

SIR Hikers Hard Hike May 28, 2019 10:00 AM

Mt. Diablo Falls Trail

This hike is 5.5-mile loop with approximately 1,800 feet of relatively gradual accumulated elevation gain. Falls Trail offers views of several waterfalls and cascades. Spring brings great displays of wildflowers and colorful rock formations.

Trail Head:

The hike begins at the end of Regency Road in Clayton. Parking is free. The Regency Gate Trailhead is known to Google maps. From downtown Walnut Creek: take Ygnacio Valley Road east. Turn right on Clayton Rd. Continue left on Marsh Creek Rd. Turn right on Regency Road. The trailhead is at the end of Regency Rd.

Trail Description: Take the Donner Canyon fire road to the former site of the Donner Cabin. Turn left on Hetherington Trail for a few steps to cross Donner Creek. Turn left on Bruce Lee Springs Trail. Then right on Donner Trail and left on Wassermann trail to the Cardinet Oaks Road. Turn right. After a short distance, turn left onto Falls Trail. Then right on Middle Trail and follow it to its end at Meridian Ridge Rd. Turn right. Then left back on Donner Canyon Rd. and back to the trailhead.

There is poison oak along the single track trails. Should not be a problem, but watch out for it. Long pants give more protection.

Bring: Bring Water. There is not potable water at the trailhead or on the route. Hiking poles and sturdy shoes/hiking boots are recommended

Ride Sharing: Meet at the parking garage next to the movie theater on Locust St in Walnut Creek at 9:20. It is about 12 miles from the garage to the trailhead.

Lunch: Ed's Mudville Grill, 6200 Center St. Clayton (925-673-0333), which is about 2 miles from the trailhead, seems to be a good choice, but if the group has a better idea we can do that.

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See trail map and photos below.





