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"Every man should be allowed to love two cities - his own and San Francisco," once said author Gene Fowler. San Francisco, also known as the City by the Bay, is a diverse, colorful, and intriguing destination luring visitors from all corners of the world with its beauty, culture, history and dynamic ambiance. It is best known for its steep hills, beautiful panoramic vistas, and excellent cuisine. The eclectic mix of architecture, sandy beaches, ethnic and cultural diversity, and entertainment for all ages makes San Francisco a great choice for a vacation.

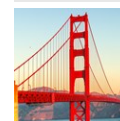
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San Francisco is a peninsula washed by the Pacific Ocean. It is said to be the crossroads to everywhere, with 16 million visitors every year.

San Francisco's charm lies in its neighborhoods, which give the city its utter uniqueness. Union Square is in the heart of the city and the hub of the shopping district. North Beach is known for its Italian heritage, bakeries and restaurants. The Marina District has some of the most elegant homes in San Francisco, and the waterfront is where shopping and dining are at their best.

The Haight, famous for the intersection of Haight and Ashbury Streets, is the location of former homes of Counterculture icons like the Jefferson Airplane, Janis Joplin and the Grateful Dead. Unique shops, music, bookstores and cafés line many of the Haight's streets. Alamo Square is best known for the beautiful turn-of-the century Victorian homes called the "Painted Ladies." SoMa (South of Market) includes unique nightclubs, restaurants and museums.

The Castro District has the highest concentration of gay/lesbian population of any city in America. Steep streets and brightly painted Victorian houses, imaginative boutiques and bars, and the largest Gay Pride Parade are found in this area. Yerba Buena Gardens is the cultural heart of the

city, where community, entertainment, arts and pop culture come together. San Francisco's climate is influenced by the cool currents of the Pacific Ocean. Days are generally cool year-round, and summer days are often foggy in the afternoon. Average summer temperatures range from 59-79°F (15-24°C) and winter from 50-59°F (10-15°C).

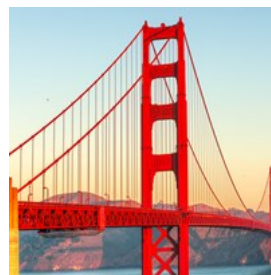
DO & SEE



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San Francisco is a diverse destination, encompassing nature, history, art, science and some of the most beautiful scenery along the West Coast of the United States. Pop culture and old traditions are neatly packed into this one fabulous city. Wander around the diverse neighborhoods, cross the Golden Gate Bridge, ride the cable cars and explore everything San Francisco has to offer.

Golden Gate Bridge



The Golden Gate Bridge is acclaimed as one of the world's most beautiful bridges. Its bright orange towers and sweeping main cables glow in the sunshine or are engulfed in the fog that frequents this area. No matter if you drive, walk or bicycle across this engineering marvel, the views are spectacular.

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Phone: +1 415 921 5858
Internet: www.goldengatebridge.org
Email: bridgecomments@goldengate.org

San Francisco Cable Cars



No visit would be complete without a ride on a cable car. These cable-powered streetcars have been transporting people up and down the fabulous hills of San Francisco since 1873. A highlight of the ride is actually at the end (or beginning) at the turnaround. Watch while drivers push the cable car on a rotating platform 180 degrees for the trip back up the hill.

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Address: Powell Market, San Francisco, CA
Opening hours: Every day 10am-6pm
Internet: www.sfcablecar.com
Email: comments@sfcablecar.com

Fisherman's Wharf



A long strip along the waterfront is home to the Cannery, Ghirardelli Square and Pier 39. A working waterfront, also called Fish Alley, sells tons of sole, shrimp, salmon, and squid every year. Crab season (mid November - June) is the time for seafood lovers. There is shopping, entertainment, restaurants and vendors who sell Dungeness Crab ready to eat.

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Address: Fisherman's Wharf, San Francisco
Phone: +1 415 674 7503
Internet: www.fishermanswharf.org
Email: info@fishermanswharf.org

Aquarium Of The Bay



In addition to the expected displays of sea life, this unusual aquarium invites visitors into the hidden world of life under San Francisco Bay. A moving walkway takes you through two crystal clear tunnels, 300 feet in length, surrounded by 700,000 gallons of filtered Bay water and more than 23,000 aquatic animals.

Photo: eyeretina/Shutterstock.com
Address: Pier 39, San Francisco
Opening hours: Every day 10am - 7pm
Phone: +1 415 623 5300
Internet: www.aquariumofthebay.com
Email: info@bay.org

Lombard Street



This steep and winding street is the most photographed street in San Francisco. Tourists come to Russian Hill to see, drive or walk down the "crookedest street in the world," with eight hairpin turns. The Hyde Street Cable Car makes a stop at the top of Lombard Street. Along with the dramatic view of Lombard Street, there are awesome views of Fisherman's Wharf and the Bay.

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Address: Lombard, Hyde Street, San Francisco

Chinatown



Walking through the dragon-adorned Pagoda Gates leads visitors into the colorful and exciting area of San Francisco known as Chinatown. It is tightly packed with exotic shops, ethnic food markets, and excellent restaurants. In February each year, the Chinese New Year is celebrated here with parades and dancing dragons.

