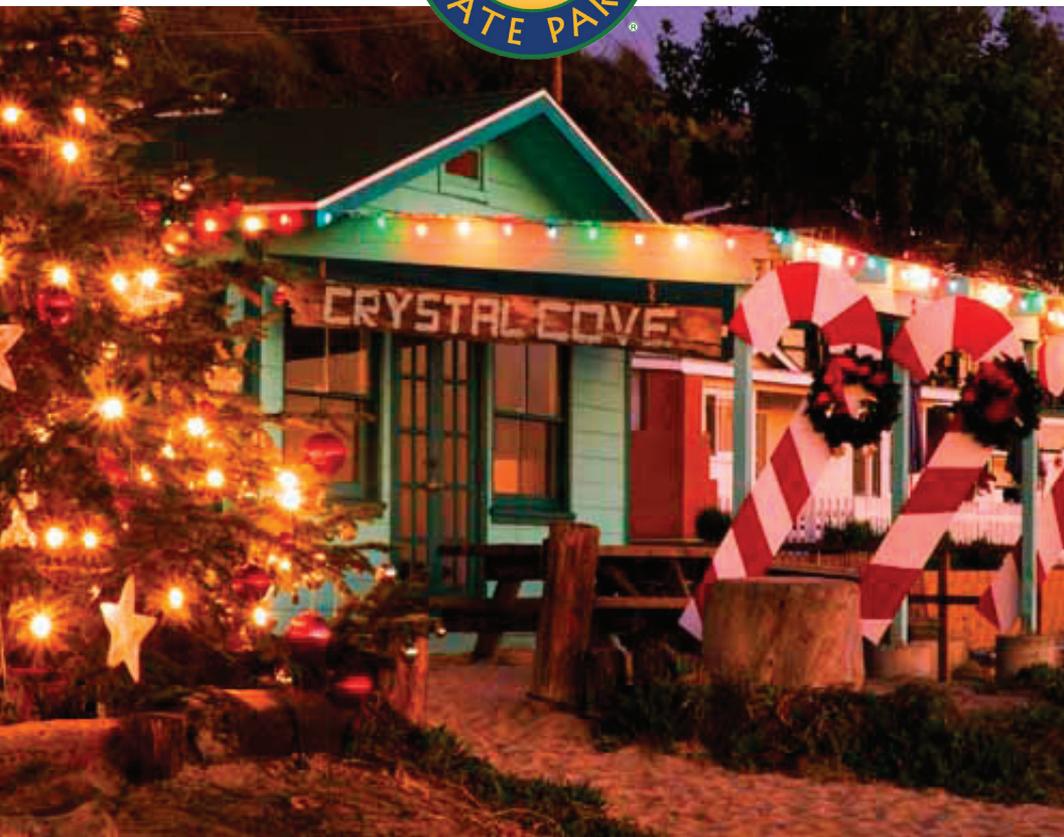


Programs and Special Events

Orange Coast District
December 2009



Our Mission

The mission of California State Parks is to provide for the health, inspiration and education of the people of California by helping to preserve the state's extraordinary biological diversity, protecting its most valued natural and cultural resources, and creating opportunities for high-quality outdoor recreation.



Welcome to the Orange Coast District

Here at Bolsa Chica State Beach, Huntington State Beach, Crystal Cove State Park, Doheny State Beach, San Clemente State Beach, and San Onofre State Beach, there is always a new adventure!

This guide will help you to experience the variety of activities offered this month at the Orange Coast District, whatever your interests.

With so much to do, what are you waiting for?

Explore the Orange Coast.

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Bolsa Chica State Beach
714.846.5691

Crystal Cove State Park
949.494.3539

Doheny State Beach
949.496.5290

Huntington State Beach
714.536.1454

San Clemente State Beach
949.492.3156

San Onofre State Beach
949.492.6460 or 949.361.2531 (San Mateo)

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Fall into Crystal Cove Hike

Sunday, December 6th, 9 a.m.

Crystal Cove State Park

(Meet at El Moro Visitor Center)

The hike will last about 2 hours.

\$15 day-use parking fee

For more information, contact:

wbonnin@parks.ca.gov or 949.494.7647.

End of Fall Bloomers Hike

Saturday, December 19th, 9 a.m.

Crystal Cove State Park

(El Moro Visitor Center)

For more information, contact:

wbonnin@parks.ca.gov or 949.494.7647.

Hike Off Your Holiday Dinner

Saturday, December 26th, 9 a.m.

Crystal Cove State Park

(Meet at El Moro Visitor Center)

The hike will last about 2 hours.

\$15 day-use parking fee

For more information, contact:

wbonnin@parks.ca.gov or 949.494.7647.

Geology Walk

Sunday, December 27th, 1 p.m.

