



2025 MOUNT SAN JACINTO STATE PARK PROGRAMS

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MAY 10 & 11 ALL DAY

SPRING CLEANING FOR MOTHER EARTH
LOWER-LEVEL MOUNTAIN STATION PATIO
Join fellow nature lovers in Long Valley with Mom for a special ‘Litter Getter’ forest clean-up day. This activity is self-guided and can be done at any time.

MAY 17 10:30 AM

WWW@MSJSP
LOWER-LEVEL MOUNTAIN STATION PATIO
Learn about the hidden network for communication and even arboreal cybercrime while hiking the Long Valley Nature Trail!

JUN 13 11 AM - 1 PM

[STATE PARKS WEEK] IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCE FOR THE DISCONNECTED
LOWER-LEVEL MOUNTAIN STATION PATIO
Learn about the hidden life of trees and how the forest bathes us in therapeutic chemicals through Shinrin-yoku. Register on the State Parks Week website <https://www.calparks.org/castateparksweek>

JUN 21 11 AM

THE ART OF SLEEPING ON DIRT (BACKPACKING 101)
LONG VALLEY RANGER STATION
Turn “roughing it” into “loving it” and learn how to be at home within wilderness spaces. Attendance of this class is required to participate in a guided group campout in Round Valley 8/2 → 8/3

JUN 28 10 - 11 AM

ETHNOBOTANY OF MT. SAN JACINTO: PAST AND PRESENT
LOWER-LEVEL MOUNTAIN STATION PATIO
Discover how mountain resources from desert to forest were used by native peoples and how many are still used today.

JUN 29 11 AM

THE ART OF SLEEPING ON DIRT (BACKPACKING 101)
LONG VALLEY RANGER STATION
Join Park staff at the Long Valley Ranger Station for this free class and learn not just the basics of wilderness camping, but how to camp in style! Attendance of this class is required to participate in a guided group campout in Round Valley 8/2 → 8/3

JUL 19 11 AM

BACKPACKERS’ BANQUET
LONG VALLEY RANGER STATION
Spice up your camp kitchen skills! This class explores how to craft delicious meals in beautiful places for the adventure-hungry hiker, backpacker, or camper.

AUG 2 → 3 9 AM

THE ART OF SLEEPING ON DIRT: ROUND VALLEY CAMPOUT
LOWER-LEVEL MOUNTAIN STATION PATIO
This event puts in practice what was learned during the required workshop classes (6/21 or 6/29) and explores in-field camp setups with a guided overnight camping trip to Round Valley. Must be able to hike 5 miles in a day at elevation. Attendees supply their own gear. This is a paid event with limited space. Registration is required for this event.

AUG 30 11 AM

LIFE ON THE EDGE: HIDDEN POWERS OF MOSSES AND LICHENS
LONG VALLEY RANGER STATION
Take a closer look — way closer — and discover the fascinating world of mosses and lichens!

MT. SAN JACINTO NATURAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION “GETTING IN TOUCH WITH NATURE” 2025 PROGRAMS

MAY 17 8:45 AM to 2 PM
MAP & COMPASS TRAINING WITH BACKCOUNTRY HIKE
LONG VALLEY RANGER STATION

MAY 18 9 AM to 2:30PM
SKY ISLANDS AND CLIMATE REFUGIA IN THE DESERTS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
LOWER-LEVEL MOUNTAIN STATION, SANTA ROSA THEATER
(Lecture ends at 10:00 a.m., with optional wilderness hike immediately following.)

JUN 6 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM
COOL SUBALPINE BIRDING IN THE CLOUDS
DESERT VIEW TERRACE (UPPER-LEVEL MOUNTAIN STATION)
“Getting in Touch with Nature” programs require advance registration. Please visit www.msjnha.org/GITWN for registration information.