







The Presidio

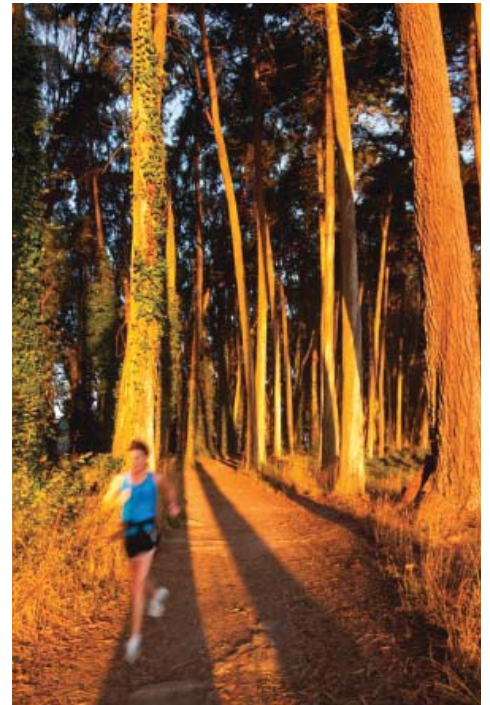
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THE PRESIDIO EXPERIENCE

A Guide to Exploring the Park

www.presidio.gov



WELCOME

Something for everyone at the Presidio

The Presidio is a national treasure and a local jewel. It invites visitors to glimpse rare birds and native blossoms; to experience history through carefully preserved buildings and landscapes; and to enjoy a picnic, a concert, or a contemplative walk in the woods. There is truly something for everyone at the Presidio.

Located at the Golden Gate where the Pacific Ocean meets San Francisco Bay, the Presidio was in constant use as a military post for two centuries, first for Spain in 1776, then for a newly independent Mexico in 1822, and finally for the United States from 1846 to 1994. Today, it is both a national

park site and a National Historic Landmark District.

More than 400 of the Presidio's buildings are on the National Register of Historic Properties. The Main Post, once the heart of military life, is now a visitor destination and the vibrant center of a new Presidio community.

Miles of hiking and biking trails traverse the park. The Presidio is also home to extraordinary habitats – coastal bluffs and dunes, a tidal marsh, a complete watershed, a spring-fed lake, and a forest planted by the U.S. Army.

Moved by the park's history and beauty, renowned artist Andy

Goldsworthy created the towering *Spire* and the sinuous *Wood Line* to celebrate the park's cypress, pine, and eucalyptus. Volunteers are growing seedlings and repairing trails. Restaurants, museums, schools, and recreational destinations are thriving inside military barracks, hangars, and warehouses.

Use this guide to plan your adventure! All that the Presidio has to offer is accessible via hiking and biking trails and the free PresidiGo Shuttle (see p. 3 and back cover).

Open 24 hours/7 days a week. No entrance fee.

BY THE NUMBERS

- 80,486** hours volunteered in 2011
- 3,000** residents
- 1,491** total acres
- 991** acres of open space
- 433** historic buildings
- 330** native plant species
- 200** organizations
- 60** bee species
- 30** butterfly species
- 24** miles of trails
- 21** residential neighborhoods
- 18** years as a national park site
- 9** prevalent architectural styles
- 8** scenic overlooks + vistas
- 4** parade grounds
- 2** complete watersheds
- 2** Andy Goldsworthy sculptures
- 1** tidal marsh
- 1** freshwater lake

ABOUT THE PARTNERS

The Presidio Trust, the National Park Service, and the non-profit Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy work together to care for the Presidio and to welcome the community.

The Presidio Trust stewards the interior lands and buildings, and the National Park Service manages the Presidio's coastal areas. The Presidio Trust and National Park Service work together to provide a seamless visitor experience. The Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy partners with both agencies by

inviting philanthropic and community support for the park. Shared programs include the Presidio Nursery, Crissy Field Center, and Camping at the Presidio, along with many public events and volunteer activities. The partners are also working to expand the Presidio trails system and to develop a new visitor center.



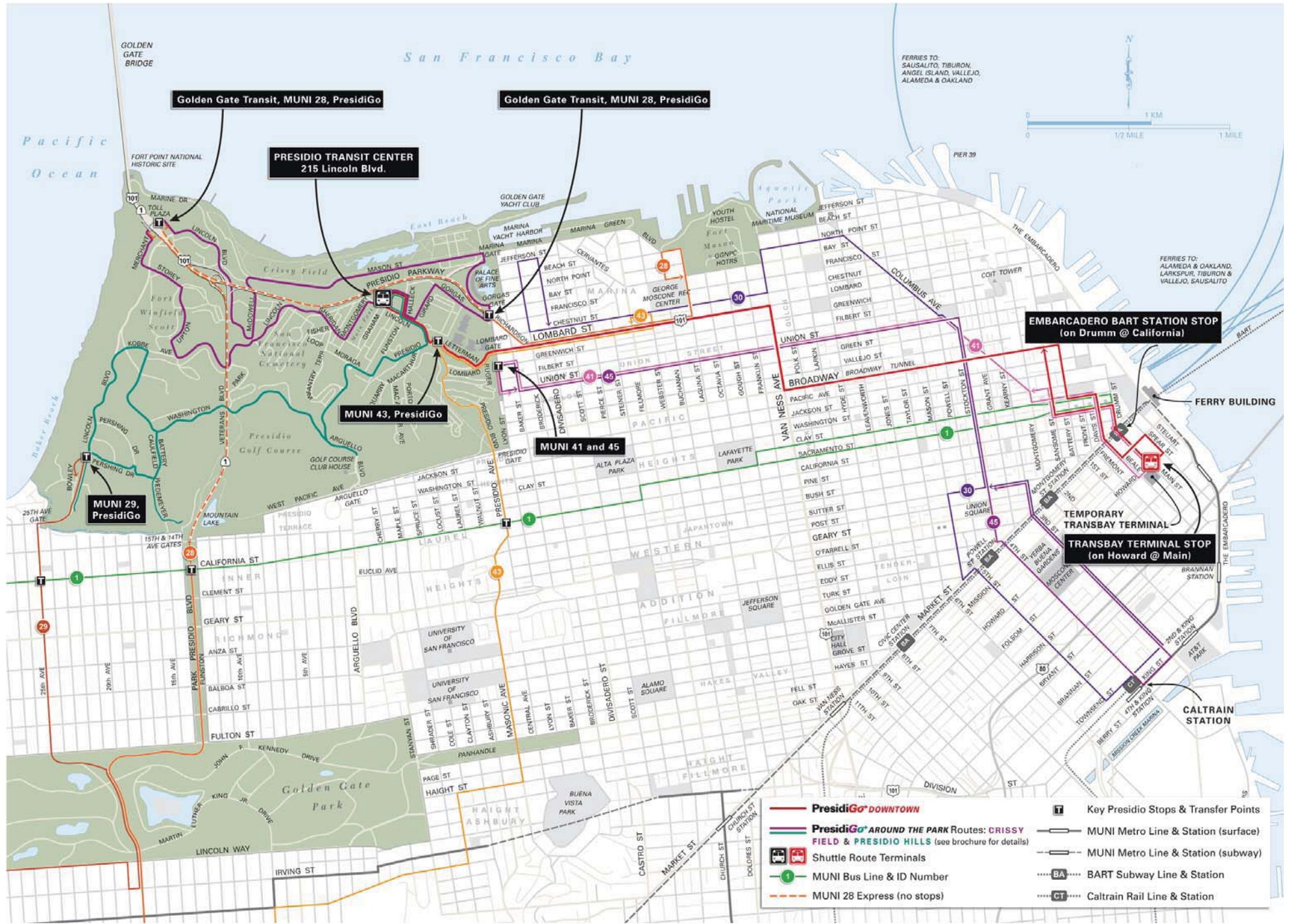
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ABOUT THE PRESIDIO

The Presidio of San Francisco is a national park site within the Golden Gate National Recreation Area and a National Historic Landmark District. In addition to being a popular visitor destination, the park is also a community where about 3,000 people live and 200 organizations are located. The Presidio is the site of the largest historic preservation effort underway in the United States. It is renowned for its exceptional biodiversity, lush forest, and breathtaking vistas.

