Acalanes Ridge Loop

Location: Walnut Creek, Ca

<u>Difficulty:</u> Moderate <u>Foot Traffic:</u> Light

Weather:

January 55/44 February 59/44 March 64/47 April 67/47 May 72/50 June 79/54 July 83/57 August 84/57 September 83/58 October 75/54 November 63/48 December 55/43



Acalanes Ridge is a short, but delightful hike. The trail is very popular with dog-walkers, nature observers, and those with children. According to the laws of the park, dogs must be on a leash, though. There are many different species of animals in the area (mountain lions, fox, deer, coyote, lizards and other reptiles), so it is best to always be mindful of your surroundings.

The summit rises 781-feet above sea level, and offers spectacular panoramic views of the Livermore Valley, Mt Diablo, Suisin Bay, Briones Regional Park, Oakland Hills, and the Carquinez Strait. The total elevation gained during the hike is 600 feet. **NOTE: There are also trail connectors on the loop which connect to Mount Diablo and Briones Regional Park**. So if you're feeling somewhat adventurous, you are invited to embark on a new journey. Just make sure to pack your water, because the water supply is inconsistent. Happy trails!

