob Thomas for decoding
techniques. Reservation

SAT 10/8 9am

required 310-456-5625.

4hrs MRT

Franklin Canyon Ranch Site

Cleaning Up Our Environment Learn how everyone can help make our environment more beautiful on this moderate-trail, clean up hike. Become a part of the solution! 1.5-2hrs WODOC

SAT 10/8 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Fitness Hike Intermediate to advanced hikers can get some fast-paced exercise, enjoy the trails and learn some park history. Nature center tour included. 2hrs WODOC

SAT 10/8 10am

Rocky Oaks Site
Chaparral & Oak Woodlands See how well these micro-ecosystems blend together on this 2.5 mile walk. Bring kids, water and picnic lunch for afterwards. 818-707-8540. 2hrs SC/TCD

SAT 10/8 5pm

Charmlee Nature Preserve
Twilight Hike & Marshmallows Easy hike with
a beautiful view of the sun
setting over the Pacific.
Followed by marshmallows around the campfire.
Bring flashlight, water and
skewers. 818-347-1817
2.5hrs CNP

SUN 10/9 9am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Nature Center
T'ai Chi Walk Beginners
or those with some T'ai
Chi Ch'uan background
can enjoy instruction in
moving meditation on
our trek through Franklin
Canyon. Highlights in T'ai
Chi and ecosytem will be
pointed out. 2hrs WODOC



California Native Plant Society & Sierra Club WEED WARS

10/9

Sunday 9am-1pm Pt. Mugu State Park

Prepare park for springtime bloom. Help eliminate domineering weeds.

Reservations: 818-348-5910

SUN 10/9 10a-5pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site

Satwiwa Sundays Visit the Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center. A Native American Indian guest host or an NPS ranger will answer questions. FOS/NPS

SUN 10/9 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Discovering Nature A walk for families with children. Look for animal homes, meet a tree, observe an insect and more! Tune into the natural world. *Reservation required* 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs WODOC

SUN 10/9 10am

Franklin Canyon
Ranch Site
What, No Pizza Parlors?
A fun-filled family walk
and discussion on the
traditional life of Native

A fun-filled family walk and discussion on the traditional life of Native American Indians of southern California. Learn about plant use, arts and crafts, story-telling and music. *Reservation required* 310-858-3090x115. 3hrs WODOC

SUN 10/9 12:30pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Nature & Awareness Explore, expand and deepen your awareness on this easy-paced walk. Includes a guided meditation. 1.5hrs WODOC

WED 10/12 10am

TreePeople
TreePeople Nursery
Nature Walk For families
with children 3 mos to 6
yrs old. Easy site from city
and valley. Explore nature,
see chickens and a recycling center. Donations
requested. Reservation
required 310-364-3591.
2hrs NNW

FRI 10/14 7pm

Caballero Canyon
Twilight Hike Leisurely
three-mile hike into beautiful Caballero Canyon to
Mulholland Dr. Beginners
welcome. 3hrs SC

SAT 10/15 9am

Runyon Canyon Park Trail Hike Explore this urban wilderness located above Hollywood. 2-3hrs FORC

SAT 10/15 9:30am

Paramount Ranch Site From Set to Screen Illusions and hard work turn a dusty set into a realistic town. Join an NPS ranger on this easy-paced walk to discover movie magic and the history of Paramount Ranch. 1hr NPS

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SAT 10/15 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Saturday Saunter Learn about the natural world while enjoying the company of others on this easy-paced walk in Upper Franklin Canyon. 1.5hrs WODOC

SAT 10/15 10am

Malibu Creek State Park
Chumash Harvest Walk
Learn about Chumash
resources on this easypaced walk through oak
woodlands and streamside communities. Which
plants were used for food,
medicine, clothing or
building materials? Meet
at lower parking lot. 2hrs
MCD



California Native Plant Society's

Native Plant Sale

OCT 15 Sat, 10am-4pm

Michael Landon Community Center,

Malibu Bluffs Park

The home gardener can plant in the fall for an established spring garden. Landscape, wildflower and gift books will be on sale.

For further info: 818-345-6749

SUN 10/16 8am

Malibu Creek State Park Bird Walk Enjoy learning how birds live and what they eat. Bring bird guides, binoculars, snack and water. 3hrs SC

SUN 10/16 9:30am

Santa Monica Mountains TCA Sunday Hike Meet at Temescal Gateway Park: from Pacific Coast Hwy, turn inland onto Temescal Cyn Rd; follow one mile to parking lot just across Sunset Blvd. 310-454-4188. 6hrs TCA

SUN 10/16 10a-5pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site Satwiwa Sundays Visit

Satwiwa Sundays Visit the Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center. A Native American Indian guest host or an NPS ranger will answer questions. FOS/NPS

SUN 10/16 10am

Cold Creek Canyon Preserve
Canyon Reverie Wend
through fire-recovering
oak woodlands, chaparral
and streamside communities. See a rocky grotto
and a waterfall. Meet at
preserve's lower gate 1.2
miles from Mulholland
Hwy on Stunt Rd. 2.5hrs
CCD

SUN 10/16 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Backpacking: Surviving the Fun Could you survive in the wilderness? Learn backpacking tips including safety and emergency techniques. Nature can be fun and safe! 1.5hrs WODOC

SUN 10/16 1pm

Runyon Canyon Park
Cultural History Hike
Explore over a century
of Hollywood history in
a great celebrity estate
reverting back to nature.
1hr FORC

SUN 10/16 3pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Photo Fun in Franklin Canyon An experienced photographer will help you find unique views and capture memories. Enjoy the photo opportunities or just go on a peaceful, easypaced walk. 2hrs WODOC

SUN 10/16 6pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

The Walk of Life, Sound & Light See the spirit and wonder of nature on this walk. Through guided meditation, we will see that we occupy a special place in the "cycle of life" on this planet. 1.5hrs WODOC

TUES 10/18 7pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch Site

Full Moon Hike Explore the canyon by moonlight. Look and listen for nocturnal wildlife, then enjoy the city lights from the top of the trail. 2.5hrs WODOC

WED 10/19 2:30pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Tots on the Trail Enjoy the sights, sounds and feel of nature. For children ages 2-4 accompanied by an adult. *Reservation required* 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs WODOC

Pacific Treefrog Hyla regilla—Hollywood movie directors use its high-pitched, twopart "kreck-ek" call for authentic night time sounds. Eye stripe differentiates Pacific Treefrog from California Treefrog.

