

Tapia Park to Malibu Creek State Park

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Distance: 5+ mi. RT or as long as you want to make it.

Elevation gain: 300 ft. or more depending on your hike in Malibu Creek State Park

Direction to Trailhead: From PCH, go north on Las Virgenes (Malibu Canyon Road). After passing Piuma Road (traffic light), make a left turn into Tapia Park and park.

From the 101, go south on Las Virgenes Road. Just before Piuma Road, turn right into the park, and park. Toilets available at both parks.

State Park passes or (\$10?) fee required.

The Hike: From parking area walk down the road to trail head and proceed north on the Backbone Trail. Stay on trail until you come to an unpaved parking lot in Malibu Creek State Park. Walk thru parking area and take the road to the right and proceed into the developed area of Malibu Creek State Park. Toilets are here as well as picnic tables, a good place for cookies. (NOTE: There is a path that runs along the left side of the road and a short nature trail leading off toward the West which might also work for cookies.)

Return the way you came for refreshments at picnic tables near the parking area.

Once in Malibu Creek State Park many options exist for those wanting a longer hike. Continue hiking as far as you want and return to Tapia Park the way you came.

On Line Information

http://www.malibuhiking.com/tapia_park.html#all

http://mountainstrust.org/images/Map_to_Tapia_Park.pdf