

Find Your Park Selfie Scavenger Hunt

Bay Area National Parks



This National Monument lives in Marin, and is named after the environmentalist referred to as the father of the National Park Service by many.



The peanut wagon is located inside the oldest restaurant in GGNRA in our balcony lounge above the fireplace. It holds a special place for us as the owner, Dan Hountalas, was a small child when he used to sell peanuts from it along with his father right outside.



This bridges the gap between the National Park Service and State Park line.



A great view of this famous bridge that doesn't attract many on a day like this, but when the sun comes up, runners, bikers, and everything in between populate this old airfield.



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Whoooo knows what this is? It is easy to overlook this chance for a milk break on the trail at this partner ranch.



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BE AWARE AND CAUTIOUS OF CLIFFS, but make sure to enjoy this view!



This one is mostly a freebie - take a picture with the tops of trees in this location!



These large bumps, known as burls, are a way for redwood trees to reproduce and create new trees. Now it's your turn to reproduce this pic with burls and a selfie.



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A bridge to a beach. Sure, it's weather isn't always sunny, but how many locations will you find this type of view?



This easily identifiable location is open Saturday, Sunday, and Monday afternoons from 12:30–3:30 pm - so plan accordingly!



In 1969, the structure in the background gained a new meaning for this predestined national park site when 89 American Indians occupied the space for the course of 19 months.



Though much of GGNRA is held within the northern part of San Francisco and the Marin Headlands, a few sites boast some extra-curricular aerial activities.

Our park headquarters isn't typically swarmed with visitors, making exploring sites nearby more of a peaceful experience.



You'll get this view if you stand at the northern end of the longest beach in San Francisco.



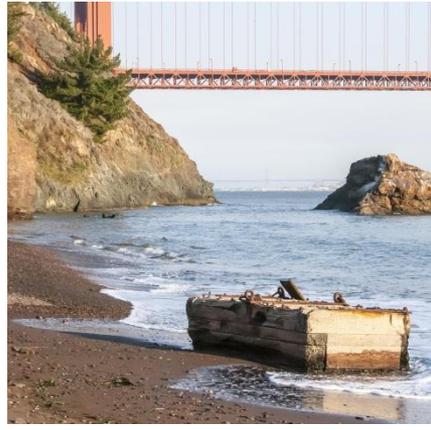
We are grateful to our owl residents for their contribution toward rodent control.



Though most park sites are known for their natural beauty, this site isn't usually recognized for its beautiful gardens and unique vegetation.



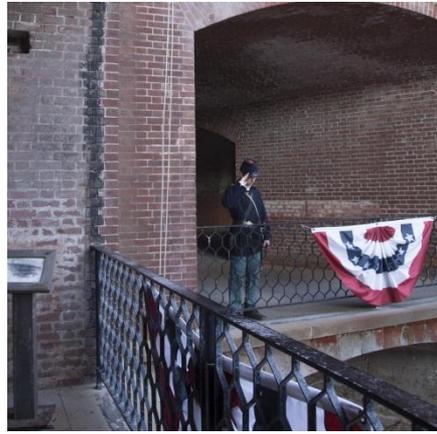
This beach is located about 20 miles north of the Golden Gate Bridge. The road is steep and winding; vehicles over 35 feet long are not advised.



This spot boasts being one of the only camp sites within our park - and with such a gorgeous view!



I bet you can tell where this is! Take a nice stroll across this International Orange-painted beauty and you'll end up in Sausalito!



These arched rooms used to hold cannon that helped Fort Point protect the San Francisco Bay. Do you see any remnants of the old Fort Point cannon?



This snake in the woods is a sculpture made from forest trees planted in the 1800s.



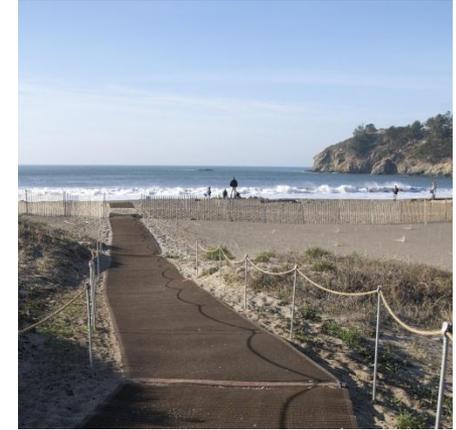
With 200 foot high bluffs on the most western edge of San Francisco, this is one of the premier hang-gilding spots in the country.



When people think about San Francisco, their thoughts might typically go to the Golden Gate Bridge or Fisherman's Wharf, but there are piers in other parts of the city as well - that just happen to be managed by the National Park Service.



North of the bridge, if you're a visitor to the Marin Headlands, this is the spot to go.



This recently-redone pathway creates a nice lead-in to this small beach.



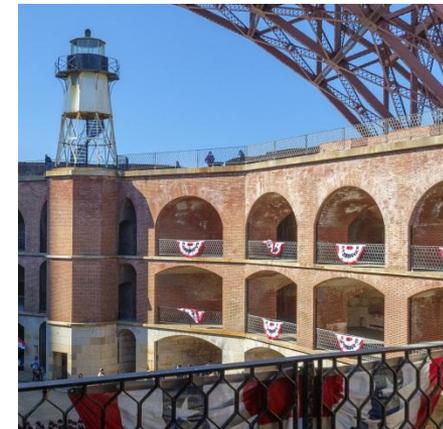
Gaze upon the *Balclutha* bowsprit and journey beyond the Golden Gate



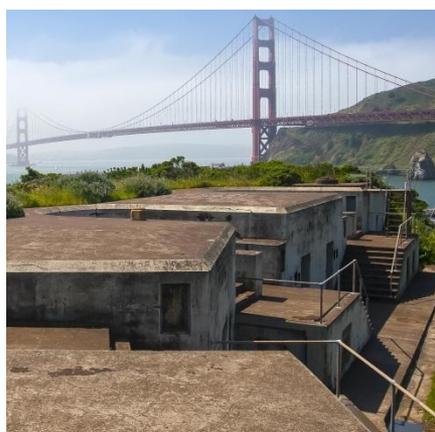
In January of this year, this moveable median barrier was added to the center of the bridge.



One of the least crowded views of the bridge and the body of water it is named after, the Golden Gate Strait.



Did you know that Golden Gate Bridge was re-designed to protect this fort? Ranger Benny is happy it was saved!



This place is full of history. It's also full of historical landmarks that are preserved by the park service. Do you know where these bunkers live?



At this partner ranch north of the bridge, if you're gearing up to take a hike down to the beach, this bench is a great place to rest up so you don't chicken out.



Look North! You'll see the western-most building in the city where you can get a great meal.



So many trees, you wouldn't guess you're in a city. This is one of the oldest military bases in San Francisco, and the biggest green spot on the city map. Can you find this location?



This cell house has 600 doors, each weighing in at 250 pounds each. Multiple doors can be opened and closed at the same time.



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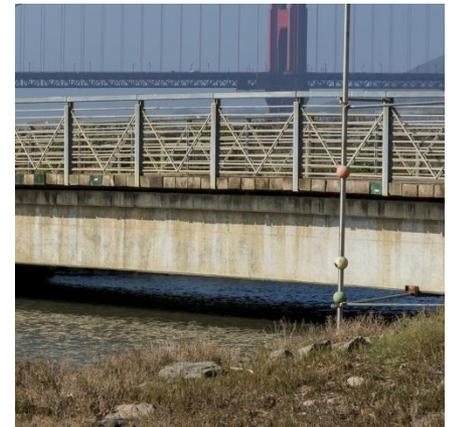
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This row of barracks could house over 1000 Infantry soldiers and formed the new heart of the Presidio during the Spanish American War.



Follow this path a little bit further and get a great "overlook" of the beach below, but if you're scared of heights, don't continue further!



Two bridges in one shot! This spot lies on the San Francisco side of the Golden Gate. The pole in the background is used to measure climate change.



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A lagoon, a beach, an old military fort, AND a National Park Site in the same location? What are the chances. There are so many ways and places where you can find your park.



Come in and let us help you light the way to the discovery of San Francisco's past, present, and future.



I'm settled among the coastal hills where I see birds, butterflies and bobcats. I have history in the military. Find your park selfie here and post a picture with the #FindYourParkSelfie tag.



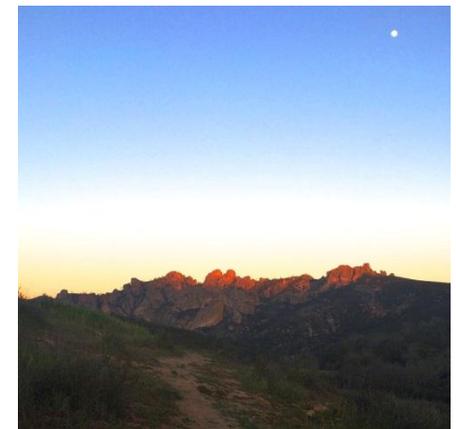
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This excavation site is a reminder that the Presidio of San Francisco was the longest continually operated military fortification in the United States. These adobe walls were perhaps laid by settlers who traveled the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail and established the presidio on June 27, 1776.