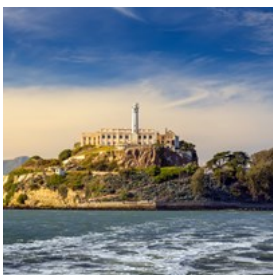
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Address: Chinatown, San Francisco

Internet: www.sanfranciscochinatown.com

Email: info@sanfranciscochinatown.com

Alcatraz



Once a federal prison housing dangerous and notorious criminals, Alcatraz (The Rock) now welcomes tourists into the cellblocks once occupied by the likes of Al Capone, Machine Gun Kelly, and the Birdman of Alcatraz. Self-guided audiocassette tours have dramatic narratives of Alcatraz's grim history, including realistic sound effects one would hear in prison.

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Address: Alcatraz, San Francisco

Opening hours: Every day 8.45am - 6.30pm

Phone: +1 415 561 4900

Internet: www.nps.gov/alcatraz

More Info: Make sure to book well in advance at www.alcatrazcruises.com. Tickets sell out quickly as this is one of the most popular attractions. Alcatraz is reached only by ferry from Fisherman's Wharf.

Walt Disney Family Museum



If you are a Walt Disney fan, then this is the place to visit. Here you will learn more about the fascinating and inspiring story of Walt Disney - the man behind Mickey Mouse and Snow White. This fun museum features historic materials and artifacts, including early drawings and animation, movies, music and much more.

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Address: 104 Montgomery Steet, The Presidio, San Francisco

Opening hours: Every day 10am - 6pm, except every Tues, Jan 1, Thanksgiving & Dec 25

Phone: +1 415 345 6800

Internet: www.waltdisney.org

Email: info@wdfmuseum.org

Legion of Honor



Take a stroll around this lovely setting and admire the impressive building. The Legion of Honor building is a replica of the Palais de la Legion d'Honneur in Paris and was completed in 1924. This is also one of San Francisco's fine arts museums with lots of sculptures, porcelain and European paintings.

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Address: 100 34th Ave, San Francisco

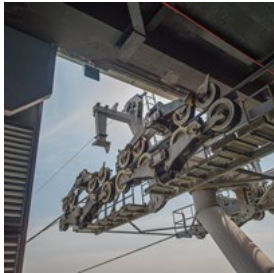
Opening hours: Tue-Sun: 9:30am-5:15pm

Phone: +1 415 750 3600

Internet: legionofhonor.famsf.org

Email: contact@famsf.org

Cable Car Museum



This museum is located in a cable car barn and powerhouse and was established in 1974. On display are various mechanical devices such as tracks, cable, tools, detailed models and a collection of historic photographs. There are also three antique cable cars from the 1870s.

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 Address: 1201 Mason St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Every day 10am - 5pm
 Phone: +1 415 474 1887
 Internet: www.cablecarmuseum.org

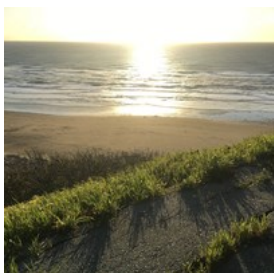
San Francisco Zoo



San Francisco Zoo houses 250 species and includes a children's zoo, miniature train and carousel. This is also a center that takes care of rare and endangered species - a great place for a day trip with the family. In case you get hungry, there is a restaurant inside.

Photo: Welland Lau/Shutterstock.com
 Address: Sloat Boulevard, 45th Avenue, Parkside, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Every day 10am - 5pm, admission until 4pm
 Phone: + 1 415 753 7080
 Internet: www.sfzoo.org
 Email: marketing@sfzoo.org

Ocean Beach



The Ocean Beach is located at the end of Golden Gate Park, and is a perfect place where to relax in the sun or even take a romantic walk

relishing the sunset. During weekends, if the weather is warm, it can get crowded but it still worth a visit.

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 Address: Highway 1, San Francisco

City Segway Tours of San Francisco

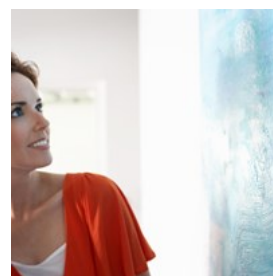


Explore and get to know the city in an exciting and fun way - with a segway. City Segway Tours is the first guided tour using Segways in the world and

offers you a great tour with fascinating stories and information about the history of San Francisco. This will truly be an experience that you will never forget!

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 Address: 333 Jefferson St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Every day 9am - 6pm
 Phone: +1 415 877 734 8687
 Internet: www.citysegwaytours.com
 Email: sanfrancisco@citysegwaytours.com

Asian Art Museum



This is one of the largest museums in the world devoted exclusively to Asian art. It houses a collection spanning 6,000 years of history. Here you

can admire sculptures, paintings, ceramics, furniture and textiles. Do not miss the amazing terracotta warriors from China.

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 Address: 200 Larkin St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Tues - Sun 10am - 5pm
 Phone: +1 415 581 3500
 Internet: www.asianart.org

Golden Gate Park



Golden Gate is much more than just trees and walking paths - the park houses multiple attractions, such as the California Academy of

Sciences, the de Young Museum and even a Japanese Tea Garden. Come with time to spare, and bring your bike along on Sundays, when a large portion of the park is reserved for cycling.

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Address: 501 Stanyan St, San Francisco

Opening hours: Every day 5am - midnight

Phone: +1 415 831 2700

Internet: www.sfrecpark.org

Email: rpinfo@sfgov.org

Lands End



Come here towards the end of the day and take a look at the ruins of the ancient Turkish baths, after which proceed to take a scenic stroll along

a path overlooking the Golden Gate bridge and the coast - you will not be let down by the views.

