

## 1: California 14ers - [www.enganchecubano.com](http://www.enganchecubano.com)

*In the mountaineering parlance of the Western United States, a fourteener is a mountain peak with an elevation of at least 14,000 feet ( meters). This is a complete list of the 12 fourteeners in the U.S. state of California with at least 14,000 feet ( meters) of topographic prominence.*

Climbing routes on these peaks are varied and cater to a wide variety of interests and abilities. Each peak affords stunning views of the beautiful landscapes of California, and only two Mt Shasta and White Mountain Peak lie outside the Sierra Range. AAI runs privately guided climbs on many of these peaks. To register, click the button to the right or call our office at for more information. View of Mt Whitney on an early morning ascent. Whitney is the highest summit in the lower 48 states and one of the most awe-inspiring peaks in America. In addition to altitude, it offers outstanding granite, remarkable views, and multiple climbing options. Ascents range from moderate scrambling to snow and mixed alpine climbing to technical rock. Among other superlatives, Mt. Whitney can brag of perhaps the best technical rock climb in the United States - the ultra-classic East Buttress. We climb this peak throughout the year. Click on the link for more information on Mt. Though not technically difficult, climbing this peak is a serious endeavor because of its remoteness and wilderness nature. Due to the long approach, ascents are often combined with a romp up the neighboring fourteener, Mount Tyndall. Since the easiest way up this peak is a walking trail, many climbers make the ascent as part of a more challenging undertaking - the White Mountains Traverse. The west side of the peak can also be climbed via fun 4th class scrambling on the LeConte Route. Tricky route finding turns some parties back, but our guides know the way. We often climb North Palisade as part of our Sierra Mountaineering course. We also tag this summit on the Palisade Traverse. Its summit block, known as The Milkbottle, is a 30 foot granite spire with a tiny top and is an excellent spot for photos. Though usually climbed in conjunction with other peaks as part of the Palisade Traverse , we can also get to this summit on its own from the east via Starlight Buttress 5. This peak draws aspiring climbers from all over, as its glaciated bulk is visible from Interstate 5. Looking at Mt Sill. Sill is one of the Sierra giants, and it rises to its imposing 14,000-foot summit in the heart of the Palisades, one of the most spectacular alpine cirques in North America. Climbers have several options on this peak, but all involve crossing the Palisade Glacier. This route is often climbed as part of our Sierra Mountaineering course. The North Face varies by the season but involves some rock scrambling and possibly mixed snow and rock climbing. Polemonium Peak, 14, This peak is named after Polemonium Eximium the common name is Sky Pilot a beautiful flower unique to the Sierra Nevada that grows between 9,000 and 14,000 feet. While often climbed in combination with its neighbors Mount Sill and North Palisade or on the Palisade Traverse , this mountain is also home to one of the more classic alpine ice routes in the range, the V-Notch Couloir. View from the Fishhook Arete. The East Ridge is the standard route on the peak. High quality rock and thrilling exposure make it one of the finest 3rd class routes in the country. Experienced rock climbers should consider the Fishhook Arete. This striking feature has two pitches of 5. This dramatic looking peak is made up of two differently colored types of granite. The standard route begins at Red Lake and climbs the peak from the east on 3rd class terrain. This mountain is also home to two classic but ephemeral Sierra ice routes. The New Army Pass route is a walk-up, while the north and south faces provide excellent technical rock climbing. As the approach is long, most climbers choose to combine a climb of this peak with one of nearby Mount Williamson. Because of its remote nature a trip up Tyndall is strenuous, though not technically difficult. Whitney and about an hour from the summit of Whitney on the hikers trail. That route is also approached from the trail. Mount Muir is a good side trip for those who have more energy than the average Whitney hiker. Enjoying a perfect Sierra day on Middle Palisade. We begin the approach to the peak on a trail that takes us into the Palisade backcountry and then leave the trail to arrive at one of several scenic camps. From camp we cross a small glacier to access the peak. The climb itself is a thrilling 1,000 feet of 3rd and 4th class rock to the summit blocks. Thunderbolt Peak, 14, The last California Fourteener to be climbed, this peak offers climbers several alternatives, including a long aesthetic ridge climb and several alpine couloirs, but all wind up at the summit block. We top out via either a 5. Ascents of this peak can be

combined with others in the Palisade region, including Starlight, North Palisade, or Polemonium. We also climb this peak on the Palisade Traverse. Want to know more? Give us a call or email us at [info@alpineinstitute.com](mailto:info@alpineinstitute.com). California Fourteeners Climbs Details and Pricing Prerequisites Hiking or backpacking experience is required, but specific skill level varies considerably with peak and route. Good physical fitness and endurance. Contact us for more details. Pricing and Ratios Fees are based on the ratio of climbers to guide. Routes are broken down to five levels: Each technical level has a maximum ratio, but you are free to choose a lower ratio or to climb privately if you prefer.

## 2: Climbing California's Fourteeners - [www.enganchecubano.com](http://www.enganchecubano.com)

*Speed Record The current speed record for climbing all 15 California 14ers listed above is 62 hours and 3 minutes. It was done in August of by Sean O'www.enganchecubano.com current women's speed record was done by Andrea Sansone in seven days, 11 hours and 22 minutes during July and August*

September 13, Blog Day I just finished the biggest challenge of my life? Bittersweet, stoked, dazed and confused?? Hmm content but still sore!!! My good work buddy Dana Anderson came out and camped out the night before to share the stoke for the send off! I left the Cottonwood Lakes trailhead at 6: I tried running immediately off and on, but felt silly letting myself run with SOOOOO much to come ahead so settled for a brisk walk on all but a few downhills. I enjoyed a nice sunrise winding around the mellow terrain through the Cottonwood Lakes. It was my first time on this trail. Going into this, my feet were my main concern for the long haul! I made it to Langley summit in about 4 hours possibly a fastest GPS time in from if you believe Strava, but I thought I was holding back a lot more than that! Feeling good, I ran a bit more and passed a few hikers. I came across one couple with massive packs slogging up the winding rocky passes headed toward Crabtree Lake, and they just looked at me and both started laughing out loud after seeing my tiny running pack way back there! Okay have a good day though guys really! That hill is mean, but short lived and over in about 45 min. A man eyed me up and down in my full running kit and asked, "What is this, one of those ultra runner challenges? I had plenty of water on me already and decided on a small wild card move here - heading straight down the choss slabs on the North side of Whitney from the midway saddle on the Mountaineers Route. The steep gully heading up the South Side of Mt Russell was next and went relatively uneventful - a steady steep one, a grunt! But, when I got to the top, I felt a tinge of weird dizziness for the first time traversing the summit ridge. Something was a bit off. It was around 5 PM on the summit, where did this day go already? I headed on to start crossing the first big talus field sections of the route with a little bit of down climbing around the cliffs between Russell and Wallace Lake. I topped off my water adequately. I popped my first caffeine pill and went ahead and changed my wet socks after "dinner". I went ahead and rocked out to a couple play throughs anyway and began the charge up the steep rocky gullies above without hint of trail from the lake. Into the dark - Williamson here we come! Alright well get to it! Somewhere in the middle of this mass of dark endless talus fields is a lake called Lake Helen of Troy. An aptly rugged name for sure, if there was somewhere in the world where a Star Wars or Lord of the Rings monster was going to pop out and drag you away into the depths for good, this would probably be it. My first time through I felt like I was playing "adult Jenga" touch a block - feel a half dozen more shift and creaking, repeat I "couch surfed" several spontaneous blocks down prepared to fall on bail immediately even into a committed intentional face plant if necessary to escape the potential carnage if required! More adult teeter-totter, less playing threat to life Jenga! Oh Williamson you broke me! If the sunset dizziness on Russell was a warning, at 2 AM on the steep gully heading up Williamson I found the wall! I was too dizzy to stand up straight - something was totally off. I keyed the GPS in to make sure I was in the right gully and not doing anything weird. I finally arrived at the base of the 4th class chimney leading up to the summit ridge. I decided to try everything - all layers of clothing on - check, bothy bag on, another caffeine pill, eating - eating a lot! I rose up 30 min later feeling less dizzy - okay I can do 4th class carefully! I placed my hands against the cold rock making the last moves one by one while squeezing my body inside to the top. The summit was just as cold. Looking down the Williamson crack system during a day time recon trip 2 weeks prior. Green dot is my pack at the base! I might be dizzy, weak, and cold, but I know how to climb easy rock and squeeze inside wide cracks correctly. The slog down the rest of the gully was uneventful and I was glad to have my gaiters on to keep the infinite loose pebbles out of my shoes. I stumbled across the big talus fields and took a break topping off more water and drinking next to the last lakes before heading up the mountain again. Maybe I should just go home? Can I even climb Tyndall right now? This is for the mission oh how these decision moments would become an all too common theme in the week ahead - make or break time. Dead tired but still alive on Tyndall! The North Rib of Tyndall is a choss pile, but far from the worst this week. Basically you climb a ridge like feature around the loose choss blocks piled all over some class 3 slabs.

I felt weak- even slower than Williamson. Am I just going to tip over or have a seizure or something? Bad news though - we are almost out of food after eating up on Williamson and a long ways from the trailhead! I sat down feeling dazed and complacent on the summit. Is my record attempt over? My God this will be a long hike out with no food! Take it one step at a time! After carefully scrambling back down the slabs, I was glad to soon hit a real trail for the first time since starting out. I was supposed to do this in the dark though hmm. Six fourteeners in under 30 hours off trail? The sunny sandy switchbacks soon became heated up in the direct sunlight - 90 degrees, 95, , ?! The sand became hot and began to burn my shoes which inflamed and woke up every blister sore in my feet. Why is there no shade trees even like once a mile on this trail!? This is my new least favorite trail I texted out to Jo. I stopped and pulled out the med kit and tried different things for the blisters. One pair of socks was too tight, ahh that blister pad feels great - no it hurts like hell worse than before 15 min later, what now? My surgical toe from my foot surgery let me know it was pissed off too like no other - burning, screaming at me, EFFFFFF I placed it on carefully with added foot lube between all my toes, put on the loosest pair of socks, and used a needle to drain a couple other blisters - then trimmed them with the tiny scissors of my Swiss Army Knife! This is when I started to have my first real hallucinations on the trip. Every time I was near water, I could hear country music blasting non stop. I kept hearing people on the trail behind me, but they were never there. I tried to race them down the hill anyway! Oh look a family playing in the river. At least I got country music on blast! There was nothing else to do, but slog on. Hmm this is weird! I finished the half pack of shot blocks and slowly sipped on the remaining Roctane carb drink. Keep at it huh? After the eternally slow slog I finally made it down to the trailhead a couple hours before dusk 5 PMish. I found my cache and started up the stove to rehydrate a Mountain House freeze dried meal and a Tasty Bite. There was nothing to do but eat, sit, take some time to clean up and tape my feet with the extra medical supplies, and decide on what to bring next! I pumped up the bike tires and loaded my 3rd string older bike bags on the bike to carry the few extras. I really wished it was Lone Pine in a way for better food options, but it was what it was. Split Mountain here we come! I was on my Cross Bike with knobbier tires - for the paved road not totally ideal, but I just cranked along steadily up the highway towards Aberdeen and the turn off for Tinnemaha Campground and Red Lake trailhead. I decided to take the more direct dirt road turn off paralleling on Tinemaha Road is it an insult to rednecks that the spelling is different for the campground and the road through it?? This might have been a bad call - while saving a few miles in directness, the skinny cross tires spun out and crawled along up the dirt on the loaded bicycle, but it did get me mentally warmed up for the steeper dirt to come! I had a deal with myself in my mind - finish this and you get 3 hours of sleep at the trailhead tonight! Fuller Road and the dirt roads that wind around the back of the mine to avoid the private property soon proved full value! UP, up, and uphill we go! Wish this was my mountain bike for tonight Fate would hold that while looking forward to my first 3 hour sleep break of the trip, about a mile from the trailhead, my tubeless tire went flat. I used my finger over and over to remove the tiny rocks now plastered all over the inside of the tire I loaded a tube and got the tire up and running finally on my way I packed a gauze 2x2 from the med supplies up there and hit it. A half hour till sleep ahead!

### 3: Fourteener - Wikipedia

*California Fourteeners Climbs Of the fifteen mountains in California that top 14, feet in elevation, all but two - Mt. Shasta and White Mountain Peak - are located in the Sierra Nevada range. AAI offers private and group guided trips to all these rugged summits.*

But the High Sierra are my home away from home. Looking back down to the Owens Valley floor. If you want to climb Williamson, you have to earn it from the bottom. They involve miles of up and down trail, thousands of feet of bushwhacking, scree, scrambling or rock climbing. For my fifth or thereabouts attempt on Williamson, I opted for the loose, brush-filled, icy boulder-hopping, snow climbing and scrambling sufferfest that is the North Fork of Bairs Creek. The lower portions of the Bairs Creek drainage are choked by willows and icy waterfalls. My flat-ish bivy site I got a super late start on Saturday because I-5 had been closed the day before due to an accident. I felt quite good, hydrated well and had a nice dinner of noodle soup before turning in for the night. In the morning, I brewed up, hydrated and boulder hopped thousands of feet up to the crux of the route, a snowy couloir that provided excellent cramponing up to the 13, ft plateau beneath the summit slopes. A while later, I was on top, making the first winter ascent of the season and with the high sierra to myself. I threw in Keeler and Muir for good measure and then had a death march back to the Portal. Jean Couloir in winter. Nonetheless, a fine day in the mountains on one of the nicest peaks in the high country. What a spectacular adventure. Looking back on North Palisade, Starlight and Thunderbolt. This was the second sunrise of our 26 hour continuous push. Shasta Tried a couple times, first with Leor, turned back due to insane winds Finally got the weather right after my first expedition to Nepal in I soloed the Casaval Ridge in 27 hoursâ€¦Stanford to Stanford. Just 11 hours on the route proper. One of my finest days ever in the mountains. Sunrise during an 11 hour winter solo of Casaval Ridge, Mount Shasta.

## 4: List of California fourteeners - Wikipedia

*There are fifteen peaks in California that exceed fourteen thousand feet in [www.enganchecubano.com](http://www.enganchecubano.com) won't try to climb them all in the course of these four days, but we will certainly ascend a couple of the most technically difficult of them, namely those along the Palisade Crest.*

Pinterest Have you been bit by the climbing bug? If so, you should know about the Colorado and California 14ers. These are some of the best mountains to climb. In fact, the youngest age records for these peaks are: Here are two of the shortest 14er peaks. Please note that elevation and climbing difficulty are two very different things. You can climb a long, aesthetic ridge or one of several alpine couloirs. While the elevation is the shortest, the climbing difficulty of this peak has been rated at Class 3 – 5. You have some options with this climb as well: Anything past 8, feet will start having an effect on your body because of the reduced amount of oxygen. Even the most experienced climbers can be subject to potentially fatal high-altitude cerebral and pulmonary edemas. Before you even start your climb, make sure to spend some time hiking at higher altitudes – around 7, feet is best – to get your body conditioned. If, while climbing one of the 14ers, you get a headache, light-headedness, or nausea – take action fast! Start retreating to a lower altitude right away. Both cardio and weight training exercises are vital for climbers. Cardio workouts will keep your heart healthy and will prepare you for some of the heart-pounding moments that come with climbing. Weight training will make climbing somewhat easier, too. Increasing the strength of your muscles will help you pull your body weight while you climb. It might even be a good idea for friends and family back at home to have a 14ers map, too. These mountains will provide the training, adventure, and incredible views that will fuel your desire to continue climbing. Your new-found love of climbing just might take you on adventures around the world. The mountains throughout California and Colorado are a great way to get your feet wet. Submit a Comment Your email address will not be published.

## 5: The Easiest 14ers to Climb in California and Colorado

*California Fourteeners Split Mountain from Red Lake at Sunrise There are eleven Californian peaks with an elevation of feet or more and having at least feet of prominence (rising feet above any saddle connecting it to anything higher).*

## 6: California Fourteeners (CA) | Fastest Known Time

*California 14ers - List and Map Of The Fourteeners In California The great state of California is home to numerous peaks over 14,000 feet. The exact number of California 14ers depends on who you ask - it varies between 12 and*

## 7: California 14ers Map and List | A Mountain Journey

*\* the peak is not more than 100 feet higher than the adjacent 14er thus not considered a "real" 14er but still climbed by most going for all the California 14ers.*

## 8: California 14ers | Guided Summit Climbs with AAI

*Ready to hike a California 14er? We've put together a list of the most accessible 14ers in California based on "hike-ability" and airport access to help you decide where to get started.*

## 9: Ryan Tetz - California Fourteeners (CA) - | Fastest Known Time

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