



## Big Sur

### Pfeiffer Falls

**PFEIFFER FALLS TRAILHEAD, PFEIFFER BIG SUR ROAD | 2.2 MILE LOOP | EASY**

Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park is home to lush forests and open meadows surrounding the Big Sur River along Highway 1. The trail is a shaded forest. Dogs are not allowed.

## Capitola

### New Brighton State Beach

**1500 PARK AVENUE | 1 MILE OUT-AND-BACK | EASY**

New Brighton State Beach stretches for a half mile along the coastline in Capitola just east of Santa Cruz. The trail is a mix of shaded forest and grassy bluffs. Dogs are allowed.

## Carmel Valley

### Garland Ranch Falls-Mesa Loop

**700 W CARMEL VALLEY ROAD | 3.5 MILES OUT-AND-BACK | EASY TO SLIGHTLY MODERATE**

This loop hike visits Garland Ranch Falls, a 70-foot waterfall off a sandstone cliff in an enclosed, fern-filled canyon. The trail is a shaded canyon and open meadow. Dogs are allowed.

## Del Rey Oaks

### Frog Pond Wetland Preserve

**CANYON DEL REY BOULEVARD | 1 MILE LOOP | EASY**

The Frog Pond Wetland Preserve is a 17-acre wildlife habitat in Del Rey Oaks. The trail is a mix of shaded forest and open wetland. Dogs are allowed.

## King City

### Chews Ridge

**VENTANA WILDERNESS | 4 MILES OUT-AND-BACK | EASY TO MODERATE**

Chews Ridge is a 4-mile-long spine in the Ventana Wilderness. The trail is mostly exposed. Dogs are allowed.

## Monterey

### Skyline Trail and Jacks Peak

**25020 JACKS PEAK PARK ROAD | 1.2 MILE LOOP | EASY**

Jacks Peak County Park sits on a wooded ridge that separates the Monterey Peninsula from Carmel Valley. The trail is a mix of shaded forest and open hillside. Dogs are allowed.

### **Coffeeberry-Lower Ridge-Pine Loop**

**25020 JACKS PEAK PARK ROAD | 2.2 MILE LOOP | EASY**

This long, narrow loop descends on the northern slope of Jacks Peak to the county park's north boundary. The trail is mostly shaded forest with exposed hilltops. Dogs are allowed.

## **Pebble Beach**

### **Presidio View-Summit-Scenic Road Loop**

**4011 LOS ALTOS DRIVE | 1.5 MILE LOOP | EASY TO MODERATE**

The loop hike in the Huckleberry Hill Nature Preserve, centered around a mountain knoll on the Monterey Peninsula, climbs to the top of the 720-foot knoll. The trail is a mix of shaded forest and open hillside. Dogs are allowed.

## **Salinas**

### **Oil Well Road-Goat Trail Loop**

**FORT ORD NATIONAL MONUMENT, HWY 68, TORO CREEK ROAD (Across from Toro Place Café)  
6 MILE LOOP | MODERATE**

The Fort Ord trail system winds through rolling hills, seasonal wetlands, coastal live oak forests, and sandstone ridges. The trail is a mix of open slopes and forested pockets. Dogs are allowed.

## **Santa Cruz**

### **Pagonip Park**

**333 GOLF CLUB DRIVE | 3.5 MILE LOOP | EASY**

Pagonip Park is a 640 acre expanse in the coastal hills at the north end of Santa Cruz. The trail is shaded forest and open grassland. Dogs are allowed.

### **Top of the World**

**855 BRANCIFORTE DRIVE | 3 MILE LOOP | EASY**

DeLaveaga Park encompasses 565 acres on the northeast side of Santa Cruz. The trail is shady, forested hillside and a exposed ridge. Dogs are allowed.

## **Watsonville**

### **Woodland Loop**

**537 MAHER ROAD | 1 MILE LOOP | EASY**

Royal Oaks County Park, an old turkey ranch, lies between Aromas and Prunedale. The trail is a mix of shaded forest and exposed hillside. Dogs are allowed.