

# Safety & Trail Etiquette

**RESTROOMS AND WATER** can be found in the parking area. There is no other drinkable water on the trails.

**BE AWARE** of the potential and inherent dangers that exist in any wilderness setting. Watch for and avoid rattlesnakes, poison oak, stinging nettle and scorpions.

**DOGS** must be on leash at all times as required by City of RPV Municipal Code Section 12.16.050. Please remove dog waste and pack out all litter.

**FIRE AND SMOKING** are not permitted in the Preserve due to the potential for serious fire damage.

**NATURAL FEATURES** are protected in the Preserve and are to be admired, but not removed.

**FIREARMS** are not permitted on the Preserve. City of RPV Municipal Code Section 9.08.010.

**BICYCLES AND HORSES** are allowed in the Preserve only on designated trails.

**TRAVEL ON DESIGNATED TRAILS**  
It doesn't take much off-trail activity to beat down sensitive vegetation whether you are on horse, foot or bicycle. You can help balance preservation with recreation by staying on designated trails as shown on the trail map. Bicyclists must yield to foot and equestrian traffic.

**TRAIL CLOSURES** will be in effect during and following significant rainfall to protect trails. Closures may also go into effect at various times for habitat protection and erosion prevention when deemed appropriate. Please respect any signs regarding these closures.

**TRAIL MODIFICATIONS** of any kind are not permitted in the Preserve. This includes construction of jumps, wooden ladders, earthen mounds, formation of berms and brush clearing.



The Abalone Cove Ecological Reserve features two beaches (Abalone Cove and Sacred Cove), tide pools, beautiful bluff-top viewing areas, and dramatic crisscrossing trails. The 64-acre Reserve contains a State Ecological Preserve with important natural marine resources and the bottom of the Portuguese Bend landslide area. Two promontories, Portuguese and Inspiration points, frame Sacred Cove with its sea caves, black sand, and rare plants.

The adjacent parking area (a fee is charged at the entrance), multiple picnic tables, and restrooms are not in the Reserve, but add to the options for public enjoyment of the area.



# INFORMATION

**IN EMERGENCY:** Dial 911

Crimes should be reported to the Lomita Sheriff at (310) 539-1661.

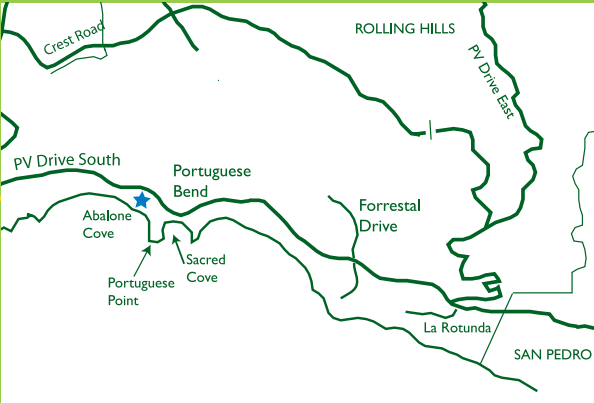
Infringements of Preserve rules or regulations should be reported to RPV City Park Rangers at (310) 491-5775.

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No one is permitted in the preserve after dark except by permit



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# ABALONE COVE Reserve





# TRAILS

Abalone Cove Shoreline Park features two beaches (Abalone Cove and Sacred Cove), tide-pools, bluff top viewing areas and trails criss-crossing the area.

The park contains a State Ecological Preserve and taking of protected animals and marine life is prohibited. There is direct access to a parking lot off Palos Verdes Drive South. Access to Abalone Cove Beach is by a long trail from the parking lot.

To access Sacred Cove, users must walk along Palos Verdes Drive South to one of two trails between Portuguese and Inspiration Points. Life-guards are on duty at Abalone Cove Beach during summer hours and weekends only. The views of the ocean and Catalina Island are spectacular.



## Palos Verdes Nature Preserve ABALONE COVE RESERVE

