Rim of the Bay Progressive Hike Award

Mount Diablo

Jurisdiction: Department of Parks and Recreation, State of California
Hike Length: 7 miles round trip
Elevation: 3,849'
Elevation Gain: 2,249'
Maps:
USGS - 7.5 min Diablo and Clayton
AAA - Walnut Creek & Vicinity, Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, North Bay Counties
CDPR - Mt. Diablo State Park folder with maps of trails - available at park entrance.

Directions:
West Bay:
Cross the Bay Bridge, proceed to Highway 24. Exit Highway 680 south to Danville-Diablo Road exit. Go east on Diablo Road following signs to park. After 3 miles on Diablo Road, turn north on Mt. Diablo Scenic Blvd, which becomes South Gate Road and twists 3 1/2 miles to the South Entrance. Entrance fee required. Secure map at gate.

East Bay:
North on Highway 880 or Highway 580 or Warren Freeway (Highway 13) to Highway 24, then as above. East on Highway 580 to Highway 680, then north to the Danville-Mt. Diablo exit, then as above.

South Bay:
North on Highway 680 to Danville-Mt. Diablo exit, then proceed as above.

Camping:
Overnight campsites can be reserved October 1 - May 31. Four group camps are available. Recommend BUCKEYE, (two areas); each accommodates 20 people with tables, stoves, piped drinking water, sanitary facilities.

Trail:
Summit Trail starts at Rock City. It crosses the highway in several places. Because of this, it is strongly recommended that your group stay together and that roads are crossed under adult supervision. Scouts are to stay on the hiking trail, not hike on roads. Return via Summit Trail to Rock City. There are picnic tables and adequate parking at Rock City. (Sandstone boulders -- some with caves) are lots of fun to climb on after lunch.

Mt. Diablo State Park
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NOTE: Some of the information in these descriptions, especially information about camping, may be quite dated. You should contact the appropriate agency to get the most current information.

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