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San Francisco is a delightful blend of sights, sounds and tastes just waiting to be savored. Varying in altitude from sea level to 929 feet, San Francisco rests on 40 hills at the top of a narrow peninsula that is bounded on one side by the Pacific Ocean and on the other by the 500-square-mile San Francisco Bay, one of the largest land-locked harbors in the world. The city is home to a diverse population of just under 724,000, known for broad-minded sophistication and tolerance.

Many of the approximately 13 million tourists, conventioneers and business travelers who visit San Francisco each year are surprised by the city's year-round mild climate. Average June temperatures range between 53 [degrees] and 64 [degrees] F, making lightweight summer clothes seldom practical. Morning and evening fogs roll in during the summer months, but rarely persist. Visitors are most comfortable keeping a light jacket or sweater handy during the day, and an all-weather coat for the cool evenings.

While you're in town during MTT-S week, be sure to allow yourself time to sample and truly enjoy San Francisco's charm and culture, whether it's a short ride on one of the city's famous cable cars, a bite to eat at any of its hundreds of tempting restaurants, an evening at the theater, or an extensive tour of Alcatraz or any other world-famous San Francisco landmark. Regardless of your style or budget, this magical city delivers a seemingly endless list of attractions and activities from which to shape a San Francisco experience that will be uniquely your own.

Restaurants

With almost 3000 restaurants, San Francisco has something to offer everyone in the way of dining. What follows is a small sampling of some of these tempting restaurants. For the most current information on hours, service and prices, please contact the individual restaurants. Take the time and enjoy!

American

Cliff House

A San Francisco institution since 1850, the Cliff House offers a spectacular view of the Pacific Ocean and Seal Rocks, and is a perfect setting for cocktails at sunset. Specialties are stuffed filet of sole with crab and shrimp; and a seafood platter of oysters, shrimp, sole, clams and prawns. Prices: \$15 to \$25. Reservations are recommended. Hours: Daily, 11:30 AM to 10:30 PM. 1090 Point Lobos (Ocean Beach) (415) 386-3330.

Breweries

Gordon Biersch Brewery Restaurant

A popular spot for microbrewed German-style lager beers (brewed on the premises). Contemporary fare such as roast chicken, fresh fish and pastas is offered along with a great view of the Bay Bridge. A local favorite is garlic french fries. Prices range from \$7.50 to \$16.50. Reservations are recommended. Hours: Open daily for lunch and dinner. 2 Harrison St. (Embarcadero) (415) 243-8246.

Twenty Tank Brewery

One of the city's best brew pubs features a variety of house-brewed ales and pub grub including pizza and chili. Live jazz and darts add to the festivities. Wine is also served. Prices are under \$15. Hours: Open daily, 11:30 AM to 2 AM. 316 11th St....

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San Francisco is a hub of excitement, and the cultural, commercial and financial heart of Northern California. The city is the 13th most populated in the U.S. but has the second highest population density in the county, with only New York being busier. The city shot to fame in 1849 as the home of the Californian Gold Rush which at the time made it the largest city on the West Coast. The city is famous for its restaurants and some of the best chefs in the country are lucky enough to call this home. With so much to do in this amazing city let us take a look at the best things to do in San Franc... San Francisco is a city of high tech and startups, diverse restaurants and fun little neighborhoods. Don't miss my guide to San Francisco in a weekend! San Fran means mild climate all year round, though there tends to be regular rains between November and March. Typically, there can be significant weather differences in parts of San Francisco because of the city's large hills and maritime location. Even on a sunny day, things can get chilly! Treat Yourself at Dinner. Coqueta (Sensational Spanish): While it features a beautiful view, Coqueta's focus is inside, to the bar and to the open kitchen. From excellent meat platters to tasty pintxos, this newly opened restaurant facing onto the bay serves up savory Spanish cuisine and fabulous cocktails.