


# NORTEÑOS

## AN OVERVIEW

In South County (Watsonville) the Norteño gang members out-number the Sureños. In North County (Santa Cruz) it is the reverse --Sureños out-number the Norteños.

### Signs, Symbols and Terms

- Norte
- Northsider
- Catorce
- ENE
- 14
- XIV
- X4
- XIVer
- N =The fourteenth letter of the alphabet
- Four dots or one and four dots = 14
- The color red
- They Mayan symbol for 14 = 
- The logo NORCAL
- The Huelga Bird – symbol for United Farm Workers
- The Strawberry (in Watsonville)
- The logo WS (in Westside Santa Cruz)
- The Northern Star
- The California Flag



# SANTA CRUZ NORTEÑOS

- West Side Santa Cruz (WSSC)
- West-Side Chicos (WSC)
- North Side Santa Cruz (NSSC)



Derogatory terms used  
against Norteños:

- Chapete
- Estrella
- Buster





# WATSONVILLE NORTEÑOS

- North Side Watson (NS, NSW)
- North Side Watson Chicos (NSC)
- North Side Watson Hynas (NSWH)
- City Hall Watson (CHW, WCH)
- Loco Park Watson (LPW, LP)
- Clifford Manor Locos (CML , 265)
- Varrío Green Valley (VGV, GVL)
- Mesa Village (Mesa, Mesa Locos)
- Watson Varrío Norté (WVN)
- Landis Street (LST)
- Lomas Varrío Norte/Hillside (Lomas)



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