

CRUISE + MOUNTAIN + ROAD

POST'S TOP 12 RIDES



A GUIDE TO BIKING OUR OPEN SPACES

We live near some of the best bike routes in the Bay Area. Use this guide to discover the top 12 rides through our 75,500 acres of protected open spaces. **Click the map’s icons and find your ride:**

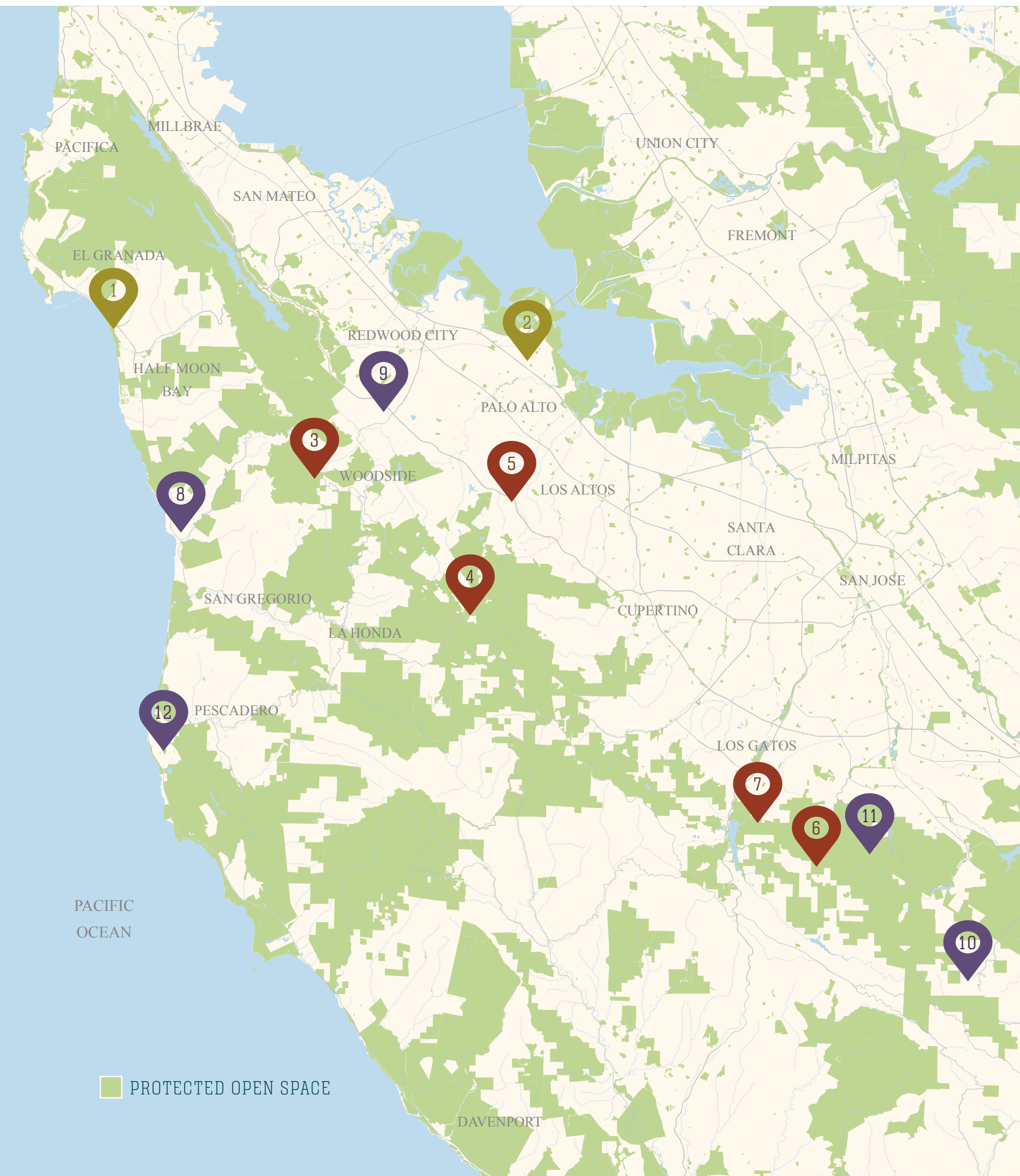


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CRUISE HALF MOON BAY COASTSIDE TRAIL



