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Chilao to Devils Canyon, off Hwy 2
7 miles-----1500ft. elevation

A prominent sign marks the Devils Canyon trailhead on the Angeles Crest Hwy, 27 miles from La Canada and about 200 yards before you reach the Chilao Visitor Center turnoff. Leave your car in the large parking area on the left (west) side of the road, directly across from the trailhead.

The trail, well maintained by the Forest Service, is easy to follow. It loses no time in descending the steep hillsides, alternately through the stands of big-cone spruce on shady north faces and dense chaparral on sunnier slopes. About halfway down the trail meets a small tributary creek and then follows it to the main canyon. At its end, on a shaded bench on your right, well above the stream, is a wilderness camping area. Which is where we will have lunch, and then return. Beyond this point it is suggested that you will need rope and climbing hardware.

I have been led to believe that this is a beloved hike and am sure that everyone will be looking forward to starting off the New Year with a backward hike.

Lots of Love and Friendship ALICE

7 miles round trip and a 1500 elevation loss and gain