

Sitton Peak Day Hike

Saturday, December 13, 2008



Where: Meet at the Senior Center Parking Lot at **6:00 AM**; **Return:** to parking lot around 4:00 pm

Time: We will leave at 6:30 AM Sharp. Travel Time is about an hour to get to the Trailhead.

Description:

This day hike to **Sitton Peak Summit** and back is about 9-miles in length, and will take about seven hours to complete -including time for hiking, lunch, activities, etc.

We will pass through the San Mateo Canyon Wilderness where the elevation gain goes from 2100 to 3,273 ft. and it feels like you are on “*top of the world*”, because of its beautiful views of the Ocean & the San Bernardino Mountains.

*Note: This hike will be **easier** than most overnight hikes, since we are only carrying daypacks, & will be at lower altitudes*

The hike will take us through thick chaparral, including Manzanita & Yucca plants, and cross a few small creeks.



Note: the last leg of the hike is a steep scramble on small rock rubble to the top of Sitton peak. - **Where we will eat our Lunch -**

This is a great place to practice map & compass skills, Plant & animal identification, and at the top of the mountain, each hiker can leave his name in the guest book...

Weather:

Be prepared for 45-degree weather (if it is cloudy/raining). Also, expect temperatures in the lower 60's, if the sun is shining.

Uniform/Clothing:

Wear Class C, jacket w/hood, dress in layers, zip-off pants/shorts combo.
The trail is a bit rocky in places, so **hiking boots are recommended.**

Equip. to bring:

1. Daypack with 10 Essentials.
2. Water containers or bladder to hold at least 3 quarts of water –
It is crucial that you stay hydrated.
3. High carbohydrate trail snacks to eat
- Like Granola Bars, Beef Jerky, unshe***Scouts should eat breakfast before arriving Saturday morning and bring a sack lunch for the hike ***



Money to Bring:

There will be a \$10 charge for gas. Scouts should also bring \$10.00 for the ride home just in case we decide to stop.

Directions to the Trailhead: Take 57 South, to the 5 South. Exit the Ortega Highway (74). Travel about 19 miles on 74 until you reach the Trailhead parking lot, which is across the street from **The Ortega Country Cottage Candy Store**.

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