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***Ventura County Events***

**38th Annual Spring Art & Crafts Festival**  
*March 1st 10am to 4pm*  
*Borchard Park*

**A & S STEAM Carnival**  
*March 8th 2pm to 5pm*  
*Cal State Channel Islands University*

**Bark in the Park**  
*March 15th 9am to 12pm*  
*Conejo Creek Park North*  
*Thousand Oaks*

**St. Patrick's Day Parade in Ventura**  
*March 15th 10am to 12pm*  
*Main St. Ventura*

**Kids Swap and Sell**  
*March 15th 7:30am to 11am*  
*Rancho Simi Park and Rec. Center*

**Enjoy The Outdoors With Local Hikes**

Spring has sprung, which means shedding your winter layers, and hopefully, enjoying warmer temperatures. It is also a great time to go outside and enjoy some of the beautiful hiking trails Ventura County has to offer. Here are a few local favorites that are scenic and not too difficult.



**Two Trees - Distance: 1.6 miles | Elevation Gain: 626 feet**

Two Trees, is a short, easy hike that's great for kids too and offers stunning views of the city and the ocean at the top. The Two Trees hike is a pretty heavily trafficked out and back trail that is located in the city of Ventura. In the spring and summer, it features beautiful wild flowers and although it's rated as "moderate" trail, it's actually pretty easy. The trail is accessible year-round, but can get pretty muddy in the rain. The trail is dog-friendly, there are a few steep parts that would be difficult for a small dog to navigate. To get there, head up Foothill Road and turn onto Hilltop Drive. Hilltop turns into Breaker Drive. Once you get to where Breaker Drive and Whitecap Drive intersect, park on the street and head northwest toward the hills and through a vacant lot to get to the start of the trail.

**Cozy Dell Trail - Distance: 3.6 miles | Elevation Gain: 1,187 feet**

A great 1.5 to 2 hour hike that's just 15 minutes from Ventura, Cozy Dell offers sweeping views of Ojai. Located just off the 33 in Ojai, you'll see parking on the left-hand side of the road and a sign that reads "Cozy Dell Trail" to the right. The trail is well marked and leads you up the hill, through dense trees and in the hills toward a dry creek bed.

**Paradise Falls - Distance: 2.5 miles | Elevation Gain: 260 feet**

Another great hike in the east county area is Paradise Falls. This loop visits a 40-foot waterfall in Wildwood Park, an open space in Thousand Oaks. The beginning of the trail follows Moonridge trail and looks down upon Indian Creek. The trail then travels down in elevation toward a bed of volcanic rock, with a stunning 70 foot waterfall plunging into a large pool. The return of the loop is an easy trail that meanders along the banks of Indian creek, with a number of really great picnic spots along the way. To get to the trailhead, take the 101 south toward Thousand Oaks from Ventura. Take the Lynn Road exit and turn left to go north over the freeway. Follow Lynn Road until you get to the intersection with W Avenida de Los Arboles. Turn left. Keep going until you get to the end, where you'll see signs for the trailhead.

# Welcome to Ventura Management!

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## Spring Forward March 9th

- **Need to buy or sell your home? Ask how we can save you thousands!**
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Enjoy The Outdoors With Local Hikes (cont.)

### **The Punchbowls - Distance: 8 miles | Elevation Gain: 800 feet**

This hike ventures up rugged Santa Paula Canyon to a waterfall and a Punchbowl of pools and cascades in Santa Paula Creek by Big Cone Camp. The hike is located near Santa Paula and is open year-round. Like Matilija, dogs are welcome but must be kept on a leash. It is not recommended to try this hike after heavy rains, as the trail can get washed out. Take highway 150 toward the Thomas Aquinas College's entrance. The trail starts right after the college, and takes you along Santa Paula Creek. As you make it further along the trail, you'll find a number of swimming holes, as well as a spectacular 25-foot waterfall at the end. To access this trail, you will need to enter private property, so please be respectful. Follow the signs, go past an oil rig and through an avocado farm. You will walk past a large red gate, then on to another oil pumping rig. Go left around the rig to the trailhead, where you will be greeted by the sounds of the Santa Paula Creek.

### **Mugu Peak - Distance 6.5 miles | Elevation Gain: 1,250 feet**

This out and back hike from La Jolla Canyon to the 1,266-foot summit features superb ocean and canyon views. It is steep at times, but once you're at the top you'll surely feel a real sense of accomplishment. Just inland from Point Mugu, Mugu Peak offers sweeping views of the beautiful Pacific Ocean from an elevation of 1,266 feet. The hike begins at the bottom of nearby La Jolla Canyon and heads straight up the hill to several different mountain peaks. To get there, drive south on the PCH (Highway 1) and park on the left-hand side of the road where there is a small dirt parking lot. You can't miss the trailhead: head straight up the hill from there. The trailhead is just 15 minutes south of Ventura.

### **A more challenging hike:**

### **Boney Mountain Overlook Trail - Distance: 8.3 miles | Elevation Gain: 2,670 feet**

This is a beautiful that is trail that will take longer but is well worth it. The Boney Mountain Overlook Trail, one of many trails in the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation area, is a 9.1 mile moderately trafficked trail located near Newbury Park that features a waterfall. It is rated "difficult" but only difficult because of the length, as the incline isn't too strenuous and the terrain is relatively easy. There are several overlooks, where you'll get wonderful views of this beautiful state park, where you can sometimes see all the way to the ocean.

### **March Quote:**

*"Don't let yesterday use up too much of today "*  
*... Will Rogers*

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