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GETTING HERE

PresidiGo DOWNTOWN

PRESIDIGO DOWNTOWN SHUTTLE
The free PresidiGo Downtown Shuttle (weekdays only) is an easy and convenient way to get to the park. Board the PresidiGo Downtown Shuttle at the Embarcadero BART (Drumm Street at California Street) or Transbay Terminal and enjoy a speedy 25 minute trip to the Presidio Transit Center, located on the Main Post. From there, walk to your final destination or transfer to the free PresidiGo Around the Park Shuttle. PresidiGo Downtown is free and open to the public (no boarding pass required) from 9:30 am to 4 pm and after 7:30 pm. It does not operate on weekends or federal holidays.

It's easier than you think to get to the Presidio.



SF MUNI

Several MUNI routes come to or near the Presidio including the 1, 28, 29, 30, 41, 43, and 45. If you are coming from elsewhere in San Francisco, or are connecting from regional transit services such as BART or Caltrain, use these lines to get to the park and then walk or transfer to the free PresidiGo Around the Park Shuttle to reach your final destination.



GOLDEN GATE TRANSIT

Golden Gate Transit (GGT) provides bus service from Marin to San Francisco, and most routes stop near the Presidio. GGT buses stop at both the Golden Gate Bridge Toll Plaza and at the intersection of Richardson and Francisco near the Lombard Gate. From these locations, walk to your final destination or transfer to the free "Crissy Field Route" PresidiGo Around the Park Shuttle.



BICYCLING

The Lombard, Gorgas, Arguello, and 25th Avenue Gates are the best access points for cyclists. These entrances have wide curb lanes or bike lanes connecting to most destinations in the Main Post. Within the park there are many opportunities to ride in-road as well as off-road on designated multiuse trails (see back cover). Secure bike link lockers can be rented at the Presidio Transit Center. All PresidiGo Shuttles feature bike racks.

DOOR TO DOOR Directions



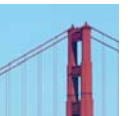
Presidio Website
www.presidio.gov/transportation

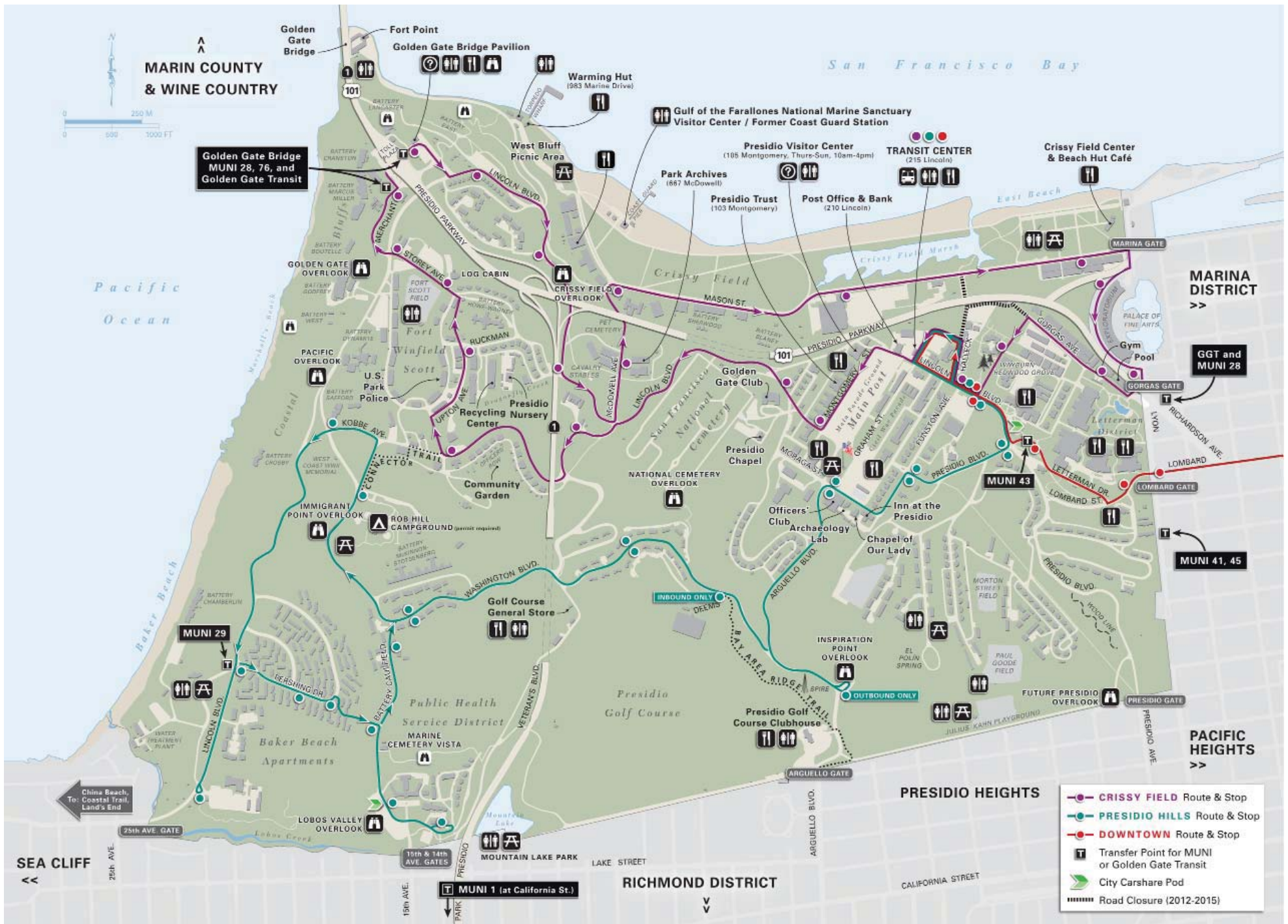
Detailed information and links for planning a trip to the Presidio.



Go Google!
www.google.com/maps

Integrated, step-by-step trip planning including public transit, the free PresidiGo Shuttle, biking, walking, and driving.





GETTING AROUND

PresidiGo[®] AROUND THE PARK

The free PresidiGo Around the Park Shuttle is available weekdays from 6:30 am to 7:30 pm and weekends from 11 am to 6:30 pm. Around the Park runs two continuous 30-minute loops:

The Crissy Field Route serves the northern Presidio including the Main Post, Golden Gate Bridge, Fort Scott, and Letterman District.

The Presidio Hills Route is a bi-directional route serving the Letterman District, Main Post, Inspiration Point, Washington Boulevard, Baker Beach, and Public Health Service District.