Crystal Cove State Park

(Meet at Los Trancos parking lot trailer)

Come explore several diverse and geologically outstanding sites which all display a story from a different geologic time.

\$15 day-use parking fee

For more information, contact:

wbonnin@parks.ca.gov or 949.494.7647.

Lowest Tide of the Year Tidepool Walk

Thursday, December 31st, 2 p.m.

Crystal Cove State Park

(Pelican Point, parking lot #2)

Crystal Cove is hosting this walk when the tide will fall to a very low -1.6. We will identify animals and describe some awesome animal adaptations.

\$15 day-use parking fee

For more information, contact:

wbonnin@parks.ca.gov or 949.494.7647.

13th Annual Coastal Tree Lighting Ceremony with Santa

Saturday, December 5th, 3 p.m.

Crystal Cove State Park (Historic District)

For more information, contact:

Crystal Cove Alliance

www.crystalcovealliance.org

949.376.6200.

Longboard Collector Club Surf Swap

Saturday, December 5th, 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Doheny State Beach

This event will celebrate the roots of the longboard surfing culture. Club members will be showing, swapping, and selling historical surfing collectables and surfboards. Additionally, surf legends will be on site to sign boards and memorabilia.

For more information, contact:

vwiker@parks.ca.gov or 949.496.5290.

Sunset Photography Walk

Sunday, December 13th, 3 to 6 p.m.

Crystal Cove State Park

(Meet at Los Trancos parking lot)

Come capture the breathtaking views of Crystal Cove at sunset. All camera models (including point-and-shoot) are welcome.

\$15 day-use parking fee

For more information, contact:

wbonnin@parks.ca.gov or 949.494.7647.

Xterra Trail Race

Sunday, December 13th
Crystal Cove State Park

(El Moro)

For more information, contact:

wbonnin@parks.ca.gov or 949.494.7647.

Night Bike Ride

Tuesday, December 15th

Crystal Cove State Park

(El Moro)

Reservations required.

For more information, contact:

wbonnin@parks.ca.gov or 949.494.7647.

Gnatcatcher Population Study

Tuesday, December 22nd

Crystal Cove State Park

(Historic District, cottage #34)

For more information, contact:

wbonnin@parks.ca.gov or 949.494.7647.

Exploring the tidepools or catching a wave can depend on tides.
Please enjoy your state beaches in safety.

Date	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
1	719am +6.5	910pm +3.6	106am +2.0	248pm -1.1	640am	444pm	411pm	606am	Full
2	759am +6.7	958pm +3.6	146am +2.1	331pm -1.2	641am	444pm	511pm	714am	
3	842am +6.7	1049pm +3.6	228am +2.2	417pm -1.3	642am	444pm	618pm	816am	
4	928am +6.5	1144pm +3.7	316am +2.3	506pm -1.1	642am	444pm	730pm	911am	
5	1019am +6.1		412am +2.4	557pm -0.9	643am	444pm	842pm	958am	
6	1242am +3.8	1115am +5.6	520am +2.5	650pm -0.5	644am	444pm	952pm	1037am	
7	142am +4.0	1223pm +4.8	647am +2.5	744pm 0.0	645am	444pm	1100pm	1112am	3rd
8	239am +4.4	145pm +4.1	827am +2.3	839pm +0.5	646am	445pm		1144am	
9	331am +4.8	320pm +3.6	1002am +1.7	934pm +1.0	646am	445pm	1205pm	1214pm	
10	418am +5.2	453pm +3.5	1117am +1.0	1026pm +1.3	647am	445pm	109am	1245pm	
11	501am +5.6	611pm +3.4	1216pm +0.3	1115pm +1.7	648am	445pm	212am	117pm	
12	541am +5.9	715pm +3.5	104pm -0.3		649am	445pm	316am	153pm	
13	619am +6.0	807pm +3.5	1200am +2.0	147pm -0.7	649am	446pm	419am	233pm	New
14	655am +6.0	851pm +3.5	1241am +2.2	226pm -0.9	650am	446pm	520am	317pm	
15	730am +6.0	930pm +3.5	120am +2.3	302pm -0.9	651am	446pm	617am	407pm	
16	804am +6.0	1007pm +3.5	156am +2.4	337pm -0.9	651am	447pm	710am	502pm	
17	837am +5.9	1042pm +3.5	230am +2.4	411pm -0.7	652am	447pm	757am	558pm	
18	910am +5.7	1119pm +3.5	305am +2.4	445pm -0.5	652am	447pm	837am	656pm	
19	944am +5.4	1158pm +3.5	342am +2.5	519pm -0.2	653am	448pm	912am	753pm	1st
20	1018am +5.0		424am +2.6	553pm +0.1	654am	448pm	943am	849pm	
21	1239am +3.6	1055am +4.5	515am +2.7	628pm +0.4	654am	449pm	1011am	944pm	
22	122am +3.7	1138am +3.9	623am +2.7	703pm +0.8	655am	449pm	1037am	1039pm	
23	206am +3.9	1238pm +3.4	755am +2.6	741pm +1.1	655am	450pm	1103am	1135pm	
24	249am +4.1	214pm +2.9	938am +2.2	823pm +1.5	655am	450pm	1130am		
25	330am +4.5	415pm +2.7	1057am +1.6	913pm +1.8	656am	451pm	1158am	1232am	
26	411am +4.9	550pm +2.8	1152am +0.9	1010pm +2.1	656am	452pm	1231pm	133am	
27	453am +5.3	655pm +3.0	1237pm +0.2	1106pm +2.2	657am	452pm	109pm	236am	
28	536am +5.8	743pm +3.3	118pm -0.5	1159pm +2.2	657am	453pm	154pm	343am	
29	620am +6.2	825pm +3.5	159pm -1.1		657am	454pm	249pm	450am	
30	705am +6.6	905pm +3.6	1250am +2.1	240pm -1.4	657am	454pm	354pm	556am	Full
31	750am +6.8	945pm +3.8	139am +2.0	321pm -1.6	658am	455pm	505pm	655am	

California Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights

California State Parks encourages California's children to participate in outdoor activities and discover their heritage. Numerous studies have shown that children who participate in outdoor activities are healthier, do better in school, have better social skills and self-image, and lead more fulfilled lives. The California Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights provides that every child should have the right to:

Discover California's past

Splash in the water

Play in a safe place

Camp under the stars

Explore nature

Learn to swim

Play on a team

Follow a trail

Catch a fish

Celebrate their heritage

All of these activities can be done at California State Parks and once completed, a child can earn a certificate of achievement.

For more information, visit:

www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=24952

P.O.R.T.S.

(Parks Online Resources for Teachers and Students)

Crystal Cove State Park delivers live video-conference programs from the edge of the Pacific Ocean via the P.O.R.T.S. program. This resource provides teachers and students with live videoconferences. The units include lessons to prepare your students for the videoconference, supporting materials, and links to further resources. Once you have decided which program you would like to participate in, contact a program coordinator to schedule your live videoconference.

For more information, contact:

Brad Krey at bkrey@parks.ca.gov or 619.226.5785

www.ports.parks.ca.gov

Litter Getters

Protect our wildlife and earn prizes during your visits to California State Parks by joining the Litter Getter Program. You'll be helping to keep the parks clean while learning how you can make a difference. Our parks are special places. We need to treat them with care...and you can help! Ask California State Park staff at the entrance stations for details.

Bolsa Chica SB Visitor Center

Bolsa Chica State Beach

Monday through Thursday and Sunday

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information, contact:

714.377.5691.

San Clemente SB Visitor Center

San Clemente State Beach

Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For more information, contact:

cbrommer@parks.ca.gov or 949.366.8594.

El Moro Visitor Center

Crystal Cove State Park (El Moro)

Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday, 6 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information, contact:

949.494.3539.

Historic District Visitor Center **Crystal Cove State Park (Historic District)**

Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, contact:

wbonnin@parks.ca.gov or 949.494.3539.

Schedules subject to change.

Ticketron Trail Work Day **Saturday, December 12th, 8 a.m. to noon** **Crystal Cove State Park (Ticketron Trail)**

Volunteers are needed to assist in the restoration and realignment of the Ticketron Trail.

For more information, contact:

wbonnin@parks.ca.gov or 949.494.7647.

History Researchers and Videographer Needed

Volunteers are needed to assist in a history project that will capture the life and legacy of members of the historic Crystal Cove community on film. If you have experience doing historical research or shooting documentary-style films and would like to get involved, give us a call.

For more information, contact:

bliles@parks.ca.gov or 949.366.8503.

Visitor Center Volunteers and Docents Needed

Are you interested in coastal Orange County's natural and cultural resources? Volunteer and share your knowledge and interests with others.

For more information, contact:

bliles@parks.ca.gov or 949.366.8503.

Cooperating associations are non-profit charitable organizations dedicated to enhancing the educational and interpretive programs in California State Parks. Collectively, the network consists of 84 associations and serves most of the 279 state park units. These associations, with more than 27,000 members, provide critical funding for educational and programming needs that are impossible for state parks to provide.

Associations contribute more than 10 million dollars annually to fund critical staff positions, exhibits, visitor center developments, junior ranger and nature walk programs, living history demonstrations, special events and many other exciting projects.

The following cooperating associations support education and interpretation within the Orange Coast District of California State Parks:



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ALLIANCE**

www.crystalcovealliance.org
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www.crystalcovestatepark.com
949.494.3539



www.dohenystatebeach.org
949.496.6172



www.sanofoundation.org
949.366.8599

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