



# Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument

## 2009-10 SPECIAL EVENTS - DETAIL

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ALL EVENTS TAKE PLACE AT THE NATIONAL MONUMENT VISITOR CENTER,  
51-500 HIGHWAY 74, PALM DESERT, CA 92260 *UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.*

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### Summer Calendar 2010

#### JUNE

**Name of Event:** Early Bird Hike

**Day, Date, Time:** Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 6:30 am – 8:30 am

**Location:** Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center,  
51-500 Highway 74, Palm Desert, CA 92260

**Description:** Just because it is summer and 120 degrees outside does not mean you should take a break from hiking! Join us early Friday mornings before the temperatures get too hot outside and get in a great workout on the trails while taking in the breath taking beauty of the Santa Rosa Mountains.

**RSVP:** not required

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

**Name of Event:** June Star Party in Santa Rosa Mountains

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 8 pm-11 pm

**Location and directions:** Sawmill Trailhead, elevation about 4000 feet in Santa Rosa Mountains. Go south up Hwy 74 for 15.6 miles from the intersection of Hwy 111 and Hwy 74 (Monterey Ave.) in Palm Desert. About 0.4 mile past the Sugarloaf Café, turn left at Pinyon Flats Transfer Station Road, leading to the Sawmill Trailhead and Riverside County Disposal Station (Pinyon Flats Campground is on the right). Follow this road until you reach the parking lot on the left hand side. Meet at the far end of the parking lot.

**Host:** Astronomical Society of the Desert, [www.astrorx.org](http://www.astrorx.org)

**Description:** The lineup of Venus-Mars-Saturn at dusk now spans 60 degrees from WNW to SW and shortens by just over a degree per day. Leo, the Lion slides into the western sky with its bright star, Regulus. Spica and Arcturus pass their high points in the south and enter the west half of the sky. The Summer Triangle Vega-Deneb-Altair shines, and summer's reddest bright star Antares, heart of the Scorpion, now twinkles. Telescopic highlights: Saturn with rings nearly edge-on (for the last time until the mid-2020's), double stars, globular clusters including Hercules' famous M13 some 21,000 light-years away. Bring binoculars to view selected deep-sky objects, including double stars and star clusters, and the Milky Way rising into view. Large telescopes will be available. Please bring a flashlight and warm clothing for cool evening conditions in the mountains.

**Contact:** For map and directions, go to [www.astrorx.org/](http://www.astrorx.org/)

Call National Monument Visitor Center, (760) 862-9984 for information on future star parties.

**Name of the Event: What's Up There? *Animals of the Forest***

**Day, Date, Time:** Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 1 pm – 2 pm

**Location:** Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center

**Guide:** Emily Hoerner, BLM Ranger and NAI Certified Interpretive Guide

**Description:** The higher elevations of the National Monument hold a world of animals often overlooked down here in the desert. Would you believe you are just 10 miles away from Mule Deer, Grey Squirrels and Chipmunks? Join us for a one hour interpretive talk about the common animals of the forest of the National Monument. Also get some hints on the best places to find them.

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

**Name of Event: Discover the Forest Hike: *Sawmill Trail***

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 9 am – 1 pm

**Location:** Meet at the trailhead. The Sawmill Trailhead is about 15 miles up Highway 74 from Highway 111; turn left on the paved road going towards the Ribbonwood Equestrian Campground.

**Guide:** Dani Ortiz, Interpretive Ranger, Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument

**Description:** Head up into the upper Santa Rosa Mountains from the Sawmill trailhead and experience the transition of the dry chaparral up into the cool, green forest while out on an adventurous hiking exploration. While on the trail you will be able to look down on an old dolomite mine and see other remnants of the past that opens a window to the history of the Santa Rosa Mountains.

**RSVP:** required by June 17<sup>th</sup>

**Limit:** 10 hikers

**Adventure Pass:** Not required

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitors Center, for more details.

