

Hike #473

MOUNT ISLIP

Hike Leader: Marlene Adamek

The hike for June 30, 1999 will be from Angeles Crest Highway through Little Jimmy Campground to Mt. Islip. This is a good hike for this time of year. The elevation will insure that even on the hottest days the temperature will be tolerable. We will see the usual woods and mountains as we ascend a fairly easy upward climb. We will hike through Little Jimmy Campground but not until we have a cookie or two and use the outhouse. About a quarter of a mile from the campground there is a small spring, called appropriately Little Jimmy Spring. It is really just a seep. At the summit are the remains of a stone cabin which was the residence of the fire lookout in times past. Most of us will eat our lunch there.

From the 210 freeway in La Canada drive 41 miles up the Angeles Crest Highway, Rte 2, past the old intersection of Rte 2 and Rte 39 at Islip Saddle. Rte 39 is now closed due to the road falling off the mountain several years ago. Continue about 1 1/2 miles beyond the saddle to the trailhead at mileage paddle 65.50. Parking is on the wide area of the shoulder. Allow about 55 minutes driving from the 210 freeway.

We will start the hike at 9:30 AM.

Trip data:

Distance 7 miles, round trip
Elevation gain 1500 feet
Trailhead elevation 6650 feet
Effort Moderate

Recommended Maps:

Los Angeles County and Vicinity Automobile Club
Angeles National Forest U S Forest Service
Crystal Lake Topographic

I want to thank and give credit to Mike Gessner for furnishing me with his own version of the Mount Islip Trail Hike. I only made a few slight changes. Hope to see you there.