
A & S in San Francisco!

PRE-TRIP TIPS:

- Click [here](#) for CO.panion's basic pre-trip tips
 - Click [here](#) for Julia's equipment suggestions
 - REMEMBER TO PACK LAYERS!!
 - *"The coldest winter I ever spent was a summer in San Francisco..." - Mark Twain*
 - Average temperatures for your trip are 63°F — 70°F
 - Remember to have your Covid vaccination card (or a picture of it) **AND A MASK!**
 - Click [here](#) for a San Francisco wildlife viewing guide
 - Click [here](#) for the best views of the Golden Gate Bridge
 - Scroll down to the bottom of this document for **restaurants** and **bars**
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ITINERARY:

5 days total: **Friday, June 17th—Tuesday, June 21st**

- **Day 1: Friday, June 17th**
 - Arrive in San Francisco at 9:10am
 - Uber from DIA to **AirBNB**
 - Check-in is at 10am
 - ~30 mins away from Fisherman's Wharf
 - Click [here](#) for info about a pretty (sunset?) drive that you should go on
 - Might be difficult to accomplish without a car, but worth it if you can!
 - [Whale-watching!](#)
 - Chill evening; get settled into AirBNB, go out for **drinks**, etc.
- **Day 2: Saturday, June 18th**
 - More chill day after traveling; leisure, shopping, etc.
 - Go to the [San Francisco Botanical Garden](#)
 - Tickets are \$13 per person
 - There is also a \$70/person [ceramics workshop](#) on Saturday if you're interested!
 - Visit [City Lights](#) bookstore
 - [Randall Natural History Museum](#)

- [Moe Green's](#) Dispensary & Lounge
- Farmer's Market(s)
- **Day 3: Sunday, June 19th → Museum day!** (* = Julia's top picks)
 - * [San Francisco Museum of Modern Art](#): \$25 per person, unless member
 - * [Musée Mécanique](#)
 - [Cable Car Museum](#)
 - * [de Young Fine Arts Museum](#): \$15 per person, unless member
 - [Exploratorium Science & Art Museum](#): \$30 per person
 - [Museum of the African Diaspora](#): \$12 per person
 - [The Beat Museum](#): \$8 per person ('Beat,' as in poetry & writing)
 - * [Asian Art Museum](#): \$14 per person, unless member
 - free admission to the [Japanese Tea Garden](#) on Mondays from 9-10am
 - If not, \$13 per person
 - Walk along [16th Avenue](#)
 - Climb up [Coit Tower](#)
- **Day 4: Monday, June 20th**
 - Wine-tasting day!
 - 2 options:
 - 10-hour small group Muir Woods/Sonoma [tour](#)
 - Half-day, [cheaper](#) option
 - See **bars** list for night if needed
- **Day 5: Tuesday, June 21st**
 - Leave AirBNB at 12pm
 - Arrive at SFO ~12:30
 - Flight at 2:40pm
 - Arrive at DIA at 6:05pm
 - Arrive back home in Fort Collins ~8pm

RESTAURANT RECOMMENDATIONS:

* = places Julia has been to & can confirm recommendation

Listed in order of \$ — \$\$\$; keep in mind that SF is just inherently expensive!

- [Pearl's Deluxe Burgers](#): highest-rated burger in SF; \$ *
- [St. Francis Fountain](#): oldest diner in SF; great brunch spot; \$
- [Yo Yo's](#); Japanese; noodles, sushi; \$
- [La Taqueria](#): highest-rated Mexican food in SF; \$
- [Kusina Ni Tess](#): authentic Filipino steam tables; breakfast all day; \$
- [Om Sabor](#): authentic vegan Mexican food; \$
 - Shares space with [Phonobar](#): a high-end bar & dance floor
- [Eddie's Cafe](#): cute breakfast spot with bottomless coffee; \$ *
- [Marnee Thai](#): the owners cooked for the royal family of Thailand! \$
- [Norman's Ice Cream & Freezes](#): on Fisherman's Wharf; \$
- [In 'N Out](#); definitely overhyped, but still worth a visit; \$ *
- [Ghirardelli Chocolate Factory](#); get the ice cream!!!! \$ \$ *
- [La Cocina's Municipal Marketplace](#): food hall with several restaurants to choose from; \$ \$
 - [Fluid Cafe](#): trans-owned cafe & event space; \$
 - [La Paloma](#): women-owned bar; \$ \$
- [Prubechu](#): SF's only Guamanian restaurant; egg noodles, pork ribs, ceviche; \$ \$
- [The Franciscan](#); a close second to Poggio! You can get a booth that overlooks the ocean and Alcatraz; \$ \$ *
- [Mymy Coffee Shop](#): great breakfast/brunch spot; \$ \$
- [China Live](#); "massive Chinese food emporium," with a cold drinks bar upstairs; \$ \$
- [Lucca Delicatessen](#); old-school deli; one of SF's top restaurants; \$ \$ *
- [Mandalay Restaurant](#); super unique & highly-rated Burmese food; \$ \$
- [Breadbelly](#); Asian/American-owned bakery; \$ \$
- [PPQ Dungeness Island](#); Vietnamese-style roast crab; good pasta; \$ \$
- [Lombardi's](#): deli and BBQ in Petaluma; \$ \$ *
- [Mama Ji's](#): highest-rated Chinese food in SF; \$ \$
- [SF ChickenBox](#): one of the top fried chicken spots; \$ \$
- [Front Porch](#): one of the best places for southern food; fried chicken; \$ \$

- [Za Pizza](#): one of the highest-rated pizza places for a good price; \$\$
 - My favorite restaurant of all time, the greatest food that I've ever eaten: [Poggio!!!](#)
In Sausalito, so you'll probably want to Uber; \$\$\$ *
 - [Wayfare Tavern](#): slightly fancier; traditional American; has some highly-rated chicken and deviled eggs; \$\$\$
 - [Cotogna](#); very reputable Italian food, but more casual; \$\$\$
 - [Kokkari Estiatorio](#); Greek tavern; \$\$\$
 - [Waterbar](#): one of the highest-rated seafood restaurants; \$\$\$
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BAR RECOMMENDATIONS:

- [Smuggler's Cove](#): in the top 50 bars of the whole world; very exotic cocktails; \$\$
- [El Techo](#): rooftop bar/patio; happy hour 4-6pm; \$\$
- [The Page](#): more dive-bar-esque, but has good ratings; \$
- [Dirty Habit](#): really nice area & rooftop bar, but no ocean views; \$\$
- [620 Jones](#): Amazing atmosphere & drinks; again, has a rooftop with no ocean view; but still nice! \$\$
- [OneUp Lounge](#) in the Grand Hyatt: amazing rooftop views; their website says open to both locals and guests, but I'll call them to double check; \$\$
- Vesuvio Bar: right nextdoor to City Lights bookstore!
- [Humphry Slocombe](#): boozy ice cream! \$\$