A Day in Watsonville

Morning
Grab your binoculars and head over to Elkhorn Slough National Estuarine Reserve, a habitat for nearly 300 species of birds. Bird enthusiasts also shouldn’t miss a stroll around the Wetlands of Watsonville, or a visit to the Wetlands Nature Center.

Mid Day
Building up an appetite after all that exploring? Head to a U-pick farm for samplings of the county’s freshest berries, apples and more! Or, pack up your lunch and head to Pinto Lake Park for a picnic, followed by a round of disc golf.

Afternoon
The Watsonville Farmer’s Market at the Historic Downtown Watsonville Plaza is the place to be on Friday afternoons - showcasing the best fresh fruits and veggies from local agriculture fields.
Discover the farming methods of a bygone era at the Agriculture History Museum. Plant seeds, milk cows or even churn butter! You can also see the latest local art exhibits at the Pajaro Valley Art Gallery.
Don’t miss one of Santa Cruz County’s best kept secrets – the up and coming boutique wineries of the nearby Corralitos Wine Trail.

Evening
Cuddle up and enjoy a “not to miss” sunset on the dunes at Manresa or Sunset State Beaches.
At the end of an adventurous day, head in to Downtown Watsonville to find an abundance of restaurants offering authentic Mexican cuisine. Enjoy a live show at the Henry J. Mello Center for the Performing Arts.