WED 10/19 7pm

Runyon Canyon Park Full Moon Over Runvon Canyon See Hollywood's urban wilderness park in a new light. Hike up to a view of the L.A. basin from the site of an unbuilt Frank Lloyd Wright project. Moderate pace. 2hrs FORC

FRI 10/21 10am

Point Mugu State Park La Iolla Canvon Nursery Nature Walk For families with babies to 6 year olds. Walk by a stream and waterfall. Donations requested. Reservation required 310-364-3591. 2hrs NNW

FRI 10/21 7pm

Caballero Canyon Twilight Hike Leisurely three-mile hike into beautiful Caballero Canyon to Mulholland Dr. Beginners welcome, 3hrs SC

SAT 10/22 8am

Malibu Creek State Park Birdwatching for Beginners Learn how to identify the many bird species of southern California on this easy-paced walk. Bring binoculars. Meet at lower parking lot. 3hrs MCD

SAT 10/22 8:30am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center Birdwalk See what birds inhabit the chaparral and lakeside this season. Bring binoculars and walking shoes. No pets please. Meet at lower parking lot. 2.5hrs WODOC

SAT 10/22 9am

Cheeseboro Canyon/Palo Comado Canyon Site Canyon Loop Hike View native plants, songbirds and raptors in a beautiful oak savanna. Join an NPS ranger for an invigorating 10 mile hike. Bring lunch and water. Meet at the Cheeseboro Canyon parking lot. 6hrs NPS

SAT 10/22

9am

Franklin Canyon Ranch Site Plant Adventures See. feel, smell and identify plants plus associated arthropods of the coastal sage and riparian habitats. Three-mile walk. 3hrs WODOC

SAT 10/22 10am

Peter Strauss Ranch Site Peaceful Stroll, Peaceful Thoughts Enjoy a contemplative stroll under the oaks. Led by a docent who will invoke nature's tranquility. Bring water and brown bag picnic to enjoy afterwards. 818-707-8540. 2hrs SC/TCD

October Third Annual 22 & 23

Calabasas

Days

Pumpkin

Festival

Saturday & Sunday 9:30am - dusk Paramount Ranch Site

more information.

Fun for the whole family. Enjoy the spirit of the Old West. Music, dancing, food, crafts, and over 30 tons of pumpkins! Fee. Call 818-225-2227 for



SUN 10/23 8:30am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach

Birdwatching at the Lagoon Join expert birdwatchers on this walk. 2-3hrs SMBAS

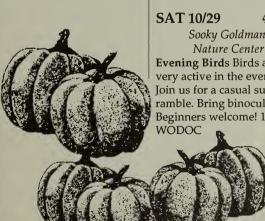
SUN 10/23 10a-5pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site

Satwiwa Sundays Visit the Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center, A Native American Indian guest host or an NPS ranger will answer questions. FOS/NPS

SUN 10/23 10am Sooky Goldman

Nature Center Fitness Hike Intermediate to advanced hikers can get some fast-paced exercise, enjoy the trails and learn some park history. Includes nature center tour. 2hrs WODOC



SUN 10/23 1:30pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center Canyon Tykes For ages 4 - 7 accompanied by an adult. Explore trails, animal homes, and the sights. sounds and feel of nature. Reservation required 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs WODOC

FRI 10/28

Caballero Canyon Twilight Hike Leisurely three-mile hike into beautiful Caballero Canvon to Mulholland Dr. Beginners welcome, 3hrs SC

SAT 10/29 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Tots on the Trail Enjoy the sights, sounds and feel of nature. For children ages 2-4 accompanied by an adult. Reservation required 310-858-3090x115, 1.5-2hrs WODOC

4pm

Nature Center Evening Birds Birds are very active in the evening. Ioin us for a casual sunset ramble. Bring binoculars. Beginners welcome! 1.5hrs

SAT 10/29 5pm

Malibu Creek State Park **Evening Campfire HIke** Learn about the history and ecology of the park on this easy-paced hike then relax around the campfire. Bring water and flashlight. Call 818-347-1817 for more info. 2.5hrs MCD

SUN 10/30 10a-5pm

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November



November is Backbone
Trail Month. This trail
will extend over 65 miles
across the length of Santa
Monica Mountains National
Recreation Area upon completion.
Enjoy an autumn hike or help with
trail maintenance.

Various organizations create new opportunities to hike the Backbone Trail.

For more information: NPS **818-597-9192**, **1-800-533-PARK** or MCF **310-587-2400**

5th Annual

Trail Maintenance Workshop & Campout

November 4 & 5

Friday, 6pm to Saturday, 2pm Malibu Creek State Park

Instruction by state park rangers.
Backbone Trail maintenance on Saturday.
Reservations and information:
Santa Monica Mountains Trails Council
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Co-sponsors: Sierra Club and California Dept. of Parks & Recreation



FRI 11/4 7pm

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High Trail

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High Trailhead. 3hrs
CCD/MRT

SAT 11/5 9am

Franklin Canyon Ranch Site

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2hrs WODOC

Caring for Kids Trail Run

November 6, 1994 Sunday, 9:30am - 1pm Paramount Ranch Site

Runner registration begins at 8:30am. Fundraising 5K, 10K Run and Family Walk. Family fun to follow. Proceeds benefit the Landon Pediatric Foundation & the Children's Lifesaving Foundation. Fee to run. Call Body Focus Health Club at 805-496-1834 to register.

Sponsors: National Park Service & Body Focus Health Club of Thousand Oaks

SAT 11/5 9:30am

Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site

Life After Fire Celebrate one year of rebirth after the Greenmeadow Fire. Join an NPS ranger to learn more about fire ecology while assisting in the written and photo documentation of the Satwiwa natural area. Meet in the Pinehill parking lot. 2.5hrs NPS

SAT 11/5 9:30am

Paramount Ranch Site
From Set to Screen Illusions and hard work turn a
dusty set into a realistic
town. Join an NPS ranger
on this easy-paced walk to
discover movie magic and
the history of Paramount
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SUN 11/6 8am

Topanga State Park
Bird Walk Buffs and
beginners will enjoy discovering the ways of the
birds. Bring water and
snack. 3hrs SC

November

SUN 11/6 9am

Malibu Creek State Park Bird Walk for Children Discover the birds of Malibu Creek. For children of all ages - must be accompanied by an adult. Bring binoculars. Meet at lower parking lot. 1hr

SUN 11/6 10a-5pm

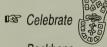
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Backbone

Trail Month on

November 10!

