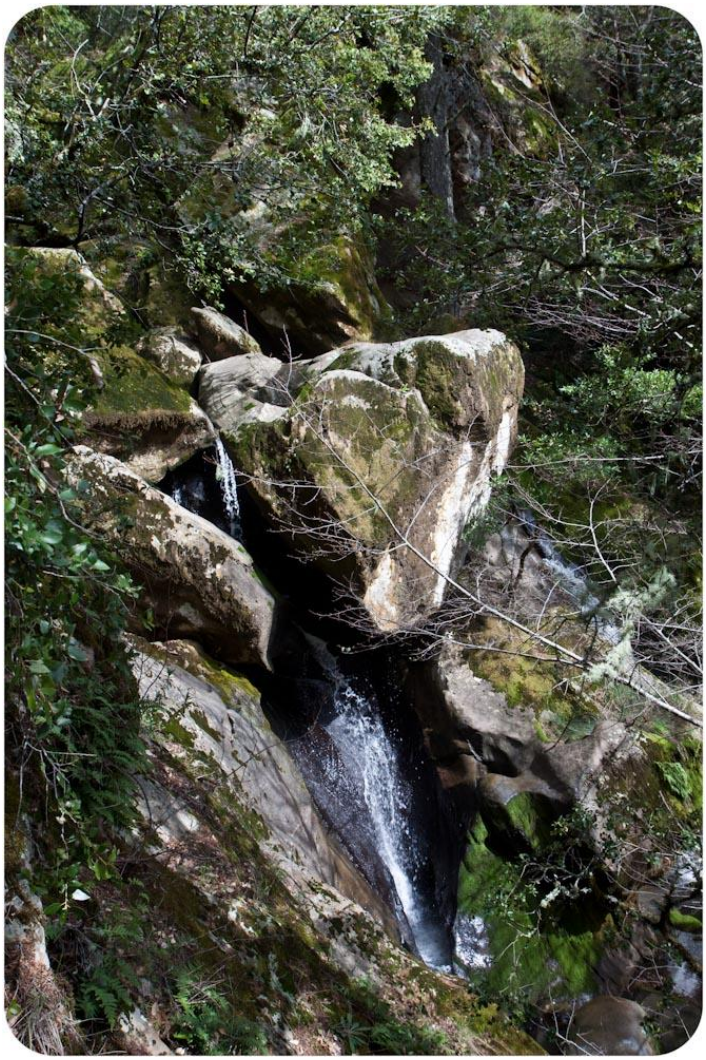
Hidden Waterfalls - Near Long Ridge Trail (close to Hwy 9 & Skyline)

About 30 minutes up Hwy 9 from Saratoga, are some hidden waterfalls off the beaten path, so secret they are purposely not even on the Mid-Peninsula trails map. This is a short hike of about 2 miles round trip on a well used trail. You need to like hiking :-) and be prepared for a rough trail in spots. It's not flat but not challenging in elevation change either. It's a typical Santa Cruz mountain trail in a tree-canopy shrouded canyon, dark and with a small flowing creek.



Logistics:
Sunday, April 17
Car-pool & leave from Saratoga Library parking lot at 8:15 AM
Park at intersection of Grizzly Peak and Skyline (see attached map) and leave the parking lot at 9:00 if some folks want to meet at the trail-head.
Total time duration is about 4 hours including driving.

Recommended gear:

Bring some snacks and a little water. I'll stop at Blue Rock Shoot to grab some coffee for the drive up the hill.
Hiking boots to avoid slipping; day bag for extra clothes, snacks, camera gear. Dress appropriate for weather - if light rain bring parka, umbrella and dress warm. Even if not raining, you might want to dress like it might as it can be cool on Skyline. You can always leave any extra clothing in the car. If you like to hike with a walking stick you should bring it. Cell phones may not work in this area of the mountains.

Camera gear:
It will be dark in the canyon so bring a tripod. If light rain you might want a cover for the camera.

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Heavy rain would cancel.