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## Irvine Regional Park

This year's cover portrays Irvine Regional Park, which is known for its heritage oak and sycamore trees and is nestled within Santiago Canyon beneath the Santa Ana Mountains in the City of Orange. Rolling foothills filled with a variety of wildlife surround the park. As the oldest regional park in California (founded in 1897), Irvine Regional Park offers a wonderful blend of rustic charm with modern amenities and a wide array of recreational activities within a natural setting. In addition, the Orange County Zoo is located inside beautiful Irvine Park.

### Park Activities

The park provides a myriad of recreational opportunities including picnicking, barbecuing, trailing, and sports activities. Tables and barbecues are located throughout the 477 acre park with convenient parking and restroom facilities nearby. A paved bicycle/walking trail meanders through the central park providing easy access to six playgrounds, four softball fields, two horse shoe pits, volleyball courts and lagoon. A four mile equestrian trail skirts the perimeter of the central park providing scenic views of the park and its natural scenery. A lookout trail is on the north slope of the natural area where a covered shelter, watering trough and water fountain are available.

Irvine Regional Park provides several popular concession attractions for your enjoyment. They include the Irvine Park Railroad, bicycle rentals, snack bars, pony rides, guided trail rides on horseback, riding lessons and a boarding stable. Additional park amenities include three reserved picnic areas for large groups, several playgrounds, a small fishing lake, paved and unpaved trails, ball fields, horseshoe pits and a sand volley ball court.

Irvine Regional Park is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, recognizing its place in local and national history. On October 5, 1997, Irvine Park celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Memorializing the event is an 8-foot-tall bronze statue of James Irvine II erected near the band shell, and an installation of a facsimile of the original Orange County Park Archway at the original 1898 entry.

Irvine Regional Park is situated in Santiago Canyon, 6 miles east of the city of Orange, at 1 Irvine Park Road, Orange, CA 92869 and is open daily from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (fall □ winter) and 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. (spring - summer). For more information about Irvine Regional Park, please visit <http://www.ocparks.com/irvinepark> or contact the park office at (714) 973-6835.

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