



Laguna Coast Wilderness Park

18751 Laguna Canyon Road, Laguna Beach
949-923-2235 www.ocparks.com

This 6,800-acre county park features coastal canyons, ridgeline views and the only natural lakes in Orange County. Access from 7 AM – sunset. Parking lots at Little Sycamore Canyon, James Dilley Preserve, Willow Canyon and Big Bend staging areas are open daily from 8 AM – 4 PM. Equestrian and mountain bike use allowed in designated areas. Nix Nature Center open daily from 9 AM – 4 PM. Check event schedule at www.lagunacanyon.org for naturalist-led hikes, family activities and volunteer opportunities. Parking: \$3



City of Laguna Beach Open Space

949-497-0716 www.lagunabeachcity.net

Moulton Meadows and Alta Laguna parks provide trail access to Aliso and Wood Canyons Wilderness Park, Laguna Coast Wilderness Park and Badlands Park. Trail maps available at Recreation Department.



State Marine Protected Areas

Marine protected areas comprise a majority of the Orange County coastline from Corona del Mar south to Dana Point. Visitors to these areas may swim, snorkel, scuba dive and explore the tidepools while taking care not to disturb the habitat. No collecting of shells, rocks or tidepool life is allowed.

There are two types of protected areas:

Heisler Park, a **State Marine Reserve**, extends from Bird Rock to Divers Cove. Nothing can be taken within 800 feet of the shoreline due to the extreme sensitivity and diversity of marine life.



Outside of the reserve, the remaining coastline in the South Coast Wilderness area is a **Marine Conservation Area**. Only certain fish and lobster in season may be taken from this area.



Crystal Cove State Park

8471 North Coast Highway, Laguna Beach 949-494-3539
Park Interpretive Programs 949-497-7647 www.crystalcovestatepark.com

A 2,791-acre National Natural Landmark of backcountry wilderness, coastal bluffs, beaches and tide pools. Open 6 AM to sunset. Guided tour activities for wilderness areas, historic district and marine reserves. Shuttle service available at Los Trancos parking lot. Parking \$10.

National Register Historic District: beach cottage rentals 800-444-7275 www.crystalcovebeachcottages.org



Aliso & Wood Canyons Wilderness Park

28373 Alicia Parkway, Laguna Niguel 949-923-2200 www.ocpark.com

This 4,200-acre park of coastal canyon wilderness is open daily from 7 AM to sunset for hikers, mountain bikers and equestrians. Parking \$3.



City of Irvine Open Space Preserve

Nature Center programs and Bommer Canyon Cattle Camp reservations: 949-724-6738
Docent-led hikes: 714-508-4757

This 2,339-acre preserve featuring coastal sage scrub, oak woodland, grassland and riparian communities is available for scheduled tours each week and frequent open access on weekends. Docent-led hikes offered by the Irvine Ranch Conservancy. Family programs and children's day camps currently offered by the City of Irvine. Bommer Canyon Cattle Camp, a rustic special event facility, is available for camping, weddings, picnics and parties.



City of Newport Beach Open Space

949-644-3002 www.city.newport-beach.ca.us

This 254-acre area will open for docent-led hiking and biking on or after Spring 2009.



City of Laguna Woods Open Space

949-639-0500 www.lagunawoodscity.org

Acquired in 2002 with city and state park bond funds, these 10 acres are accessed by a gate at the intersection of Aliso Creek and El Toro Roads. Connectivity to Laguna Coast Wilderness Park. Limited street parking.



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