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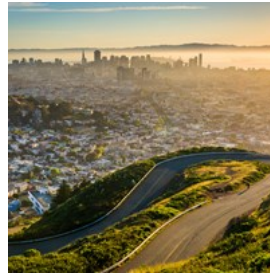
Opening hours: Mon - Fri 9am - 5pm, Sat - Sun 9am - 6pm

Phone: +1 415 426 5240

Internet: www.nps.gov/goga/planyourvisit/landsend.htm

More Info: Stay on trails and keep distance from cliffs for your safety.

Twin Peaks



Picturesque panoramic views as well as a rich flora and fauna are some of the things you can expect to find once

reached the top of these two adjacent peaks. Bring your camera and take some postcard-worthy photographs.

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Address: 501 Twin Peaks Blvd, San Francisco

Opening hours: Every day 5am - midnight

Phone: +1 415 831 2700

Internet: www.sfrecpark.org/destination/twin-peaks

Angel Island State Park



Taking a trip to Angel Island is not only great for hiking trails and breathtaking views, but also taking in a bit of local history - the Angel

Island Immigration Station is also located here and offers a unique insight into the nation's past.

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Address: 1120 Mar West Suite G, Tiburon, San Francisco

Opening hours: Mon - Fri 10am - 3pm, Sat - Sun 10am - 4pm

Phone: +1 415 435 3392

Internet: www.angelisland.com

Email: goplay@angelisland.com

DINING



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With over 3,300 restaurants, San Francisco is one of the best cities in the world for dining. Food from every corner of the world can be found here, from Afghan to Tibetan, Bolivian to Russian. From the small corner cafés to elegant four-star restaurants, there is something for everyone. San Francisco Sourdough Bread and Dungeness Crab are two "absolute musts" for visitors to try and enjoy. Furthermore, San Francisco's close proximity to the Napa-Sonoma wine country ensures the availability of excellent California wines.

Scala's Bistro



This upscale eatery combines Old World ambiance and a delightful Mediterranean menu to create a very special dining experience.

Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. Reservations are recommended for evenings.

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Address: 432 Powell Street, Union Square, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon - Fri 7am - 3pm, 5.30pm - 11pm, Sat - Sun 8am - 3pm, 5.30pm - 11pm
 Phone: +1 415 395 8555
 Internet: www.scalasbistro.com
 Email: info@scalasbistro.com

Calzone's



Calzone has dubbed itself a Euro Bistro for the 21st century. Sit beneath the large awning covering the front and enjoy a gourmet pizza while

people-watching. Appetizers include mussels in garlic, ginger cilantro broth, or Italian pot stickers filled with sausage and mushrooms. Dinner entrées include a wide variety of pasta, seafood, beef, chicken and pork dishes.

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Address: 430 Columbus Avenue, North Beach, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Every day 11.30am - 1am
 Phone: +1 415 397 3600
 Internet: www.calzonesf.com
 Email: comments@calzonesf.com

Twenty Five Lusk



Twenty Five Lusk is a modern restaurant and lounge serving seasonally-based New American cuisine. Here you can indulge in high quality food inspired by Asian flavours, such as scallop sashimi, grilled octopus sausage and roasted filet mignon. Bon appetit!

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Address: 25 Lusk St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon - Thu 5.30pm - 10pm, Fri - Sat 5.30pm - 11pm, Sun 11am - 2pm 5.30pm - 10pm
 Phone: +1 415 495 5875
 Internet: www.25lusk.com
 Email: info@25lusk.com
 More Info: Off Townsend St, btwn 3rd & 4th St

Kokkari Estiatorio



This restaurant is named after a small fishing village on the island of Samos in Greece. When entering the restaurant, you will notice the old-world charm of a rustic Mediterranean country inn. The menus include traditional Greek cuisine with mouth-watering starters such as classic Greek salad and main courses like the traditional dish Moussaka.

Photo: Foxys Forest Manufacture/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 200 Jackson St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon -Thu 11.30am - 10pm, Fri 11.30am - 11pm, Sat 5pm - 11pm, Sun 5pm - 10pm
 Phone: +1 415 981 0983
 Internet: www.kokkari.com

Hog Island Oyster Company



If you are an oyster lover, this is the place to visit. Hog Island Oyster Bar offers fresh and local oysters and Manila clams raised on their own farm.

This is the place where you can indulge in Oyster soup and a grilled cheese sandwich, which is to die for. This is, however, a very popular place so it might be crowded but well worth the wait.

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 Address: The Ferry Building Marketplace, One Ferry Building, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Every day 11am - 9pm
 Phone: +1 415 391 7117
 Internet: www.hogislandoysters.com
 Email: obsf@hogislandoysters.com

Yank Sing



Indulge in various mouthwatering Dim Sum at this Asian restaurant. Dim Sum, which literally means "to touch the heart", were originally not a main meal, but their success in western countries was big enough to turn it into one of the most popular Chinese dishes.

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 Address: 49 Stevenson St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon - Fri 11am - 3pm, Sat - Sun 10am - 4pm
 Phone: +1 415 541 4949
 Internet: www.yanksing.com

Burma Superstar



This vegetarian- and vegan-friendly restaurant is a local favorite for Asian food. The tea leaf (yes, tea leaf!) salad is a must when dining here.

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 Address: 309 Clement St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon - Thu, Sun 11.30am - 10pm, Fri - Sat 11.30am - 10.30pm
 Phone: +1 415 387 2147
 Internet: www.burmasuperstar.com
 Email: lyndafromburmasuperstar@gmail.com
 More Info: btwn 4th & 5th Ave

Bar Crudo



This place lives and breathes sea food - try the crudo sampler and sea food chowder when dining here, and don't forget about the very reasonably priced fresh oysters.

