Crafton Hills Trail Map



The Crafton Hills trails are part of a regional trail system connecting City of Yucaipa and San Bernardino County trails with the Santa Ana River Trail greenbelt. Three distinct trail loops provide varying degrees of difficulty and lengths for hikers, cyclists, and equestrians, and are linked together by the Hilltop Trail fire road. Yucaipa Regional Park & Yucaipa Community Park are good places for families to start from, plus four other trailheads provide access. Enjoy!

Views from Zanja Peak Elev. 3543 ft.

Nearby Peaks	Distance	Elevation
Santiago (Saddleback)	37 miles SW	5,687
Palomar Mountain	45 miles S	6,140
Santa Rosa Mountain	39 miles SE	8,046
Mt. San Jacinto	29 miles SE	10,804
San Bernardino Peak	9 miles E	10,649
Mt. San Gorgonio	14 miles E	11,499
Keller Peak	9 miles N	7,882
Mt. Baldy	35 miles WNW	10,064

Trail Ratings



Easy Hike—Suitable for most people. Easy climbs, easy grades, short distances, good trail conditions.



Intermediate Hike—Suitable for more fit hiker. Typically harder climb, steeper grades, longer distances.

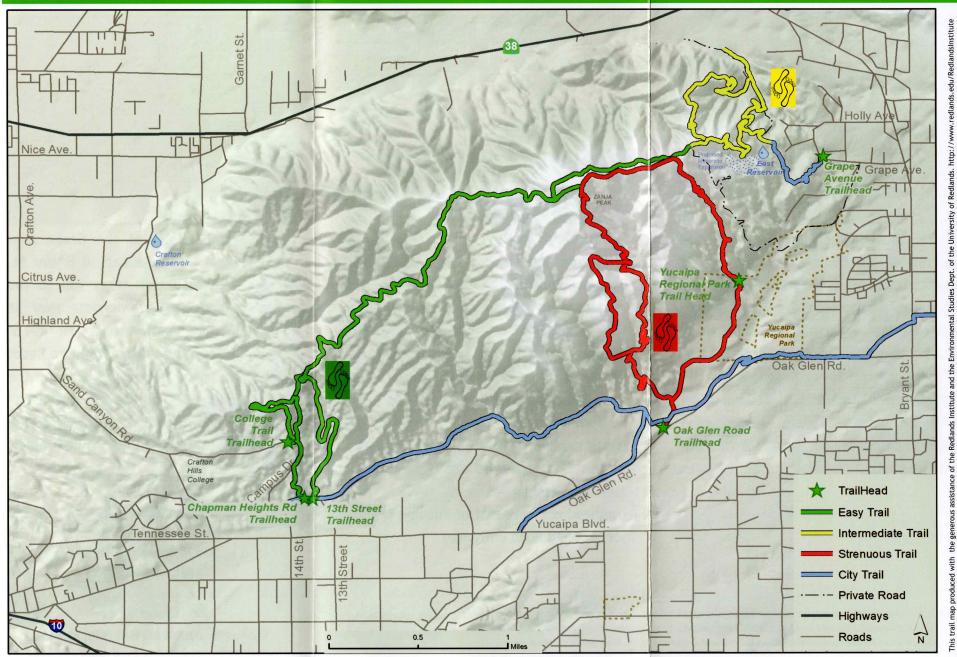


Strenuous Hike—For the more adventurous. May contain steep, high climbs and long distances.

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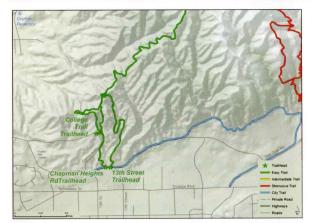
Crafton Hills Open Space Conservancy

http://craftonconservancy.homestead.com



For more information contact the Crafton Hills Open Space Conservancy, P.O. Box 1475, Yucaipa, CA 92399 Caution: Summer daytime temperatures may reach 100 degrees. Use sunscreen and always carry water.

Help preserve the hills



The T Bird and 3 Hawks trails begin near Yucaipa High School. These new easy trails provide a good introduction for newer hikers and cyclists along their 2.5 mile loop through two adjacent canyons. You will get great views and solitude along the way with only a moderate 500' elevation gain within the loop. (The trailheads are on Chapman Heights Road just west of 13th Street . Parking is available on 13th St.)



The Hilltop Trail begins just above Crafton Hills Community College. This easy trail provides sweeping views over the cities of Mentone, San Bernardino, Redlands, and beyond. The trail follows the fire road from near the water tank, 4.2 miles to the Hwy 38 Loop Trail and connects with the T Bird/College Loop Trails & the Park To Peak Trail. (The trailhead is opposite parking lot "I" and near the pool)

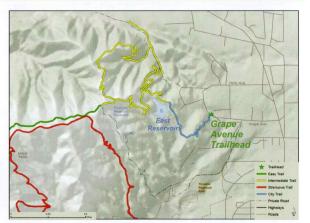


The Park to Peak Trail has two trail-heads. Visitors can begin at Yucaipa Regional Park or at Oak Glen Road. This moderate to strenuous trail takes you through many of the hills and canyons of Crafton, parts of the Gold Loop are very strenuous. From Zanja Peak hikers can enjoy a 360 degree view of many of Southern California's most prominent peaks. In the spring months there are many wildflowers on this 2 1/2 hour 5.5 mile loop. Wildlife may be appear in any season. (The trailhead is 1 mile east of Yucaipa Blvd. at Soccer Field Road entrance)

CHOSC was founded by local citizens in 1989 to preserve the approximate 4,500 acres of the Crafton Hills as open space. The coastal sage/chaparral habitat is home to over 200 species of plants and wildlife. Elevations range from 2,500 to 3,500 feet and 360 degree views abound from several peaks. All our city, county, and CHOSC trails are open to equestrians, hikers, and mountain bikers AND closed to motorized vehicles. Please observe trail etiquette. Enjoy nature naturally! CHOSC is solely funded by membership dues and private land donations. We hope you enjoy hiking our numerous trails. Please check our web site: http://craftonconservancy.homestead.com for membership information. We need your support! Caution: Keep pets on a leash. This is raw open space. Be aware of coyotes, rattlesnakes, and mountain lions. Horses not allowed inside Yucaipa Regional Park boundaries. Trails are maintained by CHOSC volunteers. Please leave no trace.



Trail Details



The trail begins at the Grape Ave. trailhead, 1/2 mile east of Bryant St. A half mile easy trek takes you to the reservoir and the *intermediate* Hwy 38 Trail (a 3.5 mile loop). A short spur trail at the top links to the Hilltop Trail Fire Road, giving you more options to explore the Crafton Hills. We hope to eventually link these trails north across Highway 38 to the developing Santa Ana River Trail Project. Enjoy!

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