Both routes originate at the Presidio Transit Center (215 Lincoln Boulevard) and connect with MUNI and Golden Gate Transit at several locations. They operate on a limited weekend schedule on federal holidays.

Shuttle Schedule

	CRISSY FIELD ROUTE	PRESIDIO HILLS ROUTE
DEPARTS TRANSIT CENTER		
WEEKDAY ONLY	6:30	6:30 am
	7:00	7:00
	7:30	7:30
	8:00	8:00
	8:30	8:30
	9:00	9:00
	9:30	9:30
	10:00	10:00
	10:30	10:30
	11:00	11:00
7 DAYS / WEEK	11:30	11:30
	12:00	12:00 pm
	12:30	12:30
	1:00	1:00
	1:30	1:30
	2:00	2:00
	2:30	2:30
	3:00	3:00
	3:30	3:30
	4:00	4:00
WEEKDAY ONLY	4:30	4:30
	5:00	5:00
	5:30	5:30
	6:00	6:00
	6:30	6:30
	7:00	7:00
	7:30	7:30



HIKING

A dozen major routes connect all corners of the Presidio. Eight scenic overlooks and vistas offer relaxing places to enjoy the view. See the trails and overlooks map on the back cover.



PARKING

Parking is available throughout the Presidio near visitor destinations. Most parking areas are regulated. Note that regulations may vary in different areas. Paid parking is typically in effect Monday to Friday, 8 am to 6 pm. Look for the "Pay and Display" machines to get a permit.



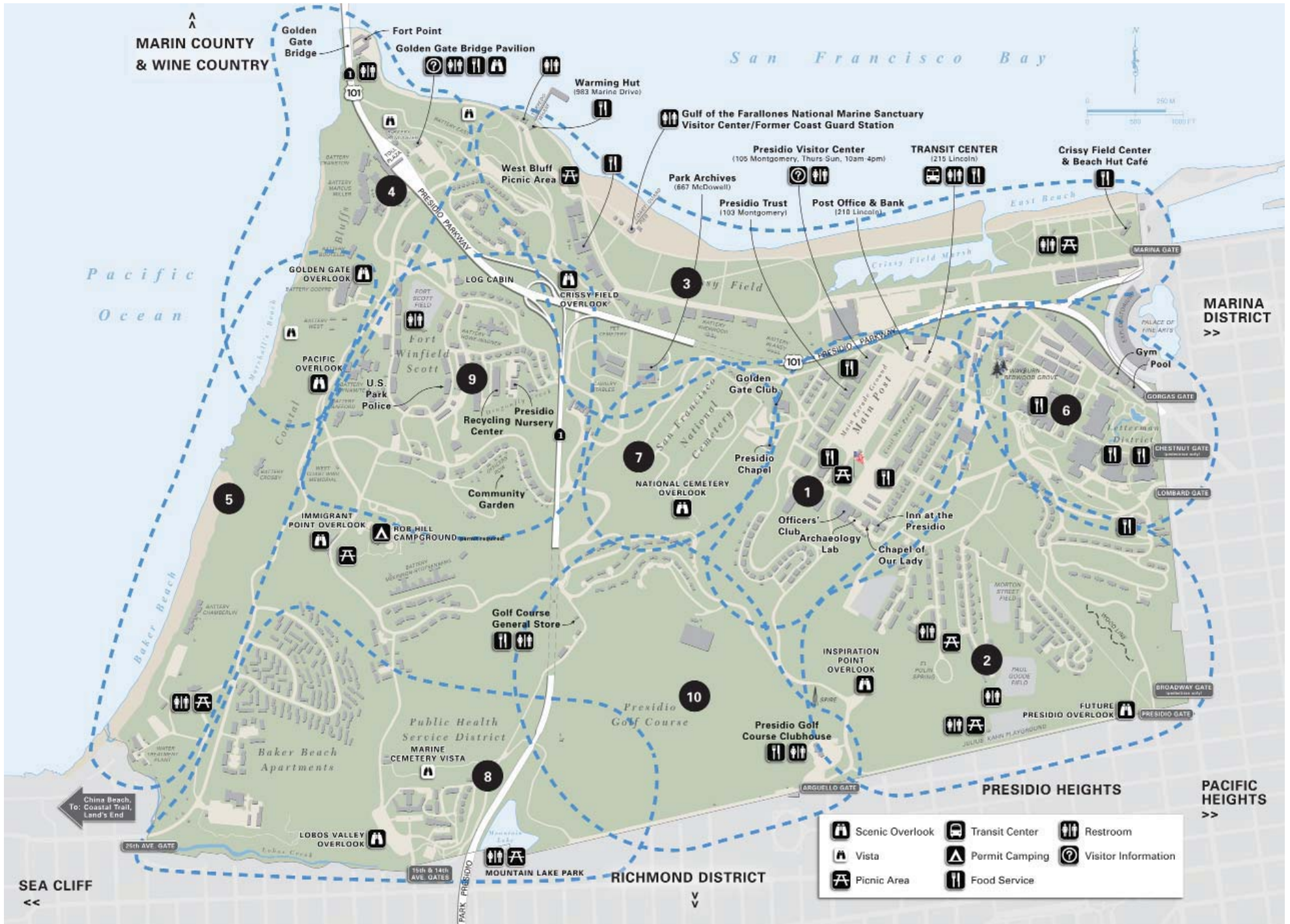
RENTING A BICYCLE

The League of American Bicyclists has named the Presidio a Bicycle Friendly Community. Bicycles are available for rent at Sports Basement, located at 610 Mason Street at Crissy Field. Bicycle repairs are available at Roaring Mouse Cycles, 934 Mason Street, Crissy Field. See back cover for multiuse trails.

The Presidio Transit Center is located on the Main Post.



DID YOU KNOW? Presidio maps are available for download at www.presidio.gov/transportation.



AMENITIES

Things to Enjoy **While You Are Here**

Presidio Visitor Center

105 Montgomery Street
Thursday - Sunday
10 am - 4 pm
(415) 561-4323

Fort Point National Historic Site

www.nps.gov/fopo

Post Office / Bank (ATM)

210 Lincoln Boulevard

Non-Residential Leasing Office

(415) 561-5335
www.presidio.gov

Residential Leasing Office

558 Presidio Boulevard
(888) 485-1729
www.presidio.gov



LODGING

- 1. Inn at the Presidio**
42 Moraga Avenue
(415) 800-7356
www.innathepresidio.com
- 2. Rob Hill Campground**
(permit required)
(415) 561-5444
www.presidio.gov



FOOD + RESTAURANTS

- 3. Acre Café**
1013 Torney Avenue
(415) 561-2273
www.acregourmet.com
- 4. Beach Hut Café**
1199 East Beach
(in Crissy Field Center)
(415) 561-7761
www.parksconservancy.org
- 5. Dixie**
One Letterman Drive, Bldg D
(415) 829-3363
www.sfdixie.com
- 6. Golden Gate Bridge Pavilion**
(415) 426-5220
www.parksconservancy.org
- 7. Golf Course General Store**
(415) 561-GOLF
www.presidiogolf.com
- 8. House of Air**
926 Mason Street
(415) 345-9675
www.houseofair.com
- 9. Kitchen 39**
39 Mesa Street
(415) 561-2336
www.kitchen39.com
- 10. Presidio Bowling Center**
93 Montgomery Street
(415) 561-2695
www.presidiobowl.com
- 11. Presidio Café**
300 Finley Road
(415) 561-4600
www.presidiocafe.com
- 12. Presidio Social Club**
563 Ruger Street
(415) 885-1888
www.presidiosocialclub.com
- 13. Starbucks**
One Letterman Drive, Bldg C
(415) 441-1740
- 14. Transit Café**
215 Lincoln Boulevard
(415) 561-4435
- 15. Walt Disney Family Museum**
104 Montgomery Street
(415) 345-6800
www.waltdisney.org
- 16. Warming Hut**
983 Marine Drive
(415) 561-3042
www.parksconservancy.org



