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Reviews

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All reviews are ordered in our writers' preference, starting with their most preferred option. Additionally:

Eating and Sleeping reviews are ordered by price range (budget, midrange, top end) and, within these ranges, by writer preference.

Map Legend

Routes

Trip Route Trip Detour

Linked Trip Walk Route Tollway

Freeway Primary Secondary Tertiary

Iano Unsealed Road Plaza/Mall Steps = Tunnel

> Pedestrian Overpass Walk Track/Path

Boundaries

-- International State/Province - Cliff

Hydrography

River/Creek Intermittent River Swamp/Mangrove

Canal Water Drv/Salt/ Intermittent Lake

Glacier

Route Markers

97 US National Hwy Ť US Interstate Hwy

44 State Hwy

Trips

Trip Numbers



Trip Stop



Walking tour

Trip Detour

Population

Capital (National) ◉ Capital

(State/Province)

0 City/Large Town Town/Village

Areas

Beach Cemetery (Christian)

Cemetery (Other) Park Forest

Reservation Urban Area Sportsground

Transport

Airport

(3) BART station 0 Boston T station

— Cable Car/ Funicular

Metro/Muni station 0 Parking

(3) Subway station Train/Railway

Tram

Underground station

Note: Not all symbols displayed above appear on the maps in this book

Symbols In This Book

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Your Trips



Trin Detour



Family



Food & Drink



Essential Photo



Walking Tour



Eating



Sleeping

O Sights



Activities





y Festivals & Events lack Sleeping



Drinking

🏠 Entertainment

Shopping

Information & Transport

These symbols and abbreviations give vital information for each listing:

Telephone number

Opening hours

P Parking

Nonsmoking

Air-conditioning Internet access

Wi-fi access

Swimming pool

Vegetarian selection

Family-friendly

Pet-friendly

Bus

Ferry

🛱 Tram ☐ Train

apt apartments

d double rooms dm dorm beds

g guad rooms

r rooms

s single rooms

ste suites

tr triple rooms

tw twin rooms

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Santa Barbara & the Central Coast (p74)

This fairy-tale stretch of California coast is packed with wild beaches, misty redwood forests where hot springs hide, and rolling golden hills of fertile vineyards and farm fields.

San Francisco & the Bay Area (p84)

If there's a skateboard move yet to be busted, a technology still unimagined, a poem left unspoken or a green scheme untested, chances are it's about to happen here.

North Coast & Redwoods (p110)

Spectral fog and an outsider spirit have fostered the world's tallest trees, most potent weed and a string of idiosyncratic two-stoplight towns.

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