

# **HIKING: BIG SUR ECOTOUR - 2020**

#### **Price / Season / Reservations**

**Price:** 2 people = \$220 per person, 3 people = \$190 pp, 4 people = \$170 pp, 5-9 people = \$155 pp, 10+ people = please inquire. Youth discounts (10%-75%) vary with age.

**Price includes:** Gourmet picnic lunch, transportation during tour, snacks, water, and exclusive use of our guide(s). *All our hiking tours are guaranteed private tours.* We are yours for the day!

**Season:** All year. In winter/spring Hwy 1 may be closed at certain points on the Big Sur coast during and after heavy rain storms and this may impact our ability to run the tour. See our <u>Big Sur Highway News</u> page for details. **Reservations:** Advance reservations required - Call 805-528-1080 or reserve online via our website.

# **Meeting Place / Time**

**Place/Time:** May vary from 7:30 am to 9:30 am depending on how close to the first hike location we are meeting you. Complimentary pick-up at locations along the coast between our office in Los Osos and the first hiking location on the Big Sur coast. *Please contact us for logistics of when and where to meet us if you are not staying on the coast in northern SLO County or southern Monterey County.* 

**Total Tour Time:** six to nine hours, including drive time (varies according to where we meet you) and lunch. **Total Hike Time:** Three to four hours split among several short hikes.

## **Itinerary**

Get ready for a classic Big Sur adventure - exploring misty redwood filled canyons, waterfalls, rocky beaches and several intriguing historic sites, all in the span of one day! On this private guided tour, your guide will drive you between trailheads and take you on the hikes, leaving you free to admire the stunning views of the coast and watch for a glimpse of the majestic and rare California condor or even whales. At Julia Pfeiffer-Burns State Park you will take several short hikes; visiting a secluded rocky cove, several historic structures and see a waterfall plunging to the sands below. At Limekiln State Park, delightful trails meander among redwoods to historic lime kilns. An optional side trip along a trail with stream crossings takes you to a spectacular 100' foot waterfall. Amongst these wonders your knowledgeable and enthusiastic guide will relate stories behind the scenes and lay out a gourmet picnic lunch in the shade by a cascading creek. This a great trip for adult groups as well as families! *Please note that this is not a particularly strenuous hiking tour and although we can modify the tour to some extent to add some more challenging hiking, if you want a very challenging hiking tour you should contact us to discuss options.* 

**Distance/Difficulty/Terrain:** 4-5 miles split between several hikes. Moderately Easy. All trails relatively easy, except for one steeper descent and climb for ½ mile each way.

### Climate / Weather

The climate along the coast in Big Sur is temperate year round. Temperatures on the hike may range from 50s to low 80s, sometimes in the same day. In summer there is often fog along the coast and in the winter/spring we may encounter rain.

