

## Dos Vientos - Vista Del Mar Loop



### Highlights

- This route is 4.9 miles long with about 800' of ascent.
- The Twin Ponds, roughly half way along Vista Del Mar Trail. If there was a substantial amount of rain the preceding winter, there will be waterfowl in the ponds.
- The view is constantly changing on these hilly trails, overlooking Dos Vientos for much of the loop, but also overlooking Long Grade Canyon and Camarillo. Boney Mountain is visible in the distance to the south.
- The **Vista Del Mar Trail** is a segment of the 2026 Conejo Open Space Challenge (<https://cosf.org/challenge>; colored green on the map below).

### Description

The route circumnavigates the western half of Dos Vientos, so that on one side of the trail you can see the neighborhoods but on the other is a view of the Santa Monica Mountains, Long Grade Canyon, Camarillo, Conejo Mountain, and, of course, the Twin Ponds.

This loop will give you a better workout than you might expect from only five miles because the trails are pretty hilly so there's quite a bit of elevation gain. For mountain bikers, the El Rincon Trail is a steep climb, especially at the bottom.

If you would like to see the Twin Ponds without traveling the whole route, you can park on Via Ricardo near the northeast end of Vista Del Mar Trail and hike or ride in from there.

### Key Statistics

**Distance:** 4.9 Miles

**Cumulative Climbing and Descent:** Approximately 800'.

**Popularity:** These trails are very popular, especially since there are so many connections to the adjacent neighborhoods. You will probably encounter other trail users on your excursion.

**Parking:** Free at Dos Vientos Community Park on the northwest corner of Rancho Dos Vientos Drive and Borchard Road.

**Tread Surface:** Hard packed trails of various widths . Some sections have minor ruts and/or possibly slippery loose sand on top.

**Hazards:** Watch for poison oak at the side of El Rincon Trail.

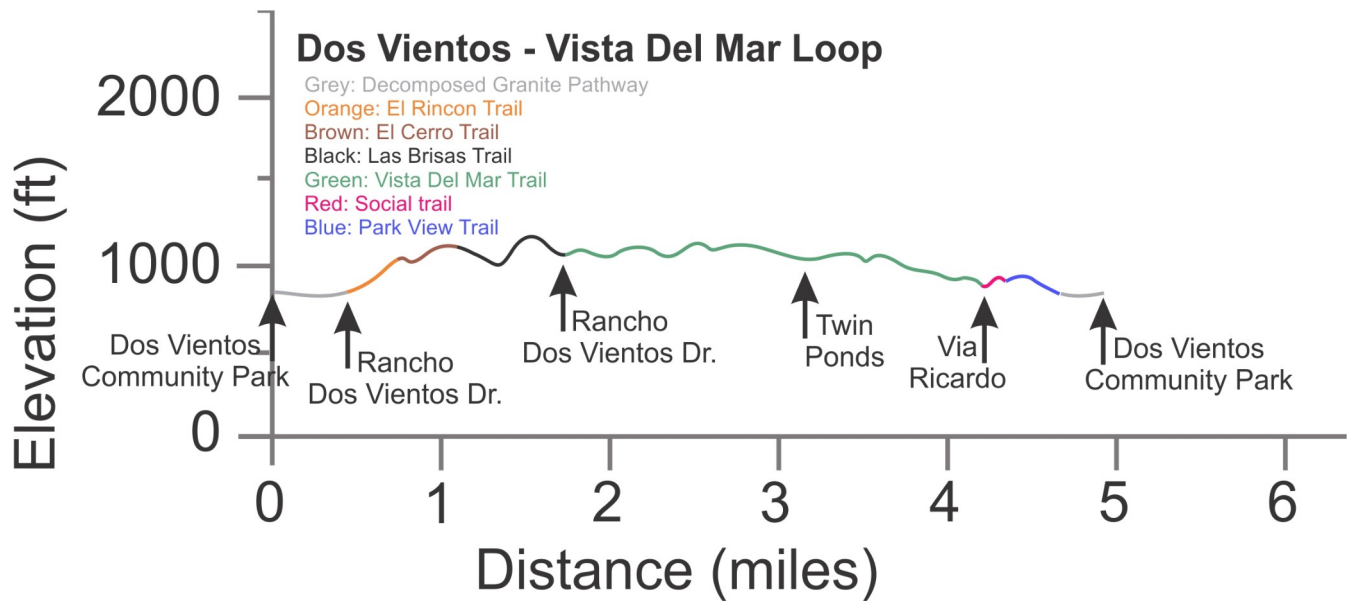
**Facilities:** Restrooms, picnic tables and playing fields at Dos Vientos Community Park.

