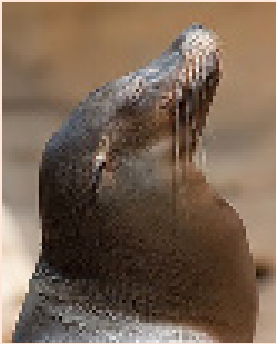


Environmental Topics



What's exciting for young people to see and learn at Point Lobos?

- Learn the difference between sea lions, harbor seals and sea otters and touch the pelts of all three mammals.
- Hike through a forest of Monterey pines and learn how the pine cone seed becomes a tree.
- Learn about and see brown pelicans, western gulls, Brandt's and pelagic cormorants, turkey vultures, white-crowned sparrows, red-shouldered hawks, western scrub-jays and acorn woodpeckers.
- Learn about the history of the Ohlones, the first explorers and settlers at Point Lobos.
- Experience the three different environments: coastal scrub zone, marine and forest environments.
- Depending on the season and availability of various flora, docents will point out the following: wood mint plant, lace lichen, poison oak, sticky monkey flower, sagebrush, coyote bush and California poppy.



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LOCATION

Point Lobos State Natural Reserve is located on the central coast of California in Monterey County. The entrance is located three miles south of Carmel on Highway 1.

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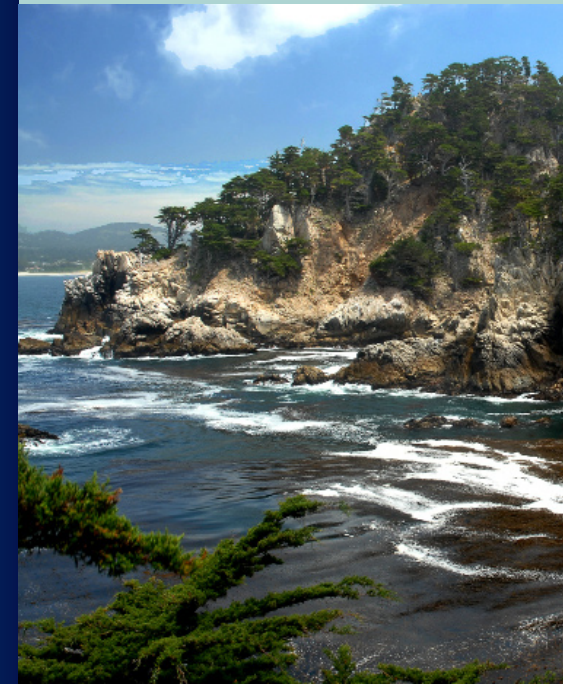


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Program Goal

Our goal is to provide a hands on interactive nature program for young people in the fourth grade. We strive to instill the enjoyment, appreciation and awareness of our natural environment and to practice and foster a conservation ethic. Point Lobos volunteer docents will greet you and lead students on the trail walk.

Program Components

- A 90 minute docent guided walk through pine and cypress forests, marine environments and a coastal scrub zone.
- A classroom presentation provided by a Point Lobos docent at your school site.
- The opportunity to see and touch animal pelts and skeletons.
- Docents with telescopes stationed at scenic outlooks allow students to get up close views of sea lions and other animals. Access to telescopes depends on the availability of docents.

To Request this Program

Application process and to request additional information contact Melissa Gobell, Park Interpretive Specialist, at (831) 625-1470 or melissa.gobell@parks.ca.gov.

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