

4.08 1 80 leafy daisy *Erigeron foliosus* var. *foliosus* 1 / 1 45

4.08 1 81 Indian milkweed *Asclepias eriocarpa* 1 / 1 19

4.08 End trail at lower trailhead; elevation ~6540 feet (1995 m)

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## Plant Guide to South Ridge Trail, San Jacinto Mountains

Mile	S	#	id?	Common Name	Latin Name	#here	#all
0.00				Begin South Ridge Trail at Chinquapin Jct with the PCT, elevation 8570 feet (2610 m)			
0.00	r	1		bush chinquapin	<i>Chrysolepis sempervirens</i>	50 / 9	9
0.00	r	2		white fir	<i>Abies concolor</i>	30 / 9	20
0.00	1	3		pussy paws	<i>Calyptridium monospermum</i>	5 / 1	6
0.01	1	4		limber pine	<i>Pinus flexilis</i>	40 / 9	7
0.02	1	5		San Jacinto Mts. Keckiella (in chinquapin)	<i>Keckiella rothrockii</i> var. <i>jacintensis</i>	1 / 1	4
0.02	1	6	?	mystery rush / sedge	?	2 / 2	
0.02	1	7		western needlegrass	<i>Achnatherum occidentale</i> ssp. <i>occidentale</i>	2 / 2	1
0.03	b	8		Parish's snowberry	<i>Symphoricarpos rotundifolius</i> var. <i>parishii</i>	2 / 1	10
0.04	r	9		sugar pine	<i>Pinus lambertiana</i>	50 / 9	12
0.10	1	10		lodgepole pine	<i>Pinus contorta</i> ssp. <i>murrayana</i>	20 / 9	7
0.14	1	11		Parish's campion	<i>Silene parishii</i>	10 / 2	6
0.18				Trail curves left.			
0.18	r			(limber-pine dwarf-mistletoe, <i>Arceuthobium cyanocarpum</i> )			
0.23	1			(Watson's spike-moss, <i>Selaginella watsonii</i> )			
0.25	1	12		shaggy-haired alumroot	<i>Heuchera hirsutissima</i>	6 / 2	1
0.25	1	13		rush blue grass	<a href="#"><u><i>Poa secunda</i> ssp. <i>juncifolia</i><sup>+</sup></u></a>	30 / 5	1
0.25	1	14		little prince's pine	<i>Chimaphila menziesii</i>	10 / 3	2
0.25	1	15		Watson's spike-moss	<i>Selaginella watsonii</i>	1 / 1	4
0.27				Trail curves left.			
0.28	r			(pinedrops, <i>Pterospora andromedea</i> )			
0.31	b	16		white-veined wintergreen	<i>Pyrola picta</i>	5 / 3	3

0.31		Switchback left.				3.75		Trail turns right 90° at drainage			
0.32		Switchback right.				3.78		Trail jogs left, then right			
0.34		Trail curves left 90°.				3.78	r 66 ~	small fescue	<i>Vulpia microstachys</i> var. <i>microstachys</i>	10 / 1	1
0.37	1	(spike trisetum, <i>Trisetum spicatum</i> )				3.80	r	Rock window formed by two huge boulders			
0.37	1 17	mountain holly fern	<i>Polystichum scopulinum</i>	3 / 1	1	3.81	r	(snow-plant, <i>Sarcodes sanguinea</i> )			
0.37	1 18 ?	baby rosette - <i>Arabis?</i>				3.85	l	Boulders showing old soil line by absence of lichens at base			
0.37	1 19	mountain spray	<i>Holodiscus microphyllus</i> var. <i>microphyllus</i>	2 / 2	7	3.87		Trail curves left			
0.40	r 20	curl-leaf mountain-mahogany	<i>Cercocarpus ledifolius</i> var. <i>intermontanus</i>	10 / 9	10	3.88	l	Several 6 inch wide yellow-brown mushrooms			
0.40	l	Jct. to Tahquitz Lookout; go left on it.				3.91	r 67	California black oak	<i>Quercus kelloggii</i>	3 / 1	12
0.41	r 21	Jeffrey pine	<i>Pinus jeffreyi</i>	99 / 9	21	3.91	l 68	interior live oak	<i>Quercus wislizeni</i> var. <i>frutescens</i>	4 / 2	8
0.42	l 22	green-leaf manzanita	<i>Arctostaphylos patula</i>	50 / 9	12	3.92		Trail curves left			
0.42		Trail begins a series of zig-zags.				3.95		Trail curves left			
0.43	r	(granite prickly phlox, <i>Leptodactylon pungens</i> )				3.95	l 69 ~	Parish's chaenactis	<i>Chaenactis parishii</i>	3 / 1	1
0.44	r	(canyon live oak, <i>Quercus chrysolepis</i> )				3.96	l 70	bush monkeyflower	<i>Mimulus aurantiacus</i>	5 / 1	43
0.45	l 23	Parish's bedstraw	<i>Galium parishii</i>	3 / 2	7	3.96	l 71	California coffeeberry	<a href="#"><u>Rhamnus californica</u></a> <sup>±</sup>	1 / 1	2
0.45		Tahquitz Lookout base.				3.98		Switchback right			
0.46		Catwalk of Tahquitz Lookout; elevation 8846 feet (2696 m); return to trail jct.				4.01	r 72	Mexican manzanita	<i>Arctostaphylos pungens</i>	1 / 1	3
0.52		Jct. main South Ridge Trail; go left				4.01	l 73	oak mistletoe	<i>Phoradendron villosum</i>	1 / 1	5
0.52	r 24	mountain whitethorn	<i>Ceanothus cordulatus</i>	50 / 9	15	4.01		Switchback left			
0.53		Switchback right				4.04	l 74	incense-cedar mistletoe	<i>Phoradendron libocedri</i>	1 / 1	3
0.56		Switchback left				4.04	l	Sign: Be prepared for hazardous conditions; permit required for wilderness area..."			
0.56	l 25	canyon live oak	<i>Quercus chrysolepis</i>	99 / 9	22	4.04	l 75	Cleveland's horkelia	<i>Horkelia clevelandii</i>	1 / 1	4
0.58	l 26	San Bernardino rubber rabbitbrush	<i>Chrysothamnus nauseosus</i> ssp. <i>bernardinus</i>	50 / 9	15	4.04		Switchback right at drainage			
0.58		Switchback right				4.06	76	hollyleaf redberry		1 / 1	44
0.59	r	(Grinnell's beardtongue, <i>Penstemon grinnellii</i> var. <i>grinnellii</i> )				4.06	b 77	goldenrod	<i>Solidago californica</i>	10 / 1	37
0.60		Switchback left				4.08	b 78	Coulter pine	<i>Pinus coulteri</i>	1 / 1	11
0.63		Switchback right				4.08	l 79	pine dwarf-mistletoe	<i>Arceuthobium campylopodum</i>	1 / 1	1