**Name of Event: Night Owl Movie Series: *Amazing Journey***

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 7 pm – 9 pm

**Location:** Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center, 51-500 Highway 74, Palm Desert, CA 92260

**Description:** Join us outdoors for an evening under the stars as we enjoy a special showing of the movie, *Amazing Journey*, we will see the extraordinary feats that some animals have to take part in, in order to migrate from one home to another to survive. After the movie ends, stick around and create a fun craft to take home with you that will remind you about the amazing journeys animals take when they migrate.

**RSVP:** not required

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

**JULY**

**Name of Event: July Star Party in Santa Rosa Mountains**

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 8 pm-11 pm

**Location and directions:** Sawmill Trailhead, elevation about 4000 feet in Santa Rosa Mountains. Go south up Hwy 74 for 15.6 miles from the intersection of Hwy 111 and Hwy 74 (Monterey Ave.) in Palm Desert. About 0.4 mile past the Sugarloaf Café, turn left at Pinyon Flats Transfer Station Road, leading to the Sawmill Trailhead and Riverside County Disposal Station (Pinyon Flats Campground is on the right). Follow this road until you reach the parking lot on the left hand side. Meet at the far end of the parking lot.

**Host:** Astronomical Society of the Desert, [www.astrorx.org](http://www.astrorx.org)

**Description:** At dusk the striking lineup of three planets Venus-Mars-Saturn now spans 28 degrees in west to WSW. Early arrivals will get the best views of Venus, now 2/3 full, and Saturn's rings. As twilight deepens, we'll find Arcturus and Spica, and glorious Scorpius and its reddish heart Antares in the south. At nightfall we'll find Teapot-shaped Sagittarius the Archer in SE, to the left of the Scorpion. We'll see the Milky Way as a cloud of steam rising up from the spout of the Teapot and passing through the Summer Triangle Vega-Deneb-Altair in the east. Binoculars and our large telescopes reveal many treasures in and near the Milky Way,

including open star clusters M6 and M7 near the tail of Scorpius, the Lagoon and Swan Nebulas M8 and M17, globular cluster M22, and star cloud M24 all in Sagittarius, the Wild Duck star cluster M11 in Scutum, and the Dumbbell and Ring Nebulas M27 and M57, gas clouds shed from old stars. Please bring a flashlight and warm clothing for cool evening conditions in the mountains, and, if you can, binoculars for enjoying the many sights along the Milky Way.

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**Name of the Event: What's Up There? *Trees and Shrubs of the Forest***

**Day, Date, Time:** Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 1 pm – 2 pm

**Location:** Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center

**Guide:** Emily Hoerner, BLM Ranger and NAI Certified Interpretive Guide

**Description:** Looking out at the desert it is hard to imagine that you can find groves of Oak Trees and forests of Sugar Pine right here in the National Monument. The higher elevations of the National Monument have plants that have adapted to completely different temperatures and rainfall levels than down here in the desert. Join us for a one hour interpretive talk about the common plants of the higher elevations and learn about their adaptations.

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**Name of Event: Early Bird Hike**

**Day, Date, Time:** Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 6:30 am – 8:30 am

**Location:** Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center, 51-500 Highway 74, Palm Desert, CA 92260

**Description:** Just because it is summer and 120 degrees outside does not mean you should take a break from hiking! Join us early Friday mornings before the temperatures get too hot outside and get in a great workout on the trails while taking in the breath taking beauty of the Santa Rosa Mountains.

**RSVP:** not required

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

**Name of Event: Beat the Heat: *"Tricks" of our Desert Survivors***

**Day, Date, Time:** Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 10 am - Noon

**Location:** Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center, 51-500 Highway 74, Palm Desert, CA 92260

**Presenter:** Dani Ortiz, Interpretive Ranger, Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument

**Description:** We use swimming pools, fans, and trips to the mall to keep cool during the intense summer heat but what do the animals that live in the desert do to keep cool? How do they survive the extreme summer heat? Stay cool inside the air-conditioned Visitor Center as we learn about a few of the ways that animals in the desert overcome the extreme summer heat and some special adaptations that make them true "Desert Survivors".

