



**Puente Hills
Habitat Preservation Authority**

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PUENTE HILLS PRESERVE

HIKING TIPS

Please thank your fellow hikers for following the below tips.

On the Trails:

QUIETNESS OF NATURE

No loud music or noise is allowed on the trails for the protection of wildlife and to not disturb other trail users. Loud music or noise results in a fine of \$175 up to \$1,000.



CARRY OUT ALL LITTER

Pack out what you pack in. Old water bottles and food wrappers don't have a place on the trail. Consider using a reusable water bottle. Littering in the Preserve results in a fine of \$175 up to \$1,000.



KEEP YOUR DOG ON A LEASH AND PICK UP WASTE



Keep your dog on a leash and under control at all times on trails that allow for dogs. Dogs running off leash may result in adverse impacts on wildlife and degrade the outdoor experience of other trail users. It is your responsibility to collect your dog's waste and dispose into a trash can. If caught hiking with your dog off leash, without a waste bag, or not picking up after your dog you will be fined in the amount of \$175 up to \$1,000.

SAFETY FOR YOUR DOG

Take plenty of water for yourself and your dog. Take enough extra to pour on a dog for a cool-down, should it become necessary. Avoid the heat of day. Don't hike with a dog when it's warm and especially not when it's hot; with no sweat glands and only panting available to disperse body heat, dogs are much more susceptible to heat stroke and death from heat exhaustion than we are. Their lives depend on you.



What to do

Dog Lagging Behind? The Heat Kills!

STAY ON OFFICIAL TRAILS

Stay off closed trails and obey all posted regulations. Taking shortcuts, or cutting switchbacks can cause erosion, cause hazards and could ultimately cause the closing down of the trail. Please see the trails map in the trailhead kiosk or website (www.HabitatAuthority.org) for trail locations. Off trail activity in the Preserve results in a fine of \$175 up to \$1,000.



PLEASE OBEY POSTED TRAIL HOURS

Currently trail hours are 9am to 5pm/6pm (Hellman, Turnbull, Hacienda Hills, and Sycamore) and are sunrise to sunset (Arroyo Pescadero and Powder Canyon). When the trails are closed please be out of the Preserve to protect the environment and for your safety. The dawn/dusk and nighttime are for the animals that live there. Check the website (www.HabitatAuthority.org) for trail updates or call (562) 945-9003, ext. 5#. Being in the Preserve when it's closed results in a fine of \$175 up to \$1,000.

RESPECT WILDLIFE

Do not disturb, feed or harass wildlife, or remove any plants. These activities are enforceable in the Preserve with a fine of \$175 up to \$1,000. This Preserve is home for many wildlife, and is managed for their preservation and your enjoyment. Attacks by mountain lions, coyotes or bobcats are extremely rare; your chances of tripping and seriously injuring yourself, or even getting struck by lightning, are much higher than getting bitten by a mountain lion, coyote or bobcat. Most snake bites occur when a rattlesnake is handled or accidentally touched by someone not watching where they are stepping. If you see or hear a rattlesnake, stay calm and slowly move away from the snake and give it room to slither away safely.



In the neighborhood:

Please be respectful of nearby neighbors when entering or exiting the trail and please keep your voices down.



Please be mindful of neighbors and help keep the streets and sidewalks clean by not littering.



Please do not walk on neighbors' lawns or landscaping.



Please drive cautiously and park where it's legally allowable. Always remember to not leave valuables in your car.



Thank you!

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