

Oakbrook Vista & Little Sandstone Trails



Highlights

- Oakbrook Vista Trail quickly gains elevation to give a good view over Oakbrook Regional Park and Lang Ranch Open Space to the north. You'll get a great view of Albertson Motorway as it winds its way up the hills.
- The very rugged Little Sandstone Trail passes through what could be some of the most beautiful sandstone rock formations in the county
- The "Mini Tripeaks" on Little Sandstone Trail is a great place to explore the rock formations, and to stop for a snack or lunch

Description

This short out-and-back route of only 4 miles has a lot of climbing. On the way out, 1.6 miles is climbing, and that works out to about 600' on average per mile of climbing. But the views you'll see on the way up are worth the effort! The Little Sandstone Trail climbs the ridge that leads to Simi Peak. You'll see amazing sandstone rock formations right beside the trail, and you'll look down into the rest of Oakbrook Regional Park. There are lots of places along the trail to sit on a rock and have a snack or lunch while you take in the view. Being on a ridge, you'll have your choice of looking south over the neighborhoods along Kanan Road, or north over Oakbridge Regional Park and Lang Ranch further away.

Key Statistics

Distance: 4.0 miles out-and-back

Cumulative Climbing and Descent: About 1000'

Parking: Free on Lang Ranch Parkway at the trailhead

Popularity: Oakbrook Vista Trail is moderately popular so you may see other people on it. Little Sandstone Trail is almost always deserted because it's not well known, and it's too difficult for most casual hikers.

Tread Surface: Hard packed trails of various widths. Some sections have minor ruts and/or possibly slippery loose sand on top. Little Sandstone Trail is steep and rugged - not appropriate for mountain bikes.

Hazards: Little Sandstone Trail is extremely steep in places and can be slippery. Make sure your hiking boots have good lug soles.

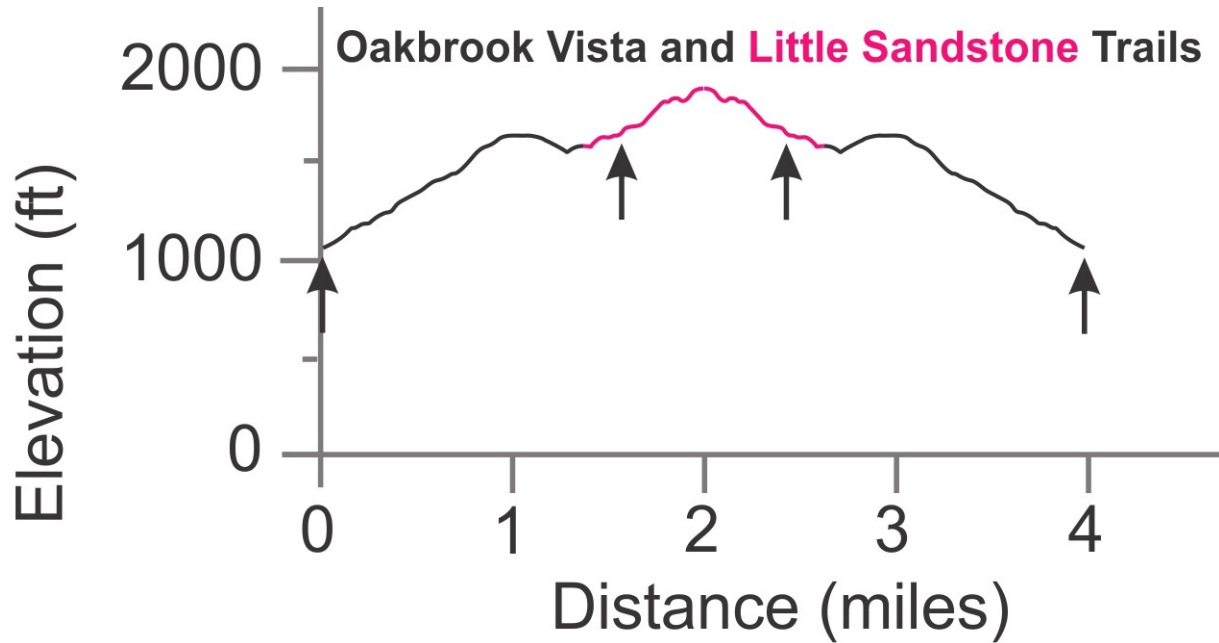
Facilities: There is a restroom and picnic facilities at the nearby Lang Ranch Neighborhood Park.