HEALTH + RECREATION

- 17. Body of Work Studio**
569 Ruger Street
(415) 561-3991
www.abodyofwork-sf.com
- 4. Crissy Field Center**
1199 East Beach
www.crissyfield.org
- 8. House of Air**
926 Mason Street
(415) 345-9675
www.houseofair.com
- 18. La Petite Baleen Swim School**
933 Mason Street
(866) 896-3603
www.swimlpb.com
- 19. Planet Granite**
924 Mason Street
(415) 692-3434
www.planetgranite.com
- 10. Presidio Bowling Center**
93 Montgomery Street
(415) 561-2695
www.presidiobowl.com
- 20. Presidio YMCA**
1151 Gorgas Avenue (pool)
63 Funston Avenue (gym)
(415) 447-9622
www.ymcasf.org/presidio
- 11. Presidio Golf Course**
300 Finley Road
(415) 561-GOLF
www.presidiogolf.com
- 21. Presidio Fitness**
222 Halleck Street
(415) 563-1815
www.presidiofitness.com

22. Presidio Sport & Medicine

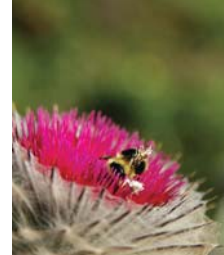
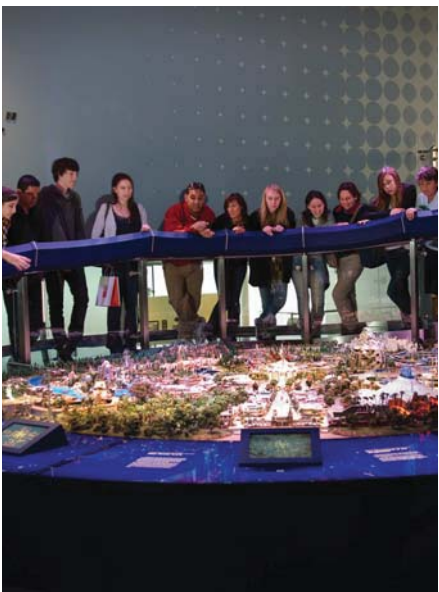
1162-B Gorgas Avenue
(415) 561-6655
www.presidiosport.com

23. SenSpa
1161 Gorgas Avenue
(415) 441-1777
www.senspa.org



RETAIL

- 6. Golden Gate Bridge Pavilion**
(415) 426-5220
www.parksconservancy.org
- 24. Roaring Mouse Cycles**
934 Mason Street
(415) 753-6272
www.roaringmousecycles.com
- 21. SF Green Clean**
222 Halleck Street
(415) 567-2100
www.sfgreenclean.com
- 25. Sports Basement**
610 Mason Street
(415) 437-0100
www.sportsbasement.com
- 15. Walt Disney Family Museum**
104 Montgomery Street
(415) 345-6800
www.waltdisney.org
- 16. Warming Hut**
983 Marine Drive
(415) 561-3042
www.parksconservancy.org
- 26. Arion Press**
1802 Hays Street
(415) 668-2542
www.arionpress.com
- 27. Battery Chamberlin**
www.nps.gov/prsf
- 28. Futures Without Violence**
100 Montgomery Street
(415) 678-5500
www.futureswithoutviolence.org
- 29. Interfaith Center/ Presidio Chapel**
130 Fisher Loop
(415) 561-3930
www.interfaith-presidio.org
- 30. Park Archives**
677 McDowell Avenue
(415) 561-2808
- 31. Presidio Dance Theatre**
386 Arguello Boulevard
(415) 561-3958
www.presidiodance.org
- 9. San Francisco Film Society**
39 Mesa Street
(415) 561-5000
www.sffs.org
- 32. Thoreau Center Gallery**
1014 Torney Avenue
(415) 561-6300
www.thoreau.org
- 15. Walt Disney Family Museum**
104 Montgomery Street
(415) 345-6800
www.waltdisney.org



ACTIVITIES

The many things to do in the Presidio of San Francisco

SHARE YOUR VIEWS OF THE PRESIDIO
Join our group at www.flickr.com/groups/presidiosf



ART + CULTURE

Culture lovers will enjoy the Walt Disney Family Museum, Arion Press, and the Thoreau Center Gallery (see p. 4). In the outdoors, Andy Goldsworthy has created two marvelous sculptures, *Spire* and *Wood Line*, in honor of the Presidio forest.



BIRDING

The Presidio is a haven for birds due to the diverse habitats that exist within the park, from a tidal marsh to a cypress forest. Approximately 300 species of birds have been sighted in the Presidio and over 60 are known to breed here. Popular birdwatching locations include El Polín Spring and the marsh at Crissy Field.



BEACHES

Enjoy the sandy shorelines at Baker Beach and Marshall's Beach in the western Presidio and along the northern waterfront at Crissy Field. Mountain Lake also features a small beachfront not far from the playground.



PLAYGROUNDS

Take the kids to Julius Kahn or Mountain Lake Playgrounds. The Main Parade Ground on the Main Post is also a wonderful place to gather and play.



DINING + PICNICKING

Casual cafés and fine dining establishments can be found around the Presidio (see p. 4). For informal outdoor gatherings, visit the picnic areas at Crissy Field, El Polín Spring, Baker Beach, and Immigrant Point Overlook.



HIKING + BIKING

Explore the Presidio on the park's extensive hiking and biking trail network. With 24 miles of routes and eight overlooks and vistas, experiences can be found to suit any mood. Enjoy a history walk that traces the birthplace of San Francisco, a contemplative journey through a shaded forest, or a major workout along the coastal bluffs (see trails map on back cover).



GOLF

Presidio Golf Course is renowned for its spectacular forest setting and challenging play. Once restricted to military officers and private club members, today the 18-hole course is open to the public, along with a driving range, a full service restaurant, and a pro shop. To book a tee time or make a restaurant reservation visit www.presidiogolf.com.



HISTORY

Before the Spanish arrived in 1776, the Presidio was home to native Ohlone. The U.S. Army occupied the Presidio from 1846 to 1994. This history is reflected everywhere, from the forest planted by the U.S. Army to the 433 historic buildings. The most popular places for connecting with the past are at El Polín Spring, Fort Point National Historic Site, San Francisco National Cemetery, the World War II Memorial, and the Marine Cemetery Vista. Outdoor historic interpretive panels are located around the park, particularly on the Presidio Promenade trail.

Self-Guided Adventures

Take yourself on a journey around the park with the following guides.

