

South Carlsbad



1 Aviara

Length: 6.0 miles (complete system)
Level: Moderate to difficult
Surface: Unpaved - wheelchair

accessible from Gabbiano Lane to Batiquitos Lagoon Nature Center

Terrain: Flat to hilly, depending on trail

Attractions: *Lagoon North Shore Trail* - Egrets, raptors, herons, many other water fowl and migrating birds. Offers learning experience for all ages with interpretive signage about flora and lagoon wildlife.

Golf View Trail - Views of Aviara Golf course, water feature with seasonal flowers and water fowl - some steep climbs.

Black Sage Trail - Commanding views of San Marcos, Encinitas and as far as Black Mountain.

Salt Marsh Trail - Viewpoint at the east end of the Batiquitos Lagoon slopes.

Eucalyptus Trail - Variety of steep topography with high points that offer breathtaking views of Batiquitos Lagoon and ocean beyond.

No bicycles are allowed on Lagoon trail.

Location: see map

Parking: see map



2 Rancho Carrillo

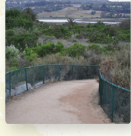
Length: 4.0 miles (2-loop system)
Level: Easy to moderate
Surface: Paved (wheelchair accessible) and unpaved

Terrain: Flat to moderately hilly

Attractions: Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park - Wildlife includes mammals, reptiles and bird species, including the California Gnatcatcher.

Location: Melrose Drive south to Poinsettia Lane

Parking: To the right of Carrillo Elementary School parking lot or at Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park.



3 La Costa Glen

Length: 1.2 miles **Level:** Easy
Surface: Paved and unpaved - wheelchair accessible
Terrain: Flat to low hills

Attractions: Songbirds and native vegetation

Location: El Camino Real at Calle Barcelona

Parking: Northwest corner of Jimbo's parking lot in The Forum shopping center.



4 La Costa Valley

Length: 1.3 miles **Level:** Easy
Surface: Paved and unpaved (wheelchair accessible)
Terrain: Flat to moderately hilly

Attractions: Wetland community connects to Batiquitos Lagoon, supporting avian and aquatic species including Least Bell's Vireo and California Gnatcatcher.

Location: Calle Barcelona at Paseo Aliso

Parking: Along Paseo Aliso or at El Camino Creek Elementary School.



5 Rancho La Costa Preserve

This open space preserve includes some of the city's most rugged and challenging trail hikes.

Length: 4.0 miles (complete system)

Level: Easy to difficult, depending on trail

Surface: Mix of paved, stabilized decomposed granite and rocky native soils

Attractions:

Old Rancho Santa Fe Rd. Trail - Easy, flat trail connecting older La Costa neighborhoods with newer communities of The Oaks. Seating area at Fire Station 6.

Ridgeline Trail - Native chaparral covers hillsides along steep ridgeline hike. Hiking off the trail into Box Canyon is prohibited. Fines for trespassing are enforced.

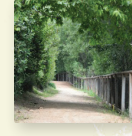
Bobcat Trail - Easy trail next to Cadencia Park leading to a high mesa overlooking Batiquitos Lagoon and Box Canyon to the west.

Denk Tank Peak Trails - A series of single track narrow trails offer a scenic overlook from Carlsbad's highest point.

Horn Lizard Trail - Steep single track trail connects to Denk Tank Peak Trail. Coastal sage scrub and large native California poppy vegetation. Views to the Pacific Ocean.

Location: see map

Parking: see map



6 Villagio/Arroyo Vista

Length: 0.5 miles
Level: Easy
Surface: Unpaved - wheelchair accessible

Terrain: Flat

Attractions: Wildlife movement along Encinitas Creek and inland biological corridors east in San Marcos.

Location: Rancho Santa Fe Rd. at Las Olas Court

Parking: Along Las Olas Court for Villagio trail. For Arroyo Vista trail park on Avenida Del Alba east of Rancho Santa Fe Rd. and Camino Montego.



7 Water's End

Length: 0.25 miles
Level: Easy
Surface: Unpaved, stabilized decomposed granite

Terrain: Flat

Attractions: Located west of the Water's End housing community, this off-street biking alternative to the bike lanes on Avenida Encinas includes interpretive signage and information on an endangered fairy shrimp species that inhabits seasonal vernal pools near the trail and the railroad right-of-way near the south end of the trail.

Parking: Poinsettia Coaster Station trailhead is west of train station kiosks.

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 5ec. 7.08.010, SDCC 5ec. 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 trails. CMC 5ec. 11.32.030(1), 11.32.030(9)
9. No smoking, fires or firearms. CMC 5ec. 11.32.030(2), 11.32.030(4), 11.32.110
10. Report accidents or emergencies to the Police Department (Dial 9-1-1).
11. Report trail maintenance problems or vandalism to the Parks & Recreation Department at 760-434-2824.
12. Non-emergencies or violations of the above rules and regulations, call 24-hour police dispatch, 760-931-2197. 10/16-1000

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Adopt-A-Trail

Make a lasting impression on the community with a monetary gift to Carlsbad's Citywide Trails. Donations help support special projects to make our trails more enjoyable and safe for everyone. Citywide trails sponsorship is a perfect avenue of support for those who cannot make the time commitment to volunteer.

Becoming an Adopt-a-Trail sponsor demonstrates a commitment to:

- Environmental stewardship
- Encouraging healthy lifestyles
- Access to nature and open spaces
- Connecting communities citywide
- Fostering neighborhood pride
- Enhancing Carlsbad's quality of life

Adopt-a-Trail sponsors receive additional recognition and benefits such as signage, recognition on printed materials and the city website and acknowledgment at Parks & Recreation Commission or City Council meetings.

Choose the trail that is most significant to you, or allow your donation be used where it is most needed. Contributions of any amount are welcome.

To learn more about Adopt-a-Trail,

call 760-434-2978,

or visit

www.carlsbadca.gov/trails.



Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are critical to the success of growing the Citywide Trails program. Their work contributes to the safety, beauty and sustainability of trails. To become a trail volunteer, contact the city's volunteer coordinator at 760-434-2929, or visit www.volunteerincarlsbad.net.

Trail Work Days and Special Events

Join us each month at a different trail for clean-up, maintenance and improvement activities. Each year, the community comes together to show its support for enhancing access to trails and protecting Carlsbad's natural open spaces at our National Trails Day and National Public Lands Day celebrations. Visit www.carlsbadca.gov/trails for dates and locations.

Ongoing Trail Maintenance

Adopt a segment of trail for a minimum of one year, and provide routine trail maintenance on a monthly basis. Take pride of ownership in your trails by performing maintenance such as erosion repairs, pruning, trimming, graffiti removal and collecting litter.

Take on a special Adopt-a-Trail project and have your group or organization volunteer to provide the labor, materials and equipment for implementation. Sample projects include: constructing new trails, providing new trail amenities such as signage, benches and kiosks, and constructing trail improvements such as foot bridges and trail markers.

Special Projects