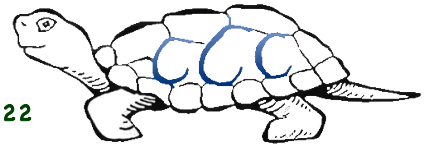


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Planting Day Guidelines

Here are some simple recommendations for volunteers attending Cotati Creek Critters' work days, which will help to ensure a positive, productive, and enjoyable experience for all.



Please arrive on time or a few minutes early, so that we can all meet together at the beginning to discuss tasks at hand and safety issues. Unless we notify you otherwise, we will meet at "Ladybug Lot," (City of Cotati Well Lot #2) on Lakewood Avenue in Cotati. The Lot is adjacent to Ladybug Park in the City of Rohnert Park.



If at all possible please stay for the entire period from 9-12 (Saturdays) or 10-1 (Sundays). There is a significant amount of preparation, set up and clean up for a work day, so we try to make the most of the time we have! If you need to leave early please inform the Stewardship Coordinator at the beginning of the day so we may give you a task appropriate for your time available. **Students are welcome with permission of their parents if under 18.** We are very busy during our work so if you need to ask questions or have a form signed to get credit for school we ask that you wait until the end of the scheduled workday.



Wear appropriate attire. Wear sturdy boots or shoes for wet and muddy conditions. For safety reasons open-toed sandals or flip-flops are not acceptable! Dress in comfortable, old clothes, with long pants, and be prepared to get dirty. Dress in layers, for temperature changes during the day and because you can get hot working and cool when you rest. We provide gloves and tools. Wear sunscreen and a hat. If rain is forecast bring appropriate rainwear. Long sleeves can be useful to protect you from thorns, etc.



We provide refreshments, and there's a drinking fountain at the Lot, but it's a good idea to bring your own water bottle to take with you to the worksite.



Don't bring valuables you can't carry with you - we can't guarantee to lock them up safely or keep them dry if it is raining.



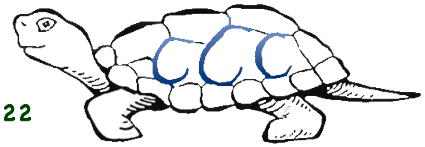
We work rain or shine! If it is raining we may take cover at Ladybug Lot and work on refurbishing tools or potting up plants in our nursery, and run out to the creek if the weather clears.

Please contact Jenny Blaker (jenny@creeks.cotati.info) or 792 4422 with any questions.

Thank you, and we look forward to working with you!

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Directions to Ladybug Lot

Local

From E. Cotati Avenue EITHER turn south on La Salle just west of Oliver's Market and the Rancho Cotate shopping center, and keep going to the T-junction at the end of La Salle, then turn left on Lakewood Avenue. Ladybug Lot is at the end of the road, where Lakewood makes a sharp bend to the left.

OR

from E. Cotati Avenue, go south on Lancaster, right on Lincoln, left on Lakewood. Ladybug Lot is on Lakewood, adjacent to Ladybug Park, where Lakewood makes a sharp bend to the right.

From Santa Rosa and the North:

Take 101 South to the Cotati Exit. Turn left at the light at the end of the ramp and go under 101. Be in the right lane to turn right (south) at the second light onto Old Redwood Highway. Stay on Old Redwood for three blocks and turn left at the traffic signal onto E. Cotati Ave. Follow E. Cotati Ave. to LaSalle Ave (stop sign). Turn right and stay on LaSalle to the dead end (across from a foot bridge over the Laguna). Turn left on Lakewood Avenue. It soon makes a sharp bend to the left; Ladybug Lot is a short walk on the right.

From Petaluma and the South:

Take 101 North to the W. Sierra Exit (after Railroad Ave). Turn right at the bottom of the ramp and proceed several blocks to the light. Go through the light; you are now on E. Cotati Ave. Follow E. Cotati Ave. to LaSalle Ave (stop sign). Turn right and stay on LaSalle to the dead end (across from a foot bridge over the Laguna). Turn left on Lakewood Avenue. It soon makes a sharp bend to the left; Ladybug Lot is a short walk on the right.

NOTE: Parking is available at the lot for Ladybug Park on Liman Way. However, you must walk through the park (past the swim center, down the hill, and up again) to reach Ladybug Lot.

