

PDSC - Saturday Hike Report  
San Lorenzo Side Canyon - Socorro  
Saturday, 02/08/20

**Rating** C  
**Hike Miles** 4.5  
**Elevation Gain** 900  
**Hike Time** 4:30

**Report** San Lorenzo Side Canyon

Twelve enthusiastic hikers left Palo Duro center at 9 am. Twenty minutes down the road the leader realized that he had forgotten his backpack on the bench outside the center - luckily his wife retrieved it for him!

So, instead of going straight to San Lorenzo canyon the van stopped at Lemitar for reprovisioning and then off to the canyon. We arrived at 10:45 and immediately entered the slot canyon. Unfortunately, we were not the only ones visiting. Campers had driven their truck right into the canyon! We still enjoyed the sights as you can see by the pictures.

After re-assessing the difficult exit up and out of the canyon we retraced our steps and took the easy way up to the top. We took our time and many pictures from each of the viewpoints and overlooks.

Lunch came a couple of hours into the hike at a red rock outcropping. Then after lunch we headed uphill - a tough way to start the afternoon. We ascended to the rock formation at the top of the hike for more views.

Finally, we descended into the canyon and had a nice saunter back to the van.

Thanks to Sky for driving and helping Carl lead, Meredith for sweeping, and Paul for his pictures.

**Hike Leader** Carl Gervais

**Photo Album 1** [Paul](#)

**Photo Album 2** [Carl](#)