
May 3, 2008

PURISIMA CREEK REDWOODS

Level 3.5 - Miles: 7.8 - Elevation 1400' - Host: Philip S.

This is beautiful with Redwood trees and the creek. We will be hiking up to Bald Knob 2102 ft. We will start on the Purisima Creek Trail then go up Borden Hatch Mill Trail to Bald Knob Trail and back to Grabtown Gultch Trail for a loop back to Purisima Creek Trail. We will meet in the parking lot on Purisima Creek Rd where it loops and becomes Higgins Canyon Road. It is a small parking lot east side.

Directions: From San Jose: Take I-280 North toward San Francisco. Take the Half Moon Bay/San Mateo/Hayward exit onto CA-92. Turn left on Cabrillo Hwy S (CA-1 S). Purisima Creek Rd is about 3.5 miles south of Halfmoon Bay on Hwy 1. The parking lot is about 3.7 miles down Purisima Creek Rd.

Drive Time 1 Hour & 15 minutes - Parking Free - Dogs Not Allowed

WILD RECOVERY HIKE SUGGESTIONS

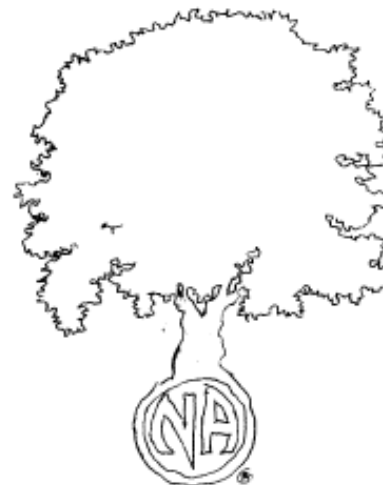
- ALL hikes are scheduled to leave from the trail head promptly at 10 AM. PLAN ACCORDINGLY!
- The weather can be unpredictable, so layered clothing makes sense for ALL hikes.
- Bring something to eat during the meeting and plenty of WATER.
- Bring along sunscreen or a hat for the hotter, less shaded trails.
- Stay on the trails.
- Pick up a trail map before heading out.
- Follow all park rules and regulations.
- What you bring in, bring out (this includes trash, food, etc.).
- If you bring kids or pets, make sure to keep them supervised at all times.
- For lots more about Wild Recovery and up-to-date hike information see www.wildrecovery.org.

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HIKING LEVELS

1 = Easy / 2 = Moderate / 3 = Challenging / 4 = Hard / 5 = Very Difficult



**Wild
Recovery**

**January - May 3rd
2008**

Every other Saturday at 10 AM

January 12, 2008
MISSION PEAK REGIONAL PRESERVE
Level 3.5 - Miles 6.5 - Elevation 1700'
Host: Susan D.

Mission Peak has been a time honored favorite of Wild Recovery. For the past couple of years we have climbed this peak to start off the New Year. This year we will go back to Mission Peak, though we'd thought to try something different. We will meet at the usually parking lot off Stanford Av. at an earlier time of 9:30am. We will then leave half our cars and carpool to the Ohlone College campus where we will join Peak Trail/Bay Area Ridge Trail. This trail takes us through some lovely terrain along the back end. We will summit and hike down the front.

Directions: From San Jose: Take either I-880 or I-680 North and exit Mission Blvd. From 880 go 1.2 miles, from 680 go .7 miles and turn right on Stanford Av. Go .6 miles to the staging area. Parking is free but limited.

Drive Time 30 Minutes - Parking Free - Dogs OK on leash

January 26, 2008
JOSEPH D. GRANT – GRANT RANCH
Level 3 - Miles: 7 - Elevation 1000'
Host: Anna J.

With the open meadows, rolling hills and the scattered oaks; Grant Ranch is an ideal spot for a mid winter hike. We will be climbing up to the Scenic Overlook which will give us a clear view of San Jose, San Francisco and Oakland (on a clear day). We will be traveling up the Dutch Flat Trail, cutting across the Dairy Trail, over to the Brush Trail and then up the very long Dutch Flat Trail from the south. Our meeting spot will be at the Scenic Overlook.

Directions: From San Jose: Take either Hwy 101 or 680 North and exit Alum Rock head East (right). Go through town to Mt. Hamilton Road. Turn right and travel eight miles to the park. This is a windy road so give yourself enough time.

Drive Time 45 minutes - Parking \$6 - Dogs Not Allowed

February 9, 2008

HENRY COE STATE PARK
Level 4 - Miles: 11 - Elevation 2000' - Host: Tom D.

Henry Coe is the largest State Park in Northern California. The wild open space rolls on for over 87,000 acres. The terrain is varied and beautiful and is said to be home of the elusive mountain lion. The park has over 250 miles of hiking trails. We will be hiking China Hole Loop counterclockwise via Madrone Soda Springs Trail. Typical East Foothills grunt hike. Enjoy a well maintained trail on the way back with plenty of switchbacks. Lookout for the incredible view.

Directions: From San Jose: Take Hwy 101 South to Morgan Hill exit Dunne Ave. and turn east. Drive past Anderson Reservoir all the way to the end of the road to Henry Coe Park Headquarters (about 10 miles)

Drive Time 1 hour - Parking \$5 - Dogs Not Allowed

February 23, 2008
PINNACLES NATIONAL MONUMENT
Level 4 - Miles: 6.5 - Elevation 1500' - Host: Jennifer N.

Rising out of the valley are the spectacular remains of an ancient volcano. Massive monoliths, spires, sheer-walled canyons and passages define millions of years of erosion, faulting and tectonic plate movement. We will be meeting at the Bear Gulch Visitor Center at 9am. One hour earlier than normal. We are starting out on the Condor Gulch Trail, to High Peaks Trail. After meeting and lunch, we hike down Rim Trail to the Reservoir. Just in case the caves are open, bring a flashlight. Bring plenty of water and sunscreen.

Directions: From San Jose: Take 101 South. Exit on Hwy 25 and go through Hollister. Follow the signs carefully, because Hwy 25 turns left and then right. After you leave town, stay on Hwy 25 until CA-146 which takes you to the park.

Drive Time 1 hour & 30 Minutes - Parking \$5 - Dogs Not Allowed

March 8, 2008
BIG BASIN STATE PARK – SPRING RETREAT
Friday Hike: Level 4 - Miles: 4.4 - Elevation 1200'
Sat. Hike: Level 4.5 - Miles: 11 - Elevation 800' - Hosts: John R. & Diane T.

Big Basin is the oldest park in the CA State Park system consisting of more than 18,000 acres with more than 80 miles of hiking trails. It is a diverse forest habitat popular with hikers for more than a century. If you can get off work on Friday the 7th we will be hiking to Buzzards Roost from the Park HQ at noon. On Saturday we will leave from the Park HQ and hike the Berry Creek Falls loop via the Skyline to the Sea trail and the Sunset trail. We will be camping at the Sequoia Group Camp Site. For reservations contact Diane T or John R @ 831-462-0262

Directions: From San Jose: Take Hwy 85 to Saratoga Exit toward Hwy 9. Take Hwy 9 up and over Skyline Ridge. Continue on Hwy 9 and bear right on Big Basin Way CA-236 for about 8 miles to the Park. If you are only hiking with us, we will meet at the Parking lot across from the Park HQ both Fri & Sat. If you are camping with us, you will need to register with us in advance and check in at the Park HQ for directions and a camping permit. If you are camping your parking fee is included.

Drive Time 1 Hour - Camping \$15 / Parking \$6 - Dogs Not Allowed

March 22, 2008

PLEASANTON RIDGE REGIONAL PARK

Level 3 - Miles: 6 - Elevation 1200' - Host: Susan D.

This beautiful 4,951-acre parkland is on the oak-covered ridge overlooking Pleasanton and the Livermore Valley from the west. Pleasanton Ridge has only one trailhead at the southern edge of the park so it appears heavily used. However, the further we hike the more solitude we will find. The park is exposed to the elements so it is quick to dry after a rain. It is made up of scattered Oaks and undulating hills.

Directions: From San Jose: Take I-680 N, exit Sunol Boulevard/Castlewood Drive (exit 25). Head west on Castlewood Drive and where the road splits stay to the right on Castlewood (it feels like you're turning off the main road). At the stop sign, turn left onto Foothill Road and drive about 1.6 miles, there is a large parking lot on the right side of the road.

Drive Time 45 Minutes - Parking Free - Dogs OK on leash

April 5, 2008

MURRIETA FALLS

Level 5 - Miles: 12 - Elevation 4000' - Hosts: Jeannie & Dale

(HIKE STARTS AT 9AM)

We will be hiking part of the Ohlone Wilderness Trail. We will start this hike early due to the length. The meeting will be about 3 miles into the hike to give everyone an opportunity to attend. Those who wish can return from here. We will continue another 3 miles and if we are lucky see the falls. The falls are notoriously unpredictable and can only be seen after a good rain. This whole hike does offer some amazing views.

Directions: From San Jose: Take 680N to exit 21B/Livermore onto Vallencitos Rd (CA-84) for 6.6 miles. Continue on Holmes St 1 mile. Turn Right on Concannon Blvd for 2.1 miles. Turn Right on S Livermore Ave (CR-J2) for .9 mi. Keep straight onto CR-J2 (Telsa Rd) for .1 mi. Turn Right (south) onto Mines Rd for 3.5 mi. Keep straight onto Del Valle Rd for 4.4 mi. Pay at the kiosk for parking (\$6) & wilderness pass (\$2) turn right after the bridge and into the Lichen Bark parking lot where we will meet.

Drive Time 1 hour - Parking \$6/Wilderness Pass \$2 - Dogs OK on leash

April 19, 2008

LOCH LOMOND

Level 2.5 - Miles: 5.5 - Elevation 500' - Host: David W.

There is no prettier lake around than Loch Lomond Reservoir, a jewel set in the Santa Cruz Mountains, complete with an island and circled by conifers. There is 12 miles of trails and we will be taking the Loch Lomond Loop. You start on the Loch Trail along the lakeshore for 1.5 miles out to Deer Flat. There you turn uphill on Highland Trail, climbing and looping at a moderate ascent which peaks out at a remote weather station. Here we will find a sweeping view of the lake and surrounding forest and mountains.

Directions: From San Jose: Take Hwy 17 South to Scotts Valley. Take the Mount Herman Road exit and drive west 3.5 miles to Graham Hill Road. Turn left and drive 2 stop lights to East Zayante Rd. Turn left and drive 2.5 miles to Lompico Rd. Turn left and drive 1.5 miles West Dr. Turn left and go 0.75 miles to Sequoia Dr. Turn right and continue to park entrance. We will be meeting at the parking lot near the boat ramp.

Drive Time 1 Hour - Parking \$4 - Dogs OK on leash