

Chapter 1 : The Best Mountain Biking Trails in Los Angeles County | Trailforks

From advocacy and education to community building, LACBC works daily to make Los Angeles County a great place to ride a bike. Learn More NEIGHBORHOOD BIKE AMBASSADORS.

On one hand, L. On the other, riding a bicycle in L. With that as the preface, all the rides listed below are either entirely car-free, or take place on roads where there is very light traffic. Unless otherwise noted, all of the rides friendly for folks of all fitness levels. They are listed, roughly, in an ascending order of difficulty, from pleasant summer evening spin to a mountainous excursion. Tucked up in the San Gabriel Mountains above Azusa is the absolutely gorgeous, roughly 7. The road itself parallels a small, but always audible, creek fed by the upriver dam. Often shaded by trees and mountains, the road offers riders a cool, relaxed, very gently sloped ride through the mountains. No cell service here. Picnic tables are plentiful along the road too, encouraging you to stop and eat for a little bit and take it all in. As for the difficulty, the road gently slopes uphill between Highway 39 and the dam itself. If you want to go up to the dam itself, be warned there is a very short but very steep grade at the end of the road. This is an easy, low intensity ride. Aside from being hauntingly beautiful, the road is closed to all public vehicular traffic. You might pass by the car or truck of a public works employee who works at the dam, but they are courteous and are looking out for cyclists and hikers. As you be should too. Pedestrian traffic, especially on weekends, can be high throughout the first mile or so. Orient your car north towards the mountains and just start driving. You can park on the side of the road, or in a parking lot a quarter of a mile back off Highway Ballona Creek Bike Path This is a mainstay of my own personal riding. Though the path first picks up close to the intersection of Jefferson Boulevard and National Boulevard, the first mile or so is very bumpy and in poor condition. Your best bet is to get on the path at Duquesne Avenue in Culver City, and ride straight out to the beach. On the bright side, this will turn into a great tailwind on your way back! Drinking fountains may be found along the pathway in adjacent parks and parklets. Situated at the intersection of Hetzler Road and Jefferson Boulevard, the Baldwin Hills is a great outdoor hiking park without the pretension of some other hiking areas in L. Parking is plentiful along Duquesne Avenue and in the neighborhood surrounding the beginning of the path. If you fancy yourself more a car-free type, the Expo Line also runs nearby. There are also entry points at most major streets and some residential the path crosses under on its way to the beach. Play with the maps to see what works best for you. I challenge anyone who disagrees. It also just happens to connect directly to the Ballona Creek Path, meaning that if you want to ride from Culver City all the way to Palos Verdes, you can! Riding conditions along the path are usually pretty mellow, but the path can often get crowded and sandy, especially on weekends and especially on the portions that run through Santa Monica and Venice. Weekday evenings, especially now that sun sets much later, will be perfect. There are lots of facilities along this path at regular intervals. County provides a helpful map that highlights amenities along the path. In Marina del Rey, the path circumnavigates the Marina. There is a good bike lane here, and traffic is usually very courteous in this area since there are so many people riding bikes. This is an extraordinarily accessible path. Just find a residential area close to the coast, park your car, and ride to the path. The Rose Bowl Loop consists, basically, of a 3-mile loop around the stadium, its parking lots, and a golf-course. Cyclists and joggers alike use the loop for basic training, and the loop is generally good for just getting some good exercise in. While not quite as adventurous as some of the other rides listed here, the Rose Bowl is a great place to get in shape. The loop is gently sloped, giving you a chance to practice going both uphill and down. Traffic is light and respectful, given there are lots and lots of other bikers and runners in the vicinity. There are also drinking fountains and bathrooms up closer to the stadium. Even at night, there are lots of people around and the roadways are mostly well-lit. Just remember if you are riding at night to have both front and rear lights. Drive to the Rose Bowl as you normally would, and park anywhere! Various River Paths If you want to ride far without much hassle or good scenery for that matter , you can count on a number of different river paths that run throughout the region. These are very long routes that pass by great swaths of Los Angeles, not unlike a freeway for bikes. A bit closer to L. El Nino has come and gone mostly gone , but the pathway is still closed. Hopefully it will reopen soon. The Arroyo Seco

