

Explore Carpinteria and the Pacific Coast Bike Route or Ojai via the Ojai Valley Trail!



Surfer's Point, Ventura



Pacific Coast Bike Trail



Ventura Pier



Downtown Ojai



POINTS OF INTEREST: VENTURA TO CARPINTERIA

(see map for location)

- A. Ventura Pier** Originally built in 1872, the pier once served steamships. The current wooden structure is 1,620 feet long and is the 8th longest pier in California.
- B. Surfers' Point at Seaside Park** Some of the best surfing in Southern California, Surfer's Point is often busy. Directly across from Ventura County Fairgrounds.
- C. Ventura River** At 228 square miles, The Ventura River watershed is 31 miles long.
- D. Emma Wood State Beach** Located where the Ventura River joins the ocean, this beach is an important ecosystem for plants and animals. The mysterious concrete rings in the sand are WWII era artillery mounts.
- E. Seaside Wilderness Park** Explore tide pools filled with sea urchins, crabs, mussels, and other sea creatures in the numerous tide pools lining the beach.
- F. Mussel Shoals** This tiny town is the gateway to manmade Rincon Island. Built in 1958, Rincon Island connects to Mussel Shoals by a 2,700 foot causeway.
- G. Rincon Creek** This creek marks the boundary between Santa Barbara and Ventura County.
- H. La Conchita** Spanish for "Little Shell," this was the site of a massive landslide in 2005.
- I. Rincon Beach Park** A local secret, Rincon Beach Park is popular with surfing pros.
- J. Carpinteria Bluffs Nature Preserve** Sweeping panoramic vistas are a highlight. December through March, seals and sea lions flock to the beach to rear their young.
- K. Tar Pit Park** The Carpinteria Tar Pits are one of five natural tar lakes on Earth. Native American Chumash people used the naturally occurring tar to waterproof their canoes.
- L. Carpinteria Creek** Like Rincon Creek, this 8.1 mile long creek originates in the Santa Ynez Mountains. Numerous endangered or threatened species like steelhead trout and tidewater goby call this specialized habitat home.
- M. Linden Avenue** Carpinteria's downtown is filled with unique antique shops, highly-rated restaurants, and trendy boutiques.
- N. Carpinteria State Beach** Soft sand, plenty of shells, and calm waters are the hallmarks of this quaint little beach. Camping, fishing, swimming, and exploring tide pools are popular activities.



Local Dining

- 1. Beach House Fish** 668 Harbor Blvd., Ventura, California 93001 (805) 643-4783
- 2. Aloha Steakhouse** Voted Ventura's best steakhouse.
364 S. California St., Ventura, California 93001 (805) 652-1799
- 3. Rincon Brewery** Small brewery with locally sourced sandwiches and small bites.
5065 Carpinteria Ave., Carpinteria, California 93013 (805) 684-6044
- 4. The Spot** 101 year old classic Southern California beach burger shack.
389 Linden Ave., Carpinteria, California 93013 (805) 684-6311



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- C. Ventura River** At 228 square miles, The Ventura River watershed is 31 miles long.
- D. Ortega Adobe** The popular fire roasted Ortega Chile was perfected here 150 years ago by Emilio Ortega. The Ortega brand is now found in supermarkets throughout the U.S.
- E. A Delicate Balance by Ralph Allen Massey** These masterfully sculpted bronze figurines serve as a reminder of how humans impact wildlife. Two Ventura River estuary guardians, a Great Egret and Brown Pelican, perch at the trail entrance.
- F. Mark by Jud Fine** These sculptures are placed at every mile and kilometer. These 32 concrete distance markers are topped with artifacts from the surrounding oil fields. Cryptic messages invite contemplation on how humans mark the earth.
- G. Westpark Community Center** This youth center has water fountains, restrooms, and murals. One mural entitled "Community Pride" spans over 500 square feet.
- H. Win*Pin by Wyndra Roché** This sculpture combines reminders from the Ventura River Valley's agricultural past with pinwheel poinsettia petals in homage to Ventura's official flower.
- I. Santa Ventura Movie Studio** The abandoned back lot of the former Santa Ventura movie studios can be seen here.
- J. Foster Park and Bowl** First developed in 1906, this historic county park has shade, restrooms, picnic tables, a small amphitheater, and a spectacular view of the Ventura River from the nearby sandstone bridge with lion sculptures.
- K. Libbey Park and Bowl** Ojai's Libbey Park was a gift to the City from glass magnate Edmund Libbey. This beautiful park offers a playground, tennis courts, bandstand, and the Libbey Bowl, site of the Ojai Music Festival and other events.



