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Red Rock Canyon Park to Calabasas Peak

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Driving Directions: CAR POOL. LIMITED PARKING. Get on Topanga Canyon Blvd from the Valley or the coast and drive to its intersection with Old Topanga Canyon Road, and then drive West 1.8 miles to Red Rock Rd. Turn left on Red Rock Rd. After 0.3 miles the paving turns to dirt. After 0.3 more miles you get to the park boundary where you find the first iron ranger. Drive another 0.2 miles up a narrow canyon to the trailhead parking lot where there is another iron ranger, picnic tables, a pit toilet, and parking for 8 or 9 cars. CAR POOL. The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy charges \$5.00 to park. CAR POOL

Red Rock Canyon Park Description (includes 4 minute video):

<http://www.lamountains.com/parks.asp?parkid=47>

Red Rock Trail Map:

<http://www.lamountains.com/maps/redRock.pdf>

Hike Options:

See map to understand hike options. The trailhead (1060) is at the "P" on the map. Stunt Road is where Calabasas Peak Trail ends on the South. The Viewpoint (1500) is at the end of the Red Rock Trail. Fork one is at (1175) and fork two at (1535).

Main Hike: Calabasas Peak. From the trailhead go past fork one (1175) to fork two (1535) then North and up to Calabasas Peak (2163 ft). 4.8 miles RT and 1100 ft. gain.

Short Hike: Viewpoint. From the trailhead go to the first fork (1175) turn north and hike to the top of the ridge (1500) for a good view. 2.4 miles RT and 475 ft gain.

Grand Tour: Hike past fork one to fork two (1535), South to Stunt Road TH (1235), turn around, North to Calabasas Peak, return to fork one (1175), and if you still have the energy, North to the viewpoint, and then return to the starting point for snacks. 7.6 miles total and 1750 ft. gain.