Pathway is just under 3 miles long. Griffith Park Arguably the best urban park anywhere, Griffith Park can offer you all sorts of different styles of riding. If you want a relaxed easy spin around the park, you can ride along Crystal Springs Drive and Zoo Drive. If you want a little climb highly recommended thrown into the mix, you can complete a loop by adding in Griffith Park Drive. Traffic is rarely a problem, but can the park can get very busy on weekends. But say you want something moreâ€”a workout you might say. Griffith Park has lots of hills, most notably Mount Hollywood. Mount Hollywood is crisscrossed with a multitude of rideable roads that let you elevate both your body and your heart-rate above where they usually sit in the city. One of my personal favorite rides is to circle through the park, climbing up Commonwealth Avenue to the Griffith Park helipad, over Mount Hollywood, and back down to Vermont Canyon. This route has two climbs, punctuated by some flats and descents. If you are climbing in Griffith Park, be sure to visit the observatory too. You should already know where Griffith Park is. Parking is free throughout the park, often permissible on the side of the road. Park close to where you want to ride, and then just start riding. You could also always ride to the park! Elysian Park This park flies under the radar. Despite being just 10 minutes away from downtown Los Angeles by car or bike! Elysian Park is beautiful. It is a hilly environment. Drinking fountains and bathrooms may be found throughout the park. This map shows basically everywhere you can ride in the park. Traffic is impossible when there is. Mount Wilson Okay, I just had to include this one. Riding to the top of Mount Wilson is a great introduction to the vast play-place just north of our city known as the Angeles National Forest. By any metric this is a challenging climb. You can find water at the ranger station at Clear Creek Junction the first junction after heading into the hills and again at the turnoff for Mount Wilson Road the second junction. The payoff is a fantastic view of the greater Los Angeles area, and the satisfaction of having just climbed a mountain on your bike. Indulge at the Cosmic Cafe. Traffic is usually light, though can get heavier on weekends. Weekend mornings and evenings are great, as well as mid-day on weekdays. Again, directions are open ended. It takes roughly 30 minutes to ride from the Memorial Park station to the foot of Angeles Crest. Dec 2, at 8:

Chapter 2 : 19 Best Los Angeles Bike Rides - Peace Bicycles

Bicycling Los Angeles County takes riders on 40 different rides throughout Southern California's most popular destination. Also detailed for avid roadies are some of Los Angeles' most popular group rides - for those who want a more challenging and social outing.

The goal of the Plan is to help make Glendale streets a safer place for pedestrians and cyclists and get people out of their cars and onto bikes and sidewalks. The next step is implementation of the Plan to help achieve these goals. Example policies and programs recommended for implementation include creating a bike and pedestrian map, establishing a pedestrian and bicyclist advisory committee, and establishing city-organized rides and walks. All of the policies in the Plan as well as the implementation timeline can be accessed by clicking here. The physical project is a prototype bicycle and pedestrian corridor that will feature several characteristics of bicycle and pedestrian-oriented streets, including traffic-calming and landscaping improvements to increase the safety and desirability of walking and biking. The bicycle and pedestrian corridor is located in the southern, low-income area of Glendale. Four different sectors of the Glendale community have emerged as champions of this initiative: City Council members, City of Glendale staff, Glendale residents, and community-based organizations. The Initiative Coordinator, along with key City staff, have met individually with each City Councilmember to solicit input about the policy proposal. As a result, City Council members are becoming ambassadors of change in the Glendale community. At a recent City Council meeting, one councilmember requested that the City install a bicycle rack outside of City Hall, promised to bike to work once the rack was in place, and challenged other council members to do the same. Additionally, City Council has mandated that all plans for new developments or street improvements be routed to the Initiative Coordinator for his input on how to include bicycle and pedestrian-friendly features in the street design of proposed projects.

City of Glendale Staff: To build support for the initiative among City of Glendale staff, the initiative partners held one-on-one meetings with staff from several City departments including the Police and Fire departments. They have also established a Technical Advisory Group comprised of key departments involved in street and community design. The purpose of this group is to give technical input into the Safe and Healthy Streets plan and the bicycle and pedestrian corridor. The Glendale Public Libraries have supported the initiative by providing space for community meetings related to the Safe and Healthy Streets Plan. In addition, the library has helped bring about the soon-to-be installed library bike racks which will encourage patrons to bike and walk, rather than drive, to the library. A Stakeholder Group comprised of Glendale residents and business owners, organized by the Initiative Coordinator, provides input into the content of the Safe and Healthy Streets Plan and serves as advocates for the plan. In addition, the Initiative Coordinator has conducted numerous presentations to organizations in Glendale including service clubs, school districts, and neighborhood associations. These community-based champions have provided assistance in developing policy change through a number of channels. They helped secure significant coverage in the local newspaper about the initiative and distributed flyers and promotional postcards throughout the city. They have also posted commentaries in support of biking and walking on local blogs. In addition, one local restaurant donated dinner for an evening meeting of the Stakeholder Group, demonstrating its support for the initiative.

