

QUAIL HOLLOW RANCH
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Nestled deep in the Santa Cruz Mountains, Quail Hollow Ranch County Park is home to fifteen different habitats, as well as numerous rare and endangered species of plants and animals. Approximately four miles of hiking trails, ranging from the easy one-mile Discovery Trail, to the hilly Sunset Trail, weave through the 300-acre park.

Most interpretive programs are offered on Sundays, covering a variety of topics on the natural and cultural history of the park. Quail Hollow Ranch is located at 800 Quail Hollow Road, just two miles up Zayante Road from Felton and two miles from Ben Lomond via Glen Arbor Road. Park hours are dawn to dusk, daily. For more information call 831-335-9348.



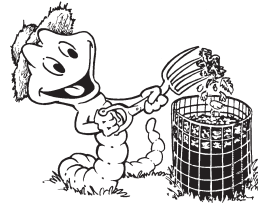
Upcoming Activities November-December

2017

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER ACTIVITIES - 2017

Beginning Birding - Sunday, Nov 5, 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Join Jim Williams, President, Friends of Quail Hollow Ranch and an avid birder, for a leisurely hike through Quail Hollow Ranch County Park in search of our fine, feathered friends. No previous birding experience is necessary. Bring warm clothing, comfortable walking shoes, and drinking water, with optional binoculars and field guide. Free. Open to anyone interested in birds and their antics.



Composting Workshops

QHR is now hosting periodic workshops to discuss the principles of composting kitchen and yard wastes using backyard bins and worm composting techniques. Hands-on workshops are led by Certified Master Composters and sponsored by the County of Santa Cruz Public Works Department. Advance reservation is required as space is limited in each workshop. Sign up online at goo.gl/Fw6BaK or call (831) 824-6484. After submitting your request, you will be notified if you are accepted in the workshop.

A Stellar Experience – Star Gazing at Quail Hollow

Friday, November 10, 6:00 p.m. – midnight

Some people promise the stars; the Santa Cruz Astronomy Club delivers! Come to Quail Hollow Ranch where, gazing up at the night skies, you'll travel through space to see images like the earth's moon and all its craters and mountains, Jupiter and its moons, and the rings of Saturn. Bring your own telescope or just stop by and look through member's telescopes. Dress warmly. Rain or cloudy skies cancels the program. Free! All ages are welcome to attend.

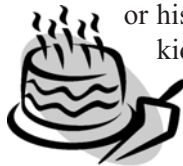


Rainwater Harvesting - Saturday, November 11, 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Rainwater harvesting serves many purposes – not only saving you water from your garden hose, but also helping you to manage all that water from your roof so it doesn't cause erosion or harm creeks and rivers. Join LeAnne Ravinale, Conservation Coordinator from the Scotts Valley Water District, for this informative workshop. For ages 16 and up. Fee: \$3.00 per person. Sign up in advance by calling (831) 335-9348.

Quail Hollow Birthday Parties

Looking for something new and different to do for your child's birthday? Come out to Quail Hollow Ranch for a unique and entertaining party. Groups of up to 15 children can learn about science, nature, or history while having fun. Bring the cake and beverages, presents, goodie bags and the kids--we'll do the rest! There are a variety of themes to choose from, including: Call of the Dinosaurs, Running with the Wild Cats, Pioneer Party, and more! Check out other exciting party themes at www.scparks.com. Fee: \$160 R / \$176 NR for a 2-3 hour party. For more information and availability please call (831) 335-9348.



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DIY Bird Feeders - Saturday, November 18, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Looking for a fun craft to do at home with the kids? Want to bring more birds to your yard, but don't want to spend money on expensive bird feeders? Join Park Interpreter Dan Lazarus and learn how to make your own bird feeders. Use our materials and help to install them around Quail Hollow Ranch, or bring your own and make a feeder to bring home with you! **Materials:** Plastic Bottles (any kind, even old detergent bottles, cans, wooden spoons/dowels, string or twine, wire mesh/chicken wire, fasteners (e.g.hooks, screws, nails, glue). No materials, no worries! There will be more than enough to go around! Please sign up in advance by calling (831) 335-9348. All ages welcome to attend; children should be accompanied by an adult.



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Holiday Nature Crafts - Sunday, December 17, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Join park interpreter Dan Lazarus for an afternoon of creative fun for the whole family! Using a variety of natural materials, we'll make gifts, decorations, and other trinkets to spruce up your home at the holidays! Materials provided, but please bring specific elements you want to use! Projects include: Pinecone birds or gnomes; Dragonfly twigs; Forest frames; Bug collector terrariums (old plastic bottles); Painted pet rocks; Nature ornaments; Popsicle stick Stars of David. Please sign up in advance by calling (831) 335-9348. All ages welcome to attend; children should be accompanied by an adult.

Holiday Art & Craft Faire

Simpkins Family Swim Center / Community Room
Saturday, December 2, 10 AM-4 PM - FREE parking and admission!



A wide variety of high-quality, handmade art and crafts will be showcased at the annual Holiday Art and Craft Faire! Shoppers will find one-of-a-kind items created by local Santa Cruz County artists and craftspeople, including jewelry, hats and bags, textiles (knitted items, clothing), ornaments, chocolates, soaps, art, nightlights, succulent mini gardens, craft kits for kids, cards, pillows, art glass, and much more! Come on by to find that perfect gift, stocking stuffers, or something for yourself!

More Info: <http://www.scparks.com/Home/ArtsCulturalPrograms/HolidayArtCraftFaire.aspx>