Calaveras Big Trees State Park
2024 UC California Naturalist Certification Course

This is for you if you enjoy:

- Exploring and learning about local ecology
- Engaging in citizen science
- Sharing your knowledge with others

The Mission of the California Naturalist Program is to foster a diverse community of naturalists and promote stewardship of California’s natural resources through education and service.

**Course Dates:**
- Thursdays May 30, June 6, 20, & 27 from 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
- Fridays May 31, June 7, 21 & 28 from 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

**Meeting Place:**
Ralston Classroom at Calaveras Big Trees State Park

**Course Benefits**
- Participate in this 40 hour course that combines UC science curriculum with guest lecturers, field trips and project-based learning to explore the fascinating natural history of the central Sierra Nevada.
- UC California Naturalist Certification awarded upon completion of course requirements.
- Opportunities for volunteering and advanced learning across the state with participating organizations.
- Opportunity to receive UC academic credit
- 1 year membership to Calaveras Big Trees Association

**Course Fee:** $310
Students must purchase The California Naturalist Handbook (2013, UC Press) and bring a field notebook.

**Registration Opens**
January 1, 2024 online at bigtrees.org

**Applications close** April 8, 2024

**Class size limited to 24**
CA Naturalist website: http://calnat.ucanr.edu/

**Things You Need to Know**

**Attendance Policy:**
Participants must attend all classes.

**Refund Policy:**
Full refunds, minus a $50 processing fee, permitted until April 15. No refunds will be issued for any reason after April 15.