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**Calling all city slickers!!  
Hike with the “Cowboy Naturalist”  
Thursday, April 24, 8 a.m.- 4 p.m.**

**WHAT: Rancho de los Caballeros, Wickenburg, AZ – A Hike and Lunch**

There's a cowboy in all of us so join “Cowboy Naturalist” Richard Fredrickson, for a fun and easy hike that will treat nature lovers to a fabulous array of Sonoran Desert upland plant and animal species, history, and storytelling. We will travel to beautiful Rancho de los Caballeros in Wickenburg for this exceptional hiking excursion, loaded with nature interpretation and hands-on demonstrations, followed by a delicious lunch at the ranch's historic “cowboy-inspired” dining room. This leisurely loop hike is approximately one and a half miles long with minimal elevation gain, but does have some areas of loose gravel and unsure footing. Lunch, gratuities, bottled water, and snacks are included.

**WHO:** Anyone interested

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 24, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. (Roundtrip from the Garden)

**WHERE:** Meet at the Desert Botanical Garden (in Papago Park)  
1201 N. Galvin Parkway, Phoenix, AZ 85008  
then drive to Rancho de los Caballeros in Wickenburg, AZ

**COST:** Member: \$80 / \$100 with Garden transportation  
Non-Member: \$100 / \$120 with Garden transportation  
To register call 480-481-8146

**INFO:** For more information call 480-481-8164 or email [egarton@dbg.org](mailto:egarton@dbg.org)

**Here's what past hike participants have said about this trip:**

*“Thanks for the excellent and informative hike!”*

*“We enjoyed the guides' enthusiasm, knowledge of the desert, and the food was fantastic at the Ranch.”*

*“Dick and Eric were great leaders for the walking portion of our trek in the Upland Subdivision of the Sonoran Desert (see, I learned something!).”*