

San Clemente Trails

Trail Name, Mileage, Level of Difficulty

- **Forster Ridgeline Trail, 4.2 miles, Moderate to Difficult**
- **Talega Trail, San Clemente City Trail, 2.8 miles, Moderate to Difficult**
- **Cristianitos North (Regional Trail), 7 miles, Moderate**
- **Cristianitos South (Regional Trail), 2.8 miles, Moderate**
- **Prima Deshecha North (Regional Trail), 1.8 miles, Moderate**
- **Prima Deshecha South (Regional Trail), 3.1 miles, Moderate**
- **Rancho San Clemente Trail, 3.5 miles, Moderate to Difficult**
- **San Clemente Beach Trail, 2.3 miles, Easy**
- Private Trail, 2.3 miles, Moderate to Difficult
- State Park Trails
- San Juan Capistrano Trails



Bike Ways

- ⋯ Class I Bike Path - Off-street paved bike paths
- ⋯ Class II Bike Lane - On-road striped bike lanes
- ⋯ Class III Bike Route - On-road shared-lane signed bike routes

Trail Rules and Etiquette

- San Clemente's Trails, Pier and Beaches are Smoke Free Environments
- Thank You for Not Smoking
- All inland trail hours are Dawn to Dusk unless posted
- Beach Trail hours North of the T-Street RR Crossing: 4am - 12midnight
- Beach Trail hours South of the T-Street RR Crossing: 6am - 10pm
- Dogs must be on a leash
- Please pick up after your dog
- Stay on trail
- No unauthorized motor vehicles
- Don't Trash the trails: "Pack it in, Pack it out"
- Carry Water - Facilities may not be available
- Call Orange County Sheriffs for non emergencies at 770-6011
- Call 361-8385 to report graffiti
- For an emergency - call 911

Donna O'Neill Land Conservancy
 theconservancy.org
 Call to arrange access
 949-489-9778



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Trail

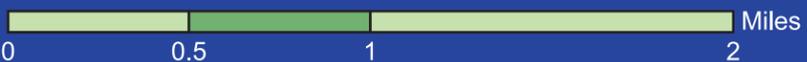
& Bike Ways

Map

For more information, contact the City of San Clemente Beaches, Parks & Recreation Department 949-361-8263 or 949-361-8264 www.san-clemente.org

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	Parking
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Forster Ridgeline Trail

📍 Camino Del Rio 📍 Costero Risco

Trail Description: Wide to narrow dirt trails, easy to difficult terrain, light to moderate brush.

Highlights: Catalina Viewpoint with Compass Point (A*), Rock Garden (B*), Ridgeline Terrace (AKA, Stonehenge) (C*). Panoramic Ocean views.

Notes: The Northwest end of this trail connects to the San Juan Capistrano Trails. (Parking Access: End of Los Mares, street parking on Portico del Norte). No Parking is available at Vista Hermosa entrance.

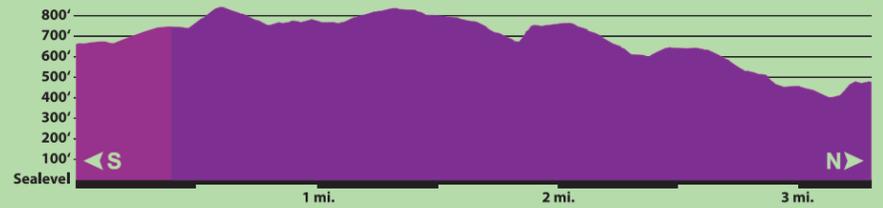


Rancho San Clemente & San Pablo Trails

📍 End of Ave. San Pablo, San Pablo Trail entrance, street parking. 📍 721 Ave. Salvador, Rancho San Clemente Ridgeline Trail entrance, street parking. 📍 Steed Park parking lot. Follow steep asphalt path located on hill behind Skate Park. 📍 Cordillera, street parking.

Trail Description: From Ave. San Pablo to Ave. Salvador, wide dirt trail, easy terrain. Short stretch of sidewalk to Rancho San Clemente trail entrance. Wide asphalt trail, light brush, easy to moderate with a few short difficult inclines. At mile-2, cross Calle Del Cerro to continue trail. Last 100 yards steep dirt incline, panoramic viewpoint at top of Knob Hill. All weather trail.

Highlights: Beautiful panoramic views from the mountains to the sea. Cool breezes, easily accessible. Picnic tables and benches along trail.



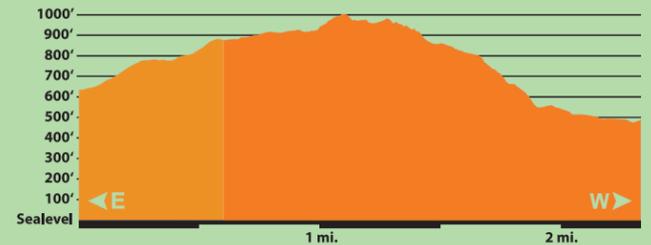
Cristianitos North & Talega Trails

📍 End of Avenida Talega. Short walk to Cristianitos North (left) and Cristianitos South (right)

Trail Description: Wide to narrow dirt trails, moderate to difficult terrain, light brush, suburban to wilderness

Highlights: Olive trees and cool breezes, highest point on San Clemente trail systems.

