

## Conejo Valley the Rosewood Trail

Hike: October 15, 2003

Leader: Vicky Ritter

Distance: 8 1/2 round trip

Elevation: 920 ft. gain  
580 ft. loss

Directions to the trail head:

From the Ventura Freeway (101) in Newbury Park, exit Ventu Park Road and drive south. After about half a mile you'll notice the entrance to Stage Inn Museum, go a block further to Lynn Road and turn right (west). Then make another right on Susan Drive, which looks like a long driveway. And park along the edge of Stage Coach Inn Park. (You can walk through the park's back gate to the museum when is open).

The hike:

Carefully cross Lynn road and join signed Rosewood Trail, the path crosses a creek, passes homes and climbs some hills. The sights get better and better, culminating in the ridge-top views at Angel Vista Point (920 ft. elev.) a grandiose name for a little flat spot with a picnic table, here we will have cookies. (And a good place for pit stop) From here the first group can return the way we came, to the trailhead.

Catch your breath before joining signed LOS ROBLES TRAIL heading west. The path continues across private land (courtesy of a trail easement) and meanders up and down the ridge until it reaches a parking area off Potrero Road 4.22 miles. There is a drinking water fountain, no toilets but lots of bushes. Here we will have lunch.

The second group can return back the way we came or they can make arrangements for a shuttle at Potrero Rd.

When Dick and I checked this hike, we went back by the road, took Potrero Road to Wendy Drive, to Lynn road all the way to Susan Drive, it was half a mile shorter, and a very pleasant walk.

To extend the hike, cross Potrero and join the connector trail that leads west half a mile to Ranch Sierra Vista/Satwiwa continue, a mile or so, to a Native American cultural center.

We will have our refreshments along the edge of Stagecoach Inn Park. There is a beautiful tree and a picnic table.

The museum is open for docent led tours Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. Admission is \$3.00.