

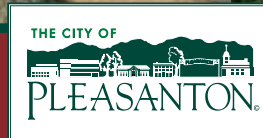
# CALLIPPE PRESERVE TRAIL TRAIL MAP

**ACCESS**—The Callippe Preserve Trailhead may be accessed by parking on the south side of the Golf Course parking lot and walking along the cart-path to the rear of the 18th green. From that point, the 3.75 mile loop trail may be hiked clockwise or counter-clockwise.

## PARK RULES

- The trail is open during daylight hours to pedestrians and equestrians.
- Bicycles and motorized vehicles are not allowed.
- Dogs must be leashed at all times on the trail.
- No fires, fireworks, firearms or other weapons are permitted on the trail.
- No alcoholic beverages are permitted on the trail.
- Do not disturb, remove or damage any tree, plant, or other natural materials found along the trail.
- Do not disturb, remove or harm any bird or animal, either wild or domesticated, along the trail.
- No overnight camping is allowed, unless specially permitted by the Community Services Director.

You are responsible for obeying all trail rules. For a complete copy of the City of Pleasanton Municipal Code, Chapter 13.08, Parks and Recreation Facilities, contact the Community Services Department at (925) 931-5340 or go to [www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us](http://www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us).



**WELCOME**—Callippe Preserve Trail is a 3.75-mile long trail which loops around the Callippe Preserve Municipal Golf Course in the City of Pleasanton. Surrounding the golf course are 280 acres of permanent open space which includes 173 acres retained under City ownership, and 107 acres of the Koopmann Ranch through a conservation easement. Public access through the City-owned open space is provided by the Callippe Preserve Trail which offers spectacular views of the golf course and the outlying Tri-Valley area.

**History** – Planning for Pleasanton’s municipal golf course started with a citizen committee headed by Paul Ebright in 1988. In 1994, property owners of 312 acres in the Happy Valley area (Manning, Jordan, Jensen and Moore) approached the City with a proposal to sell their land for the golf course. In June 1998, the City Council approved the Happy Valley Specific Plan. An element of the Plan was a pedestrian/equestrian trail to be installed in conjunction with development of the proposed golf course. The project’s construction began in August 2004 and the Callippe Preserve Golf Course and Trail were opened for public use in November 2005.

**Vegetation and Habitat** – The trail encompasses primarily oak woodland and oak grassland providing abundant habitat for deer and wild turkey with riparian habitat located along Sycamore Creek which bisects the golf course. Three species of oak (coast live, valley and blue oak) are found along the trail as well as sycamore and buckeye trees. Raptors including golden eagle, red-tailed hawk, and great-horned owl may be observed. Other bird species seen are American kestrel, western meadowlark, red-shouldered hawk, California quail, scrub jay, yellow-billed magpie, red-winged blackbird and bluebird. Near the many bluebird boxes that are placed along the trail to assure adequate nesting sites you may see bluebirds during about six months of the year. An abundance of seasonal wildflowers may be found, especially on the west side of the golf course. Look for California violet, narrow leaf sunflower, mallow, buttercup, native milkweed, fiddleneck, California poppy, blue-eyed grass, yarrow, wavy-leaved soap plant, and the host plant



for the Callippe Silverspot Butterfly – Johnny Jump-up (*Viola pedunculata*).

The golf course and trail are named for the Callippe Silverspot Butterfly (*Speyeria callippe callippe*), a rare and endangered species. During the period when the golf course property was being developed, it was found that vegetation in selected areas of the site was known to provide potential habitat for this protected butterfly. The City worked closely with the State Department of Fish and Game, the Army Corps of Engineers, and the Fish and Wildlife Service, to develop the property while protecting the environment. The preferred approach of the regulatory agencies was to avoid the butterfly habitat



Both photos courtesy of U.S. Geological Society

area entirely which the City accomplished by revision of the golf course layout for holes 11, 12 and 13. Since the butterfly habitat also includes the habitat of the red-legged frog and California tiger salamander, the redesign reduced the impact to those species.

The Callippe Silverspot is a medium-sized butterfly with a wingspan of about 2¼ inches. The name ‘silverspot’ refers to silvery patches or scales on the undersides of the dark brown wings. Identifying the species is difficult as there are many other more common species of butterfly with similar characteristics. The butterfly is found in native grasslands and adjacent habitats. Its population in Alameda County is particularly small and vulnerable. Although the butterfly is seldom seen, its host plant, yellow pansy or Johnny Jump-up, may be observed. After mating in late spring or early summer, the butterfly seeks out the Johnny Jump-up plant and lays eggs on or near the plant. After hatching, caterpillars (larvae) feed and molt over a 2 to 3 month period and then form a pupation chamber. After about two weeks, they emerge as adult butterflies and live for about three weeks during which time they feed and mate. Depending upon environmental conditions, this period ranges from mid-May to late July.






# Callippe Preserve Trail

Park Maintenance 925-931-5565

EMERGENCY 911

Callippe Preserve Trail is open during daylight hours to pedestrians and equestrians. The trail is closed to bicyclists and any motorized vehicles with the exception of service and emergency vehicles. As portions of the trail cross into active grazing land, visitors should be alert to the special challenges presented by that situation.

## LEGEND



 **Multipurpose Trails**  
(Hikers, Horses,  
Service & Emergency Vehicles)

 **Preserve Boundary**

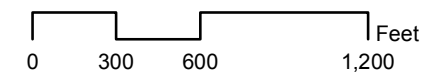
 **Mileage Between Points**

 **Restroom**     **Parking**

 **Bench**     **Gate**

 **Drinking Fountain**     **Vista Points**

Trail distance labels are in fractions of a mile.  
Elevation shown in 20' contour intervals.



TRAIL	MILES
Callippe Preserve Trail Loop	3.75
Trailhead to Clubhouse Drive	.45
Clubhouse Drive to Westbridge Lane	1.15
Westbridge Lane to Alisal Street	.55
Alisal Street to Callippe Preserve Trailhead	1.60

