



Yosemite National Park Waterfall (Trip 19)

WELCOME TO CALIFORNIA

Starry-eyed newbies head to the Golden State to find fame and fortune, but you can do better. Come for the landscapes, stay for the farm-fresh and global fusion food, and glimpse the future in the making on America's creative coast. Live in California? Rest assured there's a gold mine of mom-and-pop restaurants, scenic routes and swimming holes yet to be discovered.

The 35 trips in this book will take you from the breezy, wildlife-rich Pacific coast, to the towering redwoods of Big Sur and Northern California, to off-the-beaten-track SoCal desert and Gold Rush towns, to landmark national parks such as Yosemite and Death Valley, and through the vine-strewn valleys of celebrated wine countries, starting with Sonoma and Napa.

From backcountry lanes to beachside highways, we've got something for you. If it's your first time here, pick one of our seven Classic Trips, which highlight California's most unforgettable, must-do experiences. Turn the page for more.



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Classic Trips

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Napa Valley

Fabulous winery estates and celebrity chef restaurants grace this region. **2-3 DAYS**

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Highway 49 Through Gold Country

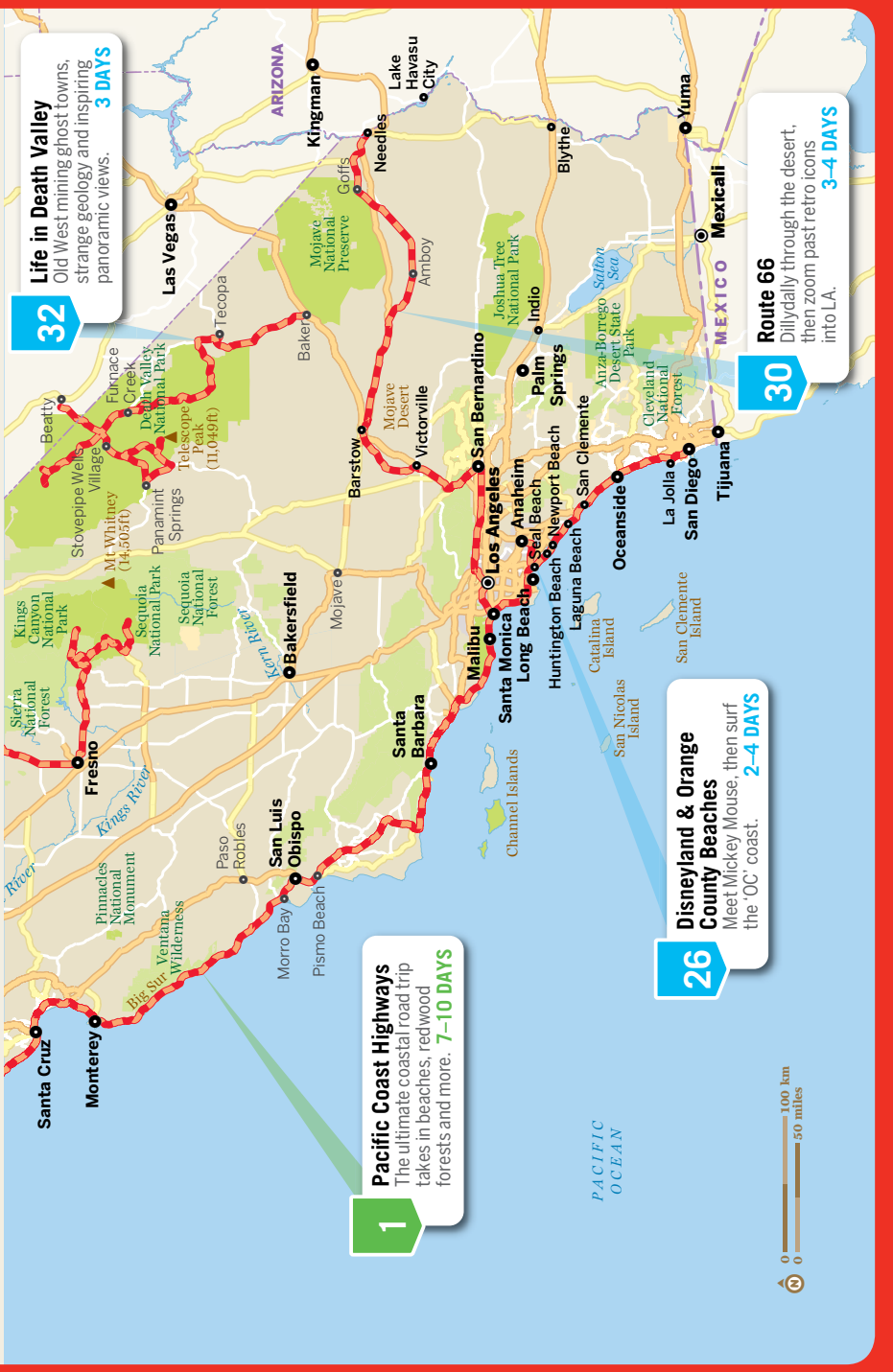
Head for the hills and California's historic pioneer mining towns. **3-4 DAYS**

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Yosemite, Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks

Be awed by giant sequoias. **5-7 DAYS**



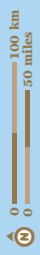


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Pacific Coast Highways
The ultimate coastal road trip takes in beaches, redwood forests and more. **7-10 DAYS**

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Life in Death Valley
Old West mining ghost towns, strange geology and inspiring panoramic views. **3 DAYS**

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Disneyland & Orange County Beaches
Meet Mickey Mouse, then surf the 'OC' coast. **2-4 DAYS**

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Route 66
Dillydally through the desert, then zoom past retro icons into LA. **3-4 DAYS**



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