

## San Francisco In-Flight Catering and Travel Tips

Anytime of the year is a great time to take advantage of all that San Francisco has to offer. If you enjoy a milder climate the “City by the Bay” maintains temperatures around 57 F (14 C) during the months of December and January with temperatures rising to a high of 70 F (21 C) by September. The cooler weather is attributed to its location on the northern end of the peninsula that is surrounded on three sides by the Pacific Ocean and the San Francisco Bay. One great amenity for residents and visitors alike is that it is pedestrian friendly. One can access points of interest, dining, shopping, business and recreation by using their feet.

Don't have enough time on the ground to get around on foot? San Francisco is known for its cable cars as they journey up and down this hilly landscape known for its impressive architecture. For general travel, high season includes July, August and American holidays. However, for business travel, September and October are busy due to the many conventions hosted in the “Golden City.”

San Francisco is easily accessible to business aviation travelers via one of 11 airports. The nearest major airport is [San Francisco International Airport](#) (KSFO). Two other major airports are [Oakland International Airport](#) (KOAK) and [Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport](#) (KSJC). The rest of the airports that support general aviation traffic in the area are [Buchanan Field Airport](#) (KCCR), [Hayward Executive Airport](#) (KHWD), [Napa County Airport](#) (KAPC), [Half Moon Bay Airport](#) (KHAF), [Livermore Municipal Airport](#) (KLVK), [Palo Alto Airport](#) (KPAO), [San Carlos Airport](#) (KSQL) and [Reid-Hillview Santa Clara Airport](#) (KRHV). Peak in-flight catering season in San Francisco is May to October, with November to April being its shoulder season.

In addition to popular attractions, such as the Golden Gate Bridge, Alcatraz Island, Fisherman's Wharf and Chinatown, San Francisco is known for being a hub in the world of finance. The city is rich in the arts, with excellent museums, theaters and music venues. History and Hollywood not only collide at Alcatraz, but also at the Presidio Army Base. The Presidio was the setting for a popular mystery film from the 1980s bearing the same name.

Sports enthusiasts, let's not forget that the San Francisco Bay area is home to two national football teams, the [San Francisco 49ers](#) and [Oakland Raiders](#). Baseball fans can catch a game with either the [San Francisco Giants](#) at AT&T Park or the [Oakland Athletics](#) at O.co Coliseum.

Discover San Francisco's expansive outdoors with its abundant opportunities for hiking, wildlife viewing, sailing and fishing. Ocean Beach, the city's longest beach, attracts those wanting to bask in an afternoon of relaxation and sunshine on its white sands. This picturesque coastline is popular among surfers eager to ride impressive waves. After catching some rays, take a stroll on the dunes, fly a kite, ride a bike, or skate your way to a meal along the coast. The [Golden Gate Park](#) is one of the nation's most beautiful public places with an array of activities from recreation and live music, to botanical gardens and museums.

There is always something going on in this playful city. In addition to its many festivals, you can count on street fairs, parades, carnivals and just about any celebration that comes to mind. During the milder fall and winter months many events are held indoors, so no worries when temperatures dip. The “Bay City” is all about having fun any time of the year.

When the fog rolls in, take the opportunity to check out one of the city's many museums. Whether you have an interest in modern art or science, there is a museum for you. San Francisco has a very active theater and performance calendar, so be sure to check out the art and culture itineraries during your visit. The [San Francisco Museum of Modern Art](#) (SFMOMA), [de Young Museum](#) and [Exploratorium](#) are just a few examples of the museums the city has to offer.

Whether you are interested in a more casual atmosphere or a first-rate dining experience, you will find San Francisco's cuisine to be among the best in the world. San Francisco is best known for Dungeness crab, along with unique menus that reflect the distinct and diverse neighborhoods around the city. [Boulevard Restaurant](#) located in the Mission District, [Wayfare Tavern](#) in Russian Hill, [Swan Oyster Depot](#) in Nob Hill, [Red's Java House](#) in SoMa, and [R & G Lounge](#) in the Financial District are among the well-known and favored restaurants around town.

The Bay City also offers a wide range of accommodations to best suit any traveler's needs. Fisherman's Wharf tends to attract more tourists, but provides better lodging deals. Be sure to research and read reviews from other customers regarding potential accommodation options. As everything else in San Francisco one will not be disappointed with the vast and varied choices and services when it comes to relaxation and luxury spas. Of the many hotels that offer spas within their setting, Spa Vitale (located at the Hotel Vitale) is ranked at the top of the list. Other favorites include Bliss Spa at the W, Kabuki Springs and Spa, and Burke Williams.

Because the city has something for every walk of life, it is no wonder so many people have left their hearts in San Francisco.

## **Questions?**

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