



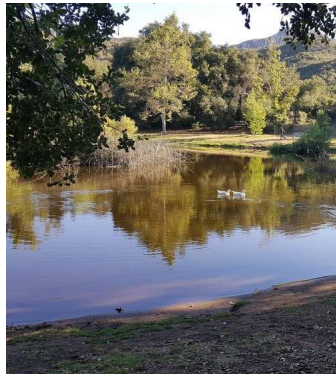
APRIL 2023

DOS PICOS COUNTY PARK, 17953 DOS PICOS PARK ROAD, RAMONA (760) 789-2220 | HOURS: 9:30 A.M. TO SUNSET, DAILY

PARK ACCESS AND EVENTS ARE FREE | TRANSLATION SERVICES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

ABOUT THE PARK

The words “Dos Picos” translate to “two peaks” in Spanish, in relation to the two prominent mountains nearby. The surrounding ranchland and steep rocky slopes help preserve its secluded atmosphere, home to many plants and animals. Coyote, fox, possum, skunk, and raccoon are all seen in the park. Look to the sky to view great blue herons, egrets, ducks, red-shouldered hawks, woodpeckers and western bluebirds. California quail are afoot in the early mornings, while the evening skies are filled with the sounds of resident barn, screech and great horned owls. Supporting the abundant wildlife is a mixture of chaparral, open grassland and oak woodland. Coast live oak abounds, and Engelmann oaks are also a regular occurrence.



MEET A RANGER

ANDREW MILLER, SENIOR PARK RANGER:

Senior Ranger Miller joins the County team from the City of San Diego, where he spent 7 years as a ranger in Mission Trails Regional Park. He chose his career after completing an SDSU internship which exposed him to roles at the National Park Service, US Forest Service and CA State Parks, and he’s found ways to channel that experience into Ramona’s public park system.

Andrew enjoys helping people, chatting with campers and sharing his appreciation for wildlife. Stop by and say “hi!”.

“Just when I think I’ve seen it all, I learn that every day will continue to be different; one day I’m leading a hike and the next I’m moving a rattlesnake off the trail.”



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EVENT CALENDAR

APRIL 1, 9 – 10 A.M.

SATURDAY MORNING NATURE HIKE

Spend your morning in nature with this easy and family-friendly 3/4-mile hike near the pond at Dos Picos. A ranger will share information about the waterfowl, hawks, reptiles and other critters that live in this biodiversity hotspot!

APRIL 8, 10 A.M. - 12 P.M.

SPRING EGGSTRAVAGANZA

Celebrate Spring, Dos Picos style! Holiday-themed activities include arts and crafts, a bounce house, an egg hunt (for kids under 12 only), a scavenger hunt and more. Plan ahead: the egg hunt will start at 12 p.m. This event will take place in the Day Use Area. Be sure to make a stop at the Live Well Resource Bus while you’re there! At the park, you’ll find a campground with spots for tents, RVs and ADA cabins, picnic areas, open lawn areas, restrooms and fishing opportunities.

APRIL 22, 9:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

EARTH DAY TREE PLANTING WITH I LOVE A CLEAN SAN DIEGO

Join park staff for a morning of planting native oaks and woody shrubs. Learn about the importance of conservation and preserving native oak populations while planting your own tree - one you can visit for years to come! Bring water and shoes, gloves and clothes you don’t mind getting dirty.

Collier County Park, our sister property will also host a park beatification project from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at 626 E St. in Ramona.

APRIL 29, 4 – 5 P.M.

NATURE DISCOVERY TABLE

Stop by our Discovery Table for the inside scoop on the area’s furry and feathered friends - along with other highlights from nature that are sure to captivate visitors of all ages and interests. Chat with a ranger about raccoons, bobcats, coyotes and mountain lions, and interact with live gopher snakes, rosie boa and rattlesnakes! Additional activities will be available for kids under 12.

The County of San Diego Department of Parks and Recreation maintains 23 regional parks across the region. The Rad Regional Parks series shines a light on these properties, and the diverse amenities, services and programs they offer. This series is part of the County’s overarching Experience the Outdoors Program, championed by Board of Supervisors Chair Nathan Fletcher, to encourage more people to spend quality time outside; breaking down barriers to visitation through inclusive and equitable participation practices.

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