310-587-2400

SUN 11/6

10am

Franklin Canyon Ranch Site

Chronicles of the Canyon An exploration of the beauty and history of Franklin Canyon. From Native American Indians, Spanish and early settlers to modern water distribution and filmmaking, the canyon has seen it all! 2.5hrs WODOC

SUN 11/6 5pm

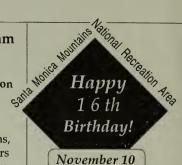
Lower Stunt High Trail
Ancient Stories of the
Night Learn about the
legends of the constellations through the eyes of
ancient cultures. Special
"glowshow." Meet at
Lower Stunt High Trailhead 1 mile from Mulholland Hwy on Stunt Rd.
Reservation required 818591-9363, 3hrs CCD

WED 11/9 10:30am

. Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Babes In The Woods
Enjoy the companionship
of other parents on this
walk around the NPS
upper Franklin Canyon
Reservoir. Introduce the
natural world to your
stroller-age child. Reservation required 310-8583090x115. 1.5-2hrs
WODOC





FRI 11/11 7pm

Caballero Canyon

Twilight Hike Leisurely
three-mile hike into beautiful Caballero Canyon to
Mulholland Dr. Beginners
welcome. 3hrs SC

SAT 11/12 8am

Malibu Creek State Park
Birding Tour A variety of
habitats support 160 species from hummingbirds
to golden eagles. Observe
fall migrants and winter
arrivals on this easy-paced
walk. Bring binoculars.
Meet at lower parking lot.
3hrs MCD

SAT 11/12 9am

Cold Creek Canyon Preserve

Anniversary Walk A year has passed since the Malibu Fire. Walk the trails, observe the renewal and learn of Chumash ways from Qun'Tan Shup, Fire Master, Owl Clan of Chumash Nation. Reservation required 310-456-5625. 4hrs MRT

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DIRECTIONS TO PARKLAND LOCATIONS

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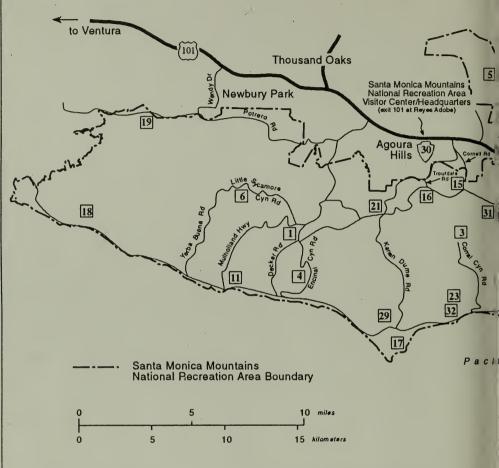
- 1 *Arroyo Sequit Site 34138 Mulholland
 Hwy, Malibu. Pacific Coast Hwy to Mulholland Hwy. Turn inland on Mulholland Hwy,
 6 miles to park entrance on right side of road.
- 2 Caballero Canyon Ventura Fwy (101) to Reseda Blvd exit. Turn south 1.9 miles to just past the fountain on the left side of Reseda Blvd. Park on street.
- 3 *Castro Crest Site Pacific Coast Hwy to Corral Canyon Rd (Just west of Malibu Canyon Rd). Follow Corral Canyon Rd to end, park in parking lot.
- 4 Charmlee Nature Preserve Pacific Coast Hwy, about 3 miles south of Ventura County line. Turn inland on Encinal Canyon Rd, 4 miles to park entrance on left side of road.
- 5 *Cheeseboro Canyon/Palo Comado Canyon Site <u>Ventura Fwy (101)</u> to Chesebro Rd exit. At end of ramp, turn right on Palo Comado Canyon Rd and right again on Chesebro Rd. North 1 mile to park entrance. Turn right and follow dirt road to parking lot.
- 6 *Circle X Ranch Site Pacific Coast Hwy in Malibu to Yerba Buena Rd. Turn inland and drive 5.4 miles to Circle X entry. Follow signs to parking.
- 7 Cold Creek Canyon Preserve Ventura Fwy (101) to Topanga Canyon Blvd south to Mulholland Dr. Turn west (right) 0.25 mile. At Mulholland Hwy, turn left. Drive about 5 miles to Stunt Rd. Turn left and drive to preserve entrance on left. Parking info given with confirmation of tour reservations.
- 8 Coldwater Canyon Park <u>Ventura Fwy</u> (101) to the Coldwater Canyon exit. South to intersection of Mulholland Dr. Entrance is on east (left) side of intersection.
- 9 *Diamond X Ranch Site Administrative site.

- 10 *Franklin Canyon Ranch Site/Sooky Goldman Nature Center From Ventura Fwv (101), drive south on Coldwater Canyon Dr to Beverly Dr. Turn right onto Beverly Dr and go 1 mile to Franklin Canyon Dr. Turn right. Go 1.5 miles to Lake Dr. To reach the nature center: continue past Lake Dr and turn right into the Upper Reservoir/nature center area. Drive around the east side of the lake and park in the nature center lot. To reach Franklin Canyon Ranch: Turn right on Lake Dr and drive to parking lot near end of road. From Sunset Blvd, turn north onto Beverly Dr. Drive up Beverly Dr, follow sign to "Coldwater Canyon Dr" intersection, veer left to continue on Bevery Dr. Proceed as above.
- 11 Leo Carrillo State Beach Pacific Coast Hwy at Ventura County Line.
- 12 Los Encinos State Historic Park

 Ventura Fwy (101) exit south on Balboa. Turn
 left on Moorpark St. 16756 Moorpark St,
 Encino.
 - Malibu Creek State Park Ventura Fwy
 (101) to Las Virgenes Rd. South on Las
 Virgenes Rd, 3 miles to Mulholland Hwy
 intersection (traffic light). Park entrance is
 0.25 mile south of the intersection on Las
 Virgenes Rd /Malibu Canyon Rd. From
 Pacific Coast Hwy, north on Malibu Canyon
 Rd to park entrance.
- 14 Malibu Lagoon State Beach Pacific
 Coast Hwy 0.25 mile west of Malibu Pier and
 1.5 miles east of Malibu Canyon Rd. Parking
 lot on ocean side of highway opposite Cross
 Creek Rd. Adamson House, 23200 Pacific
 Coast Hwy. Parking lot on ocean side of
 Pacific Coast Hwy 200 yards east, across
 bridge from Malibu Lagoon, opposite Serra
 Rd. From parking lot, walk on sidewalk
 along Pacific Coast Hwy 80 yards east to
 entrance of park area.
- 15 *Paramount Ranch Site Ventura Fwy
 (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan 0.75
 mile. Left at sign reading "Cornell Way" and
 veer to right. South 2.5 miles, entrance on
 right side of road.