**Connections:** To several other trails in Dos Vientos.

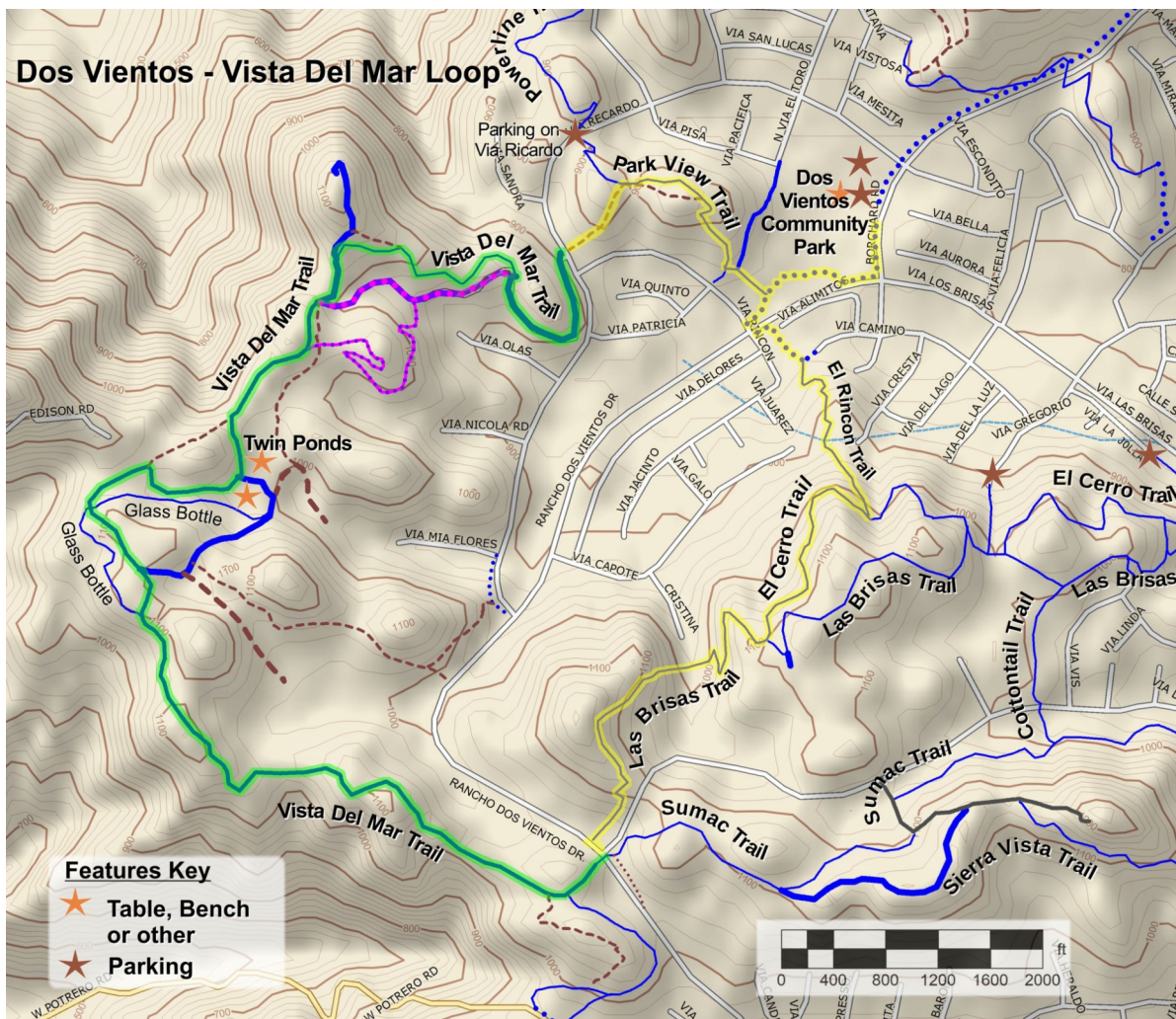
**Directions:** Dos Vientos Community Park: From the 101 Freeway in Newbury Park, exit at Borchard Road. Drive 3.4 miles and turn into the Dos Vientos Community Park on the right, just after Via Ricardo (and before Via Las Brisas).

**Map:** <https://tinyurl.com/3vuj7qu>

## Elevation Profile (Traveling clockwise around the loop)



## Route Map (2026 Conejo Open Space Challenge trail is highlighted in green)



The dotted purple and pink lines represent trails on private property and are not open to the public.

Map courtesy of <https://www.venturacountytrails.org>

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## Photos

El Rincon Trail



El Cerro Trail



Las Brisas Trail



Dos Vientos Community Park



Vista Del Mar Trail



(with Long Grade Canyon in the background)

