# The City of **SAN DIEGO** FREE Family Outdoor Activities SEPTEMBER 2018– MAY 2019

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ADVENTURE PASSPORT

Passport number: 033920182019

First Name:

Last Name:

Your Favorite Outdoor Activity:\_\_\_\_

Your Favorite Wildlife:\_\_\_\_\_

# Outdoor safety for your adventure:

Stay on the trail

Be aware of your surroundings at all times

Wear closed-toe hiking shoes or boots with good tread, weather-appropriate clothing in layers, sun protection such as a hat, a pair of sunglasses and sun block

Be sure to bring drinking water and healthy snacks.

Draw your picture or paste your photo.

<<<<Please call the Park Ranger Station for more information. <<<619-424-0463<<<Happy Adventures!<<<<<



# **Photo Contest**

Enter to win the second annual Otay Valley Regional Park ADVENTURE PASSPORT PHOTO CONTEST. Share

your ADVENTURE PASSPORT event photos on Instagram or Twitter by using #adventurepassportovrp and/or emailing your photographs to AdventurePassportOVRP@gmail.com. The photographs will be displayed, voted, and finalists will be awarded at the annual Discover Otay Valley Regional Park Day. Share your adventure and encourage others to discover the wonders and beauty of nature in America's Finest City!

# **Feeling Adventurous?**

Discover other amazing parks around the City! San Diego Parks and Recreation oversees nearly 40,000 acres of developed and undeveloped open space, more than 340 parks and 25 miles of shoreline from Sunset Cliffs to La Jolla.

For more information about Park Ranger programming, visit: https://www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/ parks/drprangers



For more information about the City's 20,000 acres of Open Space parkland, visit: https://www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/ parks/osp





Scan the QR code to find a San Diego County park alphabetically.



Parks and Recreation

### Fishing



## 2 VISA

Date: Saturday, Sept. 29th, 2018 Time: 9 a.m. - noon

**Location:** Lower Otay Reservoir Boat Launch - 2165 Wueste Rd., Chula Vista, CA 91915 **Adventure:** Fishing Learn to make your own fishing pole and fish. (fishing is free to youth 15

Anglers 16 years of age or older must have a California state fishing license and pay the daily permit.

**RSVP** by 9/22/18 to AdventurePassportOVRP@gmail.com





years and under).

#### Mountain Biking



Date: Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018 Time: 9 a.m. - noon

Location: Mace Staging Area 250 Mace St., Chula Vista, CA 91911

Adventure: Halloween Ride Ride your bike in nature. Wear your Halloween costume or decorate your helmet with us before the group ride.

**RSVP** by 10/20/18 to AdventurePassportOVRP@gmail.com



#### Kumeyaay Connection



# VISA

**Date:** Saturday, Nov. 17, 2018 **Time:** 9 a.m. - noon

Location: Ranger Station 2155 Beyer Blvd., San Diego, CA 92154

**Adventure:** People of the Valley Take a nature walk and learn about the Kumeyaay culture.

**RSVP** by 11/10/18 to AdventurePassportOVRP@gmail.com





#### Stargazing



**Date:** Saturday, Dec. 8, 2018 **Time:** 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

**Location:** Otay Lakes County Park 2270 Wueste Rd., Chula Vista, CA 91915

**Adventure:** Stargazing Enjoy the best night sky in San Diego

**RSVP** by 12/1/18 to AdventurePassportOVRP@gmail.com



## Explore Otay Valley Regional Park, the hidden jewel of southern San Diego!

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The Otay Valley Regional Park (OVRP) runs from the Upper/Lower Otay Reservoir at the foot of Jamul Mountains all the way to San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge. That's nearly 13 miles and 8,869 acres of parkland and river corridor. Currently OVRP is open to the public west of I-805 to the Wildlife Refuge. Areas east of I-805 are still under development, but you can visit us at Otay Lakes Regional County Park.

You can explore the park by hiking, jogging, mountain biking and horseback riding. You can also simply take a leisurely stroll with your family to enjoy the bountiful natural environment which are home to variety of wildlife, including some endangered animals and plants that are protected.







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Date: Saturday, Jan. 26, 2019 Time: 9 a.m. - noon

Location: Hollister Pond Staging Area/ 386 Hollister St., San Diego, CA 92154

**Adventure:** Arbor Day Learn the plants of the park and help restore river habitat by planting trees.

**RSVP** by 1/19/19 to AdventurePassportOVRP@gmail.com





#### Monarch Sanctuary



Date: Saturday, Feb. 23, 2019 Time: 9 a.m. - noon

**Location:** 1769 Rios Ave., Chula Vista, CA 91911

**Adventure:** Butterfly Day Plant native milkweed plants to help transform the park into a monarch butterfly sanctuary.

**RSVP** by 2/16/19 to AdventurePassportOVRP@gmail.com



#### Sketching & Painting



# VISA

Date: Saturday, March 9, 2019 Time: 9 a.m. - noon

**Location:** Finney Overlook - Across from 4017 Byrd St., San Diego, CA 92154

**Adventure:** Sketching & Painting Enjoy the beauty of nature by observing nature closely.

**RSVP** by 3/2/19 to AdventurePassportOVRP@gmail.com





Kayaking



"Creek to Bay"

Date: Saturday, April 20, 2019

Time: 9 a.m. - noon

**Location:** Lower Otay Reservoir Boat Launch - 2165 Wueste Rd., Chula Vista, CA 91915 **Adventure:** Earth Day Kayaking Help clean up the reservoir on Creek to Bay Clean Up Day while kayaking.

**RSVP** by 4/13/19 to AdventurePassportOVRP@gmail.com



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## **Discover Otay Valley Regional Park**



Date: Saturday, May 18, 2019 Time: 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Location:** Celebration at Saturn Blvd. Staging Area: 500 Saturn Blvd., San Diego, CA 92154

Visit Otay Valley Regional Park for our big annual event! Fun for the whole family. We will also pick the winners of our **ADVENTURE PASSPORT** photo contest.

(Stay tuned for more information in the Spring 2019 Park Newsletter).

**RSVP** by 5/11/19 for outdoor activities at AdventurePassportOVRP@gmail.com









# Nature Journal

Look around, find something interesting and investigate nature by using your five senses! Sketch or write your observations during your adventure. Here are some exercises using your senses to help notice your surroundings.



#### What do you see?

Do you see a red-tailed hawk soaring in the sky? Do you see any insects on the plants? Do you see adult birds feeding their young?



#### What do you hear?

Do you hear the wind? Do you hear bees buzzing? Do you hear running river?



#### What do you smell?

Do you smell the ocean? Do you notice the aroma of different plants? Do you smell the soil?



#### What do you feel?

Do you feel the crisp air on your face? Have you felt the bird feathers you found on the trail? Have you ever felt a tiny insect walking on palm of your hand?



#### What do you taste?

What does the air taste like? Is it sweet or salty? Do you enjoy seasonal food? Imagine what different red berries and various seeds may taste like to migratory birds in the parks.