

Rivers to Mountains - a Sky Islands Naturalist Tour



Arizona's famed Sky Islands harbor an extraordinary number of habitats ranging from the lowest valleys to the highest peaks. In this series of slow-paced naturalist walks you'll discover firsthand some of the most diverse of these various plant communities. Starting at the San Pedro River, we'll investigate various riparian environments along what the Nature Conservancy has dubbed one of its "last great places". There we hope to spot a wide range of birds, the elusive and reintroduced American Beaver, and wildlife tracks along the river. Next we'll venture into the Chihuahuan Desert, including a rare spring supporting an oasis. Lizards, late-season Wildflowers and Butterflies should be in the offing there. Afterwards Canyons beckon us to their lush confines where we'll search for more wildlife and unique native plants. Finally, we conclude our Naturalist Tour atop a towering mountain peak with Pine Forests and Chaparral habitats that promise different flora and fauna. Join Naturalist and Wildlife Biologist Vincent Pinto for this beautiful cross-section of the Sky Islands. Total walking distance for the day will be approximately 3 miles.



WHEN: OCTOBER 28, 2017

TIME: 8am - 4:00pm

TUITION: \$60

WHERE: Meet at Shell Station at junction of Route 82 & Route 90 north of Sierra Vista

Ethnobotanist, Naturalist, & Wildlife Biologist Vincent Pinto and his wife, Claudia, run RAVENS-WAY WILD JOURNEYS - dedicated to the Conservation and Protection of Nature, Wildlife, and the Environment through a wide variety of Sky Islands Nature Adventures and Educational Programs. Visit our website and explore our unique Safari Tented Camp!