

Caballero Canyon to Mt. Vicente Missile Site

Distance: 7 miles RT.

Elevation gain: 700 ft.

Directions to Trailhead: From the 405/101 interchange, go north (west) on the 101. Get off at and continue South on Reseda Blvd. Entrance located 1.8 miles south, from Ventura Blvd, on the left side marked by a sign that reads, "Caballero Canyon". Parking on both sides of the street at the trailhead, however, you might want to take a run up to the top of Reseda Blvd. where there are port-a-potties. Driving South ("UP" 1.1 miles) to our picnic area you'll pass a gate (0.9 mile), free parking area (0.1 mile gate to white line on road) then port-a-potties, and 0.1 mile (\$5.00 parking fee) to the picnic area.

The Hike: From the trailhead, the trail immediately starts its descent into Caballero Canyon. You'll be heading south parallel to and slightly below Reseda Blvd. After about a half mile, you'll cross a creek and reach a fork. Take the left fork, away from the creek, and start to ascend. Caballero Canyon Trail ends at "dirt Road" Mulholland Drive.

The turtles: Will make a right going 0.9 mile to a trail descending to the end of Reseda Blvd. and the Picnic area.

Regular hikers: Make a left, at junction, to the Nike Site (2.2 miles). It's a good place for lunch with picnic tables and super restrooms (toilet paper and seat covers). Since you're there, take an extra 10 minutes to read about the Nike site details and climb up the tower. There is a gorgeous view from atop the tower of Burbank, downtown LA, and Santa Monica Bay down to PV. I haven't been to the site so I'll take the word of others on the restrooms. You return taking Mulholland back, past the junction of Caballero Canyon Trail, then continue on & follow the sign that says to Reseda Blvd. That will take you to the Marvin Braude Mulholland Gateway Park (at the top of Reseda Blvd.) where we'll have refreshments.

Rabbits: Can take the regular hike returning on Mulholland, passing Reseda blvd turn-off, and proceed to the Temescal Ridge/Fire road #30 (1.2 miles from Caballero) then continue to Temescal Peak?? Don't forget to return.

NOTE to hike drivers: You may want to position some cars up at the top of Reseda (free parking area) to shuttle the drivers back to their cars at the trailhead.

We should have clean clear views, after the rains, so it's photo-op time. Bring a camera

GPS Data:

RT = 7.8 mi.

Max Elevation gain = 910 ft.