**RSVP:** required by July 14<sup>th</sup>

**Limit:** 20 participants

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

**Name of Event: Discover the Forest Hike: Cedar Springs Trail**

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 9 am – 1 pm

**Location:** Meet at the trailhead. Cedar Springs Trailhead; from Highway 74 (coming from Palm Desert), turn right onto Morris Ranch Road (6S53) and follow the road until you come to the Cedar Springs Trailhead (4E17)

**Guide:** Dani Ortiz, Interpretive Ranger, Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument

**Description:** Live on the edge as we hike up the Desert Divide and intersect the Pacific Crest Trail (the trails runs from Mexico to Canada). Both sides of the Desert Divide offer numerous little springs that present cool water to the wildlife in the upper elevations. You will also see amazing vistas of the Coachella Valley and the mountain ranges north of the Interstate 10, including a remarkable view of the San Andreas Fault.

**RSVP:** required by July 15<sup>th</sup>

**Limit:** 10 hikers

**Adventure Pass:** Not required

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

**Name of Event: Night Owl Movie Series: Secret Lives of Bats**

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010; 8 pm – 9:30 pm

**Location:** Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center, 51-500 Highway 74, Palm Desert, CA 92260

**Description:** Join us outdoors for an evening under the stars as we enjoy a special showing of the movie, *Secret Lives of Bats*, we will discover the fascinating lives that bats lead and the important roles they play in our lives! After the movie ends, “hang around” and create a fun craft to take home with you that will remind you of these amazing flying creatures of the night.

**RSVP:** not required

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

**AUGUST**

**Name of Event: Bird Brains**

**Day, Date, Time:** Wednesday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 6 pm - 7:30 pm

**Location:** Thousand Palms Library; 31189 Robert Road, in Thousand Palms

**Presenter:** Tracy Albrecht, Interpretive Specialist, Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument and California Coastal National Monument.

**Description:** Play some games and find out what it’s like to be a bird! Discover how birds use water as a special habitat, and what survival strategies those birds use. Some of you will get wet!

**RSVP:** not required.

**Contact:** Call (760) 343-1556 for more information.

**Name of Event: August Star Party in Santa Rosa Mountains**

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 8 pm-11 pm

**Location and directions:** Sawmill Trailhead, elevation about 4000 feet in Santa Rosa Mountains. Go south up Hwy 74 for 15.6 miles from the intersection of Hwy 111 and Hwy 74 (Monterey Ave.) in Palm Desert. About 0.4 mile past the Sugarloaf Café, turn left at Pinyon Flats Transfer Station Road, leading to the Sawmill Trailhead and Riverside County Disposal Station (Pinyon Flats Campground is on the right). Follow this road until you reach the parking lot on the left hand side. Meet at the far end of the parking lot.

**Host:** Astronomical Society of the Desert, [www.astrorx.org](http://www.astrorx.org)

**Description:** This is the night of the most compact gathering of Venus-Mars-Saturn at dusk, all within 5 degrees and easily fitting within the field of view of 7 to 10-power binoculars. To their upper left in the arc of the zodiac lie Spica in Virgo and Antares in Scorpius. The Summer Triangle is still east of overhead, and the Milky Way at nightfall is at its best for the year. Early arrivals will get fine telescopic views of Venus just over half full and Saturn’s rings still less than 4 degrees from edgewise. After nightfall, we’ll view many beautiful double stars, star clusters, and nebulae in our home Galaxy, and at session’s end, we’ll look for Jupiter rising in

E, and the Great Square of Pegasus and its trail of stars leading to the Andromeda Galaxy, 2.4 million light-years away. Please bring a flashlight and warm clothing for cool evening conditions in the mountains, and, if you can, binoculars for exploring the riches along the Milky Way. Telescopes will be available.

