

# Parks galore

■ **Monterey County Parks Department**, 755-4895, [www.co.monterey.ca.us/parks](http://www.co.monterey.ca.us/parks).

■ **17 Mile Drive/Pebble Beach**, (800) 654-9300, [www.pebblebeach.com](http://www.pebblebeach.com).

■ **Point Sur Lightstation**, 19 miles south of Carmel along Highway 1. First lit in 1889. 625-4419.

■ **Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park**, Highway 1 south of Big Sur. Whale-watching, environmental camping, hiking, waterfall, scuba diving. 667-2315.

■ **Point Lobos State Reserve**, Highway 1 three miles south of Carmel. Headlands, coves and rolling meadows. Hiking, guided tours, scuba diving. 624-4909.

■ **Fremont Peak State Park**, off of Highway 156, 11 miles south of San Juan Bautista on San Juan Canyon Road. Camping, hiking, astronomical observatory. 623-4255.

■ **State parks in Monterey County**, 649-2836, [www.parks.ca.gov](http://www.parks.ca.gov).

■ **Pinnacles National Monument**, 14 miles east of Soledad. 389-4485, [www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov).

■ **The Bureau of Land Management Fort Ord Public Lands**, 394-8314, [www.blm.gov](http://www.blm.gov).

■ **Monterey Bay Aquarium**, 886 Cannery Row, Monterey. 648-4888, [www.monterey-bayaquarium.org](http://www.monterey-bayaquarium.org).

■ **Elkhorn Slough**, off Highway 1 near Moss Landing. Wildlife, boat tours, kayaking. 728-5939, [www.elkornslough.org](http://www.elkornslough.org).



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**Monterey County, and the Salinas Valley in particular, have fabulous running, hiking and biking trails for all tastes and skill levels.**



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**The former Fort Ord U.S. Army training base has almost 90 miles of trails for hiking, biking, running and horseback riding.**