

October 13 Hard Hike: Point Pinole Regional Shoreline 3000 Atlas Rd, Richmond, Ca. 94806



For October I've picked out this gem of a park to hike. It is a bit of a drive but well worth it. There is plenty of parking. There are several trails through the 'woods' part of the park. Most of the park is in the open. Expect to hike 5+ miles. There are several trail options to return to the parking lot with fewer miles. The park is relatively flat, the most elevation gain is about 50 feet. There are great views to be had, so hopefully we will have a nice day. There is a large picnic area. Dogs are welcome. Hike start is **10:00 am** at the at the parking lot at the park entrance.

To Reach the Park

Take Hwy 4 west, then Hwy 80 west to Richmond Parkway (exit 20). Stay on the parkway 1.2 miles (drive through the San Pablo Ave intersection to the next light) and take a right at Atlas Road. Follow Atlas Road to the very end. You'll see signs for Point Pinole Regional Shoreline. The route on Atlas is past some warehouses and across a bridge over RR tracks to enter the park. The parking lot is at 3000 Atlas Road, Richmond. Parking should be free on Tuesdays. There are restrooms at the parking area.

History

Point Pinole opened to the public in 1973 after a long process of acquiring the property from Bethlehem Steel. Bethlehem had acquired the land in the early 1960s from Atlas Powder Co., one of several firms that had manufactured gunpowder and dynamite there for almost 100 years.

Carpooling: Not at this time, as doesn't allow for social distancing.

Lunch: Not at this time

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Trail Map of the park...

