



# North Table Mountain Ecological Reserve

North Table Mountain is one of California Department of Fish & Wildlife's conserved lands. You can help protect it by doing all of the following...



## Pack out all trash

Snack wrappers and bits of trash often look like food for wild animals. Help keep the reserve beautiful by taking out all of your trash. Even if you see a piece of trash that's not yours, pick it up and put it in the trash can.



## Stay on the trail

Trails can be a little tricky to follow at the reserve. Use a map and ask questions if you get lost. Going off trail prevents flowers from growing or damages existing plants. Tread lightly and don't doom the bloom for future years!



## Keep your dogs on leash

For the safety of all other visitors, dogs, cattle, and wildlife, keep your dogs leashed during your entire visit on the reserve. Dogs leave behind scents and waste that changes the local species' behavior and can even scare them away!



## Take photos, not flowers

Wildflowers wilt quickly after picking and can't be transplanted elsewhere. Picking them prevents them from going to seed, which limits future wildflowers blooms. Leave the flowers where they are so all visitors can enjoy them, and for the bees, butterflies and other wildlife that depend on them for food.



## Respect all wildlife

Whether small or large, give all animals plenty of space if you encounter them on the trail. The ecological reserve is a protected space and it's important all wildlife feel safe.



## Zoom in

There are many tiny flowers or animals that are hard to see. Take a moment to observe all the organisms, large or small, and appreciate their unique characteristics!



## Look up

Don't forget to scan the sky for birds soaring high! These vultures, eagles, and hawks play an important role in the ecosystem by acting as predators and scavengers.