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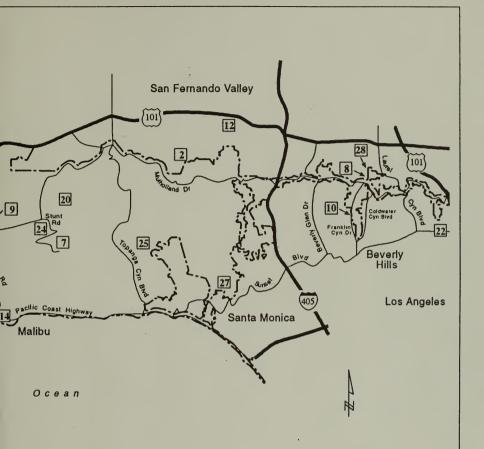
SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS



- 1 Arroyo Sequit Site
- 2 Caballero Canyon
- [3] Castro Crest Site
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- 5 Cheeseboro Canyon/ Palo Comado Canyón Site
- 6 Circle X Ranch Site
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- **8** Coldwater Canyon Park
- 9 Diamond X Ranch Site

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 Sooky Goldman Nature Center
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- 16 Peter Strauss Ranch Site
- [17] Point Dume State Beach
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NATIONAL RECREATION AREA



- 19 Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site
- 20 Red Rock Canyon
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- 25 Topanga State Park
- 26 Tapia County Park

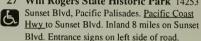
- **27** Will Rogers State Historic Park
- 28 Wilacre Park
- 29 Zuma Canyon Site
- National Park Service
 Visitor Center/Headquarters
- 31 California Department of Parks and Recreation Office
- 32 Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Office

Note: Please be considerate of park neighbors and respect private land. Carpooling is encouraged.

- 16 *Peter Strauss Ranch Site Ventura
- Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan Rd 2.8 miles to Troutdale Rd. Left on Troutdale Rd to Mulholland Hwy. Left on Mulholland Hwy then right under the arch into the parking lot. Walk back across the bridge on Mulholland Hwy and enter main gate into the ranch.
- 17 Point Dume State Beach From Los Angeles, take <u>Pacific Coast Hwy</u> to Westward Beach Rd in Malibu, turn left, follow Westward Beach Rd to parking lot.
- Point Mugu State Park Pacific Coast

 Hwy, 4 miles west of Ventura County line.
 Enter park at Sycamore Canyon Campground.
- 19 *Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa Site <u>Ventura Fwy (101)</u> to Wendy Dr exit in Newbury Park. South on Wendy Dr to Potrero Rd. Turn west (right) onto Potrero Rd. Entrance to park is at intersection of Potrero Rd and Pinehill Rd.
- 20 Red Rock Canyon Ventura Fwy (101) to Topanga Canyon Blvd, south to Mulholland Dr. Turn west (right). At Mulholland Hwy turn left. Drive about 5 miles to Stunt Rd. Turn left. Drive 1 mile to "Stunt High Trail" sign. Park on wide dirt area on right side of road. Cross Stunt Rd and hike 1.5 miles on Calabasas fire road into canyon.
- *Rocky Oaks Site Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd. South on Kanan Rd to Mulholland Hwy Turn west (right) on Mulholland Hwy and right again into parking lot. Pacific Coast Hwy to Kanan-Dume Rd. North to Mulholland Hwy. Turn west (left) and right into parking lot.
- 22 Runyon Canyon Park Hollywood Fwy
 (101) to Highland Av. South to Franklin
 Ave. West on Franklin to Fuller, north on
 Fuller to dead end. Park on street.
- 23 Solstice Canyon From Pacific Coast
 Hwy turn inland on Corral Canyon Rd, drive
 50 yards to large white-gated fence and park
 inside gate.
- 24 Stunt Ranch/Lower Stunt High
 Trail Ventura Fwy (101) to Topanga
 Canyon Blvd, south to Mulholland Dr. Turn
 west (right). At Mulholland Hwy turn left.
 Drive approximately 5 miles to Stunt Rd.
 Turn left and drive 1 mile to "Stunt High
 Trail" sign. Park on the wide dirt area on
 right side of road.

- 25 Topanga State Park South from Ventura
 Fwy (101) or north from Pacific Coast Hwy on
 Topanga Canyon Blvd to Entrada Rd on east
 (left) side of road. Turn east on Entrada Rd
 and make two left turns to stay on Entrada Rd
 to park entrance.
- 26 Tapia County Park Pacific Coast Hwy to Malibu Canyon Rd. Inland 3 miles to park entrance on west (left) side of road. From Ventura Fwy (101), exit at Las Virgenes Rd, south 5 miles to park on right.
- 27 Will Rogers State Historic Park 14253

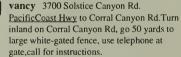


- 28 Wilacre Park Ventura Fwy (101) to Laurel Canyon Blvd, south 1.5 miles to Fryman Rd. Turn right and park along street. Entrance on Fryman Rd just off Laurel Canyon Blvd.
- 29 *Zuma Canyon Site Follow Pacific Coast
 Hwy to Busch Dr (near Zuma Beach). To
 Zuma Ridge Trailhead: Go north on Busch
 Drive until it ends. To Zuma Canyon
 Trailhead: Go north on Busch Drive to
 Rainsford Place, turn right on Rainsford to
 Bonsall Drive, turn left on Bonsall Drive, go
 north until the road ends and park in the lot.
- 30 *National Park Service Visitor

Center/Headquarters Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area 30401 Agoura Rd, Suite 100, Agoura Hills. Ventura Fwy (101) to Reyes Adobe exit south to Agoura Rd. Turn right. Enter driveway for first building complex (30401). Building entrance just left of American flag. Information Center first door on right in lobby.

