

**2020 Los Padres Wilderness Basics Course**  
**WBC Car Camp Day Hikes**  
**Sunday, Mar 8, 2020**

**Trip Grading System**

The grade is a 3-part code describing the difficulty of the outing. The first part, a letter, refers to the overall difficulty of the trip. The second part, a number, states the number of miles that will be traveled on the longest day. The third part, another letter, refers to the total cumulative elevation gain, or loss, for the longest day.

<b>Difficulty</b>	<b>Mileage</b>	<b>Elevation Gain/Loss</b>
E = Easy	This is the number of miles, rounded to the nearest mile, traveled on the longest day of the trip.	A = less than 500 ft.
M = Moderate		B = 501 to 1000 ft.
S = Strenuous		C = 1001 to 2000 ft. D = 2001 to 3000 ft. E = over 3001 ft.

Example: M8C

"M8C" would be a moderately difficult trip with an 8-mile hike on the longest day and which could climb or descend up to 2000 feet in one day.

**All hikers: Bring daypack, lunch, water, 10 essentials, boots or sturdy hiking shoes**

**1. Aliso Loop Trail M3B**

**Outing Leader: Alisse Fischer**

**Grade: Easy/Moderate**

**Assistant Leader: Skip Perry**

Enjoy a 3.4 mile loop with 900' of gain. We'll start on the Aliso Canyon Interpretive Trail, stopping to take note of plants & other features. Then we climb steadily to a saddle & some grassy meadows. After that, we make a short climb to the top of the ridge that divides Aliso & Oso Canyons. The walk along the ridge-top offers wonderful views & eventually brings us to a nice place to stop & look down on the Santa Ynez River. Then it's downhill all the way to the junction with the canyon trail and back to our cars. Wear hiking boots or shoes. Bring snack/lunch, water, 10 essentials, and rain gear if needed. A day pass will be needed for parking at the trailhead. For more information, contact Alisse at [alissefisher@gmail.com](mailto:alissefisher@gmail.com).

**2. Arroyo Burro M5C**

**Outing Leader: Gabe Valdez**

**Grade: Moderate**

**Assistant Leader: Sean Cole**

Join us for a nice, moderate 5 mile hike on the Arroyo Burro Trail. We will begin the hike at the Arroyo Burro Road trailhead 1 mile past 1st crossing. Once on Arroyo Burro Road, we'll cross the Santa Ynez River and soon enter Arroyo Burro Canyon. Once in the canyon, we'll

have a shady hike along a well maintained trail, following the course of a small creek. After hiking 2.5 miles and climbing a little more than 1000 feet, we'll stop for lunch at a beautiful spot by the creek, before heading back down. Wear hiking boots or shoes. Bring snack/lunch, water, 10 essentials, and rain gear if needed. A day pass is not needed to park at the trailhead, however there is only room for 3 or 4 cars so we will need to carpool over from the Ranger station where the parking is free. For more information, contact Gabe at gavaldez@gmail.com.

**3. Aliso Loop/ Nineteen Oaks S8D**

**Grade: Strenuous**

**Outing Leader: Jim Duliakas**

**Assistant Leader: Kristi KirkPatrick**

From Sage Hill Campground, there's a nice 8.3 mile up & down hike with about 2100' elevation gain/loss. This is the Aliso Loop hike described above with a four mile round trip extension through Oso Canyon to 19 Oaks campground. Wear hiking boots or shoes. Bring snack/lunch, water, 10 essentials, and rain gear if needed. A day pass will be needed for parking at the trailhead. For more information, contact Jim at duliakas@jetlink.net.

**4. Snyder Trail S6D**

**Grade: Strenuous**

**Outing Leader: Vicki Wilson**

**Assistant Leader: Tim Grant**

Fantastic vistas & a touch of history at the top make this a bucket-list trail to hike, 6.3 miles in all. This interesting trail begins near the ranger station, & climbs up 2000' heading south, towards East Camino Cielo Road. It winds through changing plant zones, ending in chaparral near the top, with spectacular views of Lake Cachuma & the Santa Ynez River Valley. Knapps Castle is a landmark, a ruined mansion that dates back to pre-1920. This is our turnaround destination at the top & will be a nice spot for lunch, pictures, & some trivia from the hike leader. Wear hiking boots or shoes. Bring snack/lunch, water, 10 essentials, and rain gear if needed. For more information, contact Vicki at victwyh@yahoo.com.

All hikes will meet and group between 9:00 and 9:15 a.m. Sunday, March 8 at Sage Hill Campground. Parks Management Passes are required for parking at the Lower Oso trailhead. No passes are needed for parking at the Snyder or Arroyo Burro trailheads.