Connections: To other trails in the Oakbrook Open Space area.

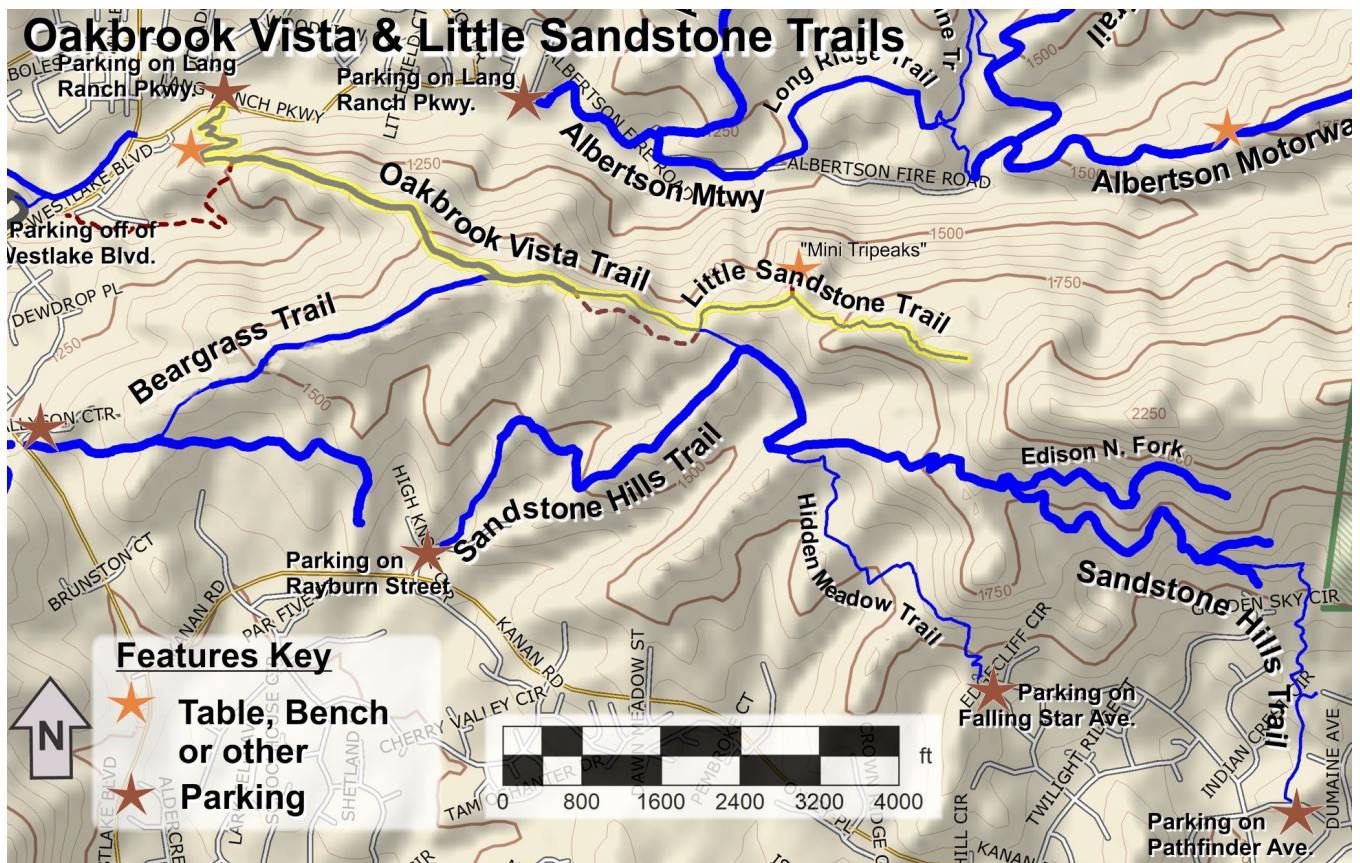
Directions: From the 23 Freeway in Thousand Oaks, exit at Avenida De Los Arboles, turning east. Drive 1.4 miles to Westlake Blvd, turn right, then left immediately onto Lang Ranch Parkway. Park at the side of the road at the trailhead, 0.2 miles from the corner.

Map: <https://bit.ly/yHZgfV>

Elevation Profile



Route Map



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Photos

Oakbrook Vista Trail



Little Sandstone Trail



