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OTP HIKE in ICEHOUSE CANYON Wednesday, Sept 10, 2003 Leader, Jim Gardner

Directions: From the 210 in Claremont, take Mills Avenue north. After about a mile the road takes about a 45-degree right turn and becomes Mount Baldy Road. Follow this uphill several miles through Mount Baldy Village and park in the Icehouse Canyon parking lot about 1.5 miles beyond the village.

Description: Most of you know this hike very well. There are 3 basic options:

1. Shortest hike. Simply follow the canyon trail uphill along the stream as far as you like and return. If you go the first junction with the Chapman trail and return, it's about 2 miles round trip and 640' net gain. If you go to the second junction with the Chapman trail, it's 5.6 miles round trip with around 2080' net gain. (Crude estimate from the map)

2. Standard hike. Follow the canyon trail uphill, and at about 1 mile turn left on the Chapman Trail. Follow this until it rejoins the Icehouse Canyon trail 3.7 miles later. This side loop adds about 1.7 miles to the hike. Turning right at the junction, return down Icehouse Canyon trail. Total distance, 7.4 miles and around 2080' net gain.

3. Icehouse Saddle extension: At the junction turn left up the Icehouse Canyon trail to Icehouse Saddle and return down the Canyon to the parking lot. This adds 1.2 miles for a total of 8.6 miles, and an additional 640' net gain.

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