



Coyote Lake–Harvey Bear Ranch County Park

Santa Clara County

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Length: 5.6 miles one-way (including 0.9 mile on Harvey Bear Trail, a connector trail); car shuttle possible.

Elevation Gain/Loss: 500 feet/490 feet one-way

Accessibility: Hikers, equestrians, and mountain bikers

After a short connector trail, this route heads south on a relatively level trail high up in the hills with splendid views of Coyote Lake, the surrounding foothills, the Santa Clara Valley, and the Coast Range. This hike or ride can be combined with a picnic or camping next to Coyote Lake. The trail is mostly in sun, so plan the trip in cooler weather or early in the day.

This trail description is excerpted from the 2019 Guidebook. For details on all trails, trailheads and more [buy the book](#) from Wilderness Press.

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