

# Enjoy Pismo Beach!



Pismo Beach has many trails, parks and beach access locations that offer everything from an easy walk to a challenging hike, a leisurely bike ride, beautiful ocean views and recreation opportunities.

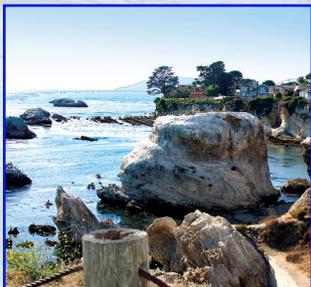
Flip this page for a map of Beach walking trails and bikeways. Match the letter of the walking trail on the map with a location around the map that gives the length of the trail, its location, and its difficulty— from easy to difficult. See the back of the brochure for start and stop GPS coordinates for each walking trail.



**Use this guide to help you get started!**

Fold out the entire brochure to see a larger map of Pismo Beach. This map includes all

City Parks, Courts and Beach Access Points. Match the number of the location with a description positioned around the map. These descriptions give directions to and the location of the park as well as a summary of the park facilities.



## Monarch Butterfly Tours



Monarch Butterfly Tours at the Monarch Butterfly Grove. These beautiful orange and black “fairy-like” creatures begin to appear in late October in California’s largest Monarch grove. Thousands cluster in our Eucalyptus trees, giving the appearance of golden leaves. The Monarch butterfly grove is located on Highway 1 just south of the North Pismo State Beach Campground. Free admission, parking and docents. Don’t miss this spectacular wonder of nature. For more information, please contact the Visitor Information Center at 800-443-7778.

## Price Anniversary House



Price Anniversary House tours must be accompanied by a Docent. Contact 773-4854 to make house tour arrangements.

## Guided Nature Hikes



Guided hikes to ancient Chumash Indian sites in the dunes and elsewhere, are offered regularly by State Park Docents and the Natural History Association.

The Dunes Center : (805) 343-2455



## Parks, Trails & Beaches



Discover Pismo Beach walking trails

Explore a City park

Take a bike ride with an ocean view

Find out how to access the beach



### Need More Information?

Check out these websites:  
[www.pismo-beach.org](http://www.pismo-beach.org)  
[www.ClassicCalifornia.com](http://www.ClassicCalifornia.com)

Or give us a call at:  
(805) 773-4658  
1 (800) 443-7778



# PISMO BEACH PARKS, COURTS, AND BEACH ACCESS LOCATIONS



**1 Sunset Palisade's Ocean Viewpoints and Bluff Trail.** Outstanding viewpoints at the end of Encanto, Topaz, and Florin streets and the Bluff's trail. Walking trail from the end of Bluffs Drive (northerly City limits) to Searidge Ct. Hwy 101S and 101N Spyglass exit. Take El Portal to Indio and turn left; down to the end of Indio, right turn to the Bluffs Trail on Bluff Dr. May continue onto outside of City (dirt trail). 

**2 Shell Beach Road and Encanto courts.** Two basketball/tennis courts on Shell Beach Rd. at Encanto. Hwy 101S and 101N Spyglass exit, turn right on Shell Beach Rd., 1/2 mile on right. 

**3 Palisades Park.** 6-acre park, basketball court, playground, horseshoes, picnic tables, benches, bbq, and grassy area. Tennis courts across Shell Beach Rd. Hwy 101S and 101N Spyglass exit, turn right on Shell Beach Rd. to Hermosa, turn left. 

**4 Beachcomber Drive Beach Access Stairs.** Concrete, steel and wood stairs from blufftop to beach at the end of Beachcomber Dr. Tide pool access. Hwy 101S and 101N Spyglass exit, right on Shell Beach Rd, travel to Beachcomber Dr. north or south and turn left. 

**5 South Palisades Park.** Spectacular scenic ocean-viewing one-mile linear coastal park with benches, picnic tables and a grassy area. Hwy 101S and 101N Spyglass exit, right turn on Shell Beach Rd. Travel to Searidge, Beachcomber (North or South), Silver Shoals Dr. or Ebb Tide. 

**6 Ebb Tide Park.** Secluded ocean bluff fronting grassy area park located at the end of Ebb Tide off Shell Beach Road. Hwy 101S and 101N Spyglass exit, right turn on Shell Beach Rd. Left at Ebb Tide. 