31 California Dept. of Parks &

- Recreation Office Ventura Fwy (101) to Las Virgenes Rd., South on Las Virgenes Rd., 3 miles to Mulholland Hwy intersection. Enter Malibu Creek State Park 0.25 mile south of the intersection on Las Virgenes Rd./Malibu Canyon Rd. From Pacific Coast Hwy, north on Malibu Canyon Rd. To Malibu Creek State Park entrance.
- 32 Santa Monica Mountains Conser-



*Sites operated by Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, a unit of the National Park System.

SAT 11/12 9:30am

Circle X Ranch Site
Mountain Top Views
Enjoy pristine canyons and
native plants while hiking
to the highest point in the
Santa Monica Mountains.
Join an NPS ranger for a
challenging hike on the
Mishe Mokwa loop trail.
Meet at the Backbone Trail
parking lot. 6 miles. 5hrs
NPS

SAT 11/12 10am

Rocky Oaks Site
Chaparral & Oak Woodlands See how well these micro-ecosystems blend together on this 2.5 mile walk. Bring kids, lunch and water for picnic afterwards. 818-707-8540. 2hrs SC/TCD

SAT 11/12 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center Canyon Tykes For 4-7 year olds accompanied by an adult. Explore trails, animal homes, and the sights, sounds and feel of nature. Reservation required 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs WODOC

SAT 11/12 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Fitness Hike Intermediate to advanced hikers can get some fast-paced exercise, enjoy the trails and learn some park history. Includes nature center tour. 2hrs WODOC

SAT 11/12 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Saturday Saunter Learn about the natural world while enjoying the company of others on this easy-paced walk in Upper Franklin Canyon. 1.5hrs WODOC



California Native Plant Society & Sierra Club WEED WARS

11/13

Sunday 9am-1pm

Malibu Creek State Park

Join the final rout in the war between tree of heaven and young oak trees.

Reservations: 818-348-5910

SUN 11/13 9am

Sooky Goldman
Nature Center
T'ai Chi Walk Beginners
or those with some T'ai
Chi Ch'uan background
can enjoy instruction in
moving meditation on
our trek through Franklin
Canyon. Highlights in T'ai
Chi and ecosytem will be

SUN 11/13 9:30am

pointed out. 2hrs WODOC

Santa Monica Mountains TCA Sunday Hike Meet at Temescal Gateway Park: from Pacific Coast Hwy, turn inland onto Temescal Cyn Rd; follow one mile to parking lot just across Sunset Blvd. 310-454-4188. 6hrs TCA

SUN 11/13 10a-5pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site

Satwiwa Sundays Visit the Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center. A Native American Indian guest host or an NPS ranger will answer questions. FOS/NPS



November

SUN 11/13 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Discovering Nature
A walk for families with children. Look for animal homes, meet a tree, observe an insect, and more! Tune into the natural world.

Reservation required 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs

SUN 11/13 10am

WODOC

Franklin Canyon
Ranch Site
Incredible Edibles An
adventurous, fun-filled
expedition to look for
edible, and useful plants.
Includes a presentation
on fruits and vegetables.
Families welcome. Prepare
to eat! Reservation required
310-858-3090x115. 3hrs
WODOC

SUN 11/13 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Backpacking: Surviving the Fun Could you survive in the wilderness? Learn backpacking tips including safety and emergency techniques. Nature can be fun and safe!

SUN 11/13 12:30pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Nature & Awareness Explore, expand, and deepen your awareness on this easy-paced walk which will include a guided meditation. 1.5hrs WODOC

SUN 11/13 6pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

The Walk of Life, Sound & Light See the spirit and wonder of nature on this walk. Through guided meditation, we will see that we occupy a special place in the "cycle of life" on this planet. 1.5hrs WODOC

MON 11/14 10am

Topanga State Park
Santa Ynez Canyon Nursery Nature Walk Stroll
along a flat path alongside
a stream. For parents with
babies to 6 year olds. Strollers O.K. Learn about nature. Donations requested.
Reservation required 310-364-3591. 2hrs NNW

WED 11/16 2:30pm

Sooky Goldman
Nature Center
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Tots on the Trail Enjoy the sights, sounds and feel of nature. For children ages 2-4 accompanied by an adult. *Reservation required* 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs WODOC

THU 11/17 6:30pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch Site

Full Moon Hike Explore the canyon by moonlight. Look and listen for nocturnal wildlife then enjoy the city lights from the top of the trail. 2.5hrs WODOC

FRI 11/18 10am

Point Mugu State Park
Big Sycamore Canyon
Nursery Nature Walk
Beautiful flat trail across
from the ocean. For families with babies to 6 year
olds. Activities and sensory
discoveries. Donations
requested. Reservation required 310-364-3591. 2hrs
NNW

FRI 11/18 7pm

Runyon Canyon Park
Full Moon Over Runyon
Canyon See Hollywood's
urban wilderness park in
a new light. Hike up to a
view of the L.A. basin from
the site of an unbuilt Frank
Lloyd Wright project. Moderate pace. 2hrs FORC

FRI 11/18

Caballero Canyon

7pm

Twilight Hike Leisurely three-mile hike into beautiful Caballero Canyon to Mulholland Dr. Beginners welcome. 3hrs SC

SAT 11/19 8:30am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Birdwalk See what birds inhabit the chaparral and lakeside this season. Bring binoculars and walking shoes. No pets please.
Meet at lower parking lot. 2.5hrs WODOC

SAT 11/19 9am

Runyon Canyon Park Trail Hike Explore this urban wilderness located above Hollywood. 2-3hrs FORC

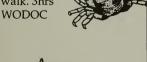
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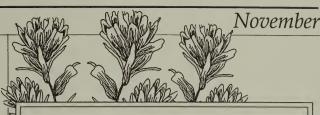
Franklin Canyon Ranch Site

Plant Adventures See, feel, smell and identify plants plus associated arthropods of the coastal sage and riparian habitats.

Three-mile walk. 3hrs







California Native Plant Society's

Native Plant Sale & Fair

NOV 19 - 20

Sat and Sun, 10am-3pm Calamigos Ranch, Agoura Hills

Over 3,000 drought tolerant natives for use in garden, patio or acreage. Basketry and weaving demonstrations, books, and more. Food, refreshments, picnic grounds and play area. *For further info:* 818-345-6749

SAT 11/19 9:30am

Castro Crest Site
Backbone Trail Trek
Colobrato Backbone Tra

Celebrate Backbone Trail month on this 6-mile hike with an NPS ranger. Enjoy inland and coastal views from the spine of the Santa Monica Mountains. 5hrs NPS

SAT 11/19 10am

Malibu Creek State Park
Chumash Harvest Walk
Learn about Chumash
resources on this easypaced walk through oak
woodlands and streamside
communities. Which plants
were used for food, medicine, clothing or building
materials? Meet at lower
parking lot. 2hrs MCD



GOLDEN STATE
SCULPTORS
ASSOCIATION

Saving Outdoor Sculpture

Nov 19

10AM - 2PM

PETER STRAUSS RANCH Join restoration experts to learn about this national project.

