



West Los Angeles County Council of Boy Scouts High Adventure Team



Invites you to

Desert Awareness Course

This course is designed for those individuals who wish to learn about the excitement that desert activities add to the Scouting program. Here is an opportunity to build on your HAT outdoor skills and leader training. Expand your knowledge of challenges in the desert and develop the confidence to safely hike, backpack and camp with your unit in the desert.

The course will cover how to explore and enjoy the desert, Subjects covered will deal with building solar stills, geology, plants, animals, weather, health, safety, appropriate food, and all the other things you need to know in order to plan and conduct a safe, rewarding outing in the dry, hot (and cold) desert.

Who should attend: Any registered adult.

Prerequisites: Basic Backpacking is not required prior to Desert Awareness, but must be completed within the next year to receive the Desert Awareness patch and earn HAT awards.

When: **May 17, 2008, 7:30 AM – 4 PM;** Saturday overnight campout with the HAT staff optional. There will be a beautiful hike up and along one of the Red Rock ridges from camp first thing Saturday morning, so please be on time.

Where: **Red Rock Canyon State Park. On HWY 14 north, past Mojave**

Registration cost: \$20

Required to bring: Class A uniform. Saturday lunch, Tour permit, chair, proper clothing (hot days, cold nights), writing instrument, compass, medications, sunscreen, 10 essentials, canteen, daypack for day hike. If staying overnight, dinner and Sunday breakfast, stove, cook kit & utensils, tent and sleeping gear.

Park day use is only \$5 charged by the ranger. Overnight, Camp fee \$12 per night for one vehicle.

WATER! You will need to bring all the water you need for drinking, cooking and washing with you. No water at Red Rock Canyon State Park.

For further information, please contact Tamber Johnson (818) 343-6578
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Desert Awareness Course
Tear off and Return with your check by May 5, 2008
Checks payable to: W.L.A.C.C.

Your HAT card number _____ **HAT account: 1-2306-068-00 on the check please**

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