

Coyote Point Recreation Area

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www.SMCoParks.org

The Department manages parks, trails, and historic sites to preserve public lands and provide opportunities for education and recreation. The system's properties, located throughout the County, encompass more than 16,000 acres.

The parks represent our region's wondrously diverse natural settings, from rugged tidepools, lush mountain forests, and remote campsites to Bayfront shoreline, sunny picnic areas, and popular playgrounds.

The Department sells annual passes, offering unlimited entrances to all County Parks for a year.

Support your parks

You can volunteer to help rangers protect and improve parklands and serve park visitors through ongoing volunteer programs, including Trail Patrol, Volunteer Horse Patrol, trail work days, and special events.

The San Mateo County Parks Foundation raises funds to improve the quality of County Parks for our community. For information, visit www.SupportParks.org.

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A San Mateo County Park



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Right on San Francisco Bay, this rocky peninsula and beach offers many adventures on both land and water.

The Park's 149 acres of land include many picnic areas, three playgrounds, trails, a sand beach, and fishing spots. The 538 underwater acres of the Recreation Area offer opportunities for windsurfing, sailing, and kayaking. Board sports equipment can be rented at the Beach Center.

The Recreation Area includes the Coyote Point Marina, the Coyote Point Pistol and Rifle Range, CuriOdyssey – a museum for environmental education, and the private Coyote Point Yacht Club.



Jack Yaco

Natural features

Coyote Point was once an island in San Francisco Bay, separated from the mainland by salt marsh. In the 1800s, the marsh was filled to create pastureland. The area was later used as a wharf for freight.

Today, Coyote Point's windy, salty environment supports distinctive stands of eucalyptus and Monterey cypress. Remnant salt marsh, the beach promenade, the marina, and the breakwater provide habitat for a number of native shorebirds and songbirds.

The rugged, windy Recreation Area is mostly flat, with a knoll that offers lovely vistas of the Bay.



Activities and facilities

The redesigned half-mile long Promenade features a restroom with external shower, seat wall that also safeguards against sea level rise, and accessible access to the sandy beach.

The Magic Mountain Playground features six slides, a three-story castle play structure, enchanting purple dragons, and plenty of room to run.

The trails that cross the park are great for walking, running, and bicycling. The San Francisco Bay Trail crosses the south side of the Recreation Area.

The Recreation Area includes many drop-in picnic areas, as well as open spaces for kite-flying.

Several facilities are available year-round for reservations, including group picnic areas and RV camps.

To make reservations, visit www.SMCoParks.org or call 650-363-4021.

Additional facilities in the recreation area include:

Coyote Point Marina 650-573-2594

CuriOdyssey 650-342-7755

Coyote Point Rifle Range 650-573-2557

Coyote Point Yacht Club 650-347-6730

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Park hours and use

- Hours** The Park opens at 8am. Closing time changes seasonally, and is posted.
- Dogs** Dogs on leash are allowed on trails except in the signed restricted area near CuriOdyssey. Dog owners are responsible for disposing of waste.
- Balloons** Because of nearby high voltage power lines, mylar (metallic) balloons are not allowed at Coyote Point.
- Fires** Barbeques are allowed only in barbeque pits using charcoal; no portable barbeques.
- Smoking** No smoking in County Parks, on trails, or at historical sites.

Please protect the Park's natural environment and do not disturb or remove any plants or animals.

Trails

- Marina Trail Loop** 4 mile
- Shoreline Trail** .5 mile
- Bluff Trail** .9 mile
from Merchant Marine Memorial overlook to Bay Trail
- Bay Trail** 1.1 miles
from windsurfing beach to Yacht Club entrance



- Hikers, runners, and bicyclists share these trails. Please be alert and courteous to all trail users.
- Bicyclists always yield to other trail users.

For current trail advisories and closures, visit www.SMCoParks.org.

