

Round Mountain 20A

Lat/lon 34.3616693,-117.1436518
UTM 11S 486791E 3802268N

Elevation: 5272'

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Location: San Bernardino County, about 10 miles southeast of Hesperia, 97 miles from Los Angeles

Nearby peaks: Luna Mountain, Rattlesnake Mountain

Land Manager: San Bernardino National Forest, Mountaintop Ranger District (909) 382-2790

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

About the peak

Round Mountain and its cousins Luna and Rattlesnake, near Hesperia, are on the edge of the San Bernardino National Forest, where the forest descends to open rocky scrub land and then to desert. The terrain and vistas are interesting and varied, from the high alpine landscape of Big Bear to the expansive panorama of the high desert. All three peaks, usually hiked in combination, are easy hikes on sometimes rocky use trail and or cross country, and require high clearance vehicles to reach them on rough road.

Route 1 is the shortest drive of the bunch, and is a short cross country route that ends in a short rocky scramble to the summit. Hikers can continue their drive a few miles to hike Luna Route 2 as well.

Notes: Round Mountain and the surrounding region was burned in the Willow Fire of 1999. As a result of the fire, the Bureau of Land Management closed public access to the Round Mountain area for over one year. (As of this writing, the area has been reopened.)

Round Mountain has 1 official HPS route:

Round Mountain Route 1

Distance: 1 mile round trip cross-country

Gain: 700

Difficulty rating: Class 1, easy

Time: 1 hour round trip

Trailhead location on [Google Maps](#)

Navigation difficulty: Easy

Road type: Dirt

Driving directions:

- Drive east on I-10 and north on I-15 to the Hesperia turnoff.
- Go east on Main Street in Hesperia for 7.2 miles to the "Y" junction of Rock Springs Road (on the left) and Arrowhead Lake Road (the main road continuing on the right).
- Turn left (east) on Rock Springs Road. Note your odometer and go as follows:
- At 2.9 miles, a four-way stop at Kiowa Way. Continue straight as Rock Springs Road becomes Roundup Way.
- At 5.9 miles, pavement ends. Continue east.
- At 7.3 miles, intersection with the Bowen Ranch Road. Turn right (south).
- At 8.2 miles, fork. Keep left.
- At 9.4 miles, junction with Coxey Truck Trail (3N14), keep right. This is the turnoff for Rattlesnake Mountain. Note your odometer again and go as follows:
- At 1.5 miles, cattle guard. Continue.
- At 2.0 miles, a fork on the left just before a deep dip in the main road with a sign "Oak Spring" (also designated JF 3275). Turn left.
- At 2.8 miles, road on left. Continue straight.
- At 2.9 miles, fork. Turn right.
- At 3.1 miles, a turn-around. Park here.

Hiking directions:

- From the parking area (4600'), head south up the slope to the summit.

Additional Route 1 notes:

