



# 100 Things to Do in San Francisco\*

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## Explore Your New Campus & City

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### MORNING

1. Wake up early and watch the sunrise from the top of Bernal Hill. (Bernal Heights)
2. Uncover antique treasures and designer deals at the [Treasure Island Flea Market](#).  
(Treasure Island)
3. Go trail running in [Glen Canyon Park](#). (Glen Park)
4. Swim in [Aquatic Park](#). (Fisherman's Wharf)
5. Take visitors to [Fort Point](#) at the base of the Golden Gate Bridge, where Kim Novak attempted suicide in Hitchcock's *Vertigo*. (Marina)
6. Get Zen on Sundays with [free yoga classes](#) in Dolores Park. (Dolores Park)
7. [Bring Your Own Big Wheel](#) on Easter Sunday. (Potrero Hill)
8. Play tennis at the [Alice Marble](#) tennis courts. (Russian Hill)
9. Sip a cappuccino on the sidewalk while the cable car cruises by at [Nook](#). (Nob Hill)
10. Take in the views from seldom-visited [Ina Coolbrith Park](#) and listen to the sounds of North Beach below. (Nob Hill)
11. Brave the line at the [Swan Oyster Depot](#) for fresh seafood. (Nob Hill)



12. Drive down one of the steepest streets in town - either 22nd between Vicksburg and Church (Noe Valley) or Filbert between Leavenworth and Hyde (Russian Hill).
13. Nosh on some goodies at [Noe Valley Bakery](#) then shop along 24th Street. (Noe Valley)
14. Play a round of 9 or 18 at the [Presidio Golf Course](#). (Presidio)
15. Hike around [Angel Island](#) in spring when the wildflowers are blooming.
16. Dress up in a crazy costume and run or walk [Bay to Breakers](#).  
(Golden Gate Park/Panhandle)
17. Buy some of the best produce in the world at the [Ferry Plaza Farmers Market](#), topped off with a cheeseburger from the [4505 Meats](#) stand. (Embarcadero)

## AFTERNOON

18. Picnic with a view of the [Painted Ladies](#) aka the Full House homes. (Alamo Square)
19. Go on a first date at the [Seward Slides](#). (Castro/Eureka Valley)
20. Say hello to the sea lions as you [kayak](#) through the bay. (Sausalito)
21. Run, bike, walk, pedicab, or rollerblade along the Embarcadero. (Embarcadero)
22. Lunch among redwood trees beneath the [TransAmerica building](#). (Financial District)
23. Get an Irish Coffee from the famous [Buena Vista Cafe](#). (Fisherman's Wharf)
24. See all of your favorite bands (and discover new ones) at [Outside Lands Music Festival](#). (Golden Gate Park)
25. Head over to the [Marin Headlands](#) to take some photos of the iconic Golden Gate Bridge. (Marin Headlands)



26. Play a round of [disc golf](#) at the beautiful disc golf course in Golden Gate Park.  
(Golden Gate Park)
27. Go to the [Conservatory of Flowers](#) then people-watch on the lawn. (Golden Gate Park)
28. On a Sunday, wander through Golden Gate Park when the streets are closed to cars,  
and cool down at the [Twirl & Dip](#) ice cream truck. (Golden Gate Park)
29. Read in the beautiful [Shakespeare Garden](#). (Golden Gate Park)
30. Ogle all of the hip designer boutiques in Hayes Valley. (Hayes Valley)
31. Browse vintage vinyl at [Jack's Record Cellar](#) on a Saturday afternoon as that's the only  
day it's likely to be open. (Lower Haight)
32. Browse hundreds of thousands of books at the yearly [Friends of the Library Book Sale](#) at  
Fort Mason. (Marina)
33. Pick up a sandwich at [Lucca](#) and eat it on the Marina Green. (Marina)
34. Go on a burrito tour in the Mission, start with [Papalote](#). (Mission)
35. Enjoy a spot of tea in the tranquility of the [Japanese Tea Garden](#). (Golden Gate Park)
36. Skip the BiRite ice cream line by ordering their insanely delicious soft-serve from the  
pick-up window a few doors down, then devour it in Dolores Park. (Mission)
37. Educate yourself with the best indie music selection in the city at [Aquarius  
Records](#). (Mission)
38. Go on a Mission mural walking tour and sate your hunger at [Mission Chinese](#). (Mission)
39. Meditate while walking around [Grace Cathedral](#)'s labyrinth. (Nob Hill)
40. Bike the Wiggle up to the Panhandle then cruise to Golden Gate Park. (NoPa)
41. Eat focaccia from [Liguria Bakery](#) on a bench in Washington Square Park. (North Beach)
42. Take a tour around the [Beat museum](#) and then visit the City Lights bookstore, the place  
that first published *Howl* by Allen Ginsberg. (North Beach)



43. Get a foot massage after your dim sum in Chinatown. (Chinatown)
44. Sunbathe on [Baker Beach](#) when the temperature rises above 68. (Presidio)
45. Bike across the [Golden Gate Bridge](#) during the weekend or after 3 p.m. when the bike path is open. (Presidio)
46. Climb all over the ruins of the [Sutro Baths](#). (Richmond)
47. Hike along the coast at Land's End. (Richmond)
48. Ponder profound works of art housed in San Francisco's [de Young Museum](#).  
(Golden Gate Park)
49. Set sail across the bay! Take a ferry for brunch in Sausalito. (Sausalito)
50. Check out the 16th Avenue [Tiled Steps](#) Project. (Sunset)
51. Vintage shop hop on Haight Street including [Villain's Vault](#) and [Wasteland](#). (Upper Haight)
52. Get lost in Chinatown trying to find the Tin How Temple. (Chinatown)
53. Flatten a penny on the cable car tracks.
54. Pay \$2 to ride one of the more scenic bus routes end to end (like 24-Divisadero, 36-Teresita, or the F Line).
55. Watch a free summer concert amid the eucalyptus trees at [Stern Grove](#). (West Portal/Sunset)
56. Get a good (and free!) view from the [de Young](#) tower. (Golden Gate Park)
57. Admire the architecture clashes in front of the [Contemporary Jewish Museum](#). (SoMa)
58. Make a splash in McCovey cove! Rent kayaks and paddle out to watch the Giants game from the best seats in the house. (SOMA)
59. Throw the frisbee around or take a nap under a time capsule at Washington Square Park. (North Beach)



60. Jump around! Get vertical at the indoor trampoline park, [House of Air](#). (Chrissy Field)
61. Do some window shopping along romantic Maiden Lane. (Union Square)

## EVENING

62. Go to a Sing-a-Long at the historic [Castro Theatre](#). (Castro)
63. Salsa outside to a live band on a Saturday evening at [The Ramp](#). (Dogpatch/Mission Bay)
64. Listen to reggae on the deck of [Pier 23](#). (Embarcadero)
65. Channel Europe while sitting outside on a warm evening in [Belden Place](#). (Financial District)
66. Dance in the museum after dark on Thursdays with [Nightlife](#) - California Academy of Sciences weekly party. (Golden Gate Park)
67. Set up a library card at [Two Sisters Bar & Books](#). (Hayes Valley)
68. Take in dinner and a movie at the famous [Kabuki Theater](#). (Japantown/Fillmore)
69. Grab a blanket and watch your favorite movie in the park during [SF Film night](#).
70. Gallery hop during [First Thursdays](#).
71. Take advantage of [Therapy's](#) late-night hours and do a little shopping while waiting for your table to open up in the Mission. (Mission)
72. Eat your way through the food trucks at [Off the Grid](#). (Marina)
73. See the year-end holiday decorations on houses and yards at the top of 23rd Street. (Noe Valley)
74. Ride the Hyde Street cable car and get off to have ice cream at [Swensen's](#). (Nob Hill)
75. Roast marshmallows and make new friends over a bonfire at [Ocean Beach](#). (Outer Sunset)



76. Head to 7th and Howard to retrieve [your towed car](#) from the police impound (it's only a matter of time). (SoMa)
77. See a free live show at [Amoeba Records](#). (Upper Haight)
78. Either ride or get stuck in [Critical Mass](#).
79. Check out the view of our lovely city on the ferris wheel at [Treasure Island Music Festival](#).

## NIGHT

80. Gather in the streets with artists, local culinary artisans, performers, musicians, dancers, DJ's, and poets for Oakland's [First Friday](#) event. (Oakland)
81. Step into the tropics with lagoons, rainstorms, and lava rocks at the tiki lounge, [Tonga Room](#). (Union Square)
82. Take a [night tour to Alcatraz](#). (Embarcadero)
83. Spend a night under the stars of the [Morrison Planetarium](#). (Golden Gate Park)
84. Dress to impress as you take in the beautiful [San Francisco Ballet](#) or [San Francisco Opera](#). (Hayes Valley)
85. Take your art outside the classroom with [Paint Nite](#) – a hosted paint & cocktail party where you recreate works of art with an instructor and friends.
86. Be a movie critic at SF Indie Fest or check out the latest in independent films at the local favorite, [Roxie Theatre](#). (Mission)
87. Collect a concert poster after taking in a live show at the famous [Fillmore Theatre](#). (The Fillmore)
88. Go bowling at [Presidio Bowl](#). (Presidio)
89. Sing your heart out at a [karaoke bar in Japantown](#). (Japantown)
90. Make a movie date with friends at [Lost Weekend Video's](#) new cinecave. (Mission)
91. Get brave and try a square slice of [Golden Boy's](#) clam & garlic pizza. (North Beach)



92. Order the nachos and a side of laughs at [Cobb's Comedy Club](#). (North Beach)
93. Get your mind blown at one-of-a-kind sound-installation theater the [Audium](#). (Pacific Heights)
94. Pull up a lounge chair and request your favorites from the dueling pianos at [Johnny Foley's](#). (Union Square)
95. Do your best "Hey Jude" at Beatles Karaoke Night at [The Royale](#). (Nob Hill)
96. Buy me some peanuts & crackers jacks as you cheer on the Giants at AT&T Park. (SoMa)
97. Dance to an electronica set by one of the OM Records DJs at [Mighty](#) or [Mezzanine](#). (SoMa)
98. Prove your smarts at [Edinburgh Castle's](#) trivia night. (TenderNob)
99. Go to as many [Noise Pop Festival](#) shows as possible.
100. Soak in some real jazz music with a show at the acclaimed [SF Jazz Center](#). (Civic Center)