

Trail Map of Mt. Sutro Open Space Reserve

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Mount Sutro Open Space Reserve is a remnant of Sutro Forest which was planted with eucalyptus, plums, cypress, and other trees by Adolph Sutro in the late 1800s. UCSF acquired 61 acres in the 1950s; an adjacent 25 acres are part of the city's open space program. During the Cold War the summit was used as a radar station for Nike missiles based at the Presidio.

The mountain has a reputation for being overgrown and mysterious, but in recent years, access has improved. The University and local volunteers have worked together to restore the summit as a native plant garden, and improve the trails. The newly-restored Historic Trail ascends the west slope of the mountain, making possible various loop hikes.

Mount Sutro Volunteers meet the first Saturday of every month, to maintain trails and restore native habitat on Mt. Sutro. We usually meet 9 AM at Woods Lot, and work until 1 PM. We provide tools and training. Wear sturdy shoes, long pants and long-sleeve shirt, bring snacks and water. Information: Craig (415) 819-2788, Ben (415) 387-1437.

Haight Ashbury Stewards meets Wednesdays from 9:30-noon, and works on habitat restoration at various parks and open spaces, including Mt. Sutro. Nature in the City Peter Brastow, founding director (415) 564-4107

More information and calendar of events at www.natureinthecity.org.

Map Notes:

Always be aware of your surroundings.
Storms and windy days increase the risk of falling trees and limbs. Stay out of forested areas during storms.

"Trails" shown are officially recognized trails maintained by UCSF grounds crews and/or volunteers. Condition of trails varies from excellent to fair.

"Minor paths" are shown for reference. They may be infrequently maintained, not always to highest standards, but sometimes provide the only access to the mountain. Use with caution!

Motorized vehicles, camping, and fires are prohibited.

UCSF Police: (415) 476-1414

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