

Bressi Ranch

Just east of El Camino Real in the Bressi Ranch community, lies an easy unpaved trail along the east side of El Fuerte Street. The trail is an off-shoot of a longer trail along Poinsettia Lane where an informational kiosk marks the trail head at the intersection of El Fuerte and Poinsettia Lane.

These trails provide a non-motorized option for getting to and from important local destinations such as the Pacific Ridge Academy, Carrillo Elementary School, Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park and Alga Norte Community Park located at the corner of Alicante Street and Poinsettia Lane.

Please see the included map to guide you on a safe and enjoyable trail experience in this part of the city and discover the variety of recreational opportunities that await you along the way. From breathtaking views at Simmons Family Park to a journey back in time at Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park, there's something for everyone.

Note

Parking is not available along El Fuerte Street. Parking for this trail is a short distance away next to Carrillo Elementary School and the Rancho Carrillo Trailhead.



Citywide Trail System

The goal of the citywide trails program is to meet the changing and emerging leisure and quality of life needs of Carlsbad residents, while supporting the protection and preservation of open spaces and connecting communities.

Leave your car behind and take a bike route or trail instead. The city's trails provide a comprehensive network for non-motorized transportation routes, connecting neighborhoods to commercial and business areas, schools, parks and Carlsbad beaches.

Volunteer Opportunities

Join the many dedicated community members who care deeply about citywide trails. Citywide trail volunteers are critical for preserving, maintaining, protecting, developing and operating trails in Carlsbad for public use. Volunteers meet on a quarterly basis. It's a great way to have fun, keep fit and learn about our unique environment – all while making a lasting contribution that will benefit the community for generations to come.

If you would like to become a trail volunteer, please contact our Community Volunteer Coordinator at 760-434-2929, or sign up at volunteerincarlsbad.net.

Driving Directions

- I-5 to Palomar Airport Road
- East on Palomar Airport Road to El Camino Real
- South on El Camino Real to Poinsettia Lane
- East on Poinsettia Lane (about 2 miles) to Paseo Escuela
- Right into Carrillo Elementary School entrance
- The lot on the right offers parking for trail users

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A 3-mile walking trail in the Bressi Ranch community of Carlsbad



Trail Use Regulations

1. Stay on the designated trail. CPC 602
2. Put litter in containers provided. Do not leave or deposit any litter. CMC 11.32.030(1)
3. Pick up after your pet. CMC 7.08.010, SDCC 62.670
4. All pets must be on a hand-held leash under 6' long. CMC Sec. 7.08.010, SDCC Sec. 62.669
5. Bicycle riders 17 years and younger must wear a helmet. CVC 21212
6. Bicycles should be driven at safe speeds considering all other trail users.
7. Ride or walk on right side when traffic is coming from the opposite direction or when someone signals they would like to pass.
8. Motorized vehicles and horses are not allowed on this trail. (CMC Secs. 11.32.030(11), 11.32.030(19))
9. No smoking, fires or firearms. CMC Secs. 11.32.030(2), 11.32.030(4), 11.32.110
10. Report accidents or emergencies to the Police Department (dial 911).
11. Report trails maintenance problems or vandalism to the Parks Maintenance division at 760-434-2824.
12. Report emergencies or violations of the above rules and regulations to the 24-hour police dispatch line 760-931-2197.

Important Phone Numbers

Police & Fire (Emergencies Only).....911
 24-Hour Non-Emergency760-931-2197
 Parks Division (Trail Maintenance)760-434-2824
 Graffiti Removal760-434-6700
 Parks & Recreation Administration 760-434-2826
 The Center For Natural
 Lands Management760-731-7790



Trail Highlights

If you walk to the east along Poinsettia Lane, you will arrive at Carrillo Elementary School and the trailhead for the Rancho Carrillo trails that encompass the Rancho Carrillo Open Space Corridor. The Rancho Carrillo trails include about 4 miles of soft surface trails and connect to the east with the City of San Marcos Rancho Dorado Trail System and Simmons Family Park, where commanding views of Carlsbad and the Pacific Ocean await. In the heart of this open space corridor lies the captivating Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park.