

# Titan Outdoors Local Guide



Do you want to venture outside, but don't know where to go? That's what we are for! Titan Outdoors has put together a local guide for all your outdoor needs. This guide is by no means comprehensive, but it provides the tools you'll need to start your adventure. No matter if you want to hike, ride, paddle, or camp, this guide is a great resource to help you in the direction you want to go...outside!



## Local Trails

### CARBON CANYON

**Difficulty:** Easy  
**Miles:** 2-4  
**Elevation Change:** 100ft  
**Description:** Local park with a small trail system, including a grove of Sequoia trees.

### BLACK STAR CANYON

**Difficulty:** Moderate-Hard  
**Miles:** 6.5  
**Elevation Change:** 900ft  
**Description:** Out and back trail with strenuous terrain towards the end of the canyon.

### PETERS CANYON

**Difficulty:** Easy-Moderate  
**Miles:** 2-6  
**Elevation Change:** Varied  
**Description:** Heavily trafficked park with various trails to choose.

### WHITING RANCH

**Difficulty:** Moderate  
**Miles:** 1-17  
**Elevation Change:** Varied  
**Description:** Large park with well-marked trail system. Check out Red Rock Canyon!

### MT BALDY

**Difficulty:** Hard  
**Miles:** 11.5  
**Elevation Change:** 4,000ft  
**Description:** Iconic L.A. hike to the largest mountain in the basin.

### CUCAMONGA PEAK

**Difficulty:** Hard  
**Miles:** 11.5  
**Elevation Change:** 4,300ft  
**Description:** A rewarding but challenging hike with great views of Angeles National Forest.

# Hiking

There are many great options for hiking in Southern California, but before starting your adventure, be sure to note the following: make yourself familiar with the area, download maps, have plenty of water, and prepare for the elements! You can also check out resources like the “10 essentials” for what to bring hiking. Remember, always plan ahead and prepare by looking up restrictions and closures regarding COVID-19, wildfires, and other local guidelines. Websites you can visit to find information on the hikes below, and more, are:

 [San Bernardino National Forest](#)

 [Angeles National Forest](#)

 [Orange County Parks and Recreation](#)

 [California State Parks](#)

Also, here are a couple of great hiking apps:

 [AllTrails](#)

 [Hiking Project](#)



# Hiking

## Continued

## Local Trails

### ★ MT. ZION

**Difficulty:** Hard  
**Miles:** 9.3  
**Elevation Change:** 2,400ft  
**Description:** Nice hike overlooking L.A. Basin. Be sure to check out Sturtevant Falls as well.

### ★ CRYSTAL COVE

**Difficulty:** Easy-Moderate  
**Miles:** 3-9  
**Elevation Change:** Varied  
**Description:** A State Park with various loops to enjoy ocean views.

### ★ CHIQUITO FALLS

**Difficulty:** Moderate  
**Miles:** 9  
**Elevation Change:** 1,500ft  
**Description:** Waterfall at the end is nice when there is ample water. No shade, bring sunscreen.

### ★ BEAR CANYON LOOP

**Difficulty:** Moderate  
**Miles:** 6  
**Elevation Change:** 1,100ft  
**Description:** Heavily trafficked trail with river and wilderness views near Ortega Hwy.

### ★ SANTIAGO OAKS

**Difficulty:** Easy-Moderate  
**Miles:** 2-15  
**Elevation Change:** Varied  
**Description:** Nearby park with many options of developed trails to choose from.

### CHINO HILLS STATE PARK

**Difficulty:** Easy-Moderate  
**Miles:** 3-20  
**Elevation Change:** Varied  
**Description:** Nearby State Park that gets you a wilderness feel quickly. Many trails to choose.



# Local Waters



## NEWPORT BACK BAY

Distance from campus: 30 minutes  
Boat rental: Yes  
Description: Popular paddling area in a protected cove. A lot of people and other watersport activities.



## LAKE PERRIS

Distance from campus: 1.5 hours  
Boat rental: No  
Description: Decent size lake with views of a popular climbing spot. Area also includes a bike path.



## BIG BEAR LAKE

Distance from campus: 2 hours  
Boat rental: Yes  
Description: One of the most popular boating areas nearby with boat rentals available.



