

July 29, 2025, Hard Hike: Las Trampas Regional Wilderness Del Amigo Trail – 9:30 a.m.

Description - The hike starts at the Starview Drive trailhead in Danville. The trailhead is not well marked. The attached picture shows a street view of the trailhead location. The trail is mostly shaded. After a steep initial climb, the trail dips up and down mostly under the cover of native oak and bay trees. Near the end, the trail wanders through the pasture of the historic Eugene O'Neil House. The trail stats are Distance ~ 3.6 miles, and the cumulative elevation gain is ~840 feet.

We start by going through the gate at the trail head on Starview and begin heading north climbing the Del Amigo Trail. After about ten minutes we turn right and head north on the Virgil Williams Trail heading gently down to the Madrone Trail where we turn left and loop around and briefly return to the Virgil Williams trail, which becomes a narrow foot path at this juncture. We then return to the Madrone Trail until we reach the Del Amigo Trail and back to the Star View trailhead.

Carpooling: Self arrange if desired

Directions to Trail Head: If using GPS the address: 407 Starview. Dr. Danville will put you a few hundred feet east of trailhead. From downtown Walnut Creek take 680 south to the El Cerro exit and head west to Danville Blvd., where you turn right and go about a block and turn left on Del Amigo. Del Amigo jogs right for a few hundred feet on to Calmar Vista and then turn right to continue on Del Amigo. Then then bear left on Starview. The trailhead is about 8 miles from downtown Walnut Creek and 0.9 miles after the turn from Danville Blvd.

What to Bring: Head covering, water, and trekking poles (optional)

Toilets / Water: There is no water or toilets on the trail or trailhead

Optional Lunch: Pete's Brass Rail; 201 Hartz Ave., Danville

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