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STARTING POINT:
PILLAR POINT HARBOR

ELEVATION GAIN: 500 FT

ENDING POINT:
SAME

DISTANCE:
10 MI



SEE IT ON THE MAP

Cruise the edge of the continent on the Half Moon Bay Coastsides Trail. This easy, mostly flat trail has amazing views of the ocean and, towards the end of the route, connects with POST-protected Wavecrest, an important nesting site for local raptors.

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CRUISE SAN FRANCISCO BAY TRAIL



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STARTING POINT:
COOLEY LANDING

ELEVATION GAIN: MINIMAL

ENDING POINT:
SAME

DISTANCE:
14 MI



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Follow the San Francisco Bay Trail through miles of wetland habitat and the nation's first urban wildlife refuge. Once complete, this trail will circle the entire Bay, a distance of over 500 miles.

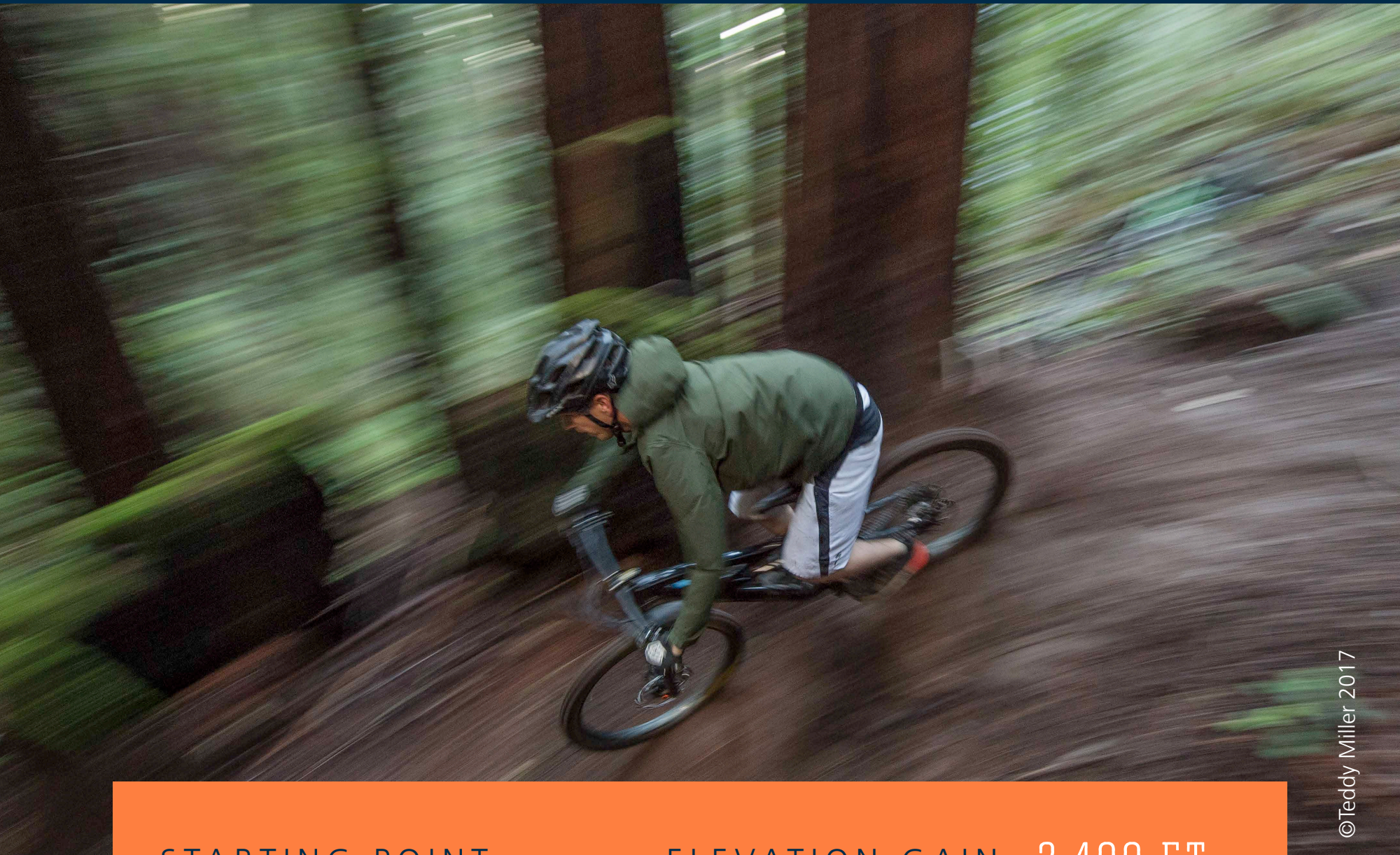
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MOUNTAIN