## SUNSET BEACH

Distance from campus: 30 minutes  
Boat rental: Yes  
Description: Paddle past immaculate homes and yachts in a protected coastal area.



## LAKE ELSINORE

Distance from campus: 1.5 hours  
Boat rental: No  
Description: Lake on the other side of Ortega Hwy featuring unique views of Cleveland National Forest.



## LA JOLLA

Distance from campus: 1.5 hours  
Boat rental: Yes  
Description: Iconic sea bluffs in Southern California featuring views of aquatic mammals.



## LAKE ARROWHEAD

Distance from campus: 2 hours  
Boat rental: Yes  
Description: Another popular boating area in a National Forest with ample boat rentals.



## LAKE HEMET

Distance from campus: 2 hours  
Boat rental: Yes  
Description: Great isolated lake near Idyllwild with a lot of other trails around.

# Paddling

Paddling can be a lot of fun, but with all watersports, make sure you follow regulations on the water. Have a coast guard approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD) and whistle with you at all times. Be sure to check the current, tides, and paddling conditions to ensure that you do not exceed your abilities. The below websites offer a good look at coastal weather conditions:



[Orange County Tide Charts](#)



[Coastal Weather](#)

To find more information on put in and take out spots and area specific conditions check these apps out:



[GoPaddling](#)



[RiverApp](#)



# Biking

## Local Trails



### SANTA ANA RIVER TRAIL

Miles: 30

Trail Type: Paved

Description: Long paved trail that runs near campus and goes all the way to the beach.



### MOUNTAINS TO SEA TRAIL

Miles: 20

Trail Type: Paved

Description: Long paved trail that runs through Irvine and Newport to get to the beach.



### FULLERTON LOOP

Miles: 11

Trail Type: Mixed

Description: Local mixed trail that is very popular as a training path for mountain bikers.



### BLACK STAR CANYON LOOP

Miles: 8

Trail Type: Trail

Description: Large, open dirt road trail that is a great introduction to off-road cycling.



### SANTIAGO OAKS

Miles: 2-15

Trail Type: Trail

Description: Nearby park with many options of developed trails to choose from.



### CHINO HILLS

Miles: 3-20

Trail Type: Trail

Description: Nearby State Park that gets you a wilderness feel quickly. Many trails to choose.



### PETERS CANYON

Miles: 2-6

Trail Type: Trail

Description: Heavily trafficked park with various trails to choose.

Biking is a great way to explore your city or local trails. No matter if your bike has beefy, off-road tires, or you prefer more pavement friendly bikes, remember always wear a helmet and obey traffic laws. Before embarking on a ride, make sure you and your bike are in great condition. Here are some excellent resources to get you going to:



[Mountain Biking Resource](#)



[Mountain Bike Trail App](#)



# Camping

## Local Sites

### ★ CRYSTAL LAKE

**Distance from campus:** 1 hour  
**Description:** Nearby campsite with surrounding hiking trails for a quick escape into the wilderness.

### ★ HOLCOMB VALLEY

**Distance from campus:** 2 hours  
**Description:** Wonderful backcountry campsite to get away from cell service for a digital detox.

### ★ CRYSTAL COVE CAMPGROUND

**Distance from campus:** 30 minutes  
**Description:** Front country camping along California's golden coast makes Crystal Cove a must.

### ★ LITTLE JIMMY CAMPGROUND

**Distance from campus:** 1.5 hours  
**Description:** A very short hike that leads to a backcountry camp with a year-round water source that needs filtering.

### ★ LAKE HEMET

**Distance from campus:** 2 hours  
**Description:** Remote lake with a developed campsite and all the amenities needed for a fun escape.

What better way to escape than to get out and spend some time in the woods? As always, practice the 7 Leave No Trace principles and stay safe. Check out these local websites for area specific information on campsites:

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That's it! We hope this guide helps get you outside and moving. Remember, the outdoors offers more than meets the eye. This guide is intended to get you started, but by no means, should stop the adventurer inside! There are more trails and camps in the area than what we listed, so make sure to explore for yourself. Stay safe and have fun!

