

## Mission Peak

**Location:** Fremont, California

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Foot Traffic:** Heavy

**Weather:**

**January** 51/40

**February** 53/41

**March** 57/42

**April** 60/43

**May** 65/45

**June** 72/50

**July** 76/53

**August** 76/53

**September** 75/54

**October** 69/50

**November** 58/44

**December** 51/40



\*While the average temperatures during the summer may appear to be mild, it is advisable to avoid hiking during the middle of the day during the months of June-September. Be mindful that the temperatures listed are recorded at the peak, and not at points during the ascent. Moreover, the climate of the surrounding area can experience significant variance in temperatures; daytime highs over 90F are not too uncommon. ***There is no place fill up a water bottle after entering the gates, so plan on traveling with at least 32 ounces of water.*** Also, be mindful of your surroundings as mountain lions have been observed on the trail. It is best to avoid hiking during dawn and dusk, because these are the times mountain lions are most active.

Also, consider wear shoes with traction. There are many spots of the hike which are especially steep, and the gravel can make it difficult to find your footing. The chart below profiles the ascent and descent, which is a covers a total distance of 7 miles. The hike can be completed in 2-3 hours by more seasoned hikers, while beginners should allow 4-5. While the climb to the top is rather strenuous, the perspective from the top is remarkable. On a clear day you can easily see the skyline of San Francisco, San Jose and Oakland; along with the Santa Cruz Mountains to the West, and Garin hills to the North.