3.25	l	54	Parish' Jacumba milk-vetch	<i>Astragalus douglasii</i> var. <i>parishii</i>	30 / 9	4	0.66	r	27	Grinnell's beardtongue	<i>Penstemon grinnellii</i> var. <i>grinnellii</i>	30 / 5	16
3.27			Switchback left				0.66	r	28	golden yarrow	<i>Eriophyllum confertiflorum</i> var. <i>confertiflorum</i>	30 / 4	57
3.29			Switchback right				0.67	r		(San Jacinto prickly phlox, <i>Leptodactylon jaegeri</i> )			
3.32			Switchback left				0.67	r		(San Jacinto Mtns. Daisy, <i>Erigeron breweri</i> var. <i>jacinteus</i> )			
3.32	b	55	Nevin's bird's beak	<i>Cordylanthus nevinii</i>	20 / 2	8	0.68	r	29	Parish's needlegrass	<i>Achnatherum parishii</i>	1 / 1	7
3.32	r	56	Wright's buckwheat	<i>Eriogonum wrightii</i> var. <i>membranaceum</i>	30 / 9	1	0.69	r		(southern mountain-monardella, <i>Monardella australis</i> ; beaked penstemon, <i>Penstemon rostriflorus</i> )			
3.36			Switchback right										
3.44			Switchback left				0.70	r	30	Martin's paintbrush	<i>Castilleja applegatei</i> ssp. <i>martinii</i>	2 / 2	15
3.48	r	57	~ Jepson's blue wildrye	<i>Elymus glaucus</i> ssp. <i>jepsonii</i>	10 / 2	14	0.70	b	31	California fuchsia	<i>Epilobium canum</i>	10 / 3	14
3.48			Trail curves right 90°				0.72			Switchback left at saddle			
3.53	b	58	western wallflower	<i>Erysimum capitatum</i> ssp. <i>capitatum</i>	50 / 9	19	0.75	r	32	Wright's buckwheat	<i>Eriogonum wrightii</i> var. <i>subscaposum</i>	50 / 9	14
3.57	r	59	*downy brome	<i>Bromus tectorum</i>	30 / 2	22	0.75	l	33	southern mountain-monardella	<i>Monardella australis</i>	10 / 3	8
3.58	b	60	incense-cedar	<i>Calocedrus decurrens</i>	5 / 1	13	0.75	l	34	ssp California squirreltail	<i>Elymus elymoides</i> ssp. <i>californicus</i>	20 / 5	14
3.61			Switchback right										
3.61	r	61	? Laguna Mtns. jewel-flower?	<i>Streptanthus bernardinus?</i>	2 / 2		0.75	l	35	rock buckwheat	<i>Eriogonum saxatile</i>	3 / 1	11
3.63			Trail curves left				0.76	l		(Check for different grass)			
3.66	b	62	southern mountain woolly-star	<i>Eriastrum densifolium</i> ssp. <i>austromontanum</i>	30 / 2	11	0.81			Switchback right			
3.67	b	63	bracken	<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> var. <i>pubescens</i>	2 / 1	11	0.84	l	36	San Jacinto Mtns. daisy	<i>Erigeron breweri</i> var. <i>jacinteus</i>	1 / 1	1
3.68	l		Sign: "San Jacinto Wilderness"				0.87			Switchback left			
3.70	l		Jct. old road				0.90			Switchback right			
3.71	l						0.93			Switchback left			
3.71	r		Impressive flat-topped rock outcrop				0.96	l	37	granite prickly phlox	<i>Leptodactylon pungens</i>	/	7
3.71	b	64	groundsmoke	<i>Gayophytum diffusum</i> ssp. <i>parviflorum</i>	10 / 1	9	1.07			Switchback right			
3.71	l	65	~ slender wreathplant	<i>Stephanomeria exigua</i>	/		1.19			Switchback left			
3.72			Trail turns left 90°				1.22	l	38	California groundcone	<i>Boschniakia strobilacea</i>	99 / 9	3
3.73	r		(woodland spurge, <i>Euphorbia palmeri</i> )				1.28			Switchback right			