EL CORTE DE MADERA LOOP



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STARTING POINT:
SKEGGS POINT

ELEVATION GAIN: 2,400 FT

ENDING POINT:
SAME

DISTANCE:
9 MI



SEE IT ON THE MAP

Take a lap at El Corte de Madera, considered one of the best mountain biking locations in the Bay Area. This loop trail is mostly shaded and is a good place to ride on hot days. One your way home, stop for a beer and grass-fed burger at [Alice's Restaurant](#).

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MOUNTAIN ALPINE ROAD TO WINDY HILL SHUTTLE



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STARTING POINT:
ALPINE ROAD
TRAILHEAD

ELEVATION GAIN: 1,700 FT

ENDING POINT:
WINDY HILL MAIN
TRAILHEAD

DISTANCE: 11.7 MI



SEE IT ON THE MAP

Climb the Skyline and link three POST-protected open spaces (Coal Creek, Russian Ridge and Windy Hill). This route offers some of the best views in the Bay Area and, if the marine layer permits, you can see the Bay and Pacific Ocean at the same time. You can also make this a loop ride, but we prefer to shuttle.

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MOUNTAIN PEARSON-ARASTRADERO LOOP



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STARTING POINT:
PEARSON-
ARASTRADERO
PRESERVE

ELEVATION GAIN: 750 FT

ENDING POINT:
SAME

DISTANCE: 4.2 MI



SEE IT ON THE MAP

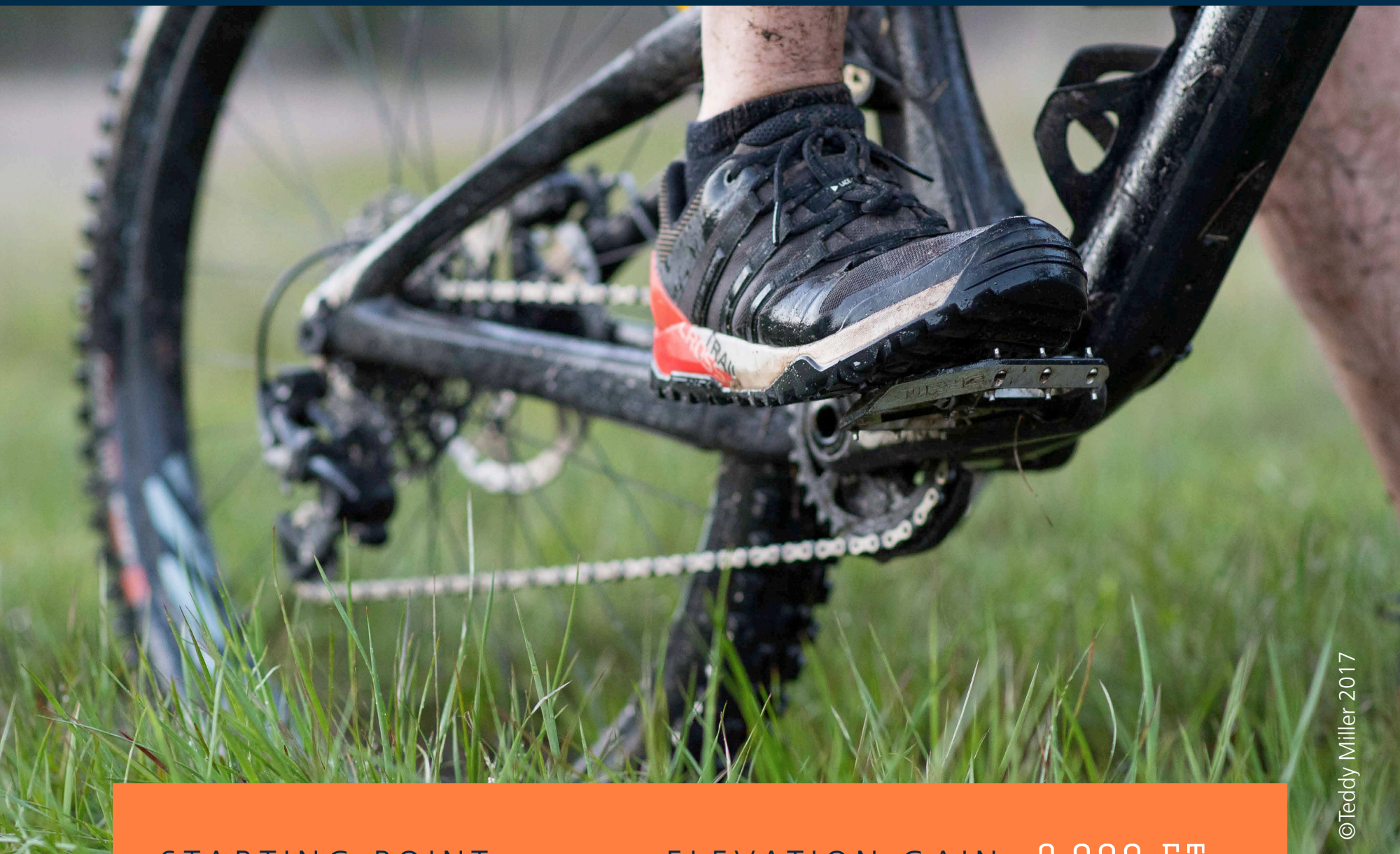
Circle the entire Pearson-Arastradero Preserve and enjoy ancient valley oaks, soaring hawks and views of the South Bay. On your way home, stop for a cold one at the [Alpine Inn](#), known locally as “Zotts”.

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MOUNTAIN ALMADEN QUICKSILVER LOOP



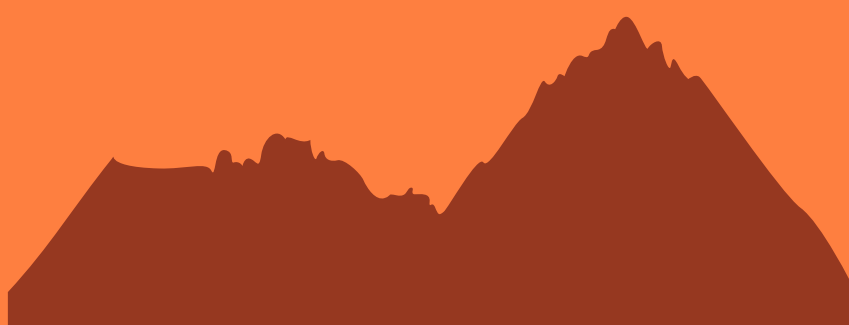
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STARTING POINT:
ALMADEN
QUICKSILVER
COUNTY PARK

ELEVATION GAIN: 2,000 FT

ENDING POINT:
SAME

DISTANCE: 10.2 MI



SEE IT ON THE MAP

Ride the biggest bike loop possible in one of Santa Clara County's largest parks. The area was once the site of an intensive mercury mine, so allow time for photos of the historic remains and a tour of the Mining Museum.

