

Directions to 17507 Skyline Blvd • Woodside/Redwood City, CA 94062

It's Redwood City if you're inputting to Google Directions or a navigation system, which we recommend, despite the splendid directions that follow. --Lee and Deborah Bond-Upson

Call **650-530-2087** for more information.

From the north and east:

Make your way via I-280 south, or via Hwy 84 west (the Dumbarton Bridge road), to the junction of I-280 and Hwy 84. (Please note: Hwy 84 shares Hwy 101 for 1.8 miles north of the Bridge.) Once you've reached I-280 and Hwy 84, proceed west on Hwy 84/Woodside Road 3.4 miles (about 11 minutes) through the little town of Woodside, to the junction of Woodside Road and Portola Road. At this point Hwy 84/Woodside Road changes its name to Hwy 84/La Honda Road and begins to climb.

From the southeast:

Make your way via I-280 north to Sand Hill Road exit, and proceed onto Sand Hill Road west. Continue west on Sand Hill 2.2 miles to Portola Road. (The Sand Hill/Portola junction is about 0.7 miles beyond the big open intersection where Whiskey Hill Road terminates at Sand Hill.) At your turn there's a small green Portola Road sign on the right that can't be read until it's too late. Turn right onto Portola Road and proceed only 0.2 miles. Then—and this feels a bit counter-intuitive—stay on Portola Road by turning left, down into the gloaming instead of proceeding straight and rising onto the uplands of Mountain Home Road. Don't worry—Portola Road soon becomes a sweet little country lane. Keep smiling—have faith!

Whether you've reached La Honda Road via Hwy 84/Woodside, or via Sand Hill/Portola:

Grind 3.7 miles (8-9 minutes) up and up on Hwy 84/La Honda Road until you come to the junction of Hwy.s 84 and 35 (Skyline Blvd). This is Skylonda, the famous crossroads rest-stop for weekend bikers and cyclists. Turn up to the left, south, on Hwy 35/Skyline, and continue for 0.33 miles. Our entrance is hidden from view by a hedgerow, so watch for the 45 mph speed limit sign up ahead, then signal left, slow down, and prepare to turn left as soon as you can see around the hedgerow. Be alert for fast-moving bicycles, motorcycles, cars, and trucks. Be sure to slow down and signal! A big tree near the edge of the highway carries the street number on an oval brass plaque, but we'll have big UULM signs so you'll know this is the place. Do not park on the street because there's no shoulder and it's a potentially dangerous highway. Many non-locals like to go too fast.

If you take Hwy 92 (the Hayward Bridge road):

Proceed west on Hwy 92 and take I-280 south to Hwy 84 and follow the directions above. Or take the scenic alternative: stay on Hwy 92 passing under I-280, then down to San Francisco's reservoir which runs right above the San Andreas Fault, and then up the hill on the other side as if to Half Moon Bay, but at the summit, turn left/south onto Hwy 35/Skyline Blvd. You can then motor cheerfully along the ridge-line for 12-13 miles till you get to Skylonda, and then go another 0.33 miles to get to 17507. Takes only a little longer than other methods. At the 6-mile point south of Hwy 92 is Mountain House, where Neil Young and his posse frequently dine. At Skylonda, there's Alice's Restaurant, named in honor of the original Alice's, in Stockbridge, Mass. Final counter-culture note: Ken Kesey's activities in La Honda figured prominently in Tom Wolfe's "The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test."

If you come from the west (Highway 1):

Take Hwy 84/La Honda Road east till you reach the summit at Skyline. Turn up to the right (south), and continue for 0.33 miles. #17507 is on the right. Don't go too fast or you'll overshoot it.

If you want to come via Hwy 17 at Hwy 35's southern terminus, you should know what you're doing, because Skyline is unmarked and otherwise remarkably funky in its lower section. Ask me for detailed directions if you're feeling adventurous.



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