



Midpeninsula Regional  
Open Space District  
330 Distel Circle  
Los Altos, CA 94022

Photography: Painter at Picochetti Ranch Open Space Preserve (Doris Livezey); Equestrian at Russian Ridge Open Space Preserve (David Footie); Stream at Purisima Creek  
Redwoods Open Space Preserve (Randy Weber); Cyclist at Monte Ballo Open Space Preserve (Deane Little); Hikers on Trail at Fremont Older Open Space Preserve (Jack  
Geschmidt); Hikers in forest at Purisima Creek Redwoods (Karl Gohl); Hiker with Dog at Fremont Older (Jack Geschmidt); Ranger with Kids at Rancho San Antonio Open Space  
Preserve (Jack Geschmidt); Hikers on Shady Trail at Fremont Older (Jack Geschmidt); View Towards Ocean at Windy Hill Open Space Preserve; (Karl Gohl); Scenic landscape at  
Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve (Brian Thayer); Design donated by Alexander Atkins Design, Inc.



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## Sharing the Trails

Each week, thousands of visitors, including hikers, runners, bicyclists, equestrians, people with disabilities, and people walking their dogs, use District trails. Our website, [www.openspace.org](http://www.openspace.org), is the first place to visit for maps, directions, suggested activities, trail conditions, safety tips, and more.



## Free Nature Activities

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District offers free docent-led activities nearly every day of the week, ranging from easy nature walks to challenging hikes and mountain bike rides. Activity listings are posted at preserve bulletin boards, online, and in our quarterly newsletter. We are proud partners in the Bay Area Healthy Parks Healthy People initiative, encouraging a lifestyle of healthy outdoor recreation.



The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District is a regional greenbelt system near busy Silicon Valley in the San Francisco Bay Area. Founded in 1972, the District comprises over 60,000 acres of land in 26 open space

preserves protected for public enjoyment, making a system of diverse and unparalleled beauty in one of the country's most populated areas. District preserves cover the spectrum from redwood forests and chaparral-covered hillsides to sensitive wetlands along the San Francisco Bay. Ranging from 55 to over 18,000 acres, they are open to the public free of charge, 365 days a year. Visitors will find over 220 miles of trails for hiking, mountain biking, nature study, dog walking, and more. Please refer to the map inside this brochure to find preserves and activities permitted at each. Enjoy your regional open space preserves!



## Volunteer

Over 500 volunteers assist the District each year in one-day projects, ongoing natural history education, trail patrol, and maintenance and restoration programs. Find out more at [www.openspace.org](http://www.openspace.org).

## MISSION

To acquire and preserve a regional greenbelt of open space land in perpetuity, protect and restore the natural environment, and provide opportunities for ecologically sensitive public enjoyment and education.

## David C. Daniels Nature Center

Overlooking Alpine Pond at Skyline Ridge Open Space Preserve, the District's nature center offers educational displays and exhibits. A docent-led school field trip program is offered during the fall and spring. The Nature Center was partially funded through the generosity of Peninsula Open Space Trust and the David C. Daniels family.



## Backpack Camp

A hike-in backpack camp is located at Black Mountain in Monte Bello Open Space Preserve. More information is available online. Reservations are required.

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