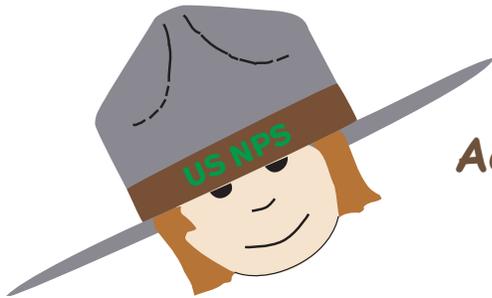


# JUNIOR RANGER DAY

Explore • Learn • Protect

Saturday, April 20

Take part in the special activities that have been designed for kids from 4 to 14 (and their parents too!) to celebrate National Park Week, National Junior Ranger Day, and Earthday.



## Activity Schedule

### **\*8 am — Raise The Flag**

Start your day by raising the American flag. Children will help with the ceremony and learn flag etiquette from a park ranger. Meet at the Oasis Visitor Center.

### **9 am to 3 pm — Skulls, Rocks, Plants, Oh My!**

You can touch a coyote hide and a bighorn sheep horn, view Joshua tree parts, identify rocks, and much more on the patio of the Joshua Tree Visitor Center.

### **10 am to 2 pm — The Cottonwood Neighborhood**

Who lives in the Cottonwood neighborhood? A park ranger will meet you outside of the Cottonwood Visitor Center and introduce you to the plants and animals that make Cottonwood Spring their home.

### **9:30 to 11:30 am — Stop, Look, Listen**

Meet Ranger Bret at the entrance to the Cap Rock Nature Trail where he will help you use your senses for some writing and drawing time. Find a nice spot to sit a moment, take a deep breath, look around you, listen to what your ears are hearing, then draw or write about what you observe or how you feel.

### **\*1:30 to 2:30 pm — Did You Know. . . ?**

Did you know that people lived in the desert before bottled water? Did you know that some plants can survive years without a single drop of rainfall and some animals never need a drink? Join Ranger Tara at the Hidden Valley trailhead to hear the whole story.

### **\*3:00 to 3:45 pm — Taking Nature's Pulse**

Join an expedition to find out what plants can tell us about climate change. Meet on the back patio of the Oasis Visitor Center.

\*These events begin at the time stated and will not be repeated. Other activities are designed so that you may come and go anytime you want.