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**Name of Event: Early Bird Hike**

**Day, Date, Time:** Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 6:30 am – 8:30 am

**Location:** Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center, 51-500 Highway 74, Palm Desert, CA 92260

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**RSVP:** not required

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**Name of the Event: What's Up There? *Animals of the Forest***

**Day, Date, Time:** Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 1 pm – 2pm

**Location:** Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center

**Guide:** Emily Hoerner, BLM Ranger and NAI Certified Interpretive Guide

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**Name of Event: Beat the Heat: “Tricks” of our Desert Survivors**

**Day, Date, Time:** Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 10 am - Noon

**Location:** Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitors Center, 51-500 Highway 74, Palm Desert, CA 92260

**Presenter:** Dani Ortiz, Interpretive Ranger, Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument

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**RSVP:** required by August 18<sup>th</sup>

**Limit:** 20 participants

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

**Name of Event: Discover the Forest Hike: *Spitler Peak Trail***

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010; 9 am – 1 pm

**Location:** Meet at the trailhead. To get to the trailhead, drive up Highway 74, coming from Palm Desert, and take a right hand turn when you reach Apple Canyon Road (near Hurkey Creek Campground). Follow the paved road up past the Ranger Station and look for Spitler Peak Trailhead marker on the right hand side of the road.

**Guide:** Dani Ortiz, Interpretive Ranger, Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument

**Description:** Get back in touch with nature as you hike through the pristine San Jacinto Wilderness and enjoy the sights and sounds of nature at its best! This is a great gateway trail for getting into the National Monument boundary.

**RSVP:** required by August 19<sup>th</sup>

**Limit:** 10 hikers

**Adventure Pass:** Not required

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitors Center, for more details

**Name of Event:** **Night Owl Movie Series:** *Living with Wolves*

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 8 pm – 9:30 pm

**Location:** Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center, 51-500 Highway 74, Palm Desert, CA 92260

**Description:** Join us outdoors for an evening under the stars as we enjoy a special showing of the movie, *Living with Wolves*, we will get a glimpse into the playful and affectionate sides of these “Wild Dogs” in their natural setting. After the movie ends, stick around and create a fun craft to take home with you that will remind you all about these playful pups!

**RSVP:** not required

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

## SEPTEMBER

**Name of Event:** **September Star Party in Santa Rosa Mountains**

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, September 4th, 2010; 7:30 pm-10:30 pm

**Location and directions:** Sawmill Trailhead, elevation about 4000 feet in Santa Rosa Mountains. Go south up Hwy 74 for 15.6 miles from the intersection of Hwy 111 and Hwy 74 (Monterey Ave.) in Palm Desert. About 0.4 mile past the Sugarloaf Café, turn left at Pinyon Flats Transfer Station Road, leading to the Sawmill Trailhead and Riverside County Disposal Station (Pinyon Flats Campground is on the right). Follow this road until you reach the parking lot on the left hand side. Meet at the far end of the parking lot.

**Host:** Astronomical Society of the Desert, [www.astrorx.org](http://www.astrorx.org)

**Description:** Arrive on time to catch a telescopic view of the crescent Venus, and naked-eye and binocular views of its compact trio with Mars and Spica. At nightfall the Big Dipper is in NW with its curved handle pointing to golden Arcturus in west, contrasting with blue-white Vega overhead. Red Antares, heart of Scorpius, is low in SW. Follow the Milky Way issuing from the spout of the Teapot in the south, through the Summer Triangle and Northern Cross east of overhead, down through the “W” of Cassiopeia in the NE. Among the impressive deep-sky objects we’ll view are the M13 and M22 globular star clusters, the Ring and Dumbbell Nebulas, the Lagoon Nebula, and several open star clusters along the Milky Way. By session’s end, we’ll have a good look at Jupiter and its four brightest moons, Uranus in the same binocular field, and M31, the Andromeda Galaxy. Please bring a flashlight and warm clothing for cool evening conditions in the mountains, and, if you can, binoculars for exploring the sky. We will provide large telescopes for your viewing.

