

GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL PARKS

PARKS FOR ALL FOREVER



ALCATRAZ ISLAND

The infamous former prison, once home to Al Capone, grants a peek at a maximum-security,

minimum-privilege life.

BAKER BEACH

This mile-long beach offers spectacular views of the Marin Headlands and the

Presidio. Visitors here can also see Battery Chamberlin's rare "disappearing gun."

BOLINAS RIDGE

The top of this secluded and scenic crest presents views of the San Andreas Rift Zone.

CHINA BEACH

Legend says this sandy patch was named for Chinese fishermen who, long ago, anchored their junks nearby.



CLIFF HOUSE Giant windows

present a direct view of the Pacific—allowing you, as one historian put it, "to

confront nature from the comfort of an armchair."



CRISSY FIELD

It was a home for Ohlone Indians and later hosted Spanish and Mexican ships, a historic army air-

field, and a Coast Guard station. The community center on the site now offers a host of recreational and educational activities.



FORT BAKER

The stately buildings of this former army post were once occupied by military brass. Today, it has been

transformed to a lodge and environmental institute.

FORT CRONKHITE

The fort has one of the only restored barracks in the West that reflects its original appearance, complete with period furnishings that span the 20th century.



FORT FUNSTON

Steady winds and dunes reaching 200 feet make this rugged stretch a premier hang-gliding spot.



FORT MASON

In bygone times, Fort Mason housed Spanish soldiers, the U.S. Army. earthquake refugees, and port

authorities. Today, piers and waterfront warehouses constitute the facilities of the nonprofit Fort Mason Center.



FORT POINT

This imposing fort kept vigil over the bay for almost half a century, and now visitors can explore its brick casemates

and grand arches and participate in cannon drills.

GERBODE VALLEY

A hiker's paradise, this wilderness backcountry offers a chance to smell fennel and sage, or spy a bobcat or bush rabbit. Wildflowers paint the valley in springtime.



KIRBY COVE

Nestled at the foot of the Marin Headlands, the cove is a pristine beach wedge

featuring

campsites with unparalleled views of the Bridge and City.



LANDS END

West of the Golden Gate, San Francisco's wildest stretch of coast features wave- and windcarved head-

lands and intriguing shipwrecks.



MARIN **HEADLANDS**

This is the place to see migrating birds of prey—as well as bird's-eve views of the famous Golden

Gate Bridge. It's a launching point for trips and hikes throughout Marin County.

Notable sites

- Battery Spencer
- Battery Townsley
- Hawk Hill
- Nike Missile Site

MARTINELLI RANCH

Hikers here enjoy undulating grasslands, a beautiful freshwater pond, and a stunning Tomales Bay overlook.



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MILAGRA RIDGE

Habitat for threatened species like the California red-legged frog, this ridge also affords impressive views of Pacifica and the ocean.

MORI POINT

Jutting between black sand beaches, this dramatic promontory rewards visitors with gorgeous wildflowers and coastal vistas.

MUIR BEACH

Picnics are pleasant in this quiet cove and the overlook trail stands out—literally—as a great place to spot whales.



MUIR WOODS

Serene streams, canyon paths, and the redwoods. It is—in the words of namesake John Muir—simply "the

best tree-lovers' monument" in the world.

OAKWOOD VALLEY

This swath is home to coyotes, owls, mission blue butterflies, and the Parks' largest stand of oak and bay forest.

OCEAN BEACH

A recreational paradise for generations, San Francisco's west flank remains perfect for sunset walks, brisk jogs, and gulps of fresh briny air.



OLEMA VALLEY

Grazing cattle and Victorian farms grace this area between Bolinas and Inverness ridges.

PHLEGER ESTATE

This wildlife corridor at the Parks' southern tip reveals traces of 19th-century logging—like remnants of the old steam mills.



POINT BONITA

Adventuresome souls relish the steep climb and heart-stopping footbridge that lead to the Lighthouse

(first lit in 1855).



THE PRESIDIO

Topping San Francisco's crown, this emerald park was once among the oldest continuously used

military posts in the nation.

Notable sites

- Main Post
- Mountain Lake
- Tennessee Hollow
- San Francisco National Cemetery

ROCKY POINT

The few miles between Muir and Stinson beaches capture the scenic best of the aweinspiring California coast.

RODEO BEACH

Rodeo Valley opens to this windswept beach speckled with colorful pebbles.



STINSON BEACH

One of the best swimming beaches in northern California, this three-mile stretch of white sand

provides invigorating surf and excellent barbecue spots.



SUTRO HEIGHTS

The lands of former San Francisco mayor Adolph Sutro showcase the Cliff House, Sutro Baths ruins,

and the splendid Garden.



SWEENEY RIDGE

Spanish explorer Gaspar de Portola first saw San Francisco Bay more than 200 years ago from this 1,200-foot

summit in San Mateo County.



TENNESSEE VALLEY

This peaceful valley meanders to a pocket beach near the ship-wreck of the *Ten*-

nessee.



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PARK
BOUNDARIES

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