

OTP Hike

11/13/02 9:30am

Jack Robinson, Coordinator

Palos Verdes Trails

Distance 7.8 miles

Elev. Gain 950'

The trailhead is in Ernie Howlett Park in Palos Verdes. To get there you need to find Hawthorne Blvd. The 405 Fwy will get you there or Pacific Coast Highway west from the 110 Fwy. The park is about 1.1 miles south of PCH. There is a large sign in the median and a small one on the right. The entrance is a relatively blind driveway on your right. We have been there in the past either before or during a hike.

The hike proceeds down through some stables and up a hill to Palos Verdes Drive North. We follow the trail through the median for about a mile then drop off to the left and along a trail for a while. We then cross Palos Verdes Drive West and proceed toward the beach. Near the beach we leave a road and proceed up a relatively steep narrow trail (short) to the top of the bluff for a great view of the Santa Monica Bay. We hike east and back across P.V. Drive West to a bridle trail that eventually will lead us back to the park for refreshments. Due to the fact that this is a new hike and we change trails from time to time it will be important to stay together.

Many thanks to Marlene for her assistance in planning and field checking the hike and to Pat & Ron for their routing suggestions.