**Contact:** For map and directions, go to [www.astrorx.org/](http://www.astrorx.org/)

Contact National Monument Visitor Center, (760) 862-9984, or go to the website above, for information on future star parties.

**Name of the Event:** **What’s Up There? Trees and Shrubs of the Forest**

**Day, Date, Time:** Sunday, September 12th, 2010; 1 pm – 2 pm

**Location:** Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center

**Guide:** Emily Hoerner, BLM Ranger and NAI Certified Interpretive Guide

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**Name of Event:** **Early Bird Hike**

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**RSVP:** not required

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

**Name of Event: Discover the Forest Hike: Fuller Ridge Trail**

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 9 am – 1 pm

**Location:** Meet at the trailhead. Fuller Ridge Trailhead is located off of Highway 243, use the Black Mountain Road turn off, which is a few miles past the Idyllwild Ranger Station.

**Guide:** Dani Ortiz, Interpretive Ranger, Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument

**Description:** Rock out! - On this rocky trail as we hike on a unique section of Mount San Jacinto. This scenic portion of the mountain has some phenomenal views to be enjoyed by all as we ascend the mountain and enjoy the beautiful granite outcrops and lush pines, cedar, and fir trees that we will be hiking through on our adventure.

**RSVP:** required by September 16<sup>th</sup>

**Limit:** 10 hikers

**Adventure Pass:** Not required

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

**Name of the Event: National Public Lands Day**

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 8 am-4 pm

**Location:** Meet at the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center to arpool to location.

**Guide:** Emily Hoerner, BLM Ranger and NAI Certified Interpretive Guide and Stacey Wellman, US Forest Service National Monument Recreation Technician

**Description:** Honor your National Public Lands Day by helping us clean up the Santa Rosa Truck Trail. This 4 X 4 road gets a lot of use in the summer and needs quite a bit of work when fall rolls around. Help us clean fire pits, pick up trash, etc. while enjoying the outdoors. This land is your land, this land is my land, and these are the Public Lands. Please dress appropriately for stewardship work, bring gloves, water and lunch. High clearance vehicle is recommended.

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

**Name of Event: Night Owl Movie Series: Ants: Little Creatures Who Run the World**

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 8 pm – 9:30 pm

**Location:** Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center, 51-500 Highway 74, Palm Desert, CA 92260

**Description:** Join us outdoors for an evening under the stars as we enjoy a special showing of the movie, *Ants: Little Creatures Who Run the World*, we will learn about the family values that ants demonstrate in a colony and learn about what makes them one of the most successful species on the planet! After the movie ends, stick around and create a fun craft to take home with you that will remind you about the amazing world of ants!

**RSVP:** not required

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center, for more details.

**Name of Event: Top of the Tram Hike in the San Jacinto State Park**

**Day, Date, Time:** Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010; 7:30 am – 2.30 pm

**Location:** Meet at Palm Springs Aerial Tram Valley Station for 8 am tram departure!

**Guide:** Joe Migliore, Desert Naturalist and NAI Certified Interpretive Guide, Friends of the Desert Mountains Volunteer

**Description:** Great opportunity for spectacular tram ride and moderate loop hike from 8500 to 9700 feet elevation. Taking in great views from various vantage points we'll talk geology, San Andreas Fault and biotic communities from mountain tops to desert valleys! Check the weather and dress appropriately. Bring at least 2 quarts of water, snacks, lunch, trekking poles (optional), sunscreen and a camera. Participants must be in good condition for hiking at altitude!

**Hike Rating, elevation change, length:** Strenuous, 1200 feet, 10 miles

**RSVP:** required by September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010. *Please note that there is a fee for the Tram: Adults are \$22.95, and Seniors are \$20.95 per person.*

**Limit:** 8 participants.

**Contact:** (760) 862-9984, National Monument Visitor Center for more details.