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Address: 655 Divisadero St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Tue - Thu, Sun 5pm - 10pm
 Phone: +1 415 409 0679
 Internet: www.barcrudo.com
 Email: Info@barcrudo.com
 More Info: Grove St

CAFÉS



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San Francisco boasts one of the finest and most vibrant cafe cultures of any American city. There are plenty of cafes on street corners, from big chains like Starbucks and Peet's to small coffee shops owned by locals. San Francisco cafes are great for exploring new and experimental varieties of coffee (such as icy mint mojito, for example).

Buena Vista Café



breakfast, lunch and dinner menus.

Great views of the waterfront, specialty coffee, Irish Coffee and cocktails make this café a pleasant stop for late-nighters. Extensive

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 Address: 2765 Hyde St, Fisherman's Wharf, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon - Fri 9am - 2am, Sat - Sun 8am - 2am
 Phone: +1 415 474 5044
 Internet: www.thebuenavista.com
 Email: thebuenavista@comcast.net

Dottie's True Blue Café



charming and nostalgic feel.

This is a true American coffee shop/diner serving breakfast and lunch. Postcards from around the world adorn the walls, giving the place a

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 Address: 28 Sixth St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Thur - Mon 7.30am - 3pm
 Phone: +1 415 885 2767
 Internet: www.dottiestruebluesf.com

Nopa



currently very trendy and all but created round-the-block lines for pork chops, burgers and fries.

Celebrated as a great brunch location, this restaurant and bar serves urban rustic food prepared from organic ingredients. The place is

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 Address: 560 Divisadero St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon - Fri 5pm - 1am, Sat - Sun 11am - 1am
 Phone: +1 415 864 8643
 Internet: www.nopasf.com
 Email: info@nopasf.com
 More Info: At Hayes St

Super Duper Burger



decomposable paper.

This restaurant joint offers amazing value for money and is the place to go for a succulent burger that comes wrapped in eco-friendly,

Photo: Lukas Gajda/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 2304 Market St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Every day 11am - 11pm
 Phone: +1 415 558 8123
 Internet: www.superduperburgers.com
 Email: info@superdupersf.com

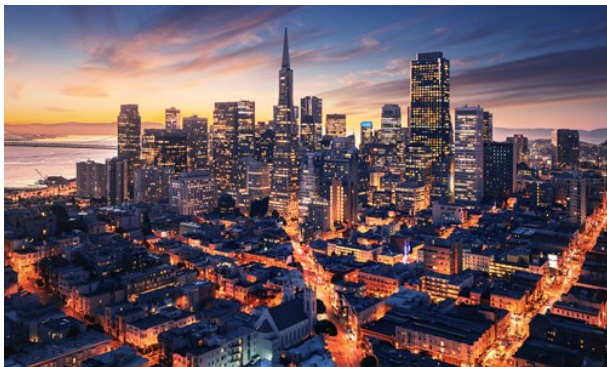
Monk's Kettle



One of the best gastropubs in San Francisco, this place is a great choice if you're in the mood for a drink truly extraordinary, such as donut flavored beer.

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 Address: 3141 16th St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon - Sun 12pm - 2am
 Phone: +1 415 865 9523
 Internet: www.monkskettle.com
 More Info: At Albion St

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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The bar scene in San Francisco is as varied as the city itself. From wine and champagne lounges to rocking sports bars, finding one to fit any personality is easy. Mission District is great for bar hopping and North Beach for hideaway bars. The nightlife rocks in San Francisco and, like much in the city, nightlife varies from district to district: SoMa for hip-hop, Marina District for more elegant spots, and North Beach

for lots of neon lights.

Blondie's Bar and No-grill

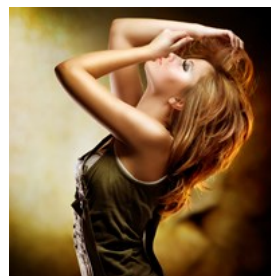


out to the street.

Blondie's is a local favorite for a variety of reasons: jazz and blues music, a hip crowd, and a relaxed atmosphere with large windows that open

Photo: Navistock/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 540 Valencia St, Mission District, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon - Thu 4pm - 2am, Fri - Sun 2pm - 2am
 Phone: +1 415 864 2419
 Internet: www.blondiesbarsf.com
 Email: blondiesbarsf@gmail.com

Holy Cow Nightclub



There is an outdoor patio for smoking.

Holy Cow's motto is "Never a cover, always a party." Local DJs mix a wide range of music. They have been voted Best Singles' Scene.

Photo: Subbotina Anna/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 1535 Folsom St, SoMa, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Thur - Sat 10pm - 2am
 Phone: +1 415 757 7560
 Internet: www.theholycow.com
 Email: info@theholycow.com

Boom Boom Room



Orleans style.

Sultry, down-home juke-joint and the hippest blues club on the West Coast. Dancing, live music, crowded, trendy and romantic - New

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Address: 1601 Fillmore at Geary, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Sun - Thurs 4pm - 2am, Fri - Sat 4pm - 3am,
 Monday closed
 Phone: +1 415 673 8000
 Internet: www.boombooblues.com
 Email: jay@boombooblues.com

Fig & Thistle Wine Bar



Charming and off-the-beaten-path are probably the two words that best describe this cosy wine bar where guests may even have a seat on a bunk bed. Come here for good beer, wine and cheese.

Photo: kichigin/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 313 Ivy St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon - Thu, Sun 4pm - 11pm
 Phone: +1 415 589 7005
 Internet: www.figandthistlesf.com
 Email: info@figandthistlesf.com
 More Info: No one under 21 allowed.

