



***Santa Cruz Island
Kayak-Snorkeling Event***



***Channel Islands National Park
Oct 24 & 25, 2009***

Time:

Meet Saturday 6:15 AM 10/24/09

(Boat leaves at 9AM)

Return: Leave Island @4PM 10/25/09

Where:

Leave Ventura Harbor (Island Packers)

Arrive Scorpion Anchorage, Santa Cruz Island

Cost: \$75

Covers round trip transportation, use of kayaks, campground reservation, patches, etc..

Current Reservations (60 people limit) in place with Tour Boat and National Park Service on a first come first served basis.

Contact Information:

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Stuff to do

Kayaking

- We will have 7 two-man kayaks available while we are at Santa Cruz Island. Paddles, personal floatation devices (PFDs), and seats will be available.
- All scouts need signed release forms to use the equipment. Will handle at the next meeting.

Swimming

Snorkeling – Bring your gear if you have it. Wet suits and snorkeling gear should be brought with you from the mainland.

Hiking

Compass Course

Star Gazing

Fishing (Cal. Fishing license required, in non protected areas only)

Schedule

Friday Oct 23rd

7:30PM Equipment should be ready to go. Give Equipment list to Quartermaster at Tuesday Mtg.

Saturday Oct 24th

6:15AM Arrive at Church
6:45AM Leave Church
7:15AM Arrive at Ventura Harbor, 1691 Spinnaker Drive, Ventura, Ca
7:15 – 8:00 AM Assemble and Check In
8:15 - 8:45AM Load gear onto boat including Kayaks
8:45AM ON BOAT
9:00AM Boat leaves. (at 9:01, you will need to find your own ride to Santa Cruz)
11:00AM Boat arrives at Santa Cruz.
11:00-12:00PM Disembark, assemble gear
12:00-1:00PM Hike to Campsite (1/2 mile), setup camp, eat bag lunch
1:00 – 5:00PM Activities
5:00 – 6:30PM Dinner
6:30 – 10PM Evening Activities

Sunday Oct 25th

7:00 – 8:00AM Breakfast
8:00 – 9AM Breakdown camp
9:00AM-3:00PM Activities (Lunch around noon)
3:00AM Leave Camp, Hike to boat landing.
4:00PM Board Boat
6:30PM Arrive at Ventura Harbor
7:30PM Arrive Home.

At the Boat

- In case of trip cancellations due to weather or sea conditions, Island Packers will cancel at 5:30 on the morning of the trip and the full deposit will be refunded or applied to another trip. Highly unlikely.
- We must arrive one hour before departure time. (See schedule)
- Please park in the lot closest to the street.
- All passengers must be checked in before boarding the boat.
- Please check in camp gear on boat 30 minutes prior to departure time.
 - NO LOOSE or HANGING GEAR.
 - Special Note, Slinglights have been damaged. If you don't want them damaged, carry onto boat.
- To insure the safety and conform to Coast Guard regulations, any fuel or flammable liquid containers must be turned over to a crew member for proper storage when boarding the vessel.
- Boat leaves promptly at 9:00AM

On the Boat

- Channel crossing takes approximately 2 hours.
- Refreshments are available for a fee on the boat.

At the Island

- Landing is at a pier.
- If weather conditions prevent landing and the boat returns early, boat fares will be prorated. Highly unlikely.
- Campgrounds are ½ mile up the main valley.
- Camping in Eucalyptus Grove
- Tables and pits, toilets provided.
- All of your trash must be packed out.
- As of right now, there are no fires allowed on the island.
- Drinking water is available on Santa Cruz.
- Ravens have been reported opening zippers of duffel bags and backpacks.
- Though the mice population has been low this year, you want to keep the campsites clean of crumbs, trash, and spills to get the least visits from mice.
- Pack food in strong tote containers using ropes or straps to keep them closed.
- For more information, contact 805-658-5730 or go to www.nps.gov/chis/.

Stuff to bring

- All gear must be transported from the boat by the boat crew onto the island by lifting up a ladder onto a pier by the crew.
- Pack as if you are going on a back packing trip with no item over 45 lbs.
- Portable “sun showers” recommended for bathing and rinsing off
- Water is available on the island but you will want to bring your own for the travel portion.
- No electronic toys, gameboys, etc.

Stuff NOT to bring,

Items weighing more than 45 lbs (including ice chests)

Outboard motors or rubber rafts

5 gallon water containers

Windsurfers

Glass containers

Carts or wagons

Items stored in paper bags

Loose gear