

## Sewart Mountain 071

Lat/Lon 34.6402641,-118.9067643  
UTM 11S 325235E 3834804N

Elevation: 6841'

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Location: Ventura County, about 13 miles southwest of Gorman, 85 miles from Los Angeles

Nearby peaks: Alamo Mountain, McDonald Peak, Snowy Peak, Black Mountain #2, Cobblestone Mountain, White Mountain #2

Land Manager: Los Padres National Forest, Mount Pinos and Ojai Ranger Districts (661) 245-3731 (805) 646-4348

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### About the peak

Sewart Mountain is a short hike from the parking area on the way to and from four much more difficult peaks and is usually tagged as an afterthought or a bonus Pathfinder on the way to or from Snowy Peak and Black Mountain #2, or White Mountain #2 and Cobblestone Mountain. Even its name is an afterthought: a possible misspelling of either Stewart or Seward. It is nevertheless a quite prominent peak and higher in elevation than the other four. Remnants of a beautiful forest still survive on the lower north facing slopes.

In addition to the "incidental" route on the way from the other peaks, Route 1 departs from the Buck Creek Trailhead and the trail passes through burned forest. downed logs, and some buckthorn to within 20 yards of the rocky summit.

Sewart Mountain is on the way to Snowy Peak, Black Mountain #2, White Mountain #2, and Cobblestone Mountain, and is included in trips going to any of those peaks.

Twin Pines Campground has a toilet but no other facilities.

Contact the USFS at (661) 245-3731 for information about the status of the seasonal gate at the Piru Creek crossing.

Sewart Mountain has 1 official HPS route:

## Sewart Mountain Route 1

Distance: 2 miles round trip on road

Gain: 500

Time: 1 hour round trip

Difficulty rating: Class 1, easy

Navigation difficulty: Easy

Trailhead location on [Google Maps](#)

Road type: Dirt

Adventure Pass may be required

### Driving directions:

- Go north on I-5 to the town of Gorman. Get off on the signed Gorman exit.
- Turn left at the bottom of the off-ramp and go under the freeway.
- Go 0.1 mile to Peace Valley Road. Turn right.
- Go 1 mile to the entrance to Hungry Valley Recreation Area on your left (paved). Turn left. Note your odometer and go as follows:
- At 0.2 miles, entrance station. If manned, you can avoid payment of the fee by telling the State Park employee that you are passing through to Alamo Mountain.
- At 5.2 miles, intersection. Turn right (west) toward "Piru Creek", signed.
- At 11.2 miles, improved car camping area on right, with toilets. Often used as a meeting point.
- At 11.4 miles, Piru Creek crossing. There is a seasonal gate just before this stream crossing.
- At 13.4 miles, the pavement ends.
- At 17.8 miles, fork to the left. Keep right.
- At 17.9 miles, junction with the Alamo Mountain Road. Go straight. Note your odometer again and go as follows:
- At 3.3 miles, fork immediately beyond a small road cut through the ridge. To the right leads to Alamo Mountain Route 1. Turn left.
- At 4.0 miles, the road forks at the Little Mutau trailhead. Turn left. Past this point the road can sometimes be poor but is usually passable.
- At 6.3 miles, the parking spot for McDonald Peak.
- At 7.2 miles, a dirt berm, a sign indicating no further motor vehicle traffic, and a large parking area, suitable for car camping. Park here.

### Hiking directions:

- From the parking area (6500'), pass the gate and hike east on the old road for 1 mile to the obvious high point of the road.
- The rocky summit outcrop that contains the register is located about 20 yards to the left (north) of the road at this point.

### Additional Route 1 notes:



