



San Francisco: Under The Golden Gate Bridge

San Francisco, a one-of-a-kind city, offers a wealth of entertainment and enjoyment for tourists of all ages. The city is famous for its multi-story row homes and hilly terrain reaching up to 100 feet. San Francisco lies on the tip of the San Francisco Peninsula, surrounded by the pristine waters of the Pacific Ocean and the San Francisco Bay. Most city roads are extremely steep, lending to its unique views from an elevated vantage point. It's not uncommon to see the city draped in a thick layer of fog, with winters mild and summers warm and dry.

The city's arts and culture trace back decades. Visit The Fillmore, charged with helping Janis Joplin and the Grateful Dead launch their amazingly successful music career in the early 60s. The American Conservatory Theater is a popular local venue for a elegant night out, providing Broadway theater as well as local productions. For science fans, The Palace of Fine Arts offers their Exploratorium with amazing hands-on activities.

Here are a few more areas you won't want to miss:

Haight-Ashbury, an area hugely influential in the 1960s during the beat generation. The area continues to offer a bohemian quality of life, with many locally owned stores and retro shops, though mainstream commerce has since been integrated.

Market Street, the city's main transit artery.
Fisherman's Warf, a popular tourist attraction, with the Ripley's Believe It or Not museum, the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park, Wax Museum and Musée Mécanique, a museum filled with penny arcade games and other interesting exhibits.

Nob Hill, one of the city's wealthiest neighborhoods.

The San Francisco Zoo, housing 250 different animal species, participant in the Association of Zoos and Aquariums' species survival program.

The Castro, an urban gay village frequently portrayed in pop culture.

The Golden Gate Bridge, a massive six-lane suspension bridge and one of the largest in the world, connecting San Francisco to Marin County.

A visit to San Francisco is not complete without a ride on one of the world's last manually-operated cable car systems - the famous San Francisco cable car or trolley. Currently, the cable car network includes the Powell-Hyde, Powell-Mason and California Street lines, now primarily tourist attractions.

San Francisco has exceptional dining ranging from budget-conscious seafood to high-end cuisine. The local food selection mirrors its diverse population, with a wide range of options including vegetarian and vegan menus, sushi bars, Mexican and Chinese restaurants, clam chowder and crab entrees.

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