818-889-8346

November

SAT 11/19 3:30pm

Charmlee Nature Preserve
Twilight Hike & Marshmallows Easy hike with
a beautiful view of the sun
setting over the Pacific.
Followed by marshmallows around the campfire.
Bring flashlight, water and
skewers. 818-347-1817
2.5hrs CNP

SAT 11/19 3:30pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Evening Birds Birds are very active in the evening. Join us for a casual sunset ramble. Bring binoculars. Beginners welcome! 1.5hrs WODOC

SUN 11/20 8am

Malibu Creek State Park
Bird Walk Enjoy learning
how birds live and what
they eat. Bring bird guides,
binoculars, snack and
water. 3hrs SC

SUN 11/20 10am

Peter Strauss Ranch Site Peaceful Stroll, Peaceful Thoughts Enjoy a contemplative stroll under the oaks. Led by a docent who will invoke nature's tranquility. Bring water and brown bag picnic to enjoy after the walk. 818-707-8540. 2hrs SC/TCD

SUN 11/20 10a-5pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site

Satwiwa Sundays Visit
the Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center.
A Native American Indian
guest host or an NPS ranger will answer questions.
FOS/NPS

SUN 11/20 10am

Lower Stunt High Trail
Chaparral Autumn See fall
colors as you wend along a
shaded stream course with
vistas of woodlands and
chaparral. Learn bits of
nature lore along the way.
Meet at Lower Stunt High
Trailhead, 1 mile from Mulholland Hwy on Stunt Rd.
2hrs CCD

SUN 11/20 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Fitness Hike Intermediate to advanced hikers can get some fast-paced exercise, enjoy the trails and learn some park history. Includes nature center tour. 2hrs

SUN 11/20 1pm

Runyon Canyon Park
Cultural History Hike
Explore over a century
of Hollywood history in
a great celebrity estate
reverting back to nature.
1hr FORC

SUN 11/20 1:30pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Discovering Nature A walk for families with children. Look for animal homes, meet a tree, observe an insect, and more! Tune into the natural world. Reservation required 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs WODOC

SUN 11/20 3pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch Site Photo Fun in Franklin Canyon An experienced photographer will help you find unique views and capture memories. Enjoy the photo opportunities or just go on a peaceful, easypaced walk. 2hrs WODOC



FRI 11/25

Caballero Canyon
Twilight Hike Leisurely
three-mile hike into beautiful Caballero Canyon to
Mulholland Dr. Beginners
welcome. 3hrs SC

7pm

SAT 11/26 8am

Malibu Creek State Park Birdwatching for Beginners Learn how to identify the many bird species of southern California on this easy-paced walk. Bring binoculars. Meet at lower parking lot. 3hrs MCD

SAT 11/26 9:30am

Paramount Ranch Site
From Set to Screen Illusions and hard work turn a dusty set into a realistic town. Join an NPS ranger on this easy-paced walk to discover movie magic and the history of Paramount Ranch, 1hr NPS

SAT 11/26 8:30pm

Rocky Oaks Site
Star Treks in the Santa
Monica Mountains View
constellations galore with
leader's aid. Also see deep
sky objects through telescopes from L.A. Astronomical Society. Bring
jacket and attentive kids.
818-707-8540. 1.5hrs SC

SUN 11/27 8:30am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach Birdwatching at the Lagoon Join expert birdwatchers on this walk. 2-3hrs SMBAS

SUN 11/27 10a-5pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site

Satwiwa Sundays Visit the Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center. A Native American Indian guest host or an NPS ranger will answer questions. FOS/NPS

SUN 11/27 11am

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WODOC







Fall in the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area is a great time to appreciate our incredibly diverse plant and animal species. Help increase native biodiversity. Participate in exotic plant removals or consider including native plants in your garden.

California Native Plant Society & Sierra Club

WEED WARS

818-348-5910

FRI 12/2

Caballero Canyon Twilight Hike Leisurely three-mile hike into beautiful Caballero Canyon to Mulholland Dr. Beginners welcome, 3hrs SC

SAT 12/3 9am

Lower Stunt High Trail 1st Saturday Walk at Cold Creek Valley Preserve Explore this fire-recovering preserve. See streamside pools and woodlands in a chaparral basin set amidst craggy sandstone peaks. Meet at Lower Stunt High Trailhead 1 mile from Mulholland Hwy on Stunt Rd. 2hrs

SAT 12/3

9am

Cheeseboro Canyon/Palo Comado Canyon Site

Canyon Loop Hike View native plants, songbirds and raptors in a beautiful oak savanna. Join an NPS ranger for an invigorating 10 mile hike. Bring lunch and water. Meet at the Cheeseboro Canyon parking lot. 6hrs NPS

SAT 12/3 9am

Lower Stunt High Trail Fisher Firsts Gentle twomile walkabout in this new parkland to view riparian areas, oak woodlands and gently rolling hills. Find signs of fourlegged denizens. Bring lunch and water. Meet at the Stunt High Trailhead. 3hrs CCD/MRT

SAT 12/3

Franklin Canyon Ranch Site Cleaning Up Our Environment Learn how everyone can help make our environment more beautiful on

this moderate-trail, clean up hike. Become a part of the solution! 1.5-2hrs WODOC

SAT 12/3

9am Sooky Goldman

Nature Center

WODOC & The Movies

Tour an area which has been the site of many movie and T.V. productions. See how the industry has learned to help preserve the environment. 2hrs WODOC

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Nature Center
Saturday Saunter Learn
about the natural world
while enjoying the company of others on this
easy-paced walk in upper
Franklin Canyon. 1.5hrs
WODOC

SUN 12/4 8am

Topanga State Park
Bird Walk Buffs and beginners will enjoy discovering
the ways of the birds. Bring
water and snack. 3hrs SC

SUN 12/4 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Bird Walk for Children
Discover the birds of
Malibu Creek. For children
of all ages - must be accompanied by an adult. Bring
binoculars. Meet at lower
parking lot. 1hr MCD

SUN 12/4 9:30am

Santa Monica Mountains TCA Sunday Hike Meet at Temescal Gateway Park: from Pacific Coast Hwy, turn inland onto Temescal Cyn Rd; follow one mile to parking lot just across Sunset Blvd. 310-454-4188. 6hrs TCA

SUN 12/4 10a-5pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/
Satwiwa Site

Satwiwa Sundays Visit the Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture

American Indian Culture Center. A Native American Indian guest host or an NPS ranger will answer questions. FOS/NPS

SUN 12/4 10am

Santa Monica Mountains Temescal Canyon Nursery Nature Walk For families with babies to 6 years old. See lizards, gopher homes and lots more. A fun and easy walk for everyone. Donations requested. Reservation required 310-364-3591. 2hrs NNW

SUN 12/4 10am

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Anna's Hummingbird Calypte anna—
a sharp "chick" is the common call note
and a rapid dry rattling is the chase call.

December

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SAT 12/10 9am

Cold Creek Canyon Preserve

Wonderful Winterland Wander Winter rains arouse the dormant floral world. Milkmaids and currants bloom. Ferns unfurl and rain beetles emerge from the ground to fly in the rain. *Reservation required* 310-456-5625. 4hrs MRT

SAT 12/10 9am

Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site Boney Wilderness Loop

Hike Join an NPS ranger on a strenuous journey. Discover a waterfall, cabin site and how this land has changed through time. Thrs NPS

SAT 12/10 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Fitness Hike Intermediate to advanced hikers can get some fast-paced exercise, enjoy the trails and learn some park history. Includes nature center tour. 2hrs WODOC

Red-tailed hawk
Buteo jamaicensis—
Distinctive call consists
of a harsh, descending
"keeeeer."

SAT 12/10 10am

Rocky Oaks Site
Chaparral & Oak Woodlands See how well these
micro-ecosystems blend
together on this 2.5 mile
walk. Bring kids, lunch and
water for picnic afterwards.
818-707-8540. 2hrs SC/TCD

SAT 12/10 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Tots on the Trail Enjoy the sights, sounds and feel of nature. For children ages 2-4 accompanied by an adult. Reservation required 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs WODOC

SAT 12/10 3:30pm

Malibu Creek State Park
Evening Campfire Hike
Learn about the history and
ecology of the park on this
easy-paced hike then relax
around the campfire. Bring
water and flashlight. Call
818-347-1817 for more info.
2.5hrs MCD

SUN 12/11 9am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

T'ai Chi Walk Beginners or those with some T'ai Chi Ch'uan background can enjoy instruction in moving meditation on our trek through Franklin Canyon. Highlights in T'ai Chi and ecosytem will be pointed out. 2hrs WODOC



California Native Plant Society & Sierra Club WEED WARS

12/11

Sunday 9am-1pm Malibu Lagoon State Beach

Restore the balance of nature. Help eliminate non-native, invasive species.

Reservations: 818-348-5910

SUN 12/11 10a-5pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site

Satwiwa Sundays Visit the Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center. A Native American Indian guest host or an NPS ranger will answer questions. FOS/NPS

SUN 12/11 12:30pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Nature & Awareness Explore, expand, and deepen your awareness on this easy-paced walk which will include a guided meditation. 1.5hrs WODOC

SUN 12/11 1:30pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Discovering Nature A walk for families with children. Look for animal homes, meet a tree, observe an insect, and more! Tune into the natural world. *Reservation* required 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs WODOC

SUN 12/11

2pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center Photo Fun in Franklin

Canyon An experienced photographer will help you find unique views and capture memories. Enjoy the photo opportunities or just go on a peaceful, easy-paced walk. 2hrs WODOC

MON 12/12 10am

Topanga State Park
Santa Ynez Canyon Nursery Nature Walk Stroll
along a flat path alongside
a stream. Strollers O.K.
For parents with babies
to 6 year olds. Learn
about nature. Donations
requested. Reservation
required 310-364-3591.
2hrs NNW

WED 12/14 2:30pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Tots on the Trail Enjoy the sights, sounds and feel of nature. For children ages 2-4 accompanied by an adult. *Reservation required* 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs WODOC

FRI 12/16 10am

Point Mugu State Park Big Sycamore Canyon Nursery Nature Walk Beautiful flat trail across from the ocean. For families with babies to 6 year olds. Activities and sensory discoveries. Donations requested. Reservation required 310-364-3591. 2hrs NNW

FRI 12/16 7pm

Caballero Canyon wilight Hike Leisurely

Twilight Hike Leisurely three-mile hike into beautiful Caballero Canyon to Mulholland Dr. Beginners welcome. 3hrs SC

SAT 12/17 9am

Runyon Canyon Park
Trail Hike Explore this
urban wilderness located
above Hollywood. 2-3hrs
FORC



December

SAT 12/17 9am

Franklin Canyon Ranch Site Plant Adventures See, feel, smell and identify plants plus associated arthropods of the coastal sage and riparian habitats. Three mile walk. 3hrs WODOC

SAT 12/17 9:30am

Paramount Ranch Site
From Set to Screen Illusions and hard work turn a
dusty set into a realistic
town. Join an NPS ranger
on this easy-paced walk to
discover movie magic and
the history of Paramount
Ranch. 1hr NPS

SAT 12/17 10am

Malibu Creek State Park
Chumash Harvest Walk
Learn about Chumash
resources on this easypaced walk through oak
woodlands and streamside
communities. Which plants
were used for food, medicine, clothing or building
materials? Meet at lower
parking lot. 2hrs MCD



SAT 12/17 6pm

Franklin Canyon RanchSite Full Moon Hike Explore the canyon by moonlight. Look and listen for nocturnal wildlife, then enjoy the city lights from the top of the trail. 2.5hrs WODOC

SAT 12/17 7pm

Runyon Canyon Park
Full Moon Over Runyon
Canyon See Hollywood's
urban wilderness park in a
new light and hike up to a
view of the L.A. basin from
the site of an unbuilt Frank
Lloyd Wright project. Moderate pace. 2hrs FORC

SUN 12/18 8am

Malibu Creek State Park Bird Walk Enjoy learning how birds live and what they eat. Bring bird guides, binoculars, snack and water. 3hrs SC

SUN 12/18 10a-5pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa Site

Satwiwa Sundays Visit the Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center. A Native American Indian guest host or an NPS ranger will answer questions. FOS/NPS

Chia Salvia columbariae this member of the sage family is still used as food, medicine and as a tea.

