

Palm Springs & Joshua Tree National Park

Outing date: February 21-25, 2027 Signups: October 2026

Escape the Bay Area winter cold and enjoy hiking in the desert.

Explore downtown Palm Springs, Palm Canyons, and Joshua Tree National Park.



Downtown Palm Springs



Indian Canyons

Joshua Tree National Park



We will hike two locations in Joshua Tree National Park, the Blackrock Canyon and Cottonwood Spring areas. The desert will have a variety of rock formations, yuccas, blooming flowers in Feb., cacti, and birds.

Daily Agenda

Sunday: Arrive, check into Palm Springs Hotel.

Monday: Black Rock area in Joshua Tree.

- West Side Loop: 4.5 mi, 800'
- Panoramic Loop 6.6 mi, 1300'

Tuesday: Indian Canyons near Palm Spring

- Andreas Canyon 1 mi, 180' (All)
- Palm Canyon and return 3.5 mi, 400'
- Stone Pools 6 mi, 1000'
- Optional rigorous hike, The Ladders

Wednesday: Cottonwood Springs in Joshua Tree.

- Lost Palm Oasis 7.4 mi, 1100' out and back
- Shorter options are to turn back sooner.

Thursday: Travel home

Details of each day and each hike along with the difficulty and the hike rating will be included in the itinerary that will be sent to participants when sign-ups are closed.