

June 30 2026 Hard Hike – A Modified Lafayette Reservoir Rim Trail, 9:30 a.m.

Hike Description – This is a 5.3 mile loop hike with 712 feet of elevation gain. It incorporates ½ of the Lafayette Reservoir Rim Trail with ½ of the paved Lakeside Trail. (This “modification” eliminates the infamous “cardiac hill” climb which dogs all Rim Trail hikers.) We first hike from the intersection of Mt. Diablo Blvd. and Village Center up to the main Reservoir parking lot. Then we head up to the Rim Trail in a counterclockwise direction until we find ourselves at its western-most edge before descending on the Canyon Trail to the paved Lakeside Trail. We continue counterclockwise on the paved foot trail to the parking lot and then down to our parked cars. There is streetside parking on the south side of Mt. Diablo Blvd and along the side streets near the starting intersection.

There are restrooms at the Reservoir parking lot.

Directions to Hike - Highway 24 west to Acalanes Rd exit, turning south to Mt Diablo Blvd. Take a left and travel about one mile. We will meet at 10:00 am on the corner of Mt. Diablo main Boulevard and Village Center, Lafayette, across from the Veteran's Memorial Center. There is FREE PARKING on the South side of Mt. Diablo Boulevard. We meet at **9:30 am** to beat the heat!!

Bring: Hats, water, sturdy hiking boots, trekking poles.

Optional Lunch: Batch & Brine, 3602 Mt Diablo Blvd.

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AllTrails Map: <https://www.alltrails.com/explore/recording/morning-run-4a5876b-8?p=-1&sh=ls05uy>

