



A hunting northern harrier.



Views of Coyote Hills and San Francisco Bay.



Hikers explore the marsh.

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American governments. Despite this, many Ohlone native people still live in the Newark/Fremont/Union City area to this day.

In the 1850s George Patterson began purchasing farmland in the area, eventually acquiring the Coyote Hills. Since then, the land has been used as a hunting club, quarry, dairy, military NIKE missile installation, and Stanford Research Institute's Bio-Sonar Lab. In 2014, heirs of the Patterson family donated to the Park District 296 acres of agricultural land adjacent to Coyote Hills.

Naturalist-led programs, including tours of the marsh and surrounding area, highlight the park's cultural and natural history. An annual gathering of Ohlone Peoples highlights local Indigenous cultures of the past, present, and future. Visit the Visitor Center to learn more about Ohlone Peoples, the park's history and natural wonders, the Nectar Garden, or naturalist-led walks and other programs.

### Naturalist Programs

Experience the wonders of the natural and cultural world. More information is available in the Visitor Center. Weekday programs are available for schools and organized groups by reservation. Call (510) 544-3220.

### Visitor Center

Explore exhibits, engage in hands-on activities, attend naturalist-led programs, or adventure through our nectar garden. Visit us for tools to practice your new naturalist skills or bring your own binoculars, magnifying glass, camera, and sketch pad for exploring the marsh or hills. The Visitor Center is open Wednesdays through Sundays, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., except Thanksgiving Day and Christmas.

### Picnicking

Fires are limited to the barbecue stands provided at each site. Hoot Hollow is reservable.

### Hiking and Biking

See scenic vistas of the marshes from the boardwalk near the Visitor Center, and view San Francisco Bay and southern Alameda County from the hills. Cycle 3.5 miles of the paved Bayview Trail, which connects with 11 miles of bicycle trail along the south levee of Alameda Creek Trail.

### Camping

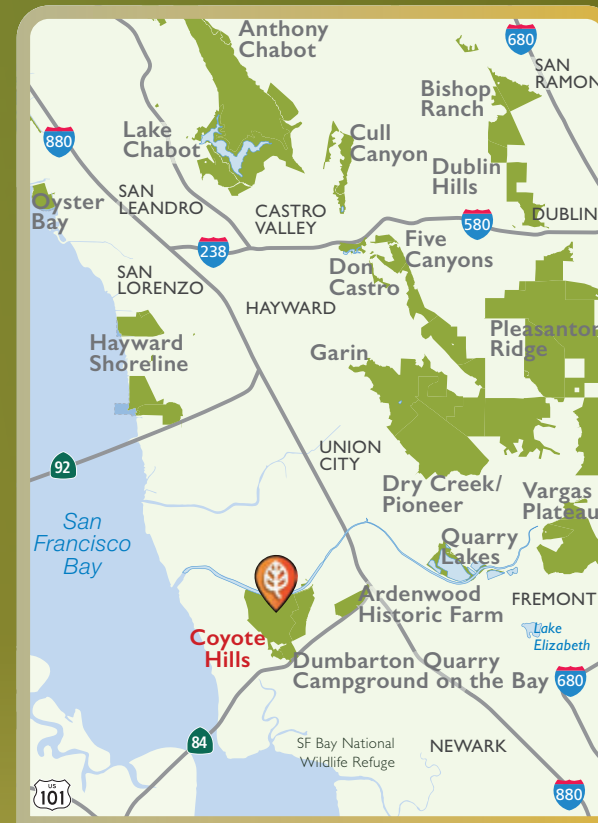
The Dairy Glen area is available for group overnight camping. Dumbarton Quarry Campground on the Bay offers tent, car, and RV camping (separate brochure available).

### Wildlife Refuge

The waters to the west and south of Coyote Hills are evaporation salt ponds for Cargill Salt and the trails are part of the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge, operated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Hikers and cyclists can access the refuge via the No Name, Apay Way, and Alameda Creek trails. Apay Way Trail leads to the Refuge Visitor Center via a bridge over Highway 84. Dogs are not allowed in the refuge.