Blackbird Bar



This neighborhood bar attracts a mixed crowd of locals - drinks are affordably priced and the pool table (and photobooth!) in the back contribute to the place's hip, chill vibe.

Photo: [Teri Virbickis/Shutterstock.com](http://TeriVirbickis/Shutterstock.com)
 Address: 2124 Market St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon - Fri 3pm - 2am, Sat - Sun 2pm - 2am
 Phone: +1 415 503 0630
 Internet: www.blackbirdbar.com
 Email: info@blackbirdbar.com
 More Info: At Church St

Public Works



A trendy chill out venue with lots going on - it even features a mini-art gallery (apart from the several lounge areas, large dance floor and bars). Do not miss the upstairs and check what's on when you're in town - the place is a known musical event space.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 161 Erie St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon - Thur 10am - 3pm, Fri - Sat 10am - 3pm, 9pm - 4am
 Phone: +1 415 496 6738
 Internet: www.publicsf.com
 Email: info@publicsf.com
 More Info: At Mission St

Blush! Wine Bar



An extensive list of international wines makes this wine bar worth a drop-in. Ask the staff for recommendations, and make sure to come for the 50% discounts during happy hour. The kitchen is open until 11pm.

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 Address: 476 Castro St, San Francisco
 Opening hours: Mon - Thu 4pm - 12.30am, Fri 4pm - 1.30am, Sat 11am - 1.30am, Sun 11am - midnight.
 Phone: +1 415 558 0893
 Internet: www.blushwinebar.com
 Email: info@blushwinebar.com
 More Info: Btwn Market & 18th

Smuggler's Cove



This tiki bar with a twist is all about rum, and the mixologists here create magic in a glass for the rum-thirsty crowd. The bartender's

professionalism is truly legendary, so make sure to put this location on your pub crawl list.

Photo: Ostancov Vladislav/Shutterstock.com

Address: 650 Gough St, San Francisco

Opening hours: Every day 5pm - 1.15am

Phone: +1 415 869 1900

Internet: www.smugglerscovesf.com

Email: info@smugglerscovesf.com

More Info: At McAllister St

Fat Angel Food & Libation



Beer, wine and light dining is what you can expect at the Fat Angel. Try the chicken pot pie and a glass of wine on tap to go along.

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Address: 1740 Ofarrell St, San Francisco

Opening hours: Mon - Sun 4pm - 11pm, Tue - Thu 4pm - midnight, Fri - Sat 4pm - 1am

Phone: +1 415 525 3013

Internet: www.fatangelsf.com

Email: info@fatangelsf.com

SHOPPING



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Sometimes, it is not so much what you are shopping for but where you are shopping that matters- nothing could be truer of San Francisco. From outlet malls and department stores to trendy high-end boutiques, there are plenty of choices to satisfy any shopper's taste.

Embarcadero Center



Here you will find brand name stores such as Gap, Banana Republic, Ann Taylor, Liz Claiborne, Victoria's Secret and Express Jeans. For the science lovers, the Discovery Channel Store and for sports enthusiasts, the Giants Dugout.

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Address: Sacramento to Clay, San Francisco

Opening hours: Mon - Fre 10am - 7pm, Sat 10am - 6pm, Sun 10am - 5pm

Phone: +1 415 772 0700

Internet: www.embarcaderocenter.com

Email: info@embarcaderocenter.com

Pier 39, Fisherman's Wharf



A festival marketplace with 13 bay-view restaurants, dozens of fun attractions and over 110 stores, many one-of-a-kind. Bling Things

(jewelry), Alpaca Fashion (sweaters), the Cable Car Store (collectibles), Field of Dreams (sports and celebrity gift store), Houdini Magic, and Puppets on the Pier. If you can't find it here, you can't find it anywhere.

Photo: Emily Poisel/Shutterstock.com

Address: Pier 39, San Francisco

Internet: www.pier39.com

Westfield San Francisco Center



Opulent Westfield San Francisco Center includes large American chain stores: Abercrombie & Fitch, Victoria's Secret, Bebe, Kenneth Cole and Club Monaco. The five-story shopping center is a treat to see.

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Address: 865 Market and Powell St, San Francisco

Opening hours: Mon - Sat 10am - 8.30pm, Sun 10am - 7pm

Phone: +1 415 512 6776

Internet: www.westfield.com

Union Square



A shopping mecca with stores like Macy's, Saks, Neiman Marcus, Levi's, Cartier, Thomas Pink, Louis Vuitton, MaxMara, Emporio Armani, Diesel,

Prada, Celine, Escada, Gucci, Guess, Hermes, Agnes B., Betsey Johnson and Wilkes Bashford.

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Address: 323 Geary St, San Francisco

Phone: +1 415 781 7880

Internet: www.visitunionsquaresf.com

Email: info@unionsquarebid.com

More Info: Bound by Geary, Powell, Post and Stockton streets

Sacramento Street



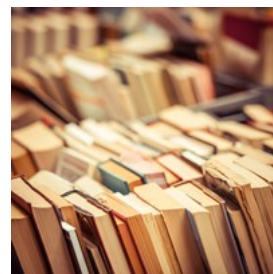
Sacramento Street shopping is best between Pacific Heights and Presidio Heights in this quiet residential neighborhood full of

interior décor shops and high-end clothing boutiques. Cashmere sofa throws and scented Florentine soaps are examples of what you can find here.

