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- Ruin
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- Winery/Vineyard
- Zoo/Wildlife Sanctuary
- Other Sight

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- Diving
- Canoeing/Kayaking
- Course/Tour
- Sento Hot Baths/Onsen
- Skiing
- Snorkeling
- Surfing
- Swimming/Pool
- Walking
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- Other Activity

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- Sleeping
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- Eating

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- Drinking & Nightlife
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- Entertainment

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- Shopping

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- Park
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- Capital (State/Province)
- City/Large Town
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- Disputed
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- Marine Park
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- Cemetery (Other)
- Glacier
- Mudflat
- Park/Forest
- Sight (Building)
- Sportsground
- Swamp/Mangrove

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