### Alameda Creek Regional Trail

The trail, which borders Coyote Hills on the north, connects westward to the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge and eastward to the Niles Staging Area on Old Canyon Road in Fremont's Niles District. There are two parallel trails – a 12.41-mile, unpaved, hiker/biker/horse trail on the northern levee and an 11-mile, paved, hiker/biker trail on the southern levee. The southern trail connects to Coyote Hills' Bayview hiker/biker/horse trail.



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# Coyote Hills Regional Park

**Year Opened:** 1968 **Acres:** 1,305

**Highlights:** Hiking, biking, and horseback riding; adjacent wildlife refuge, birdwatching, visitor center, naturalist-led programs, reservable picnic sites, and group campsites.

**Parking Fees**—\$5/vehicle, \$4/trailer, \$25/bus

**Dog Fee**—\$2/dog/day

## History

The Tuibun, a Chochenyo Ohlone-speaking tribe, thrived in this area for more than 2,000 years, balancing human needs with that of the land and wildlife. The Tuibun people had a vast knowledge of the plants and animals in their area and managed the land in ways that increased the health and numbers of plants and animals alike. They valued community and built villages with numerous houses made from tule. In 1775, one Spanish expedition observed five villages, each with “close to six” spherical houses. A 1776 expedition gave the “little hills,” or *Los Cerritos*, the Spanish name for the “Coyote Hills.” The 1797 establishment of Mission San Jose, in the place now known as Fremont, foreshadowed the end of the old way of life under the Spanish, then Mexican, then early

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### Coyote Hills

- Paved Trail: Hiker, Biker, Horse
- - - Unpaved Trail: Hiker, Biker, Horse
- Paved Trail: Hiker, Biker
- - - Unpaved Trail: Hiker, Biker
- · · · · Hiker Only Trail
- Paved Road
- Stream or Creek
- 0.1 Mileage Between Points
- A ADA Accessible
- P Parking (# spaces)
- R Restrooms
- W Drinking Water
- ? Information Panel
- P Picnic Area
- P Picnic Area: Reservable
- A Group Campsite: Reservable
- C No Access. Closed to public

North ↑

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## Ours to Explore, Enjoy and Protect

Please enjoy Regional Parks safely and help protect and preserve the parklands by following all park rules and regulations.

### Safety

- Stay on trails. Shortcuts are dangerous and damage natural resources.
- Bring plenty of water to prevent dehydration.
- Be prepared for sudden changes in weather conditions.
- Keep parks clean. Pack out what you pack in.
- Inform someone where you are going and when you will return.
- Save our 24/7 Dispatch Center number on your cell phone: Emergency (510) 881-1121; Nonemergency (510) 881-1833.

### Rules

- **Dogs must be leashed at all times** in Coyote Hills.
- Dogs and horses are not permitted in any marsh area, on the Chochenyo trail, or in the Nectar Garden.
- Commercial dog walking is not allowed at Coyote Hills.
- Fishing is not permitted at Coyote Hills.
- No motor vehicles of any kind are permitted on the trails. Citations will be issued to violators.
- Clean up after your pet; bag it, bin it.
- Horses have the right-of-way on trails.
- Bicycles are permitted on designated trails only.
- State law requires that all bicyclists under age 18 wear an approved helmet while riding on trails and roadways. Equestrians and bicyclists are also strongly encouraged to wear helmets at all times.

### The following are prohibited:

- Wading and/or swimming
- Consuming alcohol in non-designated areas/parks
- Releasing animals into parklands
- Feeding or approaching wildlife
- Damaging plants, geological or archaeological features
- Smoking
- Flying drones

Visitors are responsible for knowing and complying with park rules (Ordinance 38). See [ebparks.org/rules](http://ebparks.org/rules).

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