

## Wright Mountain 16B

Lat/lon 34.3336131,-117.6328326  
UTM 11S 441788E 3799329N

Elevation: 8505'

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Location: San Bernardino County, about 2 miles south of Wrightwood, 84 miles from Los Angeles

Nearby peaks: Pine Mountain #1, Dawson Peak

Land Manager: Angeles National Forest, San Gabriel Mountains National Monument (626) 335-1251 and USFS Front Country Ranger District (909) 382-2851

**USE AT YOUR OWN RISK. CONDITIONS MAY CHANGE, AND UNEXPECTED HAZARDS MAY BE PRESENT.**

### About the peak

Wright, named for Sumner Banks Wright, who owned and developed the town of Wrightwood, may seem like an afterthought to those hiking on to Pine and Dawson, but it is interesting and beautiful in its own right. Its steep cliffs, viewed from the town, are dramatic. There is usually a large American flag on the summit.

Route 1 is a short easy walk up the southwest ridge from the road and PCT. Route 2 starts from Guffy Camp, most of which can be driven if the gate is open, follows the west ridge from the PCT. Route 3, much prettier and interesting, follows the Acorn Trail from the town of Wrightwood. This trail is moderately steep and well maintained until departing from the PCT, which now goes around, not over, the summit. This trail gets icy in winter.

Special conditions: The Blue Ridge Road goes through the top of a ski resort. This road is always closed at the SR 2 junction during the ski season.

Alternate routes: Drive to the trailhead for Gobblers Knob (6400'). See driving instructions for Gobblers Knob. Walk west along the PCT to the parking area for Route 1. The additional distance to the parking area for Route 1 is about 5 1/2 miles round trip with 2000' of additional gain. Route is class 1 and moderate. Navigation is easy. Leader Rating is "O", normal conditions.

Wright Mountain has 3 official HPS routes:

## Wright Mountain Route 1

Distance: 1/2 mile round trip on road and cross-country

Difficulty rating: Class 1, easy

Trailhead location on [Google Maps](#)

Adventure Pass may be required

Gain: 200

Time: 1/2 hour round trip

Navigation difficulty: Easy

Road type: Dirt

### Driving directions:

- Go east on I-10 to I-15.
- Go north on I-15 to SR 138. Turn left (west).
- Go west on SR 138 to the junction with SR 2. Turn left.
- Go southwest on SR 2 through Wrightwood and 4 miles further to the junction with N4. Keep left on SR 2.
- Go 1.8 miles farther to large parking areas on both sides of the road. At the beginning of the left parking area is the Blue Ridge Road (dirt). Take this road. Note your odometer and go as follows:
  - At 0.3 mile, fork. Keep right.
  - At 1.4 miles, fork at a ski run. Keep left.
  - At 2.4 miles, Blue Ridge Campground (pavement ends).
  - At 5.1 miles, Guffy Campground on the left. Keep right and go through a gate.
  - At 5.6 miles, fork. Keep left.
  - At 7.2 miles, the road swings left around a ridge with a parking area on the right (limited parking). Park here. This is also the trailhead for Pine Mountain #1 and Dawson Peak.

### Hiking directions:

- From the parking area (8310'), cross the road and hike north up the slope to a jeep road at the top of the bank.
- Follow the road north down through a dip keeping left at a fork.
- Continue up as it winds to the left to the summit.
- The summit is indistinct. Be alert for a triangular yellow sign and a cairn about 30' to the right of the road.

### Additional Route notes:

## Wright Mountain Route 2

Distance: 3.5 miles round trip trail and cross-country

Difficulty rating: Class 1, easy

Trailhead location on [Google Maps](#)

Adventure Pass may be required

Gain: 750

Time: 2 hours round trip

Navigation difficulty: Easy

Road type: Dirt

### Driving directions:

- Go east on I-10 to I-15.
- Go north on I-15 to SR 138. Turn left (west).
- Go west on SR 138 to the junction with SR 2. Turn left.
- Go southwest on SR 2 through Wrightwood and 4 miles further to the junction with N4. Keep left on SR 2.
- Go 1.8 miles farther to a large parking area on both sides of the road. At the beginning of the left parking area is the Blue Ridge Road (dirt). Take this road. Note your odometer and go as follows:
  - At 0.3 mile, fork. Keep right.
  - At 1.4 miles, fork at a ski run. Keep left.
  - At 2.4 miles, Blue Ridge Campground (pavement ends).
  - At 5.1 miles, Guffy Campground turnoff on the left. Keep left, go about 0.2 mile, and park at east end of Guffy Campground (8250'). Do not occupy a campsite unless you plan to use it.

### Hiking directions:

- Hike east past the outhouse, going along a ridge that leads down to the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT).
- Follow the PCT past the intersection with the Acorn Trail (to Wrightwood).
- Continue to a saddle and find a use trail to the left up a slope with a steep cliff on its left (north).
- Go up this trail, which turns into an old road, keeping left.
- Go to the highest point to find the register in a large rock cairn near the cliff.

### Additional Route notes:

## Wright Mountain Route 3

Distance: 6 miles round trip on trail

Gain: 2200

Difficulty rating: Class 1, easy

Time: 2.5-3 hours round trip

Trailhead location on [Google Maps](#)

Navigation difficulty: Easy

Road type: Paved

### Driving directions:

- Go east on I-10 to I-15.
- Go north on I-15 to SR 138. Turn left (west).
- Go west on SR 138 to the junction with SR 2. Turn left.
- Go southwest on SR 2 to Spruce Street in Wrightwood. Turn left (south).
- Go south one block on Spruce Street to Evergreen Road. Turn right (west).
- Go west one block on Evergreen Road to Acorn Drive. Turn left (south).
- Drive to the intersection of Acorn Drive and Finch Road. Park here off the paved road. Do not drive up the privately owned and marked section of Acorn Drive.

### Hiking directions:

- From the parking area (6360'), hike up the privately owned and posted Acorn Drive to its end at a gate.
- Pass the gate and hike about 100' to a "T" junction. Turn right at the "T" junction and hike up the dirt road to the Acorn Trail.
- Follow the trail as it switchbacks up the east slope of the canyon just behind a water tank.
- After about 2 miles it meets the PCT.
- Turn left (south) on the PCT and go about 1/4 mile to a jeep road.
- Turn left on this road and follow it about 1/2 mile to the summit.

### Additional Route notes:

Note: The Forest Service has advised the Mountain Records Chair (11-15-2001) that hikers can hike up the private and posted section of Acorn Drive to gain access to the Acorn Trail. If difficulties with landowners are encountered, please advise the Mounta