

Arctic Point 21F

Lat/lon 34.318825,-116.891672
UTM 11S 509966E 3797513N

Elevation: 8336'

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Location: San Bernardino County, about 5 miles northeast of Fawnskin, 106 miles from Los Angeles

Nearby peaks:

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

Arctic Point overlooks the serene Holcomb Valley, near the ruins of what was once the mining town of Belleville. It is usually hiked together with nearby Bertha Peak and/or Delamar Mountain. On your drive in, be sure to look for the grave of Charles Wilbur on your drive as you pass Holcomb Valley campground. Wilbur, a miner and later tax assessor who lived in the area, requested to be buried here, next to the pond that bears his name.

Route 1 wanders up gullies to the peak. Although it is a short hike, it is pleasant and worthwhile. There are several variations of routes to the peak.

Notes: The terrain and vegetation on the mountain make it possible to climb Arctic from many different directions.

Arctic Point has 1 official HPS route:

Arctic Point Route 1

Distance: 3 miles round trip on road and cross-country

Difficulty rating: Class 1, easy

Trailhead location on [Google Maps](#)

Adventure Pass may be required

Gain: 800

Time: 2 hours round trip

Navigation difficulty:

Road type: Dirt

Driving directions:

- Drive east on I-10 to I-215.
- Drive north on I-215 to SR 210.
- Drive east on SR 210 to SR 330.
- Drive north on SR 330 to SR 18 at the town of Running Springs.
- Drive east on SR 18 to the dam at Big Bear Lake. Turn left on SR 38.
- Drive on SR 38 to Fawnskin.
- Continue east on SR 38 for 2.0 miles to Polique Canyon Road (Holcomb Valley turnoff). Turn left (north). Note your odometer and go as follows:
- At 1.5 miles, T intersection with 2N71 to the left. Go right (northeast) on 2N09.
- At 2.0 miles, a gated road on the right.
- At 3.9 miles, junction with 3N16. Turn right (east).
- At 4.3 miles, fork. This is the turnoff for Gold Mountain. Turn left (northeast) on 3N07.
- At 4.8 miles, fork. Go past 3N23 and shortly thereafter turn left on 3N43.
- At 5.4 miles, the road goes down through a wash. Park just before the wash.
- The roads in this area are confusing. Suggest you consult the latest Forest Service and HPS maps.

Hiking directions:

- From the parking area (7550'), hike east up a gully that passes just south of elevation 7685', and on up to the summit, which is the most southeasterly point on the ridge.

Additional Route 1 notes:

