

SAN DIEGO



Welcome to the second-largest city in California, located close to the Mexican border. San Diego has so much to enjoy: lovely architecture, the relaxed attitude of its inhabitants, the landscape, the good weather... You'll really feel like you're on vacation!

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SUNSET ON THE OCEAN

WHAT TO DO

GASLAMP QUARTER ★

The **Gaslamp Quarter** is a small neighbourhood with a great deal of architectural charm thanks to its restored 19th-century buildings. It is particularly lively on weekends and has a vibrant nightlife. People go there to browse the boutiques and enjoy the sidewalk cafés and restaurants. **5th Avenue ★★**, its main street, boasts many antique shops, cafes, restaurants, patios, nightclubs, theatres and trendy bars. From Harbor Drive to Broadway, and from Union Street to 6th Avenue.

BALBOA PARK ★★

Balboa Park is the largest urban cultural park in the United States. It contains 15 major museums, renowned performing arts venues, lovely gardens, and the famous San Diego Zoo. Occupying 486 hectares, it is located in the heart of the city and admission is free if you do not intend to visit any of the museums. Why not enjoy a picnic lunch on its vast green lawns? The park's most popular museums are the **Museum of Man ★**, the **Air & Space Museum ★★**, the **Museum of Art ★★**, and the **Fleet Science Center**.

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GASLAMP QUARTER

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AERIAL VIEW OF BALBOA PARK

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SAN DIEGO ZOO ★★★ 

The famous San Diego Zoo has a reputation as one of the best zoos in the world, with its 50 hectares of wooded and hilly terrain and some 800 species of animals. Pay a visit to the Children's Zoo if you're travelling with children, and don't miss the Skyfari, a gondola ride that offers spectacular aerial views of the zoo.

2920, ZOO DRIVE (BALBOA PARK),
SAN DIEGO
619-231-1515
ZOO.SANDIEGOZOO.ORG

NEARBY

BEACHES AND SMALL COASTAL TOWNS NORTH OF SAN DIEGO ★★★

If you have time, you simply must drive just north of San Diego and explore some of the charming little towns there, like **Encinitas** ★, **Cardiff** ★ and **Del Mar**.

The seaside community of **La Jolla** ★★, which is within the county of San Diego, is also worth a visit. If you want to watch real surfers in action, go to **San Elijo State Park** ★★ de Cardiff. It must be nice to live there and end your workday riding the waves...

LEGOLAND ★ 

A must for LEGO lovers of all ages: a truly magical Lego-themed day! If it's hot, be sure to bring your swimsuits so you can enjoy **Legoland Water Park**, a huge 2.2-hectare water park, which you can visit for an additional fee. The site also houses **Sea Life Aquarium** (separate admission), and a new addition to the park, **Lego Movie World**.

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SAN DIEGO ZOO

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LEGOLAND

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LA JOLLA BEACH

 Family

★ Noteworthy ★★ Worth the detour ★★★ Must see



SURFING ON LA JOLLA BEACH



BALBOA PARK

WHERE TO EAT

1 PUESTO (\$-\$)

Street food has been a popular trend in America for several years now, and Puesto serves up their own tasty version, Mexican-style. The menu features taco dishes of all kinds prepared from fresh ingredients, as well as salads and other authentic Mexican fare. A guaranteed success!

**789, WEST HARBOR DRIVE
SAN DIEGO / 619-233-8880
WWW.EATPUESTO.COM**

2 THE MELTING POT (\$-\$-\$)

The Melting Pot is a one-of-a-kind fondue restaurant. You will find an array of cheese fondues and entrée fondues featuring

meat, salmon, lobster, shrimp and chicken with different types of bouillon. And for dessert, there is a decadent selection of chocolate fondues. It's a great way to enjoy a meal in good company!

**901, 5TH AVENUE, SAN DIEGO
619-234-5554
WWW.MELTINGPOT.COM/SAN-DIEGO-GASLAMP-CA**

3 PARMA (\$-\$-\$-\$)

Named after the owners' hometown of Parma, Italy, this restaurant offers delicious, authentic Northern Italian cuisine, fresh ingredients and simple presentations. The menu features excellent pasta, a popular cold cuts plate and

an interesting wine list. You will receive a warm, friendly welcome: a taste of Italian charm in the heart of San Diego.

**3850, 5TH AVENUE, SAN DIEGO
619-543-0049
WWW.PARMAITALIANKITCHEN.COM**

4 MISTER A'S (\$\$\$\$)

Mister A's offers impeccable service, fine dining and an extensive wine list. Perched atop a skyscraper on the edge of downtown, the restaurant offers one of San Diego's most outstanding culinary experiences, with an unforgettable view. Enjoy contemporary American cuisine prepared from the finest quality meats and fish. The main dining

room offers a premier dining experience, while a more casual selection of dishes is available in the patio and bar. Why not go for drinks and watch the sun set over San Diego?

**2550, 5TH AVENUE (12^E ÉTAGE),
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