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- 3. Ojai Cafe Emporium** Laid back restaurant serving traditional breakfast and lunch options. 108 S. Montgomery St., Ojai, California 93023 (805) 646-2723
- 4. Casa de Lago** Casual family-owned restaurant serving Mexican cuisine.
715 E. Ojai Ave., Ojai, California 93023 (805) 640-1577

Self-Guided BIKE TOUR



WITH TURN-BY-TURN DIRECTIONS & POINTS OF INTEREST

Ventura to Carpinteria via Pacific Coast
Bike Trail & Ventura to Ojai via Ojai Valley Trail!



Wheel Fun Rentals • Ventura Pier



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Tour Route (Red line)
Paved Roads (Green line)
Alternate Start (Pink line)

13 Turn Indicators
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Detail: Tour Route Crosses Intersection of Hwy 33 & 150 (W. Ojai Ave.)

10 Merge onto 101 South
 11 Exit 101 at Bates Rd
 12 Merge onto 101 North
 13 Exit 101 at Lake Casitas

Detail: PCH to Coastal Bike Path at Mobil Pier Road Underpass

6 Pacific Coast Highway
 7 Mobil Pier Rd.

Turn-By-Turn Directions: Ojai Bike Route

- Exit Wheel Fun Rentals to the right (facing away from the kiosk), exiting the parking lot to join the multi-use path along the beach, heading under the pier.
- Continue on the path until you reach the Main St. intersection. At the "Welcome to Ventura sign" turn right onto Main St.
- Turn left on Olive St.
- Turn left on Rex St.
- Proceed onto the Ventura River Trail at the end of the street.
- At the crosswalk, carefully cross, and continue straight onto the trail.
- At the intersection, follow marked crosswalks to return to the bike trail.
- At Maricopa Hwy (33) and W. Ojai Ave (150) - Vons is on this corner - turn right to cross W. Ojai Ave. (150) at the crosswalk. Enter Rotary Community Park and follow signs for Ojai Bike Trail (see inset).
- At Signal St., exit the bike trail by turning left.
- Turn right onto E. Ojai Ave., (1st large intersection). Explore Downtown Ojai!
- To return to Wheel Fun Rentals, follow Ojai Valley Trail/Ventura River Trail, using the same route in reverse.

Bike Safe!
 Proceed through streets and intersections carefully.
 Be courteous of pedestrians and don't forget water and sunscreen.
 For safety and comfort, wear your helmet and comfortable clothing.
 Obey all rules of the road... and enjoy!

Turn-By-Turn Directions: Carpinteria Bike Route

- Exit Wheel Fun Rentals to the right (facing away from the kiosk), exiting parking lot to join the multi-use path along the beach, heading under the pier.
- Continue on the path until you reach the Main St. intersection. At the "Welcome to Ventura sign" turn left onto Main St.
- Turn left onto Park Access Rd. just past the Emma Wood State Beach parking lot, following the sign for Seaside Wilderness Park.
- Keep right on Park Access Rd. after you pass under the Ventura Freeway.
- Park Access Rd. will end into Pacific Coast Highway (1). Cross the intersection carefully to join the shoulder/bike path on the right side of the road.
- Turn left to go under the freeway (see inset).
- Turn right onto Mobil Pier Rd. Then, keep right to join bike path along the Freeway.
- Cross freeway exit with caution, watch for traffic, and continue on dedicated bike path.
- When the dedicated bike path ends, turn right to go under the 1st bridge.
- Turn left to merge onto the 101 N. Freeway, follow "Bike Route" posted signage.
- Exit at #84 - Ojai Lake Casitas. **All bikes must exit at Exit #84.**
- Turn Left onto Rincon Rd. to go over the freeway.
- At the end of Rincon Rd., turn right on Carpinteria Ave.
- Turn left on Linden Ave. Free-ride through Carpinteria!
- Continue straight on Linden (street ends at State Beach.)

Ventura to Ojai
 32.8 miles (round trip). For a shorter ride, turn around at Foster Park and return using reverse route.

Ventura to Carpinteria
 36.6 miles (round trip). For a slightly shorter ride, turn around at Bates Rd. (shown above) and return using reverse route.

Turn-By-Turn Directions: Carpinteria Route (cont'd)

- Begin your return to Wheel Fun Rentals by using the same route along Carpinteria Ave in reverse.
- Turn left on Rincon Rd and then right to merge onto the 101 S. Freeway.
- Exit #83 - Bates Rd. **All bikes must exit at Bates Rd.**
- Rejoin the bike path south to return to Wheel Fun Rentals following the route in reverse.

Alternate Starting Points for Tour Routes

A Starting from the Ventura State Beach Picnic area, head west, turning right onto the multi-use path along the beach to join the main tour route.

B Starting from Crowne Plaza Hotel, proceed through parking lot on the left edge of the lot. At the end of the lot there is an outlet to the path. Turn right and join the tour route.

WHEEL FUN RENTALS
 Ventura Pier Location
 850 Harbor Blvd.
 Ventura, CA 93001