**7 8 Cliff's, Dolphin Bay, Spyglass Hotels, Coastal Bluff Trails and Beach Access.** 2757, 2727 and 2705 Shell Beach Rd. 1/2 mile ocean blufftop linear trail behind hotels, beach access at the Cliffs' hotel. Hwy 101S and 101N Shellbeach Rd. exits, right on Shell Beach Rd. Public parking available at all hotels. 

**9 Spyglass Park.** 4-1/2 acre park with playground, grassy area, restroom, picnic tables, benches, bbq areas, and bike parking. Hwy 101S and 101N Spyglass exit, go straight across Shell Beach Rd. onto Spyglass. Follow Spyglass for a scenic view of the ocean and access on a challenging trail to a 1-1/2 mile sandy beach and tide pools. 

**10 Memory Park/Point Vista.** 1/2-acre bluff-top park, picnic tables, bbq and benches, beautiful ocean viewing. Hwy 101S and 101N Spyglass exit, take left on Shell Beach Rd., turn right onto Seacrest. 

**11 Shell Beach School Play Equipment.** 4-acre school ball fields and playground overlooking the ocean, play equipment available for use after school hours. Hwy 101S and 101N Spyglass exit, turn left at Shell Beach Rd., drive to Terrace, turn right. 

**17 Shelter Cove Hotel Open Space.** 2651 Price St. 3-1/2 acre open space. Gazebo outlook, parking, blufftop walkway and beach access stairs. Hwy 101N Price St. exit, turn under freeway to Price St., take a right; Hwy 101S Spyglass exit, turn left on Shell Beach Road. 

**18 Shore Cliff Hotel open space.** 2555 Price St. Ocean viewing walkway. Hwy 101N Price St. exit, turn under freeway to Price St., take a right; Hwy 101S Spyglass exit, turn left on Shell Beach Rd. 

**12 Eldwayen Ocean Park.** Beach access at Vista Del Mar and Morro. A 1-1/2 mile ocean front park with grassy picnic areas and two beach stairways to sandy beach and tide pools. Hwy 101S and 101N Spyglass exit, turn left on Shell Beach Road and turn toward the ocean on any street from Vista Del Mar to Morro. 

**14 Pier Ave Stairs.** Beach access stairway to large tide pool area. Hwy 101S and 101N Spyglass exit, left on Shell Beach Rd. to Pier. Turn toward the ocean. 

**15 Margo Dodd Park and Gazebo.** Ocean front blufftop park: breathtaking ocean viewing, gazebo, grassy area and bicycle parking. Excellent photography spot! Hwy 101N Price St. exit, turn under freeway to Price St., take a right, turn left at Seaview. Hwy 101S Spyglass exit, turn left on Shell Beach Road to Seaview, turn right. Park is located at the end of Seaview. 

**16 Dinosaur Caves Park.** 11-acre ocean front park is for walkers, joggers, photographers, dog lovers, and fishing enthusiasts. Trails, amphitheater, restroom, open grassy areas, play area, scenic ocean overlooks, benches and tables. Hwy 101N Price St. exit, turn under freeway to Price St., take a right, turn left at Cliff. Hwy 101S Spyglass exit, turn left on Shell Beach Road to Cliff, turn right. At corner of Cliff and Shell Beach Rd. 

**19 Cottage Inn, Pismo Lighthouse Suites, Seacrest Hotel blufftop trail and beach access.** 2241, 2351, 2411 Price. Blufftop trail/beach access, Seacrest Hotel. Handicapped lift available. Hwy 101N Price St. exit, turn under freeway to Price St., take a right; Hwy 101S Spyglass exit, turn left on Shell Beach Road. 

**20 Wilmar Stairs.** Beach access stairway. Hwy 101N Price St. exit, turn right on Price to Wilmar, turn left; Hwy 101S Price St., turn left down Price to Wilmar, turn right. 

**21 Boosinger Park.** Play equipment, drinking fountain, picnic tables, bbqs and benches. Spectacular city and ocean views. Hwy 101S Price St. exit, turn left down Price St. to Wadsworth, turn left up the hill to the park. Hwy 101N, Wadsworth exit, turn right staying on Wadsworth to the Park. 

### How to Use this Guide:

 public parking lot  street parking  beach access parking

 this symbol indicates that the location has a walking/hiking trail system; see the other side of this brochure for a map of City trails.

 Dogs on leashes are permitted in all parks.  Mutt mitts are available at all parks.

**R = Some areas available for reservation.**

### Parks, Courts and Beach Access Locations Legend

-  City Park/Open Space Locations
-  Ocean Viewing Spots
-  Tennis/Basketball Courts
-  City Parks
-  Ocean Viewing Points
-  Beach Access/Public Stairs
-  Streets
-  Highway 101
-  Highway 101 On/Off Ramps

**22 Wadsworth and Bello Courts.** Two tennis and basketball courts. Hwy 101S Price St. exit, turn left down Price St. to Wadsworth, turn left. Hwy 101N, Wadsworth exit, turn right. 

**23 Wadsworth Ave Stairs.** Beach access. Hwy 101S Price St. exit, turn left down Price to Wadsworth, turn right. Hwy 101N, Wadsworth exit, turn left. 

**24 Main Street Stairs.** Beach access. Hwy 101S Price St. exit, turn down Dolliver to Main, turn right. Hwy 101N, Wadsworth exit, left. Left on Price St., right on Main. 

**25 Pismo State Beach, Pier, beach volleyball, the Promenade and Pismo Creek Trail.** Volleyball courts at the end of Wadsworth near the Pier. Promenade is adjacent to the beach from the Pier to Addie. Public restrooms, sand showers, play equipment, benches, and drinking fountains. Enjoy surfing, fishing and swimming. Parking lots adjacent to the Pier (end of Pomeroy) and the end of Addie. Main St. stairs lead to beach and volleyball courts. Pismo Creek bird life viewing terminating into the ocean. Hwy 101S and Hwy 101N Downtown exits, follow signs to arrive at the beach/creek/parking lots. 

**26 Mary Herrington Park.** One acre park along Pismo Creek, with a restroom, grassy recreation area, picnic tables/benches, bbqs, drinking fountain and bike parking. Hwy 101S Hinds Ave. exit right to Dolliver, turn left. Hwy 101N Wadsworth exit, turn left to Dolliver, turn left. Park is right before the bridge over Pismo Creek to the right. 

**27 Ira Lease Park.** One acre park adjacent to Dolliver street with entry to Pismo Creek Trail, grassy area, picnic tables and benches, bbqs, drinking fountain, restroom and play equipment, and bike parking. Hwy 101S Hinds Ave. exit, take right to Dolliver, turn left. Hwy 101N Wadsworth exit, turn left to Dolliver, turn left. 

**28 Pismo Beach Monarch Butterfly Grove / Promenade 3 to Grover Beach.** On Dolliver Street/Highway 1 the area provides improved trail access to Pismo State Beach and butterfly grove. Seating areas available. Thousands of butterflies can be seen from November through early March. Hwy 101S Hinds Ave. exit to Dolliver, turn left. Hwy 101N Wadsworth exit, turn left to Dolliver, turn left. Contact State Parks at 805-773-7170 for more information. 

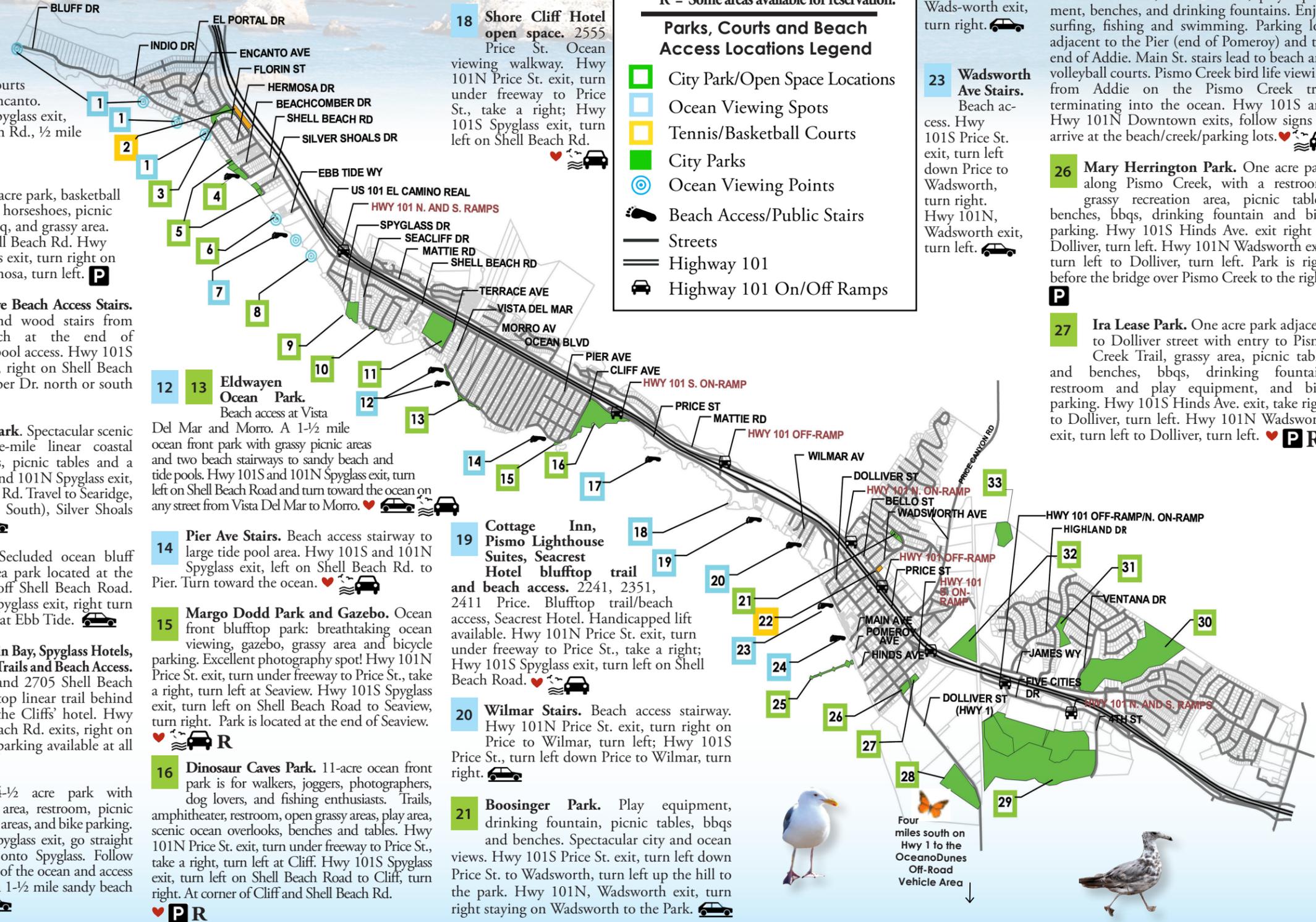
**29 Pismo Lakes and Overlook.** Three islands and a multitude of plant and bird life. Viewing access from the City owned adjacent one acre. Hwy 101S and 101N access from 4th Street, located on Fourth Street just west of the 4th street and Highway 101 interchange. Contact State Parks at 805-773-7170, M-F 8 AM - 5 PM, for more information.

**30 Chumash Park.** 38-acre park, children's play equipment, walking trail, picnic area and hard court for basketball play. Hwy 101N at 4th St., right, left onto James Way, right on Ventana, the park is to the left. Hwy 101S 4th St. exit, right onto Five Cities Drive, right again on 4th Street, left on James Way and right on Ventana. 

**31 Highland Park.** 7-acre park with picnic areas and play equipment. Hwy 101N James Way exit and Hwy 101S 4th St. exit, take James Way to Highland to the park. 

**32 Pismo Beach Sports Complex.** 5.5-acre site, three ball fields and picnic areas. Hwy 101S Hinds Ave. exit and Hwy 101N Wadsworth exit over Price St. to Dolliver. Take South Dolliver St. to Frady Lane, turn east and go under the Highway to reach the ball fields. 

**33 Price Historic Park.** Four acre park "in the country" with hiking trails, Class 1 bike trails and open space. The gated Price Anniversary and Meherin houses can be toured by appointment. Contact 805-773-4658 M-F 8 AM - 5 PM for a docent contact. From Hwy 101 S: 4th St. exit, south to Highland, take a left on Rancho Pismo to the Park. From 101 N: Five Cities Dr. exit, turn left on Five Cities Dr., left on 4th St., left onto James Wy., right on Highland, left on Rancho Pismo. For bicycle/pedestrian access follow directions to the ball fields (#32 above) and continue east along Frady Lane. 



