

# Picchetti Ranch location

**Location** : Exit at Grant / Foothill from 280. Go west on Foothill (the direction of San Antonio Park). If you are coming from South 280, turn left and pass under the bridge. If you are coming from North 280, turn right. Continue on Foothill which will eventually change into Stevens Creek Canyon Rd.

After you have seen the water of the reservoir on your left, the first road you see on your right is **Montebello, just at the corner of the quarry**. Take that road on your right and climb the little hill for about 1/2 mile. You will see on your left hand side the entrance of the winery and the parking lot for the park. Do not enter the winery, it is a private entrance.

Park in the parking lot of the Open Space. The Open Space is around and behind the winery. I will see you in the parking lot. Please be on time as much as possible as we will not stay in the parking lot to paint every session, and we always start the class with some "off the back of the car" introduction.

**Description:** Old orchard turning gold in the Fall and lovely rolling hills around the buildings of the winery. There is quite a variety of painting subjects, including the vistas of the distant hills on the other side of San Jose. In winter the pond down the path is full of water. You can climb the gentle hills and capture beautiful vistas. Foggy mornings are particularly thrilling in that location.

The buildings are old, quaint and interesting, surrounded by a variety of trees. The winery opens at 11AM on week ends and you can paint the buildings from the path outside as early as you want. *The space enclosed by the fence is a private leasing and we are not able to stay on the grounds even though the door might be opened for their own convenience.*

If you are in Jim's class ask him in the morning what is the status of his group.

It is a good idea to bring a cart to this location.

