

My San Francisco weekend

Five San Franciscans share their favorite ways to eat, rest, and play in the city by the bay – and beyond.
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JAKE clothing

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You might remember Jake Wall from *Project Runway*. I like his style because it is chic, but also bold and vibrant. His bricks and mortar store, JAKE (619 Sansome Street), has incredible fashion for men and women.

If you have kids, go to House of Air (926 Old Mason Street), an indoor trampoline park on Crissy Field, built inside a World War II airplane hanger. I also like heading across the Golden Gate Bridge to

Cavallo Point (601 Murray Circle, Sausalito) and Farley Bar. It's cozy and comfortable, with a great porch and city views.

Expert tip: On Tuesday nights at Grace Cathedral, hundreds of people show up to do yoga in the sanctuary. Yoga isn't just stretching, it is worship, and in the setting of a church; I personally find it to be very powerful.

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China Live (644 Broadway), a modern marketplace on the edge of Chinatown, is often described as "The Eatery of Chinese food." It is truly spectacular, with lots of different restaurants to choose from, along with a flower mart, cocktail lounge, and retail. Lazy Bear (3416 19th Street) is a unique, communal dining experience with tickets purchased in advance. The delicious multiple-course tasting menu is unforgettable.

Expert tip: San Francisco's murals should not be missed, including those by Diego Rivera, Banksy, and Vincent Reyes. The website (sfmuralarts.com) has updated artist information and locations.



A musical mural

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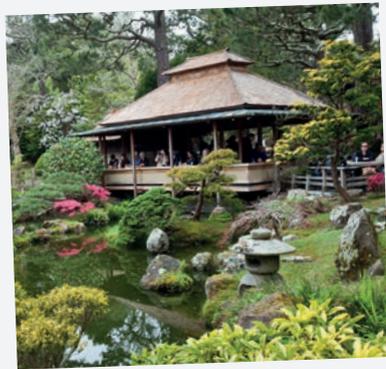
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For an active morning, I head for the Steep Ravine Trail in Mount Tamalpais State Park. It's a majestic three-mile trail lined with redwood trees – you can go all the way to Stinson Beach, have lunch there, and hike or hop on a bus back to the car park. In San Francisco, my family's spot is Del Popolo (855 Bush Street). It has a wonderfully friendly vibe. Get a seat at the bar and watch the pizza being made in the giant bulb of an oven. Last time I was there I had a pizza with house-made sausage, pecorino, Castelvetrano olives, and cilantro – spicy, chewy, delectable.

Expert tip: I am passionate about art and nature, and there are some special places where you can combine both. Some examples are the Hagiwara Japanese Tea Garden by the de Young Museum in Golden Gate Park; the three spectacular Andy Goldsworthy pieces found in the Presidio; and the Lands End trail near the Legion of Honor (100 34th Avenue).



Golden Gate Park

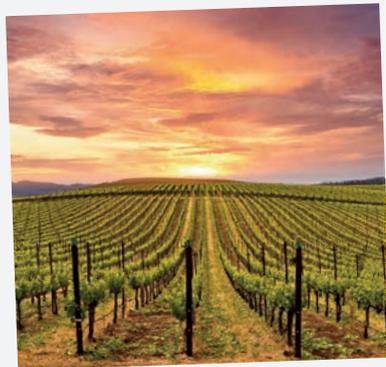
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There's no better way to experience San Francisco than by walking and eating. The city isn't big, and it's the best way to take in neighborhoods and sights while working up an appetite! For a nice day trip, drive through the Presidio, then cross the Golden Gate Bridge. Once in Marin, I love getting off the highway and traveling along the back roads. There is so much

beautiful nature close by. It's also an easy drive to wine country, and as everyone knows, both Sonoma and Napa Valley are full of great places to eat and visit.

Expert tip: Swan Oyster Depot (1517 Polk Street) has amazing seafood. At Liholiho Yacht Club (871 Sutter Street), the Spam, off-menu, is not to be missed.



Napa Valley



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I tell everyone they should walk San Francisco's waterfront from AT&T Park (24 Willie Mays Plaza) to Cliff House restaurant (1090 Point Lobos Avenue), first built in 1858. Before the 1989 earthquake, it didn't look like it does now, and the transformation is incredible.

The historic Ferry Building (1, The Embarcadero) was once one of the busiest transit hubs in the world. There's a popular farmers' market there and you can take the ferry to Sausalito. Behind Fisherman's Wharf is the Musée Mécanique (Pier 45) with some old arcade games that came from the former Playland. The San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park (Hyde Street Pier) has a Maritime Museum and historic ships. The Presidio is home to beautiful walking trails and a new visitor center (210 Lincoln Boulevard). At Lands End, you have gorgeous coastal bluffs and the ruins of Sutro Baths (1004 Point Lobos Avenue).

Expert tip: One of my favorite places in Northern California is Duarte's Tavern (202 Stage Road) in Pescadero, a town that looks as if it hasn't changed in a century. Check out Harley Farms a few blocks away for goat cheese.