



# Earth Day Stewardship Weekend

## April 21-24, 2017

**STAY. PLAY. LEARN. CARE.**

Stewardship Travel is about adding a bit of "doing good and feeling good" to your vacation.

Join us for a weekend filled with opportunities for you to learn about our beautiful state parks, surrounding natural areas, and have a lot of fun! All of these activities are free, but if you'd like to make a donation to the Central Coast State Parks Association, you will be helping support 200 volunteer docents who annually teach and inspire 7,000 school children, 40,000 museum visitors, 85,000 Monarch Butterfly Grove visitors, and 700,000 Montana de Oro visitors.

### CHOOSE ANY OR ALL OF THESE FREE ACTIVITIES: :

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 21:

##### 2:00pm - Morro Bay Museum of Natural History - Bird Nests and Eggs

Come observe the Museum's collections of bird nests and eggs and then be inspired to create your very own felted birds nest and eggs using wool. Instructions and materials will be provided. 1-2 hours. Our area is a bird lovers paradise, and here's a way to take a closer look at our local birds and have some fun. For additional information, call the Museum of Natural History, Morro Bay State Park, (805) 772-2694.

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 22:

##### 9:00 - 11:00am - Cuesta Inlet Boat Cleanup

One of the very special places in Los Osos is Cuesta Inlet, a natural area on the shore of the bay where the land owners have given free access for boating. Residents and visitors are free to keep their canoes, kayaks and other small boats stored on the land surrounding the inlet, provided they label their boats and register them if applicable. Help keep the area clean and tidy by identifying boats out of compliance and tag for removal if necessary. Easy work, beautiful scenery, meet some fun locals. For more information, call Pandora Nash-Karner of Celebrate Los Osos at 805/528-7014.

##### 11:00 - 5:00pm - SLO County Earth Day Fair

Attend the 27th Annual SLO County Earth Day Fair on Saturday, April 22, 2017. As with other Earth Day events across the nation, SLO County hosts a great FREE festival at El Chorro Regional Park, right on Highway 1 between Morro Bay & SLO. Join in this day of activation and celebration!. Listen to inspiring words and live performances by local musicians from two solar powered stages. Enjoy food and beverages with your neighbors. Park at Cuesta College and walk or ride the shuttle to El Chorro Regional Park.

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 23

##### 10:00am - Montaña de Oro Spooners Ranch House History Tour

Spooner Ranch House provides a wealth of historical information about the area. From the Native people originally inhabiting the land, to European explorers, ranchers and farmers, Montaña de Oro is rich with history. Spooner's Cove and the bluff above it even hold mischievous stories of prohibition day exporting and transport! Visit the Ranch House for the most comprehensive history available on this remarkable piece of California coastline for this special guided tour. Afterward, enjoy an optional easy walk down the Bluff Trail. You'll be blown away at the magnificent views along the way! Meet at the Spooner Ranch House at 10:00am.

##### All Day - Elfin Forest Exploration (Wheelchair Accessible)

Overlooking the to the Morro Bay Estuary delta is stunning 90-acre natural area. Its plant communities include coastal brackish marsh, riparian woodland fringe, pygmy oak woodland, maritime chaparral, coastal dune scrub, and oak and manzanita complex. The forest supports more than 200 species of plants, as well as 110 kinds of birds, 22 species of mammals and 13 species of reptiles and amphibians. It is home to rare plants, butterflies, snails and birds. Chumash middens occur throughout the park. A 4/5 mile boardwalk loop, constructed in 1999, provides access for young and old, walkers and wheelchair users, and protects the Forest's sensitive habitat.

#### MONDAY, APRIL 25

##### 10:30 - 11:30am - Birds of the Bay

Morro Bay attracts over 200 species of migratory birds over the winter, and people travel from all over the globe to see our birds. Join us for a lecture on our local birds at the Morro Bay Museum of Natural History, followed by a short guided hike to the Heron Rookery. Meet at the Museum of Natural History at 10:30am.

##### 2:00 - 4:30pm - Baywood Park Farmers Market

Shop for great local produce, meet the farmers, and enjoy a little time in beautiful Baywood Park!

##### 5:00 - 7:00pm - "Beer at the Pier" Concert

Every Monday evening from 5:00 - 7:00, Baywood Park comes alive as locals and visitors enjoy a free concert, showcasing top local talent. This concert will feature the popular Nitely Irie, a fantastic reggae band. Come and join the fun at La Palapa Mexican Restaurant in Baywood Park and end your Stewardship Weekend on a high note!

Looking forward to your visit. More info at: [visitlososos.com](http://visitlososos.com)