KIDS on Trails Guides

Historic Main Post Audio Tour

Lovers' Lane Audio Tour

Download at www.presidio.gov/map

Presidio Shuttle Tour

First Wednesdays, 12-1 pm
Meet outside the Presidio Officers' Club
50 Moraga Avenue, Main Post
RSVP required to (415) 561-5300

Calendar

Events and activities are happening nearly every day at the Presidio — walks and talks, tours, exhibitions, and fun for kids and families.

www.presidio.gov/calendar

www.parksconservancy.org/events

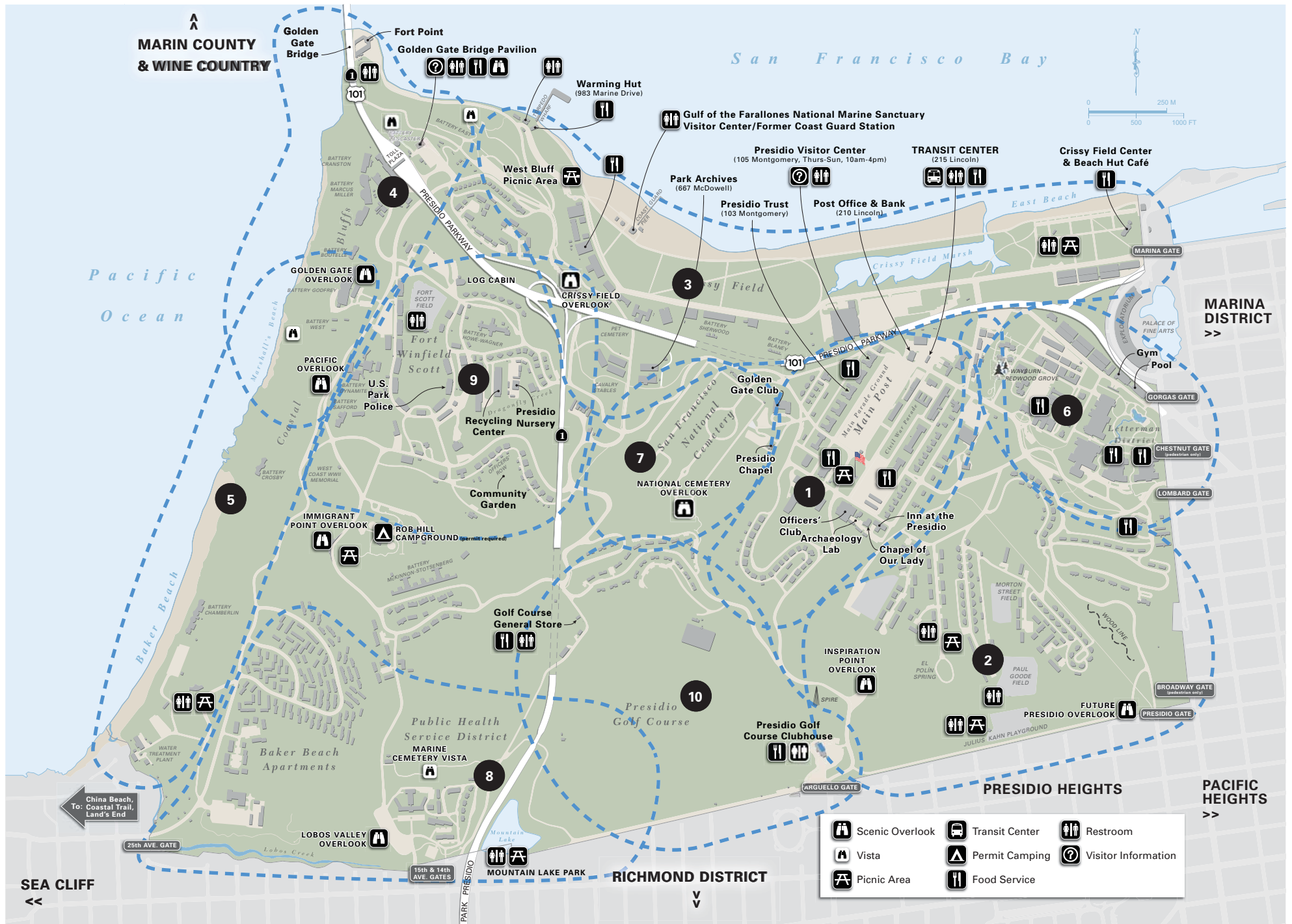
Fort Point National Historic Site

Get immersed in Civil War history in a dramatic setting beneath the Golden Gate Bridge. Check the website for hours.

www.nps.gov/fopo



DID YOU KNOW? Presidio Golf Course has hosted some of the world's most famous golfers. Babe Ruth, Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, Charles Schulz, and Joe DiMaggio played the greens.



DESTINATIONS

Plan an adventure in the Presidio of San Francisco

Calendar

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www.presidio.gov/calendar

www.parksconservancy.org/events

Ongoing

Walt Disney Family Museum

Wednesday to Monday, 10 am to 6 pm (last entry is 4:45 pm)

104 Montgomery Street, Main Post

www.waltdisney.org

Arion Press

Public Demonstration Tour

Thursdays at 3 pm

\$7; reserve by calling (415) 668-2548

Gallery Open Monday to Friday,

10 am to 5 pm, free

www.arionpress.com

For a list of other Presidio organizations, see p. 4.

IF YOU HAVE...

TWO hours If your visit to the Presidio must be a short one, spend it where it all began—the Main Post, where the first Spanish fort was established in 1776. Even a brief outing will provide a sense of the Presidio's layered history. Here you will see many of the architectural styles found in the park, from adobe at the Presidio Officers' Club (now under renovation) to Queen Anne homes along historic Officers' Row on Funston Avenue.

Get your bearings at the Presidio Visitor Center (Thurs to Sun, 10 am to 4 pm, 105 Montgomery Street) and pick up the Main Post walking guide or listen to the Historic Main Post Audio Tour on your cell phone by calling (888) 301-5678 (map at www.presidio.gov/map).

Stop by the Inn at the Presidio to see a stellar example of historic preservation and to plan your next visit. Grab a sandwich to go from a nearby eatery and enjoy an impromptu picnic on the Main Parade Ground, just across from the Montgomery Street Barracks.

In 2013, the Presidio Officers' Club will reopen as the park's premiere social hub, adjacent to a new Archaeology Lab.

FOUR hours The PresidioGo Around the Park Shuttle offers an overview of the Presidio's major districts. Two 30-minute loops are available. The Crissy Field Route showcases bay and Golden Gate Bridge views along the northern waterfront and also provides a glimpse of the forest and historic Fort Scott. The Presidio Hills Route traces part of the Main Post on its way to Inspiration Point, the Public Health Service District, and the western bluffs near Baker Beach. Pick up the shuttles at the Transit Center (215 Lincoln Boulevard) on the Main Post.

With these tours under your belt, pick one or two locations to return to by shuttle or trail for a deeper dive.

ONE day The best way to experience the Presidio is on your feet by walking one of the park's major trails. Build on either of the previous adventures by taking a journey that connects to the

Presidio's sights, sounds, and fresh air. Popular experiences include: bay and bridge views along the Golden Gate Promenade; a tranquil forest experience along the Ecology Trail or Bay Area Ridge Trail; or a wild and rugged adventure on the California Coastal Trail. See the back cover for trail lengths and use types.

OVERNIGHT For the first time, visitors can enjoy an immersive overnight stay in the park at the Inn at the Presidio (415-800-7356). Two days in the Presidio will allow you to enjoy the park's major experiences from a Golden Gate Bridge walk to tranquil El Polín Spring.

Get a taste of history, nature, and recreation. After a morning round at Presidio Golf Course, consider an afternoon at Fort Point National Historic Site or a picnic at Mountain Lake. Don't worry if you can't do it all... the Presidio offers many reasons to plan a return visit.

DID YOU KNOW? The Presidio has exceptional biodiversity. The park is home to 300 species of birds, 30 butterfly species, and 60 bee species.





1 MAIN POST

The Main Post is the beloved “heart of the Presidio.” In the Army days it was the post’s social and administrative center. Today, it is a welcoming destination with new public venues, programs, and amenities.

Highlights: Visitor Center, Inn at the Presidio, Walt Disney Family Museum, Main Parade Ground, restaurants, Presidio Bowling Center, bank, post office, Officers’ Club and Archaeology Lab (2013)



2 TENNESSEE HOLLOW + EL POLÍN SPRING

Tennessee Hollow offers a rare opportunity to experience an entire watershed—from springs to the bay—in an afternoon hike. At its heart is El Polín Spring, an “outdoor classroom” welcoming school groups, birders, history buffs, and picnickers.

Highlights: Julius Kahn Playground, Andy Goldsworthy’s *Wood Line* and *Spire*, Lovers’ Lane, Inspiration Point



3 CRISSY FIELD

The waterfront offers amazing views and recreational opportunities as well as the chance to glimpse rare birds. The shoreline was once the site of the first air coast defense station on the west coast. Today, the historic hangars and warehouses house a rock climbing gym, a children’s swim school, a trampoline house, and more.

Highlights: West Bluff and East Beach, Fort Point National Historic Site, Farallones Visitor Center, La Petite Baleen, House of Air, Planet Granite, Sports Basement, Roaring Mouse Cycles



4 GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE

Constructed at the height of the Art Deco era, the Golden Gate Bridge is one of the most recognizable structures in the world. A new Bridge Pavilion near the Toll Plaza welcomes visitors with exhibits, tours, and a café. Enjoy a walk across the span or visit the nearby scenic overlooks. Trails link the bridge to all other park destinations.

Highlights: Bridge Pavilion and Café, Pacific Overlook, Golden Gate Overlook, Fort Point



5 BEACHES + COASTAL BLUFFS

Baker Beach is a sandy mile-long stretch featuring stunning views of the Pacific Ocean, Marin Headlands, sunsets, bird life, and the Golden Gate Bridge. It connects to nearby Marshall’s Beach and the wild coastal bluffs, which feature unique dune plants and serpentine rock formations.

Highlights: “Disappearing Gun” at Battery Chamberlin, Baker Beach picnic area



6 LETTERMAN DISTRICT

The Army built its first permanent general hospital here, serving generations of military personnel. The district was named in 1911 for Major Jonathan Letterman, who created the first effective ambulance service for the evacuation of casualties. Today, visitors can connect with the Presidio’s history and enjoy unique views toward the Palace of Fine Arts.

Highlights: interpretive historic exhibits, the Thoreau Center Gallery, restaurants, Yoda statue and meadow at the Letterman Digital Arts Center



7 SAN FRANCISCO NATIONAL CEMETERY

This is the first national cemetery on the west coast and the final resting place for 30,000 soldiers, family members, and notable figures. A walk among the uniform white gravestones tells the story of America’s involvement in foreign and domestic conflicts for two centuries.

Highlight: National Cemetery Overlook just above the cemetery off the Bay Area Ridge Trail



8 PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE DISTRICT, MOUNTAIN LAKE + LOBOS VALLEY

The Public Health Service District once housed a U.S. Marine Hospital. Today, the area - which overlooks Lobos Creek Valley, the Presidio’s water source—has been revitalized as a “green neighborhood” where cultural and educational organizations thrive. Nearby Mountain Lake is one of the few remaining natural lakes in San Francisco.

Highlights: Arion Press, Juan Bautista de Anza Trail, Lobos Creek Valley Overlook, Marine Cemetery Vista



9 FORT SCOTT DISTRICT

This beautiful campus, once dedicated to defending San Francisco Bay, introduced Mission-style architecture to the Presidio. Fort Scott is now preparing to be a national center for advancing service to community and country. Fort Scott offers amazing views and is situated near several trails and overlooks.

Highlights: Presidio Nursery, Organic Community Garden, West Coast World War II Memorial



10 PRESIDIO GOLF COURSE

Presidio Golf Course is renowned for its spectacular forest setting and challenging play. Once restricted to military officers and private club members, today the 18-hole course is open to the public, along with a full service restaurant and pro shop. Presidio Golf Course is a contributing feature of the Presidio’s National Historic Landmark status.

Highlight: Golf Course General Store, Presidio Café

PresidiGo
AROUND THE PARK

Visit these park destinations on the free PresidiGo Around the Park Shuttle. Pick up the shuttle at the Transit Center (215 Lincoln Boulevard) on the Main Post. Around the Park runs two continuous 30-minute loops: the Crissy Field Route and the Presidio Hills Route (see p. 3).



DID YOU KNOW? Historically, there were five separate posts at the Presidio, each with its own commander: the Main Post, Fort Point, Letterman General Hospital, Fort Winfield Scott, and Crissy Army Air Field. The Main Post, however, was always the headquarters and the heart of the Presidio.



LIVE

Did you know that anyone can live in the Presidio? Once a military post where soldiers and their families lived for more than a century, today the Presidio is an urban national park with a thriving community of civilian residents. The Presidio features 21 distinct residential neighborhoods representing a spectrum of architectural styles. A diverse community of more than 3,000 people lives in the park.

Begin your day with a stroll in the Presidio forest, take the free PresidiGo Downtown shuttle to work, and relax on the weekends by getting your hands dirty in the expanding network of community gardens.

Presidio Residences

558 Presidio Boulevard
 (near Lombard Gate)
 T (888) 485-1729
 E housing@jscopresidio.com
 W www.presidio.gov/lease



WORK

The Presidio is home to more than 200 organizations who help shape the character and vitality of the park. More than 4,000 people come to work here every day. Airplane hangars, barracks, and warehouses have become gyms, spas, and other recreational facilities. Small businesses, nonprofits, schools, and cultural organizations have brought new identity to historic buildings.

Many historic buildings have been brought back to life through the investment of community groups and businesses. Ready to occupy space is also available. Learn more about locating your organization in the Presidio.

Presidio Trust Leasing Office

T (415) 561-5335
 E leasing@presidiotrust.gov
 W www.presidio.gov



Who's here?
www.presidio.gov/directory



CELEBRATE

The Presidio is a serene place to gather, no matter what the occasion. Intimate chapels, elegant reception sites, and conference facilities are beautiful backdrops for weddings, celebrations, meetings, and retreats. Facilities can accommodate up to 450 people, with options for break-out meeting space, banquets, outdoor events, and additional activities. Popular sites include the Golden Gate Club, the Presidio Chapel, and the Golf Course Clubhouse.

The Officers' Club, San Francisco's oldest building and the center of social life in the Presidio since the late 18th century, will reopen in 2013.

Presidio Event Venues

T (415) 561-5444

E events@presidiotrust.gov

W www.presidio.gov/venues



Weddings, celebrations, meetings, and retreats.



STAY



Inn at the Presidio, the park's first hotel, offers an authentic historic experience in a setting of natural beauty.

The Inn is located at Pershing Hall, an elegant home for bachelor officers when the Presidio was a U.S. Army post. The interior design celebrates the Presidio's rich past with artisan details and Presidio memorabilia. Historic photographs and contemporary regional art bring to life the Inn's past.

Space for small celebrations and meetings is available. The Inn is also a lovely place for guests to stay while attending a wedding or function at another Presidio venue.

Inn at the Presidio

T (415) 800-7356

E info@innatthepresidio.com

W www.innatthepresidio.com



HISTORIC HOTELS
of AMERICA
NATIONAL TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Each year, thousands of Bay Area residents discover Rob Hill Campground, the only overnight campsite in San Francisco. People have slept under the stars at Rob Hill for generations. A campsite was first established here after World War II when Army families began forming scouting troops.

Rob Hill is a hidden treasure, located at the Presidio's highest point. It offers four group (30 person) campsites featuring a campfire circle, a free-standing barbecue grill, and picnic tables. Rob Hill has restrooms and a large communal campfire circle.

A reservation and Special Use Permit are required. The camping season runs from April 1 to October 31.

Rob Hill Campground Reservations

T (415) 561-5444

F (415) 561-7604

E events@presidiotrust.gov

W www.presidio.gov/explore/Pages/rob-hill-campground.aspx



VOLUNTEER

Be more than a tourist in the Presidio of San Francisco

Volunteer activities happen just about every day of the week in the Presidio. Whether you have three hours or 500 hours to give, drop-in programs provide flexible opportunities that work with any schedule. A summary of programs is below. Note: there are no programs on Mondays.



SATURDAYS

Habitat Restoration with Presidio Park Stewards

Every Saturday, 9 am to Noon. Meeting location is the Presidio Transit Center.

Landscape Care and Trail Maintenance with Golden Gate Maintenance Presidio:

Every Saturday, 9 am to Noon. Meeting location varies.

Presidio Nursery

Every Saturday, 1 pm to 4 pm. Meeting location is 1249a Appleton Road, Fort Scott.



SUNDAYS

Habitat Restoration with Presidio Park Stewards

Every Sunday, 10 am to 1 pm. Meeting location is the Presidio Transit Center.



TUESDAYS

Landscape Care with Presidio Campground Stewards

Every First Tuesday, 10 am to 1 pm. Meeting location is the Inspiration Point Overlook.

Trails Maintenance with Presidio Trail Stewards

Every Second Tuesday, 10 am to 1 pm. Meeting location is the Inspiration Point Overlook.



WEDNESDAYS

Habitat Restoration with Presidio Park Stewards

Every Wednesday, 9 am to Noon. Meeting location is the Presidio Transit Center.

Presidio Nursery

Every Wednesday, 1 pm to 4 pm. Meeting location is 1249a Appleton Road, Fort Scott.

THURSDAYS

Landscape Care with Golden Gate Maintenance Presidio

Every Thursday, 9 am to Noon. Meeting location varies.

Habitat Restoration with Park Stewardship San Francisco

Every Thursday, 1 pm to 4 pm. Meeting location varies.

Garden and Landscape Care with Presidio Garden Stewards

Every Third Thursday, 9 am to Noon. Meeting location is the Inspiration Point Overlook.

FRIDAYS

Forest and Tree Care with Presidio Forest Stewards

First and Second Fridays, 9 am to Noon. Meeting location is the Inspiration Point Overlook.

Habitat Restoration with Presidio Plant Patrol

Every Friday, 1 pm to 4 pm. Meeting location is the Presidio Transit Center.

Volunteer Coordinator

T (415) 561-5333
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W www.presidio.gov/volunteer

Programs are a partnership of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy, the Presidio Trust, and the National Park Service.

KIDS

Explore and enjoy the Presidio as a family with these fun activities. Do you have other suggestions for enjoying the park with kids? Share them at www.facebook.com/presidiosf.

Quests, Kids on Trails, Mystery Trail, and Geocaching:

These guided adventure booklets teach eco-literacy with a fun, place-based approach to exploring nature and the great outdoors. Download at www.presidio.gov/map/Pages/kids-and-family-adventures.aspx. The Mystery Trail booklet is available at the Warming Hut at Crissy Field.

El Polín Spring Discovery: This interactive game heightens the senses to the sights and sounds of the ancient Presidio. A treasure map reveals the birds, streams, plants, and hidden stories that can be found within the park's largest watershed. For a free copy of the guide, email nature@presidiotrust.gov.

Nature Bingo at the Presidio:

This goes beyond the game board by teaching children to use their senses to explore various natural sites throughout the park. Kids work together to find and draw what occupies the world around them. For free copies of the various site guides, email nature@presidiotrust.gov.

Julius Kahn or Mountain Lake Playground:

The simple joys of swaying on a swing or playing in the sand are the stuff of childhood memories.

PRESIDIO ORGANIZATIONS SERVING KIDS

Crissy Field Center

1199 East Beach
T (415) 561-7690
W www.crissyfield.org

Crissy Field Center is a hub for youth engagement and provides park access for underserved communities. The center offers youth leadership programs, camps, classroom visits, and more. It is a project of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy, in partnership with the National Park Service and the Presidio Trust.

Presidio YMCA

63 Funston Avenue
T (415) 447-9622
W www.ymcasf.org/presidio
Programs for kids of all ages including camping, after-school recreation, community outreach, teen clubs, aquatics, and youth sports.

Walt Disney Family Museum

Classes, workshops, camps, films, and more.
www.waltdisney.org



House of Air

Indoor trampoline park located in an historic airplane hangar at Crissy Field.
www.houseofair.com

La Petite Baleen

Children's swim school located at Crissy Field.
www.swimlpb.com

Presidio Bowling Center

Youth leagues and everyday fun.
www.presidiobowl.com

More for kids + teachers:

www.presidio.gov/visit/teachers

More Presidio organizations serving kids:

www.presidio.gov/directory



HAVE YOU SEEN ME?

A dozen surprising finds in the Presidio



1
LOVERS' LANE BRIDGE
Where: MacArthur Avenue, north of El Polín Spring and east of the Main Post.
Why: This 1895 treasure located along the Presidio's oldest trail was recently restored.



2
ALLEN'S HUMMINGBIRD
Where: El Polín Spring in the Tennessee Hollow Watershed
Why: El Polín is one of San Francisco's hottest birdwatching destinations.



3
1935 MURAL BY VICTOR ARNAUTOFF
(Known for his work at Coit Tower)
Where: Presidio Chapel, 130 Fisher Loop, Main Post
Why: With St. Francis at its center, the mural depicts the founding of the Presidio and the peacetime activities of the Army.



4
SERPENTINITE
Where: Below Inspiration Point and along the Coastal Bluffs
Why: California's state rock is habitat for several species uniquely adapted to thrive in dry conditions.



5
COAST REDWOODS
Where: Arguello Boulevard; along the Ecology Trail; at Fort Scott's Dragonfly Creek
Why: Redwoods currently make up just 5 percent of the Presidio forest, but more are being planted in several areas around the park.



6
ACMON BLUE BUTTERFLY
Where: Lobos Creek Valley and Inspiration Point
Why: Keen eyes will be rewarded with a sure summer sighting of this long-time San Francisco resident.



