



SAN FRANCISCO WEEKEND TRIP: WHERE TO STAY & WHAT TO DO

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A few months ago, I started planning a girls trip with my bestie Natalie. I was ready for a break from #momlife and was eager to explore a city I've been interested in visiting for a while. San Fransisco did

not disappoint & though I missed my babies, (and ok, even Davin at times) it was such a fun experience!

Here's my thoughts on where to stay & what to do if you plan on visiting the City by the Bay:



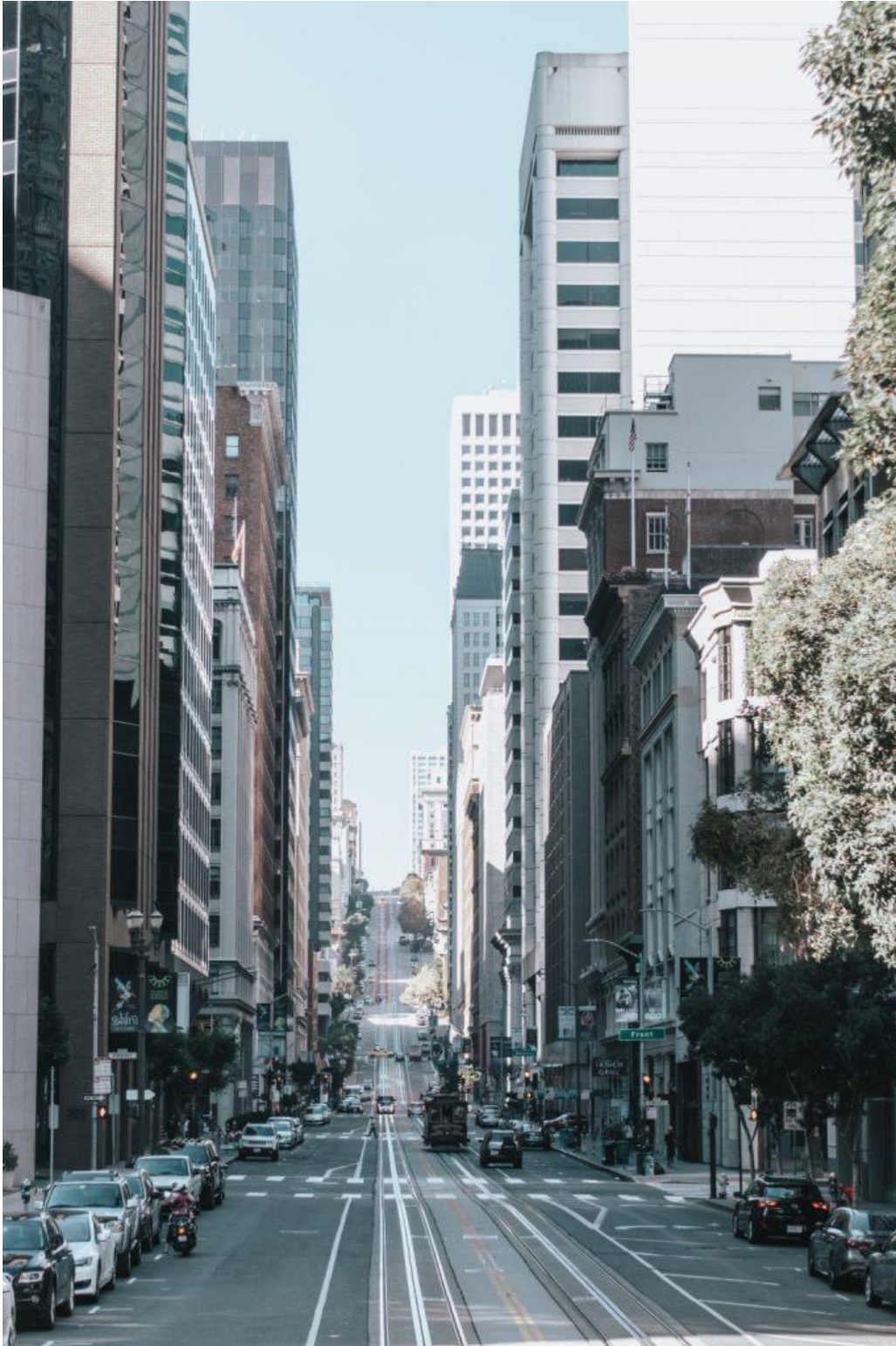
Hotel Spero – We stayed at a gorgeous, new hotel right down town. Hotel Spero was super accommodating and let us check in early as well as check out late. The staff is very friendly and the decor style was modern & bright. The overall vibe of the hotel is so cool! Would definitely recommend staying here if you plan to be in & around the central down town area of San Francisco.





Explore Down Town – In all new cities, I love to spend at least a half day walking around down town. San Fran has lots to do & see in city centre. Down town is also a popular place to ride a cable car. Though they don't seem to run on a set schedule, so expect to wait a little & for the car to be packed with other tourists when you get on!

While you're down town, I would also suggest not venturing into the Tenderloin district – it gets a little rough (as we experienced first hand lol). There are definitely sketchy parts of the city (like any big centre!) but overall it was so fun to just explore and walk the winding, steep streets San Fransisco is known for.





Fisherman's Wharf & Pier 39 – We loved this part of the city!! So many cool shops and food all along the waters edge. This is a busy area with lots of buskers & a gorgeous view of the pier. The best part about this area is the vibe is different depending on the time of day you're there! There is an electric type of energy in Fisherman's Wharf. We walked around both during the day and one evening & had a blast both times!







Hop On Hop Off Bus Tour – If you only have a couple days & want to get a feel for different parts of the city, try a hop on hop off! Like all transportation we found in #sfo, (aside from good ol ubers!) these buses don't follow a concrete schedule, so it is tricky to know if you get off when you'd be able to get picked up again. Still worth utilizing it though to see more of the city than you'd be able to on foot. This tour was also how we got some great shots of the Golden Gate Bridge!

Muir Woods – We loved it! It was quiet and peaceful walking through the woods which surprised me because it was a popular tourist attraction. You could spend as little or as much time as you'd like there, but an hour worked well for us. One thing to note about the woods: you'll need to commit to going ahead of time as they have limited parking & the buses fill up quickly. It also takes a decent amount of time (20-30 min) to get into the woods from Sausalito, so be sure to account for that!



Sausalito – I wish we had so much more time to spend here! A charming, clean, and bustling town that had lots to see & do. If I were to do it again, I would probably plan to be in Sausalito for at least a full day. It was just so beautiful – especially walking right by the water!

Entertainment / Theatre – There are SO many shows, sporting events, concerts, etc going on in the city! The main reason I wanted to visit San Francisco was to see Sara Bareilles perform. She is one of my absolute favourite artists and was actually born & raised in San Fran. Her concert was held at the Chase