The First Glendale History Walk: The event attracted over 90 Glendale community members who took a two and a half mile long stroll through Downtown Glendale to visit 14 key historical landmarks.

Annual Bike to Work Day: The number of participants was three times that of last year where only 15 participated. Three new pit-stops were set up at bike shops in the north, south and west side of Glendale.

The Glendale History Ride: Over 60 residents, including City Councilmember Laura Friedman, went on a community bike ride while stopping at various Glendale historical sites.

Community Meeting on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Corridor: To enlist the support of Glendale community members, the initiative partners held a community meeting to solicit feedback from residents about the proposed bicycle and pedestrian corridor.

Community Bicyclists and Pedestrian Counts: The initiative will conduct the counts annually. The first count included over 80 volunteers counting at 26 different locations city-wide. Twenty City of Glendale staff from

various departments along with staff from LACBC and PLACE participated in this two-day training with a facilitation expert, Jennifer Lilley, to develop the skills needed to facilitate effective community input meetings. Expert Input on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Corridor: Transportation planning consultants evaluated the proposed bicycle and pedestrian corridor and made recommendations for how to make the existing streetscape more bicycle and pedestrian-friendly. Staff from Public Works, Engineering and the Planning Department attended this webinar to learn about this innovative bicycle facility that alerts cars to share the lane with bicyclists.

Chapter 3 : Los Angeles County Bikeways

Bicycling Los Angeles County: A Guide to Great Road Bike Rides by Patrick Brady A copy that has been read, but remains in excellent condition. Pages are intact and are not marred by notes or highlighting, but may contain a neat previous owner name.

Marvin Braude Bike Trail The very stereotype of riding your beach cruiser or step through bike along the California coast, the Marvin Braude paved bike trail embraces the Pacific Ocean with a stretch of about 35 km situated in the Playa del Rey area. The path is 22 miles 35 km long, with a midpoint between the two ends of the path near the southern end of the Playa del Rey residential area, and the northern end of the trail at the paved Class 1 bicycle path at Will Rogers State Beach in Pacific Palisades, Los Angeles. If you drive to this park you can easily park on Mulholland Fountain and cycle from there. For a more challenging cycle, try climbing a few hills on some nearby routes. The heights of the park will offer a lot of opportunity for an easy cruise or a cardio workout depending how far out you want to bike. Great place to leave your car for the day

Scenic road biking on the Griffith Park main road. Images via Meetup 3. CicLAvia engages with people to transform our relationship with our communities and with each other". Now these bike "happenings" take place throughout Latin America and the United States frequently. Here you will see the old battleships, container ships and merchant vessels. Riders will have wonderful things to look at like lighthouses and ocean views. Expect a mix of city and rural views when taking this route. The Paolos Verdes Peninsula offers a long ride of up to 50 miles. You can make your stop at Coffee Cartel before continuing your cycling trip. You can also study some maps of the area and take some detours that can extend your trip or shorten it. Santa Clarita Cloverleaf Hugged by the Santa Clara River, the best thing about this path is the ability for bicyclists to access the path from a few locations. There are many picturesque trail rides in the area and the city offers a great selection of recreational space for cyclers. You can also look for bike lockers here in the case that you want to get off your bike and take a walk to some nearby parks. Look out for these signs as some are one-way bike travel or pedestrian only or a combination that includes motorists.

Fairfax to Downtown If you want to experience the hustle and bustle of LA along with the quiet calm of the suburbs, you need to get on this path. Ride until you hit midtown and then just prior to getting to MacArthur Park, take a southern turn and head into the downtown core. The only thing is that you will need to watch out for traffic as some routes filter into busy intersections while passing through the bike paths. Your cycling efforts will highly benefit with a properly mapped route so you can avoid LA traffic as you emerge from the various bike paths.