1.34		Switchback left				2.63		Trail curves right 90°			
1.44		Switchback right at huge split boulder				2.63	r 45 ~	mountain grape-soda lupine	<i>Lupinus excubitus</i> var. <i>austromontanus</i>	2 / 2	5
1.52	r 39	slender bedstraw	<i>Galium angustifolium</i> ssp. <i>gracillimum</i>	10 / 5	3	2.64		Switchback left			
1.56		Switchback left just below saddle				2.64	r	(fir mistletoe, <i>Phoradendron pauciflorum</i> )			
1.63		Switchback right; ridge with many footprints to left gives access to the steep cliffs with Tahquitz ivesia, <i>Ivesia callida</i>				2.67		Switchback right			
1.70		Switchback left				2.69		Switchback left			
1.78		Jct. gully leading uphill to steep cliffs with Tahquitz ivesia, <i>Ivesia callida</i> ; trail curves right				2.74		Switchback right			
1.97	r 40	pinetops	<i>Pterospora andromedea</i>	4 / 2	6	2.78		Switchback left			
2.01	l sp	(rock-cress, <i>Arabis perennans</i> or <i>A. holboellii</i> )				2.81	b 46 ~	beautiful hulsea	<i>Hulsea vestita</i> ssp. <i>callicarpa</i>	20 / 5	2
2.04		Trail curves left at ridge				2.83	l 47	California-aster	<i>Lessingia filaginifolia</i> var. <i>filaginifolia</i>	20 / 9	53
2.04	l 41	Parish's tauschia	<i>Tauschia parishii</i>	10 / 5	5	2.84	r 48	chaparral whitethorn	<i>Ceanothus leucodermis</i>	3 / 2	15
2.07	l ~	(beautiful hulsea, <i>Hulsea vestita</i> ssp. <i>callicarpa</i> )				2.84		Switchback right			
	l	Look for earliest hulsea on trail				2.88		Trail curves right 90° at ridge			
2.09	l 42	white catch-fly	<i>Silene verecunda</i> ssp. <i>platyota</i>	2 / 1	12	2.92		Switchback left			
2.20		Local low point at sandy drainage; trail climbs briefly				2.96	l 49	naked buckwheat	<i>Eriogonum nudum</i> var. <i>pauciflorum</i>	30 / 9	3
2.27		Local high point; trail resumes descent				2.97		Switchback right			
2.36	r 43	pink-bracted manzanita	<i>Arctostaphylos pringlei</i> ssp. <i>drupacea</i>	99 / 9	2	3.00		Switchback left			
2.28	r 44 ~	spreading dogbane	<a href="#"><u><i>Apocynum androsaemifolium</i></u></a> <sup>±</sup>	10 / 1	4	3.01	l 50 ~	weeping-fruited Holboell's rock-cress	<i>Arabis holboellii</i> var. <i>pendulocarpa</i>	10 / 2	1
2.31		Y-jct; trail splits for 0.02 miles; stay left				3.04		Switchback right			
2.40		Switchback left				3.11		Switchback left			
2.42		Switchback right				3.13	r 51	short-flowered monardella	<i>Monardella nana</i> ssp. <i>tenuiflora</i>	10 / 3	2
2.46		Switchback left				3.19		Switchback right			
2.47	l	<a href="#"><u>(California coffeeberry, <i>Rhamnus californica</i></u></a> <sup>±</sup> )				3.21	r 52	Sierra Nevada lotus	<i>Lotus nevadensis</i> var. <i>nevadensis</i>	20 / 9	6
2.49		Switchback right at rock window with 3 subpanes				3.23	l	(rock goldenbush, <i>Ericameria cuneata</i> var. <i>cuneata</i> )			
2.59		(California-aster, <i>Lessingia filaginifolia</i> var. <i>filaginifolia</i> )				3.24	b 53	San Jacinto buckwheat	<i>Eriogonum apiculatum</i>	30 / 3	4