



**Saturday
August 25, 2018**

Wildrose Peak, Death Valley California

Approximately 481 Miles and 8 Hours from Central Phoenix "stack",

Type: Day Hike	Max Rtg/Pts: 4/1	Elev. Change: 2,200	Length: 8.4 miles
Start Time: 9:30 am	Duration: 5-6 hrs	Max No of Part: N/A	Last Scouted: Never

- Major Hike:
- Cross-Country:
- Exploratory:
- Individual Effort:
- Options:
- Pass/Fees Rqd.:

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Required Equipment: water, snacks, sunscreen, rain jackets in case of weather, walkie talkie

Recommended Equipment: poles, sunglasses, first aid

Cautions and Special Preparations: The trail head is a little under 8 hours from Phoenix and 2 3/4 hours from Bishop, CA. I would recommend staying the night in Death Valley before the hike or if you are doing Larry's hike on Friday, August 24th, driving over from CA the morning of.

Description: This hike is in the Panamints Mountain Range on the west end of Death Valley National Peak. It starts at an elevation of 6,800 and climbs to 9,064. Except near the summit, the maintained trail of Wildrose Peak lies in the midst of the green pygmy forest that covers the high Panamints. This trail provides a pleasant mixture of sun and shade from single-leaf pinyon pines and Utah junipers high above the dry desert floor of Death Valley. At 2.1 miles into this hike, we will reach a divide at a saddle overlooking Death Valley Canyon. This is a good place to turn around if you don't wish to do the full hike. From this saddle, the trail climbs on along the crest and soon reaches a second saddle. The last mile is mostly switchbacks and is the strenuous and steepest part of this hike but should be well worth it for the views down below.

Here are two links with write ups if you want a little more information:

- <https://www.hikespeak.com/trails/wildrose-peak-death-valley/>
- <https://www.nps.gov/deva/planyourvisit/wildrose-peak.htm>

Driving Directions: Per Google Maps, the shortest way to the trail head is to take the US 93 to I-515 to Las Vegas. From LV take the 95 north toward Beatty. South of Beatty switch to the 374

into Death Valley and then the 190. Just after the Emigrant Campground turn left onto Emigrant Canyon Rd toward the Wildrose Campground (21 miles up the road) and the Charcoal Kilns (7 miles after the campground). The last 2 miles are unpaved graded gravel. The trail head starts north of the first charcoal kiln.

If you are doing Larry's hike in CA on Friday, August 24th, and are coming from the Bishop, CA, take the 395 south to the 136 just outside of Lone Pine. Then take the 190 east and turn right on Panamint Valley Rd going south toward the Wildrose Campground and the Charcoal Kilns. Turn left (at least that is what it looks like on Google Maps) to take Wildrose Rd to Charcoal Kiln Rd. The trail head starts north of the first charcoal kiln.

There is no water at the trailhead but there are vault toilets.

I plan to stay at the Vagabond in Ridgecrest, CA, approximately 1 hour and 40 minutes from the Wildrose peak trailhead, the evening of August 25th. There are a number of other hotels in Ridgecrest and a few in Death Valley.