PATHFINDER HIKE PROGRAM

MT. DIABLO

Mt. Diablo State Park Diablo, CA

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Trail Length: 7.4 miles Average Elevation: 2,725' Elevation Change: 2,150'



Overview

Mount Diablo is a dominant topographic feature in northern California. It was established in 1851 as the initial point of the Mount Diablo Base Line and Meridian for land surveys spanning two-thirds of California and all of Nevada. The mountain's summit boasts spectacular panoramic views.

How To Get There

West Bay: Cross the Bay Bridge, proceed to Highway 24. Exit Highway 680 south to Danville-Diablo Road exit. Go east on Diablo Road following signs to park. After 3 miles on Diablo Road, turn north on Mt. Diablo Scenic Blvd, which becomes South Gate Road and twists 3 1/2 miles to the South Entrance. Entrance fee required. Secure map at gate.

East Bay: North on Highway 880 or Highway 580 or Warren Freeway (Highway 13) to Highway 24, then as above. East on Highway 580 to Highway 680, then north to the Danville-Mt. Diablo exit, then as above. South Bay: North on Highway 680 to Danville-Mt. Diablo exit, then proceed as above. <u>Google Maps Driving Directions</u>

The Hike

Summit Trail starts at Rock City. It crosses the highway in several places. Because of this, it is strongly recommended that your group stay together and that roads are crossed under adult supervision. Scouts are to stay on the hiking trail, not hike on roads. Return via Summit Trail to Rock City. There are picnic tables and adequate parking at Rock City. (Sandstone boulders -- some with caves) are lots of fun to climb on after lunch.

