

Julian's Hiking Trails

Cuyamaca Rancho State Park

760-765-0755

Located South of Julian on Highway 79

Hiking trails and day use are open at the Green Valley (15.8 miles from Julian) and Paso Picacho (11 miles from Julian) Campgrounds. Trail maps and information are available at Kiosk, 8:00AM to 4:00PM daily. Fee for parking.

Azalea Glen Loop Trail

MODERATE 4-mile loop, gain in elevation 550 ft. Partially shaded in summer, sheltered in winter. Walk along one of the few seasonal streams in this park. Trailhead and parking are at PASO PICACHO campground parking lot.

Conejo Spring Trail

MODERATLY STRENUOUS 3.5 sometimes steep miles to summit. Gain in elevation 1650 ft. Rugged ascent over the north shoulder of Cuyamaca Peak. Trail becomes a streambed after heavy rain or snowmelt. Connects to paved road leading to summit. Descent to campground by paved fire road. Trail head and parking at PASO PICACHO campground.

Stonewall Peak Trail

MODERATE 2.0 miles each way, steady gain in elevation of 900 ft. Suitable for energetic youngster. Well-graded trail to the summit of Stonewall Peak, last section on exposed ridge but with steps and handrail. Great views from the peak. Trail head and parking is across from entrance to PASO PICACHO campground at the picnic area.

Juaquapin Trail

MODERATE 3-mile scenic loop climbing via East Side Trail and Juaquapin Trail with a steepish return by Dyar Spring Trail. Gain in elevation 400 ft. Well-graded trail through oaks, open meadows, partly by a flowing stream. Opportunities for wildflowers and deer. Trail head and parking at turnoff for the Park Museum.

Green Valley Falls Trail

EASY 1.5 miles round trip, suitable for children. Well-marked trail to pretty (but seasonal) waterfall. Best in spring and early summer. Trail head and parking located at picnic area parking lot at GREEN VALLEY campground.

Chambers Park, Lake Cuyamaca Parks & Recreation

EASY 3.5 mile roundtrip family friendly walk. Enter at Chambers Park sign and walk across the dike to the tall pines on Fletcher Island. Picnic tables surround the lake. Dogs-on-leash are welcome. Parking fee.

Volcan Mountain

(760) 765-4098

North of town. Take Main Street, which becomes Farmers Road. When you come to the four-way intersection turn right. Take the next left. Volcan Mountain Preserve is on your right. No Rangers, and no fee. 3-mile (to mid-summit) roundtrip trail leads from the gateway to a ridge overlooking Julian.

Santa Ysabel Open Space Preserve

(760) 765-4098

8:00AM to sunset (weather permitting). On Farmers Rd, 1 mile N. of Volcan Mountain trailhead. 11 miles of multi-use trails. We have a trail map for this area; ask in the Chamber office.

William Heise County Park

(858) 565-3600

Interpretive trails within the County Park. Between Wynola and Julian on Highway 78/79. Take Pine Hills Road to Frisus Road. Left on Frisus. Trail information available at Ranger Kiosk. Inquire about a trail to a lookout where the desert and ocean can be seen on a clear day.

Fee for Parking

Surrounding Area Trails

Anza Borrego Desert State Park

(760) 767-5311

East from Julian on Hwy 78

Camping and hiking, a large variety of flowering cacti, palm groves, bighorn sheep and exotic birds.

Laguna Mountain Recreational Area

(619) 445-6235

East of Julian on Hwy S1 via Hwy 79

Offering picnic areas, campgrounds, restrooms, and 70 miles of hiking trails including the Pacific Crest Trail. Dogs-on-leash are welcome on trails. We do have a trail map for this area; please ask for it in the Chamber office. Cleveland National Forest land requires a National Forest Adventure Pass for parking at trailheads. They may be purchased at the Laguna Mountain Store.

Palomar Mountain

(760) 788-0250 Web site: www.fs.fed.us/r5/cleveland

Northwest of Julian between S6 and S7 via Hwy 76

Hikes of varying length and difficulty including the Observatory Trail and Doane Valley Nature Trail.

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