Notes: Western half of trail under development: loose dirt, rocks and steep grades. Use caution while enjoying the views. Stay on trail; landfill property to the north and land conservancy to the east.



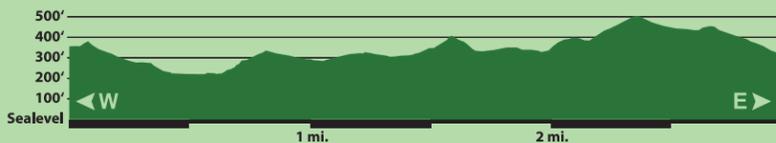
Prima Deshecha South

📍 Talega Park parking lot or Ave. Cristianitos street parking. Trailhead begins south side of Ave. Pico.

Trail Description: Wide to moderate dirt trails, easy terrain, light brush, winds behind industrial park. Trail continues north at Pico and Vista Hermosa intersection.

Highlights: Northern section has a tropical feel, with multiple palm trees.

Notes: Follow signs to stay on trail on southern section behind Industrial park.

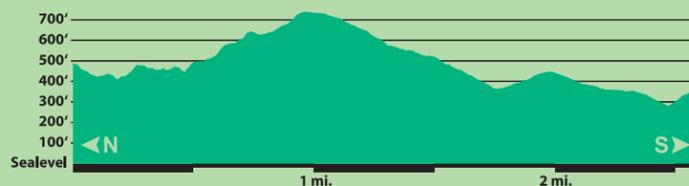


Prima Deshecha North

📍 Limited street parking on El Brazo

Trail Description: Wide to narrow dirt trails, easy to moderate terrain, flowers in the spring, moderate brush, suburban to rural.

Highlights: Wilderness feel at northern end of trail.



San Clemente Beach Trail

📍 Metered parking at North Beach parking lot. 📍 Metered parking at Linda Lane Park. 📍 Metered parking at San Clemente Pier in Parque Del Mar parking lot or on street. 📍 Metered and non-metered parking on Paseo de Cristobal at T-Street Beach. 📍 Metered parking at Calafia State Beach, end of Ave. Calafia

Trail Description: Flat easy trail. Firm decomposed granite surface and elevated walkways. Some sections narrow.

Highlights: Hiking along the beach, beautiful sunsets, breezes and the sound of crashing waves. Best in early morning.

Notes: Very popular trail. Several railroad track crossings, please beware of trains. Bike riders: Several sections require walking your bike, speed limits apply. Numerous other access points. Detailed beach trail map available from San Clemente Beaches, Parks and Recreation Department.



Cristianitos South

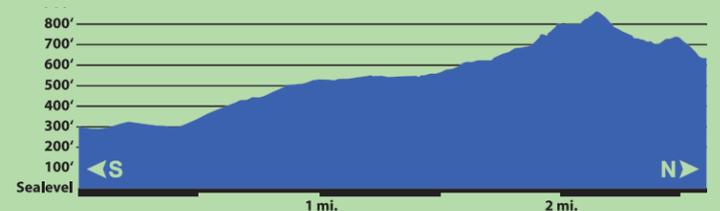
📍 End of Avenida Talega. Short walk to Cristianitos North (left) and Cristianitos South (right)

📍 Talega Park parking lot or Ave. Cristianitos street parking. Short distance to trailhead on asphalt.

Trail Description: Wide dirt trails, moderate terrain, light brush, suburban to wilderness

Highlights: Beautiful views, rolling hills and open space, look eastward for wildlife

Notes: A favorite because of the views, wilderness feel, easy access points and good trail conditions.



State Park Trails

📍 Talega Park parking lot or Ave. Cristianitos, street parking. Prima Deshecha trailhead begins south side of Ave. Pico. 1/4 mile to State Park Trails,

📍 Dog Park at end of La Pata.

Trail Description: Wide to moderate dirt trails, easy to moderate terrain, light to heavy brush

Highlights: Wilderness feel. Main trail is easy; many single-track trails intersect main trail

Notes: Be aware of your surroundings and location. Bring plenty of water; air tends to be hot and dry in canyon, especially during late spring through fall. State parks map available through state parks administration.



Trestles Trail

📍 Trestles parking lot, next to Carl's Jr. (cross Cristianitos to trail entrance west of the freeway).

📍 Corner of Avenida San Luis Rey and Avenida Dolores.

📍 San Mateo Campground

Trail Description: Easy terrain. Wide trail, dirt to freeway underpass, asphalt west of freeway.

Highlights: Access to popular surf beach, wetlands, San Mateo Creek. Cool breezes.

