

## San Bernardino East Peak 24C

Lat/Lon 34.1247329,-116.9103056  
UTM 11S 508271E 3775990N

Elevation: 10,691'

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Location: San Bernardino County, about 10 miles northeast of Yucaipa, 89 miles from Los Angeles

Nearby peaks: San Bernardino Peak, Anderson Peak, Shields 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

San Bernardino East Peak is the 8th highest peak in Southern California, has fabulous views of Big Bear, San Geronio and the cities below. The lovely surrounding forest on the north side, less on the south side, burned in the massive 2020 El Dorado Fire, but is beginning to regrow slowly.

Route 1 is a straightforward hike to the summit via the Forsee Creek Trail. Route 2 is an extension of the San Bernardino Divide Trail, described in the guide for San Bernardino Peak. Route 3 starts at nearby Anderson Peak, reached by various routes. Route 4 takes the Momyer Trail which as of April 2024 is somewhat overgrown but passable. Proceed with caution in all burn zones. The four pack of peaks at the top of this ridge are often strung together for an epic multi-peak hike.

Special conditions: If backpacking in the area, there is water at springs along the Forsee Creek Trail.

Permits for day or overnight use are required for all routes and have a limit of 12. Permits can be obtained online from the San Geronio Wilderness Association at [swga.org](#) up to 90 days in advance or at the Mill Creek Ranger Station, 9 miles from Redlands on SR 38.

San Bernardino East Peak has 4 official HPS routes:

## San Bernardino East Peak Route 1- Forsee Creek Trail

Distance: 13 miles round trip on trail

Gain: 3990

Time: 7-8 hours round trip

Difficulty rating: Class 1, strenuous

Navigation difficulty:

Trailhead location on [Google Maps](#)

Road type: Dirt

Adventure Pass may be required

### Driving directions:

- Take I-10 east past San Bernardino to the Orange Street exit (SR 38).
- Go one block east, then go north (left) 0.5 mile to Lugonia Avenue. Turn right on SR 38 (east).
- Continue east on SR 38 about 26 miles to Jenks Lake Road on the right. Turn right (south).
- Drive 0.3 mile to a fork at a sign "Forsee Creek Trail". Turn right (southwest).
- Keep left at an immediate fork. Drive 0.5 mile farther to a parking lot at a sign "Forsee Creek Trail". Park here.

### Hiking directions:

- From the parking area (6720'), hike up the Forsee Creek Trail (1E06).
- At about 1/4 mile you will pass a Wilderness Area sign. About 200 yards farther the trail forks. Go left (signed "Jackstraw Springs").
- Proceed 5 1/2; miles to Trail Fork Springs at 10,400'.
- Turn right and go 1/2 mile to a junction with 1W07, the San Bernardino Peak Divide Trail.
- Hike west 1/4 mile to a fork with the Momyer Creek Trail (1E06) descending to the south.
- Continue west on 1W07 another 1/2 mile, where the trail starts down just past a large rock outcropping on the south. This is the turnoff for San Bernardino Peak.
- Leave the trail on the left and hike up to the rock outcropping. This is the summit of San Bernardino East Peak.

### Additional Route notes:

## San Bernardino East Peak Route 2- From San Bernardino Peak

Distance: 1 mile one way on trail from San Bernardino Peak, 16 miles total round trip

Difficulty rating: Class 1

Trailhead location on [Google Maps](#)

Adventure Pass may be required

Gain: 300

Time: 1/2 hour one way

Navigation difficulty: Easy

Road type: Paved

### Driving directions:

- See the San Bernardino Peak guide.

### Hiking directions:

- From the summit of San Bernardino Peak, descend down to the trail.
- Hike east on the trail down into a saddle at 10,400'+.
- Continue as the trail climbs 300' to where it passes a rock outcropping on the right.
- Leave the trail and hike up to the rock outcropping which is the summit.

### Additional Route notes:

From San Bernardino Peak.

## San Bernardino East Peak Route 3- From Anderson Peak

Distance: 1 1/2 mile one way on trail and cross-country from Anderson Peak, 11 miles round trip

Difficulty rating: Class 1

Trailhead location on [Google Maps](#)

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Gain: 200

Time: 1 hour one way

Navigation difficulty: Easy

Road type: Paved

### Driving directions:

- See the Anderson Peak guide.

### Hiking directions:

- From the summit of Anderson Peak, hike west down the ridge to the San Bernardino Peak Divide Trail.
- Continue west on the trail past the junction with the Momyer Trail.
- Where the trail passes a rock outcropping on the left, 1 1/2 miles from Anderson Peak, leave the trail on the left and hike south up to the outcropping which is the summit.

### Additional Route notes:

From Anderson Peak.

## San Bernardino East Peak Route 4- Momyer Creek Trail

Distance: 16 miles round trip on trail

Gain: 5170

Time: 8-9 hours round trip

Difficulty rating: Class 1, very strenuous

Navigation difficulty: Moderate

Trailhead location on [Google Maps](#)

Road type: Paved

Adventure Pass may be required

### Driving directions:

- Take I-10 east past San Bernardino to the Orange Street exit (SR 38).
- Go one block east, then go north (left) 0.5 mile to Lugonia Avenue. Turn right on SR 38 (east).
- Go 8.0 miles to the Mill Creek Ranger Station.
- Continue east on SR 38 about 5 miles to the Valley of the Falls Road on the right. Turn right.
- Drive 2.9 miles to a parking area on the left. Park here.

### Hiking directions:

- From the parking area (5520'), hike up the Momyer Creek Trail (1E06). At approximately 3 miles and 7300' elevation there is a difficult to see junction with the Old Momyer trail. Continue on this trail to its junction with the San Bernardino Peak Trail (1W07) in a saddle. The Old Momyer trail is apparently no longer maintained and is overgrown and often indistinct.
- Turn left and hike west another 1/2 mile, where the trail starts down just past a large rock outcropping on the south. This is the turnoff for San Bernardino Peak.
- Leave the trail on the left and hike up to the rock outcropping. This is the summit of San Bernardino East Peak.

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