

Los Padres – Lily Tomlin Loop



Highlights

- Easy 3.4 mile hike
- Beautiful oak forest at the bottom of Los Padres Trail
- View over Thousand Oaks all the way to Topatopa Bluff from Los Robles Overlook
- “Lily Tomlin” picnic table at the base of the “Lily Tomlin Trail”

Description

This is an easy loop that can be traveled in either direction. It has a quarter mile section along the road to connect the bottoms of the Los Robles (West) and Los Padres Trails.

This very popular route covers a variety of terrain, from oak forest along the Los Padres Trail, spectacular views from the Los Robles Overlook, a chaparral meadow along the Los Robles East section if you choose to bypass the Overlook (dashed line in the map below) where you may see a roadrunner, to the giant picnic table at the bottom of the “Lily Tomlin” Trail. This table is what gives the trail its name; sit on the bench and you’ll feel like a little kid again!

The tread surface is firm and mostly fairly even, but it does become a little uneven on the steeper downhill sections of Los Robles Overlook.

For mountain bikers, this is a popular add-on loop to make the ride a few miles longer. The “Lily Tomlin” and Los Padres Trails are both really fun to ride.

Key Statistics

Popularity: High likelihood of encountering other visitors. Mountain bikers take note!

Parking: Free on Los Padres Drive

Distance: 3.4 miles

Cumulative Climbing: 500’

Cumulative Descent: 500’

Tread Surface: Singletrack trail and fire road; firm with some uneven sections

Hazards: Little shade on the fire roads. Poison Oak grows near the south-east end of Los Robles Overlook.

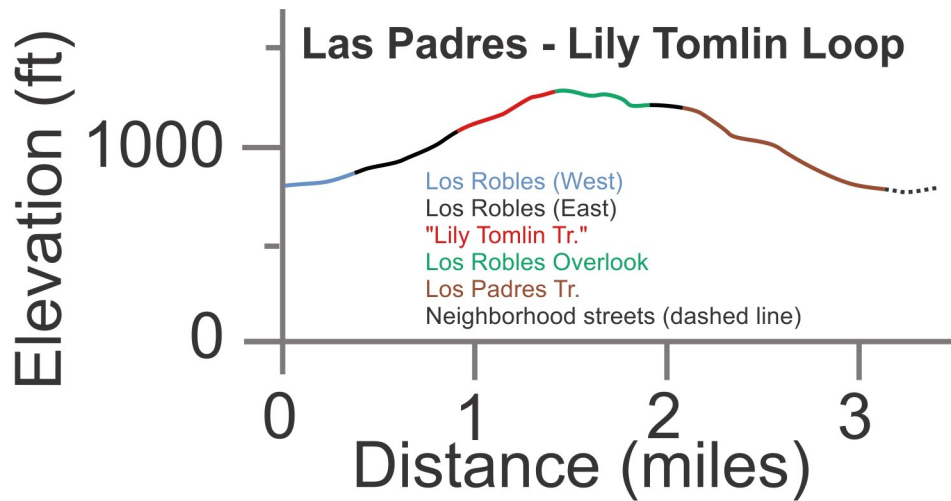
Facilities: No bathrooms or water; there are two benches on Los Robles Overlook; a bike repair station at the Moorpark Rd. parking area; picnic table at the bottom of Lily Tomlin Tr.

Connections: Los Robles (East) to Triunfo Canyon Trail and beyond; Los Robles (West) to “Space Mountain”, Spring Canyon, Oak Creek Canyon Loop and Ceanothus Trails.

Driving Directions: From the 101 Freeway in Thousand Oaks, turn south on Moorpark Rd. Drive 0.5 miles to the parking area at the corner of Greenmeadow Ave.

Map: <http://bit.ly/vnnmUF>

Elevation Profile, starting at the parking area on Moorpark Rd. and traveling counterclockwise around the loop.



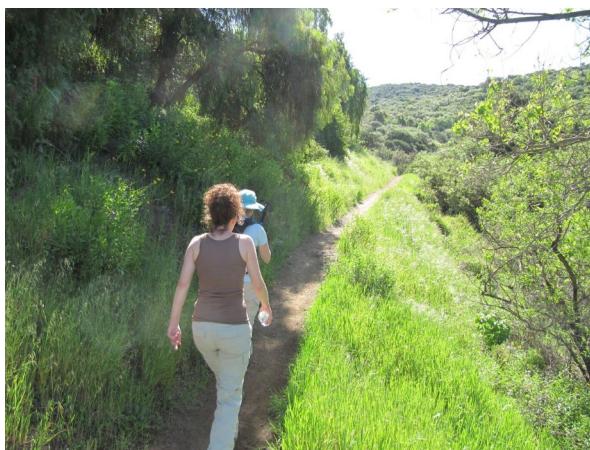
The orange stars show the locations of benches and a picnic table.

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

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Photos

Los Padres Trail



Los Robles Overlook



Lily Tomlin Trail

