#### **Reservable Areas**

#### Picnic Areas

There are several picnic areas that can be reserved for special functions, with a variety of amenities including a covered dance pavilion, serving area, picnic tables, barbeques, shade structures, and grassy lawns. Each location boasts a unique, picturesque backdrop in a natural setting that guests are sure to enjoy.



Areas 1 - 4 are in the upper park and offer larger, more open event venues.



Areas 5 - 8 are in the lower park and are ideal for smaller groups looking for a more secluded setting.



#### Weddings

San Dieguito County Park's diverse spaces can accommodate weddings of many sizes. The Victorian Gazebo offers a private space for ceremonies and can accommodate up to 200 people. Alternatively, Area 1 offers a large grassy space for ceremonies and receptions with a covered dance pavilion, serving area and picnic tables with room for up to 500 guests.

#### Miracle Field

The Miracle Field is home to the San Diego Miracle League and is available as an add-on to reserved areas. The field has an ADA-compliant composite surface with a playground, restrooms, and water fountains nearby. It's perfect for softball, whiffle ball and kickball. A picnic area is also adjacent to the field.



## San Dieguito County Park

Hours: 9:30 a.m. – sunset (858) 755-2386

Upper Park Entrance 1756 Highland Dr. Solana Beach, CA 92075

#### **Lower Park Entrance**

15936 El Camino Real Rancho Santa Fe, CA 92067

#### **Mailing Address**

1628 Lomas Santa Fe Dr. Del Mar, CA 92014



San Dieguito County Park is a 125-acre park that offers playgrounds, fitness stations, Track Trails, a basketball court, pavilions, a wedding gazebo, large open lawns, picnic areas, barbeques, duck ponds, a butterfly garden, Native Plants Trail, and an herb garden. It is also home to Miracle Field, a baseball field designed for children with special needs, and Activity Hill, which features climbing ladders, rope bridges and scenic overlooks.

#### **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

ALCOHOLIC Alcoholic beverages are permitted providing the alcohol content does

not exceed 20%.

DRONES: Remotely piloted aircraft and drones

are prohibited.

FIREARMS & Firearms and weapons are not WEAPONS: permitted in any County Park.

FIREWORKS: Fireworks are not permitted in any

County Park.

LITTER: Littering is prohibited. Please place

litter and recyclable materials in the containers provided by the park.

NATURAL &, All plants, animals, natural and cultural features are fully protected and may not be harmed or removed.

PETS: Pets are permitted in the park during

park hours. Pets must be kept on a maximum 6 ft. leash, and owners are responsible for cleaning up after

their pet.

SMOKING: Smoking, including the use of

vaporizing products, is not permitted.

TRAILS: Please stay on designated trails.

Please share the trail.

TREES: Do not tie or hang anything to trees,

including piñatas, hammocks, ropes, wire, or tents. Do not drive nails, screws, or staples into trees.

VEHICLES: Vehicles are not allowed beyond the

designated parking lot.

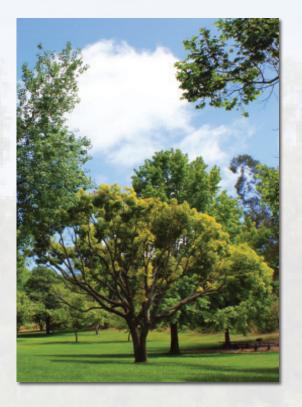
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A San Diego County Day-Use Park









## **Welcome to San Dieguito County Park**

#### Park Facilities

Located a short distance from the Pacific Ocean, San Dieguito County Park enjoys coastal breezes, lush greenery, scenic trails and is surrounded by groves of stately trees. The park is separated into an upper and lower areas, which are connected by a network of trails. The upper area can accommodate large group picnics and has five playgrounds. The lower park can accommodate smaller group picnics in a lush, greenway setting. In the center sits Activity Hill, which offers unique hiking and fitness opportunities, along with viewing platforms, vistas, rope bridges and educational audio panels with information about local history and wildlife.



#### **Trails**

There are approximately 5 miles of trails within San Dieguito County Park. The 1.25-mile fitness trail, designed for people ages 13 and older, features 10 workout stations that will challenge occasional athletes and fitness buffs alike! Each station offers three levels of intensity so users can customize a progressive workout regimen.

Hikers and equestrians can connect between San Dieguito County Park and San Elijo Lagoon Ecological Reserve via the park's lower entrance. Follow the horse trail along El Camino Real to the La Orilla trailhead.



#### Flora and Fauna

Wildlife is abundant in the park, from birds soaring high above to four-legged creatures in the hills and underbrush below. Red-shouldered hawks are often heard before they are seen because of their high-pitched call. Southern Pacific rattlesnakes can be seen sunning themselves along the trail. Rabbits, squirrels and quail use the brush to build homes, gather food and hide from predators.

A majority of the wildlife on site lives and congregates in the center of the park where the vegetation is comprised of Coastal Chaparral – a local ecosystem that is quickly disappearing. Stop by to enjoy its diversity and beauty!

San Dieguito is also home to a diverse collection of both native and ornamental trees such as Scrub Oak, Eucalyptus, Torrey Pine, Jacaranda, Liquid Amber, Ficus, Tipu, Pepper trees, Cypress, Spruce, Sycamore and Cottonwood. Rangers host regular plant and tree hikes.





#### History

For thousands of years, the Kumeyaay people lived along the coast and inland in the river valleys and mountains. At around 1833, the Mexican government established three pueblos (towns) for Indian neophytes from Mission San Diego, including one at San Dieguito. In 1840, Rancho San Dieguito, east of the current park, was granted by the Mexican government to Juan Maria Osuna. Osuna served as the first Alcalde (Mayor) of the Pueblo of San Diego and his large family lived in the area for many years, ranching and farming.

In 1906, the Santa Fe Railway Company acquired the Osuna ranch and adjoining lands. The company planted thousands of eucalyptus trees, hoping to use the wood for railroad ties. Unfortunately, the timber was too flexible for railroads, but the trees could provide shade and habitat for birds.

The company sold individual parcels of the land, which helped to create the town of Rancho Santa Fe. In the 1950s, the San Dieguito Junior Chamber of Commerce (JCC) worked with County Parks & Recreation and the Santa Fe Irrigation District to sponsor San Dieguito County Park. The district granted land and the JCC purchased it for just \$10 in 1954. The park was dedicated in December 1956.

### San Dieguito County Park Map

