

Cedar Mountain 25C

Lat/lon 34.0680679,-116.9289155
UTM 11S 506559E 3769706N

Elevation: 8324'

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Location: San Bernardino County, about 7 miles northeast of Yucaipa, 81 miles from Los Angeles

Nearby peaks: Birch Mountain, Wilshire Peak, Wilshire Mountain, Little San Gorgonio Peak

Land Manager: San Bernardino National Forest, Front Country Ranger District (909) 382-2851

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

About the peak

Cedar, between Birch and the Wilshires, is the approximate midpoint and one stop along the way on the demanding “Yucaipa Ridge Traverse” from Little San Gorgonio to Allen. Unlike nearby Birch, there are actually cedar trees here. It is owned and managed by the Wildlands Conservancy’s Bearpaw Preserve. Route 1 describes the section between Cedar and Wilshire Mountain.

Special conditions: The Yucaipa Ridge Traverse continues west down Yucaipa Ridge past Birch Mountain to the Allen-Birch saddle. To continue on the route you will pass through land owned by the Wildlands Conservancy, which manages the Oak Glen Preserve and Bear Paw Preserve. You must request permission to hike here at least five days in advance. You can submit a request online at wildlandsconservancy.org/preserves/bearpaw. You may also reach the manager by calling (909) 790-3698 or emailing the Bearpaw Preserve at MountainPreserves@twc-ca.org. The manager will send you a liability waiver form for all leaders and participants to fill out, sign, and leave at the trailhead when they start their hike, and the current gate code to enter the preserve. There are bathrooms at the parking area.

The USGS topo shows a trail starting at Pilgrim Pines Camp in Oak Glen and going up to a point near Cedar Mountain. This trail crosses private property and must be used only with permission. Call Pilgrim Pines at (562) 335-7697 for permission.

Notes: This peak and the four nearby peaks are normally done together as a car shuttle trip. It is possible to descend the ridge from the saddle just east of Birch Mountain to the town of Forest Falls. See the Birch Mountain guide for additional information.

Cedar Mountain has 1 official HPS route:

Cedar Mountain Route 1- From Wilshire Peak

Distance: 1.0 mile one way on trail from Wilshire Peak, 6.2 miles one way from Little San Gorgonio
Gain: 400
Time: 1/2 hour one way
Difficulty rating: Class 1, very strenuous when combined with other peaks in the area
Navigation difficulty: Easy
Trailhead location on [Google Maps](#)
Road type: Dirt
Adventure Pass may be required

Driving directions:

- See the driving instructions for Little San Gorgonio Peak. This route assumes that you are hiking each peak along this section of Yucaipa Ridge (5 peaks).

Hiking directions:

- From Wilshire Peak, hike west down into a saddle and then up to the summit of Oak Glen Peak. (This peak is not on the HPS list. There is usually a peak register here.)
- Continue west down into another saddle and then up to the summit of Cedar Mountain.

Additional Route 1 notes:

You may continue west down Yucaipa Ridge past Birch Mountain to the the Allen-Birch saddle and exit through rhe Bearpaw Preserve. However you must obtain permission in advance to use this exit route. Information about obtaining access is in the notes for