7
THE YOUNG DEAD SOLDIERS BY ARCHIBALD MACLEISH
(Librarian of Congress during World War II)
Where: Etched into the stone at National Cemetery Overlook (off the Bay Area Ridge Trail)
Why: The overlook is a beautiful setting to contemplate generations of service at the Presidio.



8
GREAT HORNED OWLS
Where: Rob Hill Campground (best seen in the early evening, chicks seen in late summer and early fall)
Why: The call of the owl is unmistakable and unforgettable.



9
THE LOG CABIN
Where: 1299 Storey Avenue at Fort Scott
Why: The only rustic-style building in the park was built in 1938 with logs harvested from the Presidio forest. Today it is a popular site for celebrations and meetings.



10
DISAPPEARING GUN AT BATTERY CHAMBERLIN
Where: Baker Beach, north of the parking lot
Why: The 50-ton, six-inch "disappearing gun" is demonstrated by the National Park Service on the first full weekend of each month.



11
HOUSE OF AIR, PLANET GRANITE, LA PETITE BAILEEN
Where: West end of Crissy Field
Why: Recreational organizations are thriving in former airplane hangars dating from the "age of aviation."

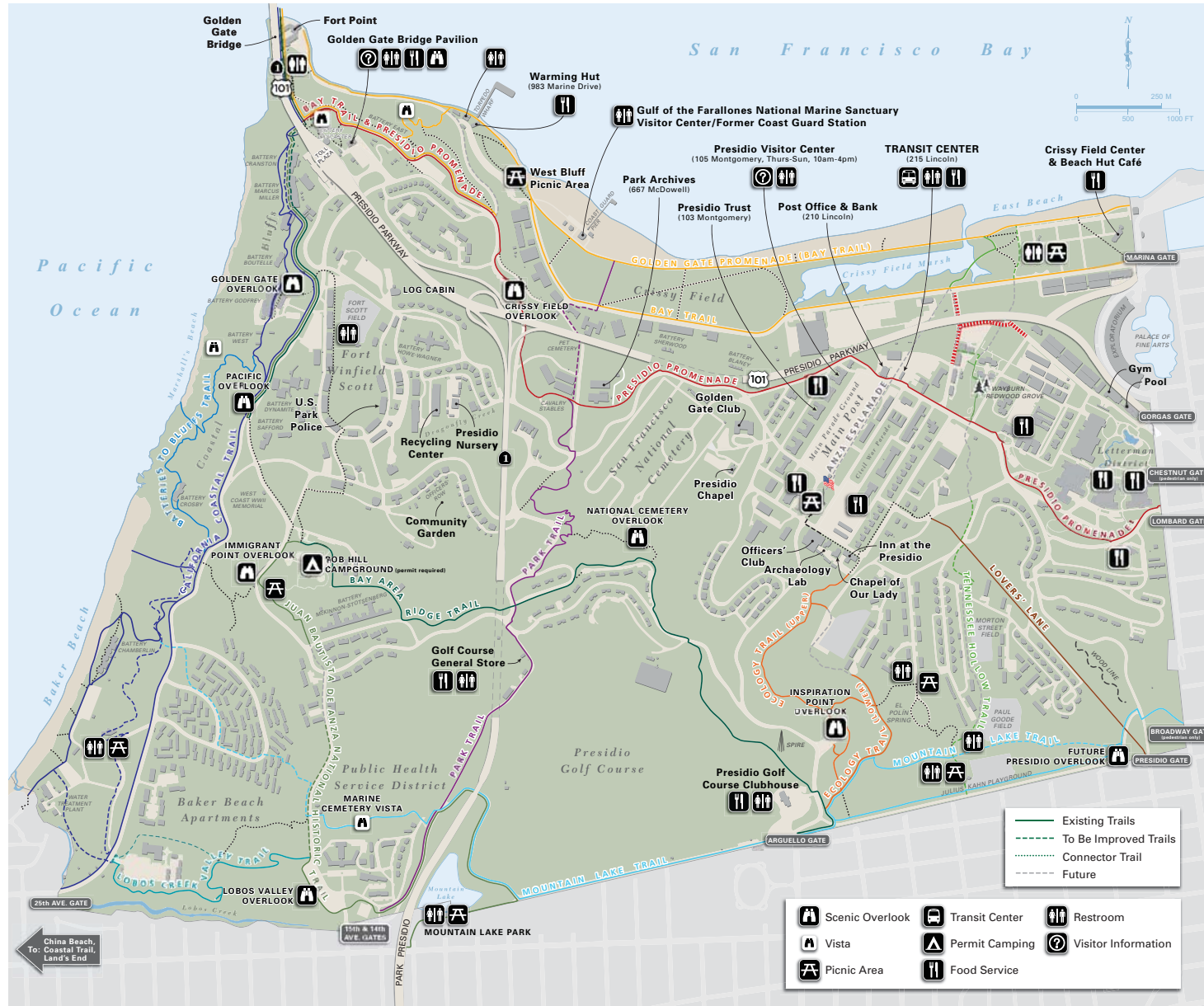


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COYOTE
Where: Fort Scott, Lobos Creek Valley, Tennessee Hollow Watershed
Why: This mysterious creature symbolizes nature in the city; if you see one, admire at a distance.



DID YOU KNOW? A schedule of tours, walks, and talks is available at www.presidio.gov/calendar.

Trails and Scenic Overlooks in the Presidio of San Francisco



Explore the Presidio on the park's extensive hiking and biking trail network which features 24 miles of routes and eight scenic overlooks and vistas. The Presidio offers both on- and off-road biking opportunities.

Trails that are designated as "multiuse" welcome cyclists and pedestrians.

For complete information about the Presidio trails network, as well as accessibility and volunteer opportunities, visit www.presidio.gov/trails.

BATTERIES TO BLUFFS

Length: 0.7 miles (1.1 kilometers)
Use Type: pedestrian only; no dogs permitted

BAY AREA RIDGE TRAIL

Length: 2.5 miles (4.0 kilometers)
Use Type: multiuse; pedestrian only sections

CALIFORNIA COASTAL TRAIL

Length: 2.7 miles (4.3 kilometers)
Use Type: multiuse

ECOLOGY TRAIL

Length: 1.4 miles (2.2 kilometers)
Use Type: pedestrian on upper trail; multiuse on lower trail

GOLDEN GATE PROMENADE

Length: 4.3 miles (6.9 kilometers)
Use Type: multiuse

JUAN BAUTISTA DE ANZA NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL

Length: 2.7 miles (4.3 kilometers)
Use Type: multiuse; pedestrian only sections

LOBOS CREEK VALLEY TRAIL

Length: 0.8 miles (1.3 kilometers)
Use Type: pedestrians only; no dogs permitted

LOVERS' LANE

Length: 0.6 miles (0.9 kilometers)
Use Type: pedestrian only

MOUNTAIN LAKE TRAIL

Length: 2.6 miles (4.1 kilometers)
Use Type: multiuse; pedestrian only sections

PARK TRAIL

Length: 1.7 miles (2.6 kilometers)
Use Type: multiuse; pedestrian only sections

PRESIDIO PROMENADE

Length: 2.1 miles (3.4 kilometers)
Use Type: multiuse, pedestrian only in sections

TENNESSEE HOLLOW TRAIL

Length: 1.2 miles (1.9 kilometers) – trail construction is planned
Use Type: pedestrian only