Coal Mine Experience  
Saturday & Sunday  
10:00am, 11:00am, 1:00pm and 2:00pm  
(30-min. tour)  
In the late 19th century, people from around the world arrived here in search of a new life and new opportunities. Deep beneath the surface was a rock that would power the young state of California. Discover the toils, triumphs, and tragedies embedded in these hills as we explore a replica coal mine. Ages 7+. $3 each per tour. Registration Required (#48336)

Mine Craft  
Saturday, July 1, 2023  
Saturday, July 8, 2023  
10:00am – 11:30am  
Join us in the Greathouse Visitor Center for a fun craft in the mine while learning about the park’s rich history! NO Registration – Drop-In Only

Mini Miners  
Tuesday, July 11, 2023  
10:00am – 10:45am  
Tuesday, August 8, 2023  
10:00am – 10:45am  
Bring your little gems out to Black Diamond Mines for a morning of learning, playing, and enjoying the great outdoors. Each month will be a different theme where children ages 2-5 will discover the joys of nature. Siblings welcome! NO Registration – Drop-In Only.

Somersville Stroll  
Saturday, July 15, 2023  
Sunday, August 13, 2023  
9:30am – 10:30am  
Once a vibrant town and home to California’s largest coal mining community, this area now holds reminders of its long-ago inhabitants. Join us on a 1-mile leisurely walk as we use historic photos, maps, and clues on the landscape to piece together the past. NO Registration - Drop-In Only

What’s That Sound? Birding by Ear  
Saturday, July 22, 2023  
9:00am – 10:30am  
Identify birds by ear! Songs and calls are a useful and fun addition to recognizing birds visually. Hear recorded local birds and match while hiking or at home! NO Registration – Drop-In Only

Story Time in the Mine!  
Sunday, July 23, 2023  
Saturday, August 5, 2023  
Saturday, August 19, 2023  
Sunday, August 27, 2023  
10:30am – 11:00am  
Get out of the heat and enjoy story time underground! Come meet a Naturalist for some underground themed stories and fun! After the stories, stay to explore the Visitor Center. Best for ages under age 7, but all welcome. NO Registration – Drop-In Only

History Hike Above the Mines  
Saturday, July 29, 2023  
9:30am – 11:30am  
Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve has a rich mining history and was once home to thriving communities. Join us on a 1.5 mile hike above the mines to learn more. Trail will be rocky and uneven with moderate incline. Ages 7+. Underground mine tour not included. NO Registration – Drop-In Only

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Summer Scavenger Hunt
Sunday, July 30, 2023
Sunday, August 20, 2023
9:30am – 10:30am

The spring flowers have faded, but there is still so much natural beauty to explore at Black Diamond Mines! Search for signs of the summer season in this fun self-guided scavenger hunt! Drop in to chat with a Naturalist and grab an activity sheet by the upper parking lot at any time during the program. Then come back to share what you found! Ages 4+.

No Registration – Drop-In Only.

Beat the Heat Hike
Saturday, August 12, 2023
8:00am – 10:00am

Let’s go for a nice stroll up the shaded Chaparral Loop before it gets too HOT! We’ll get some exercise and learn about how the chaparral gets through these warm summers each year. Ages 8+.

NO Registration – Drop-In Only

Games in the Mines!
Saturday, August 12, 2023
2:00pm – 3:30pm
Saturday, August 26, 2023
10:00am – 11:30am

Get out of the heat and come underground to play some games! We will learn about and try some games that would have been popular among kids of the nearby mining communities in the late 1800s. All ages welcome. Meet inside the Greathouse Visitor Center.

NO Registration – Drop-In Only