SUN 12/18 10am

Cold Creek Canyon Preserve Almost Winter Observe how nature prepares for winter in a craggy sandstone canyon. See what was once a hermit's boulder home. Meet at preserve's lower gate 1.2 miles from Mulholland Hwy on Stunt Rd. 2.5hrs CCD

SUN 12/18 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Canyon Tykes For 4-7 year olds accompanied by an adult. Explore trails, animal homes, and the sights, sounds and feel of nature. *Reservation required* 310-858-3090x115. 1.5-2hrs WODOC

SUN 12/18 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Fitness Hike Intermediate to advanced hikers can get some fast-paced exercise, enjoy the trails and learn some park history. Includes nature center tour. 2hrs WODOC

SUN 12/18 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Backpacking: Surviving the Fun Could you survive in the wilderness? Learn backpacking tips including safety and emergency techniques. Nature can be fun and safe! 1.5hrs WODOC

SUN 12/18 1pm

Runyon Canyon Park
Cultural History Hike
Explore over a century
of Hollywood history in
a great celebrity estate
reverting back to nature.
1hr FORC

SUN 12/18 6pm Sooky Goldman

Nature Center
The Walk of Life, Sound & Light See the spirit and wonder of nature on this walk. Through guided meditation, we will see that we occupy a special place in the "cycle of life" on this

WED 12/21 10am

planet. 1.5hrs WODOC

Rocky Oaks Site
Nursery Nature Walk
Visit a pond, stroll through
a beautiful oak woodland
and view the unusual rock
formations of Santa Monica
Mountains National Recreation Area. For families
with babies to 6 year olds.
Donations requested. Reservation required 310-364-3591.
2hrs NNW

WED 12/21 5:30pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch Site Winter Solstice Hike Hike up a moderate trail and watch the sunset. Discuss seasonal changes, winter constellations and more. 2hrs WODOC

FRI 12/23 7pm

Caballero Canyon
Twilight Hike Leisurely
three mile hike into beautiful Caballero Canyon to
Mulholland Dr. Beginners
welcome. 3hrs SC

SAT 12/24 8am

Malibu Creek State Park
Birdwatching for Beginners Learn how to identify
the many bird species of
southern California on this
easy-paced walk. Bring
binoculars. Meet at lower
parking lot. 3hrs MCD

SUN 12/25 8:30am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach Birdwatching at the Lagoon Join expert birdwatchers on this walk. 2-3hrs SMBAS

SUN 12/25 11am

Cold Creek Canyon Preserve
Tenth Annual Toyon Trek
Experience the unique and
varied habitats of this area.
Easy-paced six mile loop.
Bring goodies to share,
lunch and water. Meet at
Lower Stunt High Trailhead 1mile from Mulholland Hwy on Stunt Rd.
3+hrs CCD/MRT/SC

Toyon Heteromeles arbutifolia—bears red berries into the winter.

FRI 12/30 7pm

Caballero Canyon
Twilight Hike Leisurely
three-mile hike into beautiful Caballero Canyon to
Mulholland Dr. Beginners
welcome. 3hrs SC

SAT 12/31 8:30am

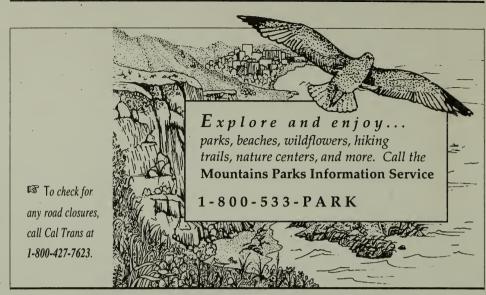
Sooky Goldman Nature Center

Birdwalk See what birds inhabit the chaparral and lakeside this season. Bring binoculars and walking shoes. No pets please.
Meet at lower parking lot.
2.5brs WODOC

SAT 12/31 9:30am

Paramount Ranch Site
From Set to Screen
Illusions and hard work
turn a dusty set into a
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HIKING & SAFETY TIPS

Ticks are plentiful. Some of them carry disease. Check your clothing and exposed skin after hiking.

Southern Pacific Rattlesnakes make the mountains their home. Stay away from them, and they won't bother you. In case of a rattlesnake bite, DO NOT make an incision or try to draw out venom. Splint the extremity and transport victim to an emergency room.

Wear sturdy **footwear**—hiking boots or sneakers with good tread.

Poison oak can be identified by its clusters of three shiny leaflets. The best way to avoid it is to stay on trails. Never hike alone, use the buddy system. That leaves someone to go for help if you encounter trouble.

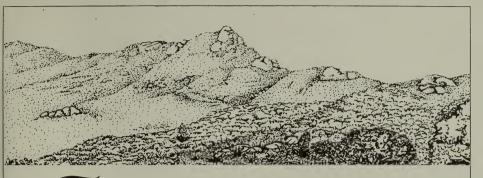
Help prevent wildfire. Do not smoke on trails or in brush areas. Do not build fires on the ground.

Carry plenty of **water** and drink it. One quart for short walks, more for longer hikes.

Whether you are an equestrian, hiker, or mountain bicyclist, please help us protect our natural areas by staying on designated trails.

Please be considerate of park neighbors and respect private land. Carpooling is encouraged.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE VISITOR CENTER



he National Park Service visitor center is located at 30401 Agoura Road, Suite 100 in Agoura Hills.

The visitor center staff can answer questions about parks and programs in the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, as well as other national parks throughout the United States. They can provide you with information about lodging reservations, backcountry permits and Golden Passports.

While you are in the visitor center, browse through the publication sales area. You'll find educational material for the whole family about national parks and local cultural and natural history. Topographic maps for any part of the Santa Monica Mountains are also available. All sales support educational programs in the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area.

Hours: Mon-Fri, 8am to 5pm Sat-Sun, 9am to 5pm For more info: 818-597-9192

Directions to the Visitor Center:

- Take the *Reyes Adobe exit* off of the Ventura Freeway (Hwy 101).
- Go south on Reyes Adobe Road and turn right onto Agoura Road.
- Make a right into the driveway for the first building complex (30401 Agoura Road).
- Follow the signs to the main lobby and look for the building with the flagpole.
- The visitor center is the first door on the right as you enter the main lobby.



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