Each year, this Lighthouse guides hundreds of ships through the treacherous Golden Gate Straights. Ranger Benny loves welcoming new visitors.



These formations can be seen from many angles, just like a good Western legend many of these rock have. been talked about in the area but rarely seen, if you're visiting you might be able to spot these infamous formations.



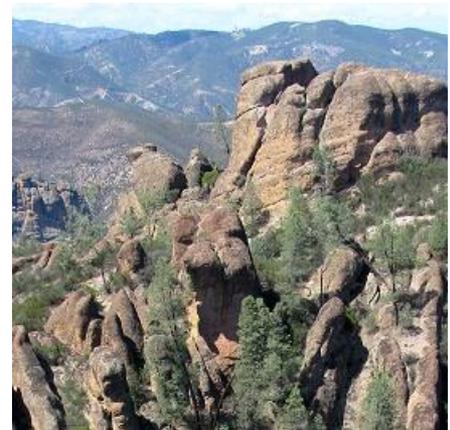
This Lone Sailor Memorial is the only one of twelve in the country that is located in the Bay Area and is north of the Golden Gate. As you can see, he's much taller than Ranger Benny.



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Find me in a loop close to one of our partner locations. I'll be the first one you see as you keep walking. Find your park selfie here and post a picture with the #FindYourParkSelfie tag.



These rocks are seen from a narrow trail around the steep boulders of volcanic rock, these rocks formed from ancient lava are located near the San Andreas fault. Coined by the locals as the "hidden jewel of the central coast" these tall spires stand out from the rock formations around them, making them unique.



Tunnels are carved through the park, blasted in the 1930's by the CCC (Civilian Conservation Corps) these wonderful relics of rustic architecture and hard work are encountered around the trails leading to the high peaks.



When you walk up these stairs, you get an amazing view of Rodeo Beach. Find your park selfie here and post a picture with the #FindYourParkSelfie tag.



So many waterfronts - so little time! Have you seen these? They live behind where the annual Friends of the Library booksale is held!



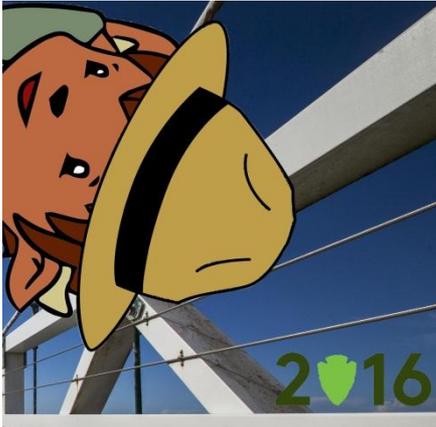
One fish, two fish, red bridge, and catching some blue fish - do you know where this fishing/crabbing spot is?



Stroll to the end of Municipal Pier and survey San Francisco's stunning maritime ships.



This park in Oakland's Fruitvale District is a certified site along a certain national historic trail. The Peralta family arrived to the Bay Area in 1776 and would establish the East Bay's first non-Native homestead on this site.



You might have to crouch over to get the same backdrop that Benny is in front of here - be sure not to crowd the pathway to the lighthouse for long!



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If you're lucky you'll hike through a trail named after a tunnel, this stunning view courtesy of the hard work of the CCC (civilian Conservation Corps) will allow you to leave the park with an amazing experience to share with friends and family, a unique trail that will be imprinted in your memories forever.



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On sunny days, which is more often here than not, this beach is full of families, friends, and new acquaintances.



You can hike under the Golden Gate Bridge from this location where soldiers protected San Francisco in gun batteries built in the 1890s.



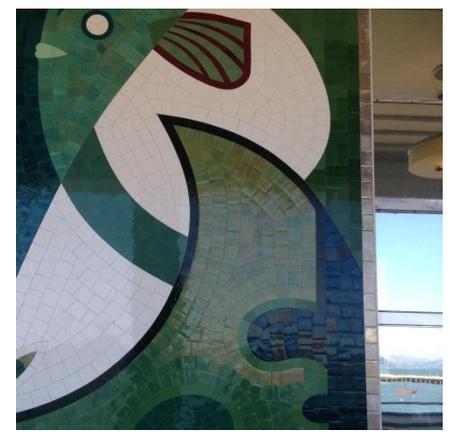
With solar and wind power at work, this location is full of green energy and innovation.



The Spanish oversaw construction of this oldest standing building in San Francisco, built on the land of the Yelamu Ohlone people. At this site, people continue to practice the faith introduced to the Bay Area in 1776 by settlers traveling the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail.



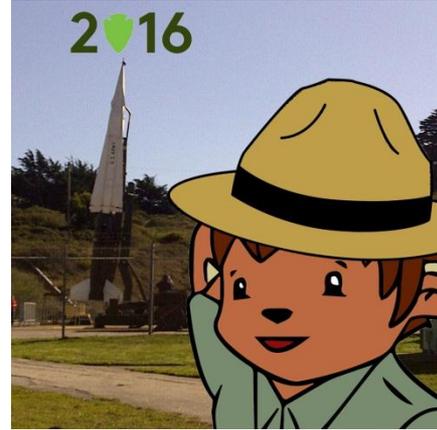
Some of these trails are equipped with primitive technology to allow easier navigation through the steep paths in near the high peaks, you may see more than expected, look up and you may see birds the size of a small plane.



In the Aquatic Bathhouse, plumb the artistic depths of WPA art.



Marvel at two National Historic Landmarks from the passenger deck of a third National Historic Landmark.



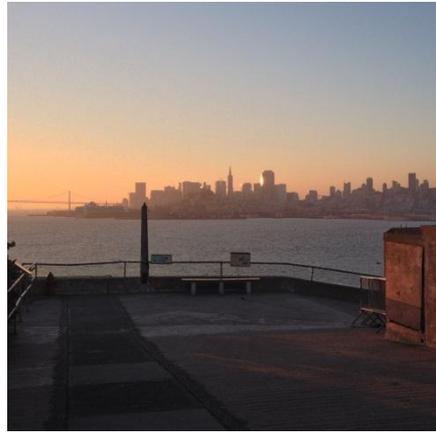
During the tense years from 1953 to 1979, the United States Army built and operated close to 300 Nike missile firing batteries in the United States. This site now acts as a museum.



A man named Adolph once lived on these heights.



Our friendly staff at the Visitor Center are here to greet you and offer assistance with questions about flora, fauna and geological formations at the park.



A view from a view - this old military view turned prison turned National Park Site has some of the best views of the city.



If you are up high and look down you might be able to enjoy this great view, the high peaks are great to see, but behind you may find the priceless beauty of nature.



Measured at "five and a half yards around" on March 30, 1776, this redwood tree served as a navigational landmark to settlers traveling this National Historic Trail. The tree is the namesake of the city it resides in and inspired the unofficial mascot of the nearest university.



This pavilion is the most common way to see the bridge when visiting other than driving across it!



Just east of the visitor education center you will find this Bay Trail marker, one of eight located along Richmond's shoreline.



Art in the parks is real! This installment, by artist Andy Goldsworthy, is pretty well hidden.



So many trails – so little time! Can you find this sign?



The horses here have a lot of dedicated friends! These stables are named after a certain native Northern Californian Tribe.



Using all natural materials, this exhibit can be seen in its own separate building.



Among the 30,000 Americans laid to rest here are Civil War generals, Medal of Honor recipients, Buffalo Soldiers, and a Union spy.



As a visitor to this western lookout point where the land seems to end, you're going to want to go here.



Looking for a stroll through the park? Check out this part of the Coastal Trail.



So many views of the bridge, but do you know where to stand to get this one?



To get to the other side of this tunnel, a little assistance from rangers stationed here is needed. You'll find a lighthouse on the other side.



The newest addition to land managed by Golden Gate National Recreation Area, this location is much further south than any of the rest..



Take the 28 Muni line to get to this location and not have to worry about the parking!



Between Crissy Field and the Golden Gate Bridge lies this fort, built during the Civil War to defend the Golden Gate Strait.



Trails galore in this location, south of the city! This spectacular place serves as a haven for walkers and wildlife and is a link to national parklands on Sweeney Ridge and Milagra Ridge along the San Mateo coast.



Recently reopened as a café once more, this location boasts apple pie, hot dogs, and clam chowder.



Nearby to these trails lies Mori Point. Have you ventured to this part of the park?



Face the opposite way of this famous Civil War fort and get this view!



Walk a ways through the Presidio and find this scenic point.



City and bridge views from out in the Bay – do you know where this could be?



So much history lives in the Marin Headlands. Can you find this battery?