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MOUNTAIN KENNEDY LIMEKILN LOOP



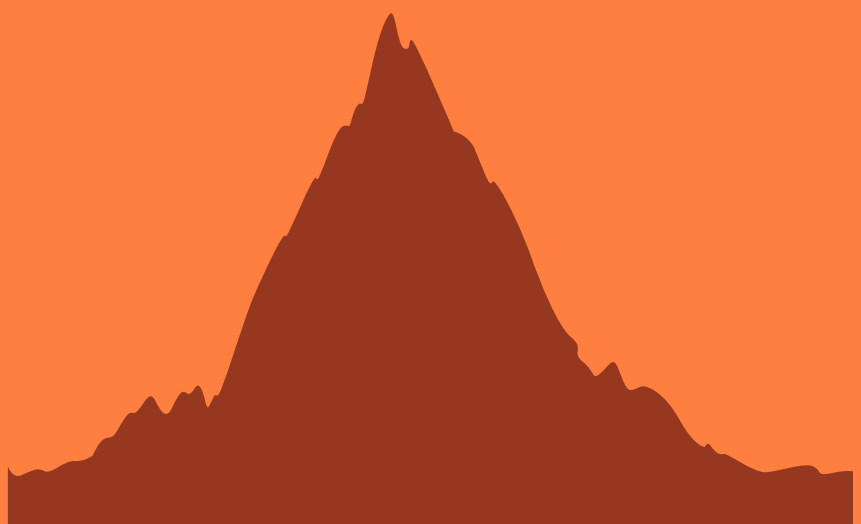
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STARTING POINT:
LOS GATOS PUBLIC
LIBRARY

ELEVATION GAIN: 2,750 FT

ENDING POINT:
SAME

DISTANCE:
13 MI



SEE IT ON THE MAP

Climb into [Sierra Azul](#) via Kennedy Road, notorious among mountain bikers in the South Bay for its three miles of sustained vertical climbing. But what goes up must come down, right? On your way home, grab a burger at [Main Street Burgers](#) in downtown Los Gatos.

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ROAD

OLD LA HONDA TO TUNITAS CREEK LOOP



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STARTING POINT:
WOODSIDE
TOWN CENTER

ELEVATION GAIN: 4,600 FT

ENDING POINT:
SAME

DISTANCE:
39 MI



SEE IT ON THE MAP

Go big with this classic road ride up and over the Santa Cruz Mountains. Leave time for a stop at The Bike Hut (pictured above) at POST-protected Potrero Nuevo Farm. It's the perfect place to recharge before climbing back over the Skyline.

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ROAD

KINGS MOUNTAIN CLIMB



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STARTING POINT:
WOODSIDE
TOWN CENTER

ENDING POINT:
SAME

DISTANCE:
8.6 MI

ELEVATION GAIN: 1,750 FT



SEE IT ON THE MAP

Keep it classic with a chug up Kings Mountain Road, a favorite among local cyclists. This route winds past Huddart Park and is shaded by towering Douglas fir and redwood trees for most of the ride.

