



Saguaro National Park (East) Naturalist Program Schedule

Programs meet at the Rincon Mountain Visitor Center, 3693 S. Old Spanish Trail. Program schedules are subject to change. Call the visitor center at (520) 733-5153 for updates or to make *RESERVATIONS*.
*Programs marked with an * are wheelchair accessible.*

December 27, 2010 – January 2, 2011

Monday, December 27

11:00 a.m. Desert Adaptations*

Join a park naturalist on this 30-minute garden walk to learn how plants have unique ways of adapting to their desert environment.

Tuesday, December 28

9:00 a.m. Desert Morning Hike

Join a park naturalist for this 3-hour, 4-mile exploration of Saguaro National Park. Wear sturdy hiking shoes and bring water and a trail snack.

10:00 a.m. Sonoran Lifestyles

Join a park naturalist on this 2-hour, 1-mile walk to discover how plants and animals adapt to life in the desert. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water.

11:00 a.m. Natural History Table*

Join a park naturalist on the visitor center patio to have your questions answered about the natural history of the Sonoran Desert. This is an on-going, 30-minute program.

2:30 p.m. Reptiles and Amphibians of the Sonoran Desert*

Join park naturalist Bob Brandner for this 30-minute presentation to discover the fascinating world of reptiles and amphibians.

Wednesday, December 29

9:00 a.m. Desert Morning Hike

Join a park naturalist for this 3-hour, 4-mile exploration of Saguaro National Park. Wear sturdy hiking shoes and bring water and a trail snack.

Thursday, December 30

10:00 Desert Discovery

Join park naturalists on this two-hour, 2-mile walk to discover the secrets of the Sonoran Desert. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water.

2:00 p.m. Wildlife Detective*

Join a park naturalist on the visitor center patio to learn how you too can become a wildlife detective by knowing what signs to look for.

Friday, December 31

10:00 a.m. Sonoran Lifestyles

Join a park naturalist on this 2-hour, 1-mile walk to discover how plants and animals adapt to life in the desert. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water.

11:00 a.m. Desert Adaptations*

Join a park naturalist on this 30-minute garden walk to learn how plants have unique ways of adapting to their desert environment

Saturday, January 1

11:00 a.m. Saguaro National Park: A Common Heritage*

This 20-minute video explores the history and heritage of those who settled the Tanque Verde and Rincon Valleys.

2:00 p.m. Desert Adaptations*

Join a park naturalist on this 30-minute garden walk to learn how plants have unique ways of adapting to their desert environment

5:00 p.m. Sunset Stroll

Join a park ranger for a stroll up Tanque Verde Ridge to enjoy the Sonoran Desert. Dress for the weather, wear sturdy walking shoes and bring water.

Sunday, January 2

11:00.m. Gathering the Desert*

Join Park Ranger Laura Bolyard in the Cactus Garden for an easy 45-minute stroll to learn how desert plants have been used for food, shelter, medicine and more.

2:00 p.m. Yesterday, Today and...Saguaro? (The Walk)

Change is coming to the Cactus Forest and we can't do anything about it! But don't worry – change has been happening here for thousands of years. Come explore the life cycles of the saguaro cactus and the changing face of its Sonoran Desert home on this ¼ mile, 90-minute walk.