

## 2 Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve

**Staging Area:** South end of Somersville Road, Antioch.

**Route:** Head south from the Somersville Road staging area. Veer right onto Nortonville Trail, stay left at the saddle and climb Black Diamond Trail. Follow along the ridge, then meet Black Diamond Way and descend. Turn right onto Black Diamond Trail and loop back to the Nortonville Trail to the staging area.

**Description:** This loop can be ridden in reverse to climb the paved section of Black Diamond Way. The ridgeline portion weaves through the oaks and boasts expansive views of the Sierra Nevada on a clear day. Take the time to park your bike and walk through Rose Hill Cemetery to learn about the local history. **Loop direction:** Counter-clockwise or clockwise. **Trail type:** 1-lane gravel, 1-lane dirt, 1-lane paved. **Length:** 5.9 miles. **Elevation gain:** 1,336 feet. **Approximate time:** 1 hour, 30 minutes.