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ROAD

UVAS RESERVOIR LOOP



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STARTING POINT:
MORGAN HILL
COMMUNITY PARK

ELEVATION GAIN: 900 FT

ENDING POINT:
SAME

DISTANCE:
21 MI



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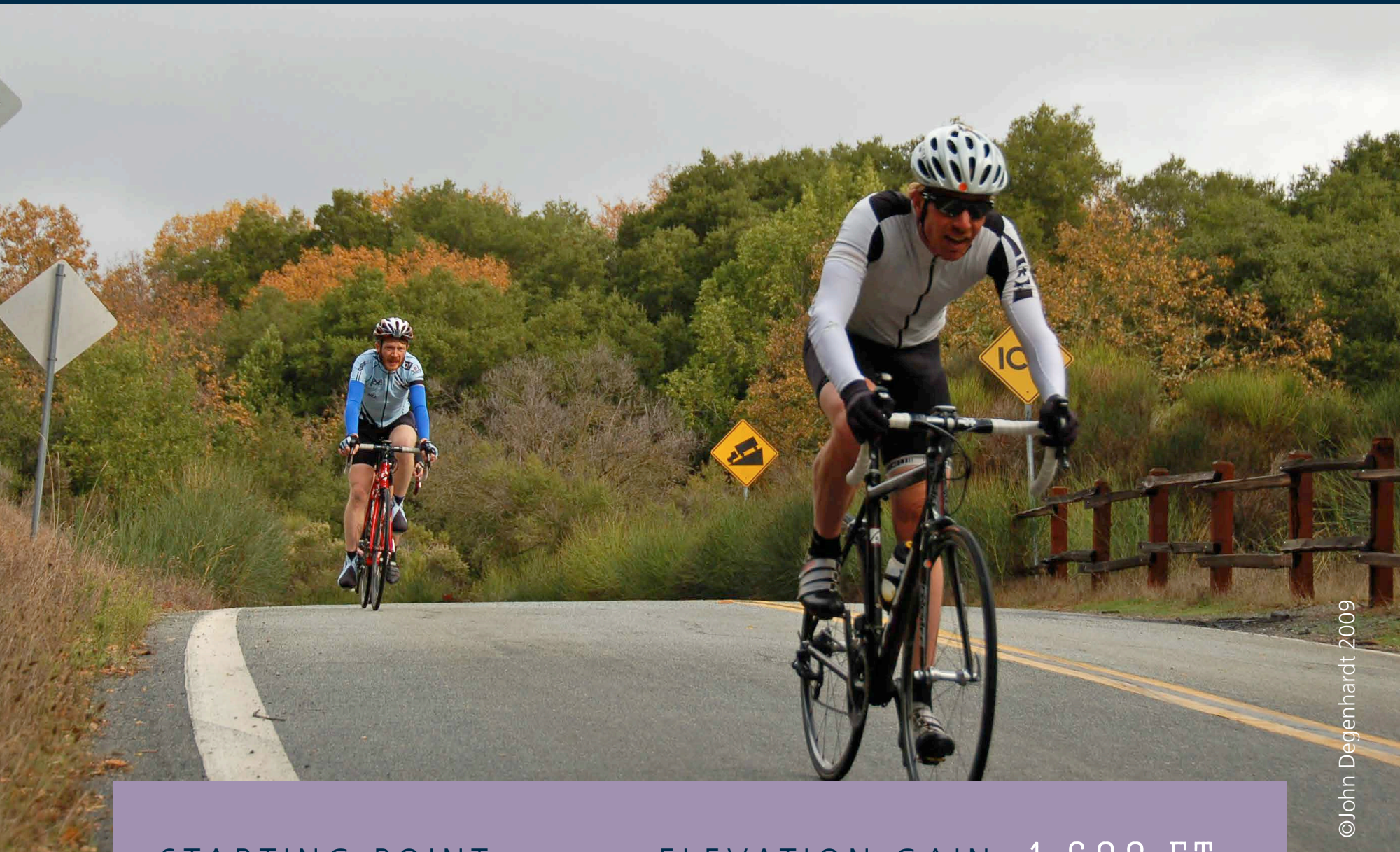
Enjoy a long, flat loop ride along the beautiful Chesbro and Uvas Reservoirs. On this ride, you'll pass POST-protected Blair Ranch, which is now a part of Rancho Cañada del Oro and still used by local ranchers.

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ROAD HICKS ROAD LOOP



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STARTING POINT:
ALMADEN LAKE
PARK

ENDING POINT:
SAME

DISTANCE:
20 MI

ELEVATION GAIN: 1,600 FT



SEE IT ON THE MAP

Take a spin on this iconic South Bay loop ride. The Los Alamitos Creek Trail is gentle start before climbing the more rural Almaden Road. In the summer months, this route can be quite warm so be sure to pack plenty of water.

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ROAD CLOVERDALE LOOP



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STARTING POINT:
PESCADERO

ELEVATION GAIN: 950 FT

ENDING POINT:
SAME

DISTANCE:
17 MI



SEE IT ON THE MAP

Get the lay of the land at POST-protected Cloverdale Coastal Ranches, the largest undeveloped property on the San Mateo Coast. Be sure to wave to the chickens, pigs, ducks and turkeys as you pass the Root Down Farm.

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