Four miles south on Hwy 1 to the Oceano Dunes Off-Road Vehicle Area

# PISMO BEACH TRAIL AND BIKE LANE GUIDE

**N** Shorecliff Hotel Open Space. ¼ mile concrete walkway at 2555 Price St.

## TRAIL GUIDE LEGEND

- Walking Trails
- Bike Lanes
- Easy Trails
- Moderately Difficult Trails
- Difficult Trails
- Streets
- Highway 101
- City Parks
- Hwy 101 On/Off Ramps

- ### PARKING
- public
  - on-street
  - beach access
  - Leashed dogs permitted
  - Mutt mits usually available.
  - Most trails located in or near City Parks.

Pismo Coastal Trails are marked with this emblem as a part of the California Coastal Trail.

More info: [www.californiacoastaltrail.info](http://www.californiacoastaltrail.info)

**A** Bluffs Coastal Trail. 1 mile concrete oceanfront bluff-top trail at the far north end of Indio Drive connects to a SLO County trail leading to Avila Beach just outside of city limits.

**B** Indio Dr. and Sunset Palisades Ocean Viewpoints. ¾ mile on-street trail at the intersection of Indio Dr. and El Portal Dr.



**C** South Palisades Parks Trails and Beachcomber Beach Access Stairway. 1 mile concrete and dirt trail from Silver Shoals Dr. to the end of Sea Ridge Ct.

**D** Cliff's Hotel Beach Access Trail. ¼ mile trail and stairway at 2757 Shell Beach Rd.

**E** Cliff's Hotel Blufftop Trail. ¼ mile concrete trail at 2757 Shell Beach Rd.

**F** Dolphin Bay Resort Blufftop Trail. ¼ mile concrete trail at 2727 Shell Beach Rd.

**G** Spyglass Inn Trail. ½ mile dirt and concrete blufftop trail at 2705 Shell Beach Rd.

**H** Spyglass Park Beach Trails. ½ mile dirt trail to the beach and walking trail behind Seacliff located at Spyglass Park in Pismo Beach. Unimproved **DIFFICULT** beach access.

**I** Ocean Blvd/ Eldwayen Ocean Park Walks and Beach Access Stairways. ¼ mile dirt and on-street trail located on Ocean Blvd. from Vista Del Mar to Boeker St. through Eldwayen and Ocean Parks. Beach access stairways at Vista Del Mar and Morro.

**J** Ocean Blvd Walk along Margo Dodd Park Pier Ave and Beach Access Stairway. ½ mile dirt trail at Ocean Blvd and Margo Dodd Park.

**K** Janowicz Path. ¾ mile concrete trail on Price St. at Cliff Ave.

**L** Dinosaur Caves Park Trails. ½ mile concrete and decomposed granite trail at the end of Cliff Ave.

**M** Shelter Cove Hotel Open Space, Beach and Blufftop Access. ¼ mile, concrete walkway at 2651 Price St.

**O** Cottage Inn and Pismo Lighthouse Suites Blufftop Trail. ¼ mile concrete and decomposed granite trail at 2351 and 2411 Price St. Handicapped lift available.

**P** Sea Crest Hotel (2241 Price,) Wilmar, and Wadsworth Street Beach-Access Stairway and Beach Walk. ½ mile sand trail at end of each street. Beach access stairs from Sea Crest Hotel and Wilmar.

**Q** Main Street, Pismo Beach Pier and Promenade. ¼ mile oceanfront wood and concrete raised walkway at the end of Main to the end of Addie Street.

**R** Pismo Creek Trail. ½ mile sand, concrete and dirt trail along Addie St. and Pismo Creek.

**S** Promenade 3. 1-½ mile concrete, wood and sand trail from Addie St. in Pismo Beach to the end of Grand Avenue in Grover Beach.

**T** Chumash Park Trail. ½ mile dirt trail located at Chumash Park.

**U** Price Historic Park Trail. Trail runs the length of the park and includes a ¼ mile Class 1 bike trail. See various Park guide directions (over).

Adjacent James Way Oak Park Habitat and Wildlife Preserve Trail in Arroyo Grande.

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Fold out the entire brochure here for a larger map of Pismo Beach with City parks, beach access stairs and basketball/tennis court locations