Downtown Fairfax, California on the Fairfax to downtown bike trail. The bike path will follow the Ballona Creek stretch for most of its length. Beware, as there is no barrier in place to guard the path from the canal. This stretch accommodates Class 1 biking and is flat for the entire section. Those who want more of a terrain may benefit planning another route elsewhere. You will also see a lot of wild birds while on this path. For those who are cycling into the evening, the city has installed night lighting on this path. When you get close to the LA River, the area is less manicured. This is the more natural area of the path that attracts many fishermen and nature enthusiasts. To explore the rest of the river, try accessing it north of the Atwater Park. You can find parking in this area as well. Following the east valley, you head up Orange Line Stations. Different classes of drivers will enjoy the class II and I levels available here. This path is adjacent from the MTA bus-way. Great thing about this location is that bike lockers and racks are offered by the Metro Stations. Every major street offers an entry point into this path. Picture via Traillink This is once of the few places where you can see the Los Angeles River in a much more natural form. A highlight is the 2. This ride offers all the basic amenities: Also, in Woodley Avenue Park there are beautiful Japanese gardens, a wildlife preserve, a field for radio-controlled aircraft, and cricket fields. Might be a good idea to partake in some of these fun activities as well. It features miles of diverse terrain and a place for all types of cyclists looking for hidden gems to explore. There is a separation between the bike lanes and pedestrian paths. You also get an amazing view of the Queen Mary. They offer a discount program for cyclists and encourage community exploration. The participating shops will have a special decal on their window that acknowledges Bike Saturdays. The lake makes it relaxing in the way

the path curves around nature. Although smaller than other parks, this park offers easy access and a plethora of amenities. You can get everything from picnic tables, golf courses, restrooms and softball fields. There is also a connector path that connects the Rio Hondo bike path with the San Gabriel River bike path. For the most convenient entry, try entering this area from Rosemead Blvd. Close to the Pasadena Freeway is about a two mile stretch. Your access is made easier via Hermon Park using a pedestrian bridge. Cyclists can continue onward Arroyo Blvd if looking to explore more residential paths. You will also notice horses on this path. The equestrian path starts north of the Arroyo Seco Bike Path. Beyond the Arroyo Stables, bikes are not permitted. Only horses and pedestrians can enter beyond that point. Beverly Hills Star Homes Loop Want to take a scenic bike trip to celebrity homes that can only be seen in dreams? This easy ride offers an opportunity to see some impressive real estate with each mile. The road surface is smooth and the traffic is light. Expect some hills because, after all, it is called Beverly Hills for a reason. Bouquet Canyon Loop This trail is more advanced and loops for 45 miles. Those who love the lush forest will enjoy the terrain and mountains. You can also access this area all year around on your road bike. Getting on this trail allows you to see the forest-lush parts of Los Angeles. There are various extensions that can be added while on this loop to make your cycling trip longer. This is a great path for rural and urban riding. The traffic is light and roads are paved. J Simpson murder case, but there are other great charms to see here. Tour this affluent neighborhood on your bike and discover old Hollywood glamour, fun mansions, great hills and canyons. There are many routes here leading to other Los Angeles bike paths. Overall, the place makes for great riding. J Simpson House Venice Boulevard This bike lane is painted clearly with tons of room to prevent car doors from opening and sending you flying over the handlebars. You can go all the way to the beach using this bike lane. For those who want guided tours, you can hop on many tours at Venice beach. This area is lively and there are numerous bike rentals available on site. You can choose everything from cruisers to mountain bikes once you get to Venice beach. You can venture into El Dorado Regional Park from this bike trail. Rio Hondo bicycle path can be accessed from here as well as a continuation into the Los Angeles River trail. You can really have a variation of routes once you sit down and map your cycling trip. The entire stretch is about Beware that this path will have two separate sections that are not connected to each other. The longer section can be accessed on Long Beach all the way up Atlantic Boulevard. On the other hand, if you want to access Long Beach, enter via the place where the river intersects the Pacific Coast Highway. Licensed under CC0 via Wikimedia Commons.

Chapter 4 : Home - LADOT Bike Program

Los Angeles California Bike Paths This is a guide to Class I paved bicycle paths around Los Angeles, and around Northern Orange County California: 'Class I,' paved, separate right-of-ways, mostly in parks, along rivers, beaches, and along lakesides.

Chapter 5 : Bicycle Maps - LADOT Bike Program

Disclaimer The City of Los Angeles is not responsible for the safety of bicyclists or others utilizing this map. No representation is made or intended as to the safety or fitness of suggested routes, their striping, signage or as to the suitability of roadway surfaces for bicycle travel.

Chapter 6 : Trails - Los Angeles County

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Chapter 7 : LA County Beach Bike Path – Beaches & Harbors

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off the Pacific Coast Highway, just north of the Los Angeles County line).

Chapter 8 : Road Cycling Events & Bike Racing in Los Angeles, CA | ACTIVE

Los Angeles County mountain biking trails, California. trails with photos.

Chapter 9 : Maps & Routes - California Bicycle Coalition

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