



LEGEND

- ① Trailhead/Parking
- ② Hites Cove
- ③ Ferguson Rock Slide

Hite's Cove Trail/Feb-21 to 23

THE TRAIL

A narrow “there-and-back” trail with awesome views of the wild and scenic South Fork River. The trail runs parallel to the river through chaparral and oak/pine woodland plant communities, occasionally touching down to the river’s edge. Trail grade is low/moderate, but some short steep rocky trail segments exist.

TRAIL STEWARDSHIP: WHAT TO EXPECT

Backpack: Join us for any of the nights. We will be camping in the cove near the loop trail. On Saturday, arrive at the parking area by 10 AM with your packs prepared. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and tools will be provided. Saturday is a travel and setup day. Some trail work in late afternoon. Sunday is a full trail work day. Monday. Backpack out by 2pm.

Day Hike: Personalize your event. If coming in on Sunday, signup on website; we’ll arrange for tools and PPE.

Activities: Work assignments will be based on each volunteer’s interests, skills and desire to learn. On this trip, the following work is possible: building a retaining wall; brushing and tread work; and removing plants from the trail. All of this work is located 4.5 miles from the trailhead on Hwy 140.

GETTING THERE

Driving Directions: From the Mariposa Visitor Center (Intersection of Hwy 140 & Hwy 49N), travel 21 miles on Hwy 140 east to [Redbud Lodge](#) (9484 CA-140, El Portal), not to be confused with Redbud Day Use area.

Parking: Park with the direction of traffic, opposite the highway from Redbud Lodge, alongside the river’s edge.

Trailhead Facilities: March through May, temporary porta potties are placed in the parking area. There are no food storage lockers. The trailhead begins to the left of lodge; follow the signs to the trail.