



SESPE CREEK **BACKPACKING TRIP ITINERARY**



This trip gives you the chance to enjoy some of the amazing Santa Barbara backcountry. We will hike beside Sespe Creek as it winds through the mountains and canyons. Wildflowers, cool swimming holes, warm hot springs, historic sites of interest and good companionship will be highlights.

In order for your experience to be a pleasurable one, we ask that you thoroughly read the information in the handouts provided, including the **Itinerary**, the **General Trip Expectations** and follow the recommendations on the **Packing list**. You must supply your own lunches, money for road meals, and personal equipment. (Camping gear rentals are available <http://recreation.sa.ucsb.edu/adventure-programs/outdoor-gear-rentals>) This trip requires that you be in good physical condition. Aside from carrying your own personal equipment, each person will be responsible for carrying some group food and group equipment.

Please feel free to contact the Adventure Center at (805) 893-3737 during business hours if you need any additional information and/or our leaders have not contacted you seven days before departure date.

Minimum Experience Level: Strong hiking skills, backpacking experience preferred.

Friday- Drive from UCSB to Sespe Wilderness. Unload the van and hike to our first campsite.

Saturday- Day hike to Sespe Creek Hot Spring and continue exploring the canyons.

Sunday- Leisure morning, break camp and hike out to vehicle. Pack up the van and drive back to UCSB.

Departure Location: Service turnout at the Northeast outside corner of the Recreation Center towards the mountains from the main entrance.

Departure Time: Meet at 8:00 A.M. so we can load your personal equipment and leave at 8:30 A.M. As a courtesy to the group please be prompt. If you are not there on time we will leave without you. There are no refunds for no shows.

Approximate Drive Time: 1.5 hours

Approximate Return Time: 7:00 P.M. on (depending on the group)

Creek hiking: We recommend the participants be in good physical condition with some previous backpacking experience. We will cover approximately 30 miles in 3 days of hiking. Part of this trip is directly down the creek bed without a trail. Thank you!

No Drugs or Alcohol: University regulations and program policies do not allow alcohol or drugs on this trip. Thank you for your cooperation.

Refund Policy: Once an offering is **full**, you will be offered a refund (less **\$20 service charge**) **only** if someone **pays** for your spot. If the offering is **NOT** full:

- **30 or more days** before the course date- Full refund less \$20 processing fee.
- **29 to 8 days** before the course date- 50% refund less \$20 processing fee.
- **Less than 8 days** before the course date- no refunds available.