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JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK CARCAMP

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CLASSIFICATION: Easy

COST: \$10.00/adult, children free when accompanied by one paying adult or if child is under 6 years. Otherwise \$5.00/child(6-17years). Non-members add \$5.00 to each persons fee. Also, there is a \$10.00 Entrance fee payable at the park entrance.

TRIP LIMIT: 15 people, 7 vehicles (no RVs/Trailers and no campers over 25')

DESCRIPTION: Joshua Tree National Park lies about 140 miles East of Los Angeles. Fall is one of the best times to visit the park. Temperatures are usually at an average of 85F for the high and 50F for the low. This park is made up of two desert ecosystems. The Colorado Desert encompasses the lower elevations of the park and the Mojave Desert is in the part above 3000 feet of elevation. The Joshua trees grow in this higher region. This park is a favorite for rock climbers and is great for bouldering as well. There are lots of places to explore and the views are expansive. Nighttime skies are usually clear and filled with stars. We have reservations at the Cottonwood Group site #1 for Friday and Saturday nights. This campsite is located near the Cottonwood Springs Visitor Center just inside the South Entrance of the park. The elevation here is 3000 feet and the campground is the only one in the park to have water and flush toilets. For more information on the park, check out the website, <http://www.nps.gov/jotr/>

BRING: Carcamping gear (tent, sleeping bag, stove, cooking gear, etc), chairs, food, sunscreen and firewood for the evening campfire. Nights can be cool so bring warm clothing.

DIRECTIONS: Take the 210 East to the 10 East heading towards Palm Springs. One can either go to the South Entrance accessible from the 10 Freeway at Cottonwood Springs or go in from the North Entrance from the 29 Palms Highway at the town of 29 Palms. Drive time will be 2-1/2 to 3 hours if there is no traffic.

PRE-TRIP MEETING: There will be no meeting. Please contact the trip leader for more information or if you would like to sign up for the trip fill out the form below. Leader can help make arrangements for carpools as well.

If you have any questions, please call the Trip Leader.

Hiking + Members: Please make a copy of this flyer and post on your local bulletin board. Thanks!

Fill in and return to A. Hayashi at M/S 300-323 with your check made payable to JPL Hiking +

Yes! I want to go to Joshua Tree. Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

_____ Adults and _____ Children Enclosed is my check for: _____