

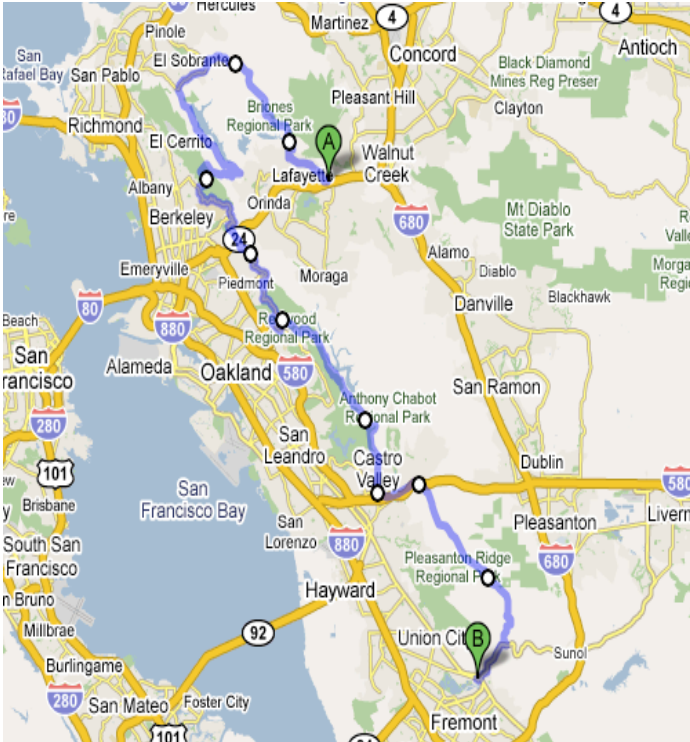
FIRST SUNDAY DRIVE

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2009

LAFAYETTE TO NILES

Briones Regional Park / Tilden Park / Redwood Regional Park

DEPARTURE @ 10AM - ARRIVE AT LEAST 15 MINUTES PRIOR



Our meeting location for the start of this drive is the parking lot of the Lafayette BART station. There is no coffee available here so you might want to make a quick stop in the town of Lafayette to get a cup and use the restroom before you arrive.

From eastbound Highway 24 take the Central Lafayette/Oak Hill exit. Turn RIGHT and drive 0.1 miles to Mt. Diablo Boulevard. Turn RIGHT and drive 0.2 miles and turn RIGHT on Happy Valley Road. Drive under the freeway and make a right into the parking lot of the BART station.

When you arrive look for the blue and white balloons to locate the sign-in sheet.

Our drive will end in the town of Niles - with several options for a no-host lunch. As always, no advance reservations have been made for lunch so just grab some friends and explore your options. This town also has some great antique stores for browsing.

At the end of the drive depart the town of Niles to the north on Niles Boulevard for 3.3 miles. Turn LEFT on Decoto Road which will take you Highway 880.

DEPART BART Station by turning left and driving 0.1 miles

RIGHT on Happy Valley Road and drive 3.9 miles

RIGHT on Bear Creek Road and drive 4.3 miles

LEFT on Alhambra Valley Road and drive 2.7 miles

LEFT on Castro Ranch Road and drive 2.1 miles

LEFT on San Pablo Dam Road and drive 5.3 miles

RIGHT on Wildcat Canyon Road and drive 2.4 miles

RIGHT into parking lot of "Inspiration Point"

- Restrooms are available for this 20 minute stretching stop.

DEPART RIGHT on Wildcat Canyon Road and drive 1.2 miles

LEFT on Shasta Road and drive 0.5 miles.

LEFT on Grizzly Peak and drive 6.3 miles.

LEFT on Skyline Blvd. and drive 5.8 miles

- At mile 5.1 Skyline Blvd takes a hard left at a traffic light

LEFT on Redwood Road and drive 12.1 miles

- Welcome to one of the greatest driving roads in the Bay Area. You've had the opportunity to enjoy some of the best views in the Bay Area – now just concentrate on the road and enjoy the drive.

LEFT on Castro Valley Blvd and drive 2.7 miles

- At some point along this stretch the road changes its name to East Castro Valley Blvd. Do not reset your odometer.

RIGHT on Palo Verde Road and drive 0.2 miles

RIGHT on Palomares Road and drive 9.6 miles

- Another GREAT driving road. Be careful - have fun.

RIGHT on Niles Canyon Road (Route 84) and drive 2.1 miles

CROSS Alvarado Niles Road/Mission Road/Route 238 into the town of Niles. As you cross under the railroad tracks make a sharp right turn. As you drive into town there is a large parking lot on the right side of the street at the Niles train station - we pull in here and park.