Orange County Magical History Loop Tour with fun trivia questions

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General Instructions

This is a fun site-seeing tour in and out of the suburbs and through the back country of Orange County.

There won't be on many open roads with the exception of Santiago and Modjeska Canyon roads.

Speaking of Modjeska, be careful making the left turn from Modjeska Grade back onto Santiago Canyon. Also note that there are no services along Santiago Canyon, so start that stretch with a full tank and an empty bladder. The directions mention that last gas station before the dead zone.

There are no specified breaks until near the end, when we stop at the Ocean Institute in Dana Point Harbor. Bathrooms there; otherwise, you'll have to improvise along the route. The directions note the Chevron station on E. Chapman, corner of Jamboree, which is the last gas before the canyon roads.

The trivia questions are strictly for fun [but in the initial running of this tour, prizes were awarded for the most correct answers]. The questions are interspersed with the directions.

Driving Directions

Starting Point: Crystal Cove Shopping Center, 7845-8085 East Coast Highway, Newport Beach, CA 92657

• Leave Crystal Cove Center going north Pacific Coast Highway

1) What is the specialty at the historic Crystal Cove Shake Shack (on your left)?

- Left onto Poppy (Signal)
- Right onto Ocean (Stop Sign)

- Right onto Fernleaf Ave.
- Left onto Bayside Dr. (Stop Sign)
- Left onto Pacific Coast Highway (Signal)
- Right onto Dover Dr (Signal)

• Right onto Irvine Ave. (Signal) Irvine Ave. becomes Campus Drive

2) This airport's namesake played football for what college?

3) Who's car museum, open from 1966 to '86, was located on Baker Street (at other side of airport)?

- Left onto MacArthur Blvd. (Signal)
- Right onto Red Hill Ave. (Signal)

4) What well-known sports car was designed in the building at Red Hill Ave. and Mc Gaw Ave.?

5) What hung out in the large buildings on your right (between Barranca and Edinger)?

- Left onto Irvine Blvd. (Signal)
- Right onto Newport Ave. (Signal)

• Right onto E Chapman Ave. (Signal) (Last gas before Santiago Cyn. will be on the right before intersection of Jamboree Rd. at 8544 E Chapman Ave, Orange)

- Continue straight onto Santiago Canyon Road
- Left onto Modjeska Canyon Rd

6) The namesake of Modjeska Canyon did what for a living? Where was she from?

- Bear right at bridge, staying on Modjeska Canyon Rd
- Straight after bridge onto Modjeska Grade Rd
- Left onto Santiago Canyon Rd (Stop Sign Be careful making this turn. Traffic moves fast on Santiago Cnyn Rd.)

Left onto Live Oak Canyon Rd

7) Most patrons of the establishment at the corner Santiago and Live Oak arrive on what sort of vehicle?

Live Oak Canyon Rd becomes Trabuco Cyn

• Trabuco Canyon Rd turns Right and becomes Plano Trabuco Rd

- Right onto Santa Margarita Pkwy. (Signal)
- Left onto Antonio Pkwy. (Signal)
- Right onto Benjamin (Signal)
- Right onto O'Neill (Round-a-bout)
- Right onto Crown Valley Pkwy. (Signal)
- Left onto Marguerite Pkwy. (Signal)
- Right onto Avery (stay in right lane under highway) (Signal)
- Left onto Camino Capistrano (Signal)

8) What is the oldest structure in Orange County (it will be on your left)?

9) El Adobe Restaurant (on your right) was the favorite restaurant of which US President?

• Right onto Del Obispo (Signal)

• Del Obispo becomes Dana Point Harbor Dr after crossing PCH (at Signal)

DP Harbor Dr. to Ocean Institute for photos, restrooms in outbuilding near entrance to lot

10) Who was Dana Point named after? What was the name of the book he wrote?

11) What two islands are visible offshore on a clear day?

• Exit Ocean Institute onto Dana Point Harbor Dr

• Right onto Golden Lantern (First Signal)

• Golden Lantern turns 90 degrees left, park in lot at its end. Harbor Deli and Jon's Fish Market will be to the left of the Catalina ferry building at 34665 Golden Lantern Drive, Dana Point 92629.

TO RETURN TO HIGHWAY 5 - both NB and SB

- Exit parking lot onto Golden Lantern
- Right onto Harbor Drive (Signal)
- Right onto Pacific Coast Highway (Signal)
- Bear left up hill following signs to Highway 5