Photo: MJTH/Shutterstock.com

Address: Sacramento St, San Francisco

City Lights, Booksellers & Publishers



Since 1953, City Lights has been a prominent San Francisco landmark embodying the 50-year history of the Beat Generation. This

all-paperback bookstore stocks modern literature and progressive politics.

Photo: Yulia Grigoryeva/Shutterstock.com

Address: 261 Columbus Ave, San Francisco

Opening hours: Every day 10am - 12am

Phone: +1 415 362 8193

Internet: www.citylights.com

Email: staff@citylights.com

Chinatown



Eclectic Chinatown invites shoppers into this intriguing area with small shops jam-packed with mahogany furniture, carved statues, exotic gifts, green and rose scented black teas. Don't miss the Fortune Cookie Factory on Ross Alley.

Photo: Andrew Zarivny/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bush Street, Grand Ave, San Francisco

Amoeba Music



The sheer size of the place is guaranteed to impress you, but the vinyl selection this store offers will simply leave you speechless. CDs and even cassettes are also sold here in abundance - music lovers won't be able to get away empty-handed.

Photo: Sami Pyylampi/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1855 Haight St, San Francisco

Opening hours: Every day 11am - 8pm

Phone: +1 415 831 1200

Internet: www.amoeba.com

Solve It!



Adults and kids alike will enjoy browsing through the shelves at this puzzle store, where puzzles, brain teasers and games for all age groups are on sale.

Photo: Andrew Malone/Shutterstock.com

Address: Pier 39, San Francisco

Opening hours: Mon - Sun 10am - 9pm

Phone: +1 415 2629924

Internet: www.solve-it-puzzles.com

Email: info@solve-it-puzzles.com

REI



For quality outdoor gear, stop by REI - they sell all sorts of clothing and equipment for sport and leisure. They also design and produce their own items.

Photo: Robert Couse-Baker/Shutterstock.com

Address: 840 Brannan St, San Francisco

Opening hours: Mon - Fri 10am - 9pm, Sat 10am - 7pm, Sun 10am - 7pm

Phone: +1 415 934 1938

Internet: www.rei.com

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



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San Francisco International Airport



San Francisco International Airport (SFO) is located 8 miles (13 Km) south of the city and it offers a wide range of domestic and international flights.

BART rapid rail runs from SFO to San Mateo County, San Francisco and the East Bay. It is a convenient and quick way of getting to the city center. You will find the SFO BART Station on

the Departures/Ticketing Level of the International Terminal (Boarding Area G side). Tickets can be bought at the SFO BART Station upon arrival. (www.bart.gov)

SamTrans offers 24-hour bus service connecting SFO to San Mateo County and parts of San Francisco. Routes KX, 292, 397 and 398 stop directly at the Airport terminals.

SamTrans buses stop at the terminals,:

Terminal 2: Arrivals/Baggage Claim Level, center island adjacent to Courtyard 2

Terminal 3: Arrivals/Baggage Claim Level, curbside adjacent to Courtyard 4

International Terminal: Level 1 at Courtyard A and curbside adjacent to Courtyard (www.samtrans.com)

Taxis offer door-to-door service to any destination within San Francisco and surrounding communities.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: San Francisco International Airport

Phone: +1 415 800 435 9736 / +1 415 650 821 8211

Internet: www.flysfo.com

Oakland International Airport

(OAK) lies 20 miles (32 Km) east of the city. Use the BART transport system to get to and from the airport. Oakland Airport BART station is

located next to the Terminal 1 baggage claim area. The line connects the airport and Coliseum stations, the journey lasts 8 minutes.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: 1 airport dr Oakland

Phone: +1 415 510 563 3300

Internet: www.oaklandairport.com



San Jose International Airport



San Jose International Airport (SJC) is located 40 miles (64 Km) south of the city and is thus the furthest from San Francisco. The free VTA

Airport Flyer connects the airport to Santa Clara's CalTrain station. You can take Caltrain to both San Francisco Airport and downtown San Francisco. This option is free, but most time-consuming. Private van and taxi services are also available at the airport; van pick up may be arranged from any location in San Francisco (inquire about prices when booking).

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: 1701 Airport Boulevard

Phone: +1 415 408 392 3600

Internet: www.sjc.org

Email: info@sjc.org

Passport/visa



Citizens of the Schengen countries, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Japan, South Korea,

Taiwan and the Kingdom of Brunei can visit the United States for up to 90 days without applying for a visa (as well as citizens of Andorra, Lichtenstein, Monaco and San Marino). Citizens of these countries must obtain an ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) before traveling. All other travelers must obtain a visa before visiting the United States. International travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the country.

Photo: TukTuk Design/Shutterstock.com

Public Transport



San Francisco has the most extensive public transit system on the West Coast. The MUNI-Metro, a light rail System, operates five routes that crisscross the city. BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit) is the regional transit system connecting San Francisco with outlying communities. A single ride ticket covers 90 mins of travel time. Purchase a Clipper card to make payments easier; 1-, 3-, and 7-day passes are also available.

The MUNI Passport can be purchased at the airport, online or at several locations inside the city. Offers unlimited rides on busses, historical streetcars and cable cars.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair
Internet: www.sfmuni.com

Taxi

Yellow Cab



Phone: +1 415 333 3333
Internet: www.yellowcabsf.com

Post Office



There is at least one post office location in each of the major neighborhoods. Hours vary slightly but are generally 08.00 to 17.00. weekdays and 09.00 to 13.00 on Saturday. There are a few that

are open on Sundays.

Photo: Andy Fuchs
Internet: www.usps.com

Pharmacy



Walgreens Drug Store has a number of stores in the city: 730 Market Street +1 415 397 4800
1301 Franklin Street +1 415 775 6706 Chain

pharmacies (such as CVS) are easy to locate around the city. Check for ones open 24/7 in your area.

Photo: Gemma Garner
Address: 730 Market Street, San Francisco
Phone: +1 415 397 4800
Internet: www.walgreens.com

Electricity



110 to 120 volts AC (60 cycles), two flat-pronged plugs.

Photo: Stirling Tschan

Telephone



Country Code: +1 Area Code: 415

Photo: Jardson Almeida

Population
864,816 (2015)

Currency

U. S. Dollar, \$1 = 100 cents

Opening hours

Shops: 9 am-9 pm

Banks: 9 am-5 pm. Mon-Fri (Some are open half-days on Saturday)

ATM: 24 hours

Newspapers

San Francisco Chronicle

The San Francisco Examiner

Emergency numbers

911

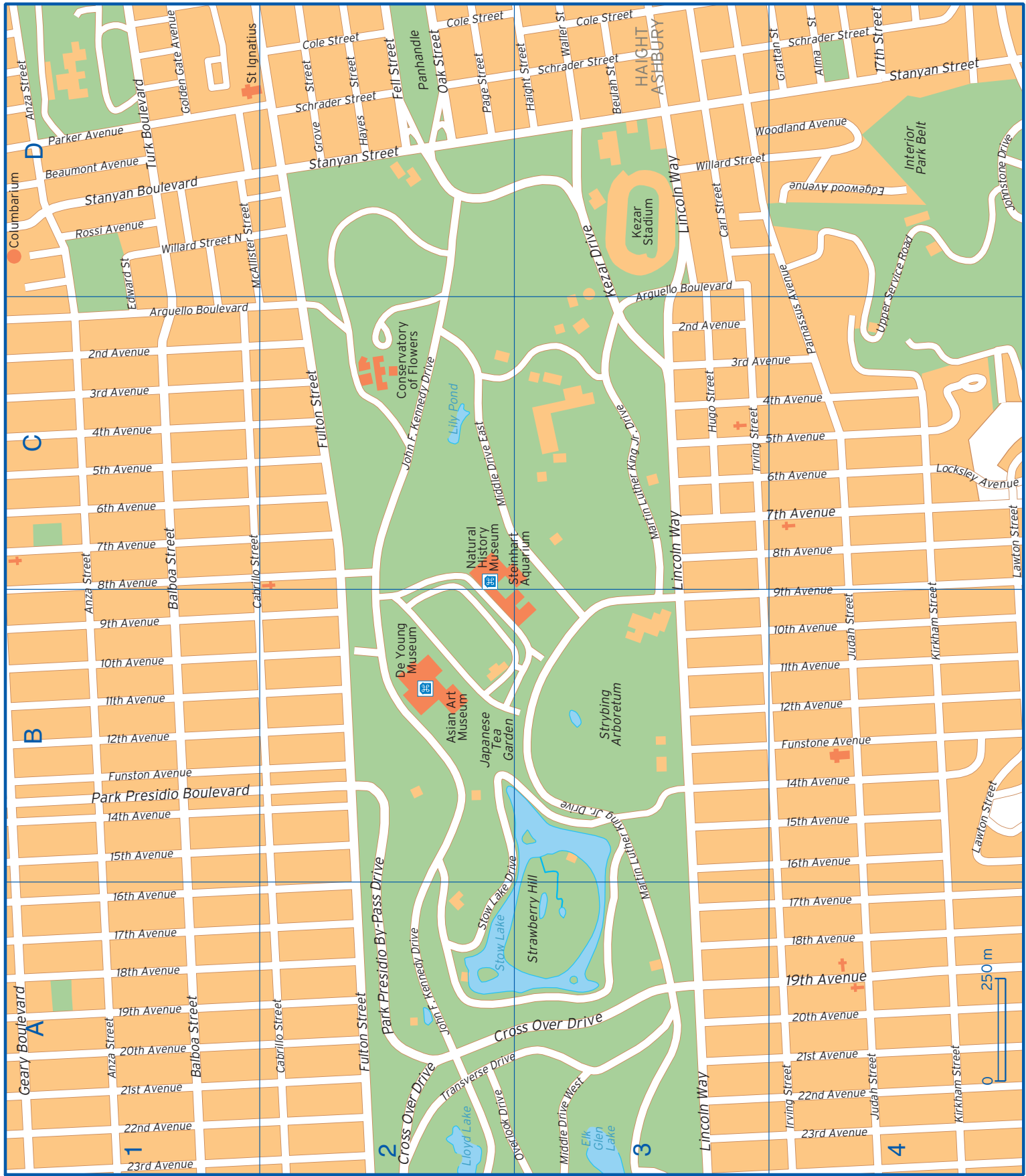
Tourist information

Visitor Information Services

900 Market Street, San Francisco (Lower Level of Hallidie Plaza)

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9 am-5 pm. Sat-Sun 9 am-3 pm

+1 415 391 2000





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San Francisco Bay

Fisherman's Wharf

Pier 39 Aquarium of the Bay

Museum Ships

National Maritime Museum

Russian Hill Park

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NORTH BEACH

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FINANCIAL DISTRICT

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10th Avenue	B1 B4	Chestnut Street	B2	Joan Place	B4
11th Avenue	B1 B4	Child Street	C2	John F. Kennedy Drive	A2 C2
12th Avenue	B1 B4	Churchill Street	B3 C3	John Street	B3
14th Avenue	B1 B4	Clay Street	A4 D3	Johnstone Drive	D4
15th Avenue	B1 B4	Cole Street	D2 D3	Joice Street	C3 C4
16th Avenue	A1 B4	Columbus Avenue	B2	Jones Street	B2 B3
17th Avenue	A1 A4	Commerce Street	D2	Judah Street	A4 B4
17th Street	D4	Commercial Street	C3	Justin Herman Plaza	D3
18th Avenue	A1 A4	Cosmo Place	B4	Kearny Street	C1 C2 C3 C4
19th Avenue	A1 A4	Cross Over Drive	A2 A3	Kent Street	B2
1st Street	D4	Davis Street	D2 D3	Kezar Drive	D3
20th Avenue	A1 A4	Drumm Street	D3	Kirkham Street	A4 B4 C4
21st Avenue	A1 A4	Edgewood Avenue	D4	Larkin Street	A2 A3 A4
22nd Avenue	A1 A4	Edward Street	C1 D1	Lawton Street	B4 C4
23rd Avenue	A1 A4	Elk Glen Lake	A3	Leavenworth Street	A2 B4
2nd Avenue	C1 C3	Fell Street	D2	Leidesdorff Street	D3 D4
2nd Street	D4	Fern Street	A4	Leroy Place	B4
3rd Avenue	C1 C3 C4	Fielding Street	B2	Levy Tunnel	B3
3rd Street	C4	Filbert Street	A2 B2 D2	Lick Place	C4
4th Avenue	C1 C3 C4	Florence Street	B3	Lily Pond	C2
5th Avenue	C1 C3 C4	Francisco Street	A2 B2	Lincoln Way	A3 C3 D3
6th Avenue	C1 C3 C4	Franklin Street	A4	Lloyd Lake	A2
7th Avenue	C1 C3 C4	Fremont Street	D4	Locksley Avenue	C4
8th Avenue	C1 C4	Fresno Street	C3	Lombard Street	A2 B2 C2 D2
9th Avenue	B1 B4	Front Street	D2 D3 D4	Lynch Street	A3 B3
Allen Street	A3	Fulton Street	A2 C2	Macondray Lane	B3
Alma Street	D4	Funston Avenue	B1	Maiden Lane	C4
Alta Street	C2	Funstone Avenue	B4	Market Street	D4
Annie Street	D4	Geary Boulevard	A1	Martin Luther King Jr. Drive	A3 B3 C3
Anza Street	A1 B1 C1 D1	Geary Street	C4	Mason Street	B1 B2 B3 B4
Arguello Boulevard	C1 C3 D3	Gold Street	C3 D3	McAllister Street	D1 D2
Auburn Street	B3	Golden Gate Avenue	D1	Merchant Street	D3
Austin Street	A4	Grant Avenue	C2 C4	Middle Drive East	C2
Balboa Street	A1 B1 C1	Grattan Street	D4	Middle Drive West	A3
Bartol Street	C3	Green Street	B3 C2 D2	Midway Street	C2
Battery Street	D3	Greenwich Street	A2 B2	Minna Street	D4
Bay Street	B2	Grove Street	D2	Mission Street	D4
Beach Street	A1 B1	Grover Place	B2	Monroe Street	C4
Beale Street	D4	Haight Street	D3	Montgomery Street	C2 C3 D4
Beaumont Avenue	D1	Halleck Street	D3	Natoma Street	D4
Bernard Street	B3	Harlan Place	C4	New Montgomery Street	D4
Beulah Street	D3	Hayes Street	D2	North Point Street	B1 B2
Broadway	A3 C3 D3	Howard Street	D4	Oak Street	D2
Bush Street	A4 C4 D4	Hugo Street	C3	Overlook Drive	A2 A3
Cabrillo Street	A2 B2 C1	Hyde Street	A2 A4	Pacific Avenue	B3 C3 D3
Calhoun Terrace	C2	Irving Street	A4 C3	Page Street	D2
California Street	A4 D3 D4	Jackson Street	A3 B3 C3 D3	Park Presidio Boulevard	B1
Campton Place	C4	Jasper Place	C2	Park Presidio By-Pass Drive	A2 B2
Carl Street	D3	Jefferson Street	A1 B1	Parker Avenue	D1

Parnassus Avenue	C4 D4	Stanyan Street	D2 D4	Upper Service Road	C4 D4
Pfeiffer Street	C2	Stevenson Street	D4	Vallejo Street	B3 C3 D3
Pine Street	A4 D4	Stockton Street	B2 C3 C4	Valparaiso Street	B2
Pleasant Street	B4	Stow Lake	A2	Van Ness Avenue	A3 A4
Polk Street	A2 A3	Stow Lake Drive	A2 B3	Vandewater Street	B2
Post Street	B4	Sutter Street	B4 C4 D4	Varenes Street	C2
Powell Street	B2 B3 C3	Taylor Street	B2 B3	Waller Street	D3
Priest Street	B3 B4	Telegraph Hill Boulevard	C2	Washington Square	B2 C2
Quincy Street	C4	The Embarcadero	D2	Washington Street	A3 D3
Reed Street	B3 B4	Transverse Drive	A2 A3	Waverly Place	C3
Rossi Avenue	D1	Troy Alley	A4	Wentworth Street	C3
Sacramento Street	A4 D3	Truett Street	B3	Wetmore Street	B3
Sansome Street	C2 D3 D4	Turk Boulevard	D1	Willard Street	D3
Schrader Street	D2 D3 D4	Union Square	C4	Willard Street North	D1
Sproule Lane	B3 B4	Union Street	A3 B2 C2	Woodland Avenue	D3 D4
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