

Switzer Picnic Area Down Bear Canyon to Switzer Falls

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From 210 in La Canada, take Angeles Crest Hwy (2) north for about 10 miles and follow the sign down to the parking lot at Switzer Picnic Area.

Switzer Falls a 50' water fall is along the 4.5 mile in and out trail that follows a shaded creek down into wooded canyon. From the picnic area cross the bridge and hike down Bear Canyon on a trail (shaded area with few stream crossings) which used to be paved road more than 80 years ago.

After a mile the trail leaves the creek and climbs up out of the canyon. The trail runs along the steep wall of the canyon where you will have the view of the top of Switzer Falls. Continue along the trail down Bear Canyon down to the creek. Follow the trail **upstream** towards Switzer Falls. Return the way you came.