



TRAIL CENTER

Trail Information and Trail Volunteers for
Santa Clara, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Alameda & San Francisco Counties

Where Can I Ride My Horse?

A Selected List for Trail Riding

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Introduction

Many parks and open space preserves have trails open to horseback riding. Some provide staging areas and horse camps. Check with the Trail Center and specific land managers for maps and trail availability information. When planning equestrian trips based on trail mileage shown below, be sure to look for linkage to other parks and open space preserves. While the miles below may seem small, many of the areas are linked to provide significantly longer trail opportunities. For information call or check web locations:

California State Parks

P.O. Box 942896

Sacramento, California 94296-0001

General Information Telephone: (916) 653-6995

East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD)

2950 Peralta Oaks Court

P.O. Box 5381

Oakland, CA 94605-0381

24-hour information/request park brochures: (510) 562-PARK

National Park Service (NPS)

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National Park Service

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Redwood City, CA 94063

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Santa Cruz, CA 95062

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Santa Rosa, CA 90403

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[Los Altos Hills](#)

[Palo Alto Recreation, Open Space & Sciences](#)

1305 Middlefield Road

Palo Alto, CA 94301

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General Information: (415) 831-2700

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323 Church Street

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Alameda County

Areas with Horse Trails	Trail Miles	Comments
Anthony Chabot to Cull Canyon (EBRPD)	8.3	
East Bay Skyline Natl. Rec. Trail (Tilden to Redwood-EBRPD)	8.3	
Del Valle Reservoir and Sycamore Grove Livermore (EBRPD)		
Garin/Dry Creek Pioneer Park (EBRPD - Hayward)		
Mission Peak to Ed R. Levin Co. Park (BA Ridge Trail)	9	
Ohlone Wilderness (EBRPD)	27	Permit required
Pleasanton Ridge (Castlewood Exit off 680)		Good rig parking
Redwood Regional Park (EBRPD)	8.3	
Tilden-Wildcat Canyon-San Pablo Reservoir (EBRPD)		

Contra Costa County

Areas with Horse Trails	Trail Miles	Comments
Black Diamond Mines (EBRPD - near Antioch)		
Castle Rock Park (EBRPD)		
Mt. Diablo SP	150	2 horse camps; 3 staging areas

Marin County

Areas with Horse Trails	Trail Miles	Comments
Marin Headlands - Tennessee Valley (GGNRA)		
Mt. Burdel (MCOSD - near Novato)		
Mt. Tamalpais SP	5.4	
Olompali SHP		
Samuel P. Taylor SP		Horse camp
Point Reyes National Seashore		

Napa County

Areas with Horse Trails	Trail Miles	Comments
Bothe-Napa Valley SP		
Skyline Wilderness Park (Napa State Hospital)	4.4	

San Francisco City and County

Areas with Horse Trails	Trail Miles	Comments
Fort Funston (GGNRA)		
Golden Gate Park (SF)	12	

San Mateo County

Areas with Horse Trails	Trail Miles	Comments
Ano Nuevo SP (Cascade Ranch)	N/A	Ranch roads
Burleigh Murray SP	9	Not easily accessed
Coal Creek OSP (MROSD)	3	5Connects with several other preserves
Coal Mine Ridge & Portola Valley Trails		
Edgewood Co. Park	6	
El Corte de la Madera OSP (MROSD)	20	Logging roads, many steep; popular mtn. biking area
Huddart Co. Park	16	
La Honda Creek OSP (MROSD)	2	By permit only
Los Trancos OSP (MROSD)	2	No loops; connection to Monte Bello OSP
Montara Beach SP to NcNee Ranch SP To San Pedro Co. Park	8	
Pescadero Creek Co. Park/Sam McDonald Co. Park	37	Horse camp
Phleger Estate (GGNRA)	10	
Poplar Ave Half Moon Bay Coastal Access		Good rig parking
Purisima Creek Redwoods OSP (MROSD)	10	
Russian Ridge OSP (MROSD)		
San Bruno Mountain State and County Park	6	Poor rig parking
Teague Hill OSP (MROSD)		
Wunderlich Co. Park	15	

Santa Clara County

Areas with Horse Trails	Trail Miles	Comments
Almaden Quicksilver Co. Park	19	
Alum Rock Park (San Jose)	6	
Anderson Lake Co. Park (Gilroy)		
Arastradero Preserve (Palo Alto)	6	Stage on Alpine Rd.
Byrne Preserve and Los Altos Hills town trails		
Calero Lake County Park	10	
Coyote Creek Parkway	4	
Ed R. Levin Co. Park	18	
Henry W. Coe SP	180	
El Sereno OSP (MROSD)		
Fremont Older OSP (MROSD)		
Hidden Villa Ranch (Trust for H.V.)	3-4	
Joseph D. Grant Co. Park	40	
Long Ridge OSP (MROSD)	3	
Monte Bello OSP	9	Connections to several other parks and preserves; popular with mountain bikes
Mount Madonna Co. Park	15	
Pacheco SP		28
Pichetti Ranch Area (MROSD)	2	
Rancho San Antonio OSP (MROSD)		
Sanborn-Skyline Co. Park		
Santa Teresa Co. Park		
Saratoga Gap OSP (MROSD)		
Sierra Azul OSP (MROSD)		By permit
Skyline Ridge OSP (MROSD)		
Stevens Creek County Park		Rig parking at Chestnut
Upper Stevens Creek County Park		

Santa Cruz County

Areas with Horse Trails	Trail Miles	Comments
Big Basin Redwoods SP (Rancho del Oso)	38	
Castle Rock SP (Los Gatos)	13	
DeLaveaga Park (City of Santa Cruz) 8		
Henry Cowell Redwoods SP and Fall Creek Unit	27	
Skyline to the Sea Trail SP (Castle Rock SP, Big Basin Redwoods SP to Coast)		Small horse camp
Wilder Ranch SP	15	

Sonoma County

Areas with Horse Trails	Trail Miles	Comments
Annadel SP (Santa Rosa)	35	
Armstrong Redwoods SP-Austin Creek SRA (Russian River)		72
Chanslor Ranch - Bodega Bay		Private stables and lands
Jack London SP (Glen Ellen)		
Hood Mountain Regional Park (Santa Rosa)		
Ragle Ranch Regional Park (Sebastopol)	2	One loop trail
Sugarloaf SP (near Sonoma)	25	



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