

The Living Desert *Coachella Valley Hiking* Program
2009-2010 Classes Offered

ClassID	Class Name	Hrs.	Hrs.	Hrs.	Date Offered
Section A	GENERAL SKILLS				
NS 280	Hiking Basics <i>(required)</i>	3			12/12/09 pm
NS 301(a) N 5	Tracking and Observation in Nature <i>(required)</i>	3			2/20/10 am
NS 303b	Geology of the Coachella Valley & Surrounds <i>(required)</i>	3			11/21/09 pm
Section B	VALLEY TREKS/FIELD WORK				
VT 105	Slot Canyon / Mecca Hills		3		1/07/10 early
VT 106	Andreas Canyon		3		3/16/10 am
VT 201	Eisenhower Loop @ TLD		3		11/27/09 early
VT 203	Painted Canyon		3		12/21/09 early
VT 204	San Jacinto / Long Canyon		3		5/04/10 am
VT 211	Whitewater Canyon Preserve		3		3/04/10 am
Section C	ELECTIVES				
NS 114	Venom			3	2/27/10 am
NS 201	Our Desert Plants – Coachella Valley Native Plants			3	3/27/10 am
NS 304c	Coachella Valley Native Reptiles			3	1/30/10 pm
NS 401	Basics of Ecology			3	1/23/10 am
NS 402	Ecology of a Palm Oasis			3	1/16/10 am
NS 800	Desert Interpretive Hike/Walk Series (Credit applies one time only)			3	3/13/10 am

This is a list of all 2009-2010 classes which may be used as credits towards a Coachella Valley Hiking Certificate

VALLEY TREKS
 Level of Difficulty

VT 100 Series
Easy – Leisurely to moderate pace on relatively flat terrain

VT 200 Series
Moderate – Steady pace with some elevation gain and loss and/or rocky or uneven terrain

VT 300 Series
Strenuous – Longer rigorous hikes at a moderate to brisk pace with significant elevation gain and loss and/or uneven rocky terrain with some rock scrambling probable.

Note: a.m. classes are usually 9am-12noon, p.m. classes are usually 1:30-4:30p.m. and early classes begin before 8:30a.m.

Be sure to refer to Certification worksheet for a breakdown of required elements.

(Not all classes listed above may be needed to complete the certificate requirements.)

Note: Completion of this program is designed to span several seasons – All requirements will not be offered in a single season. This allows participants time to fully absorb the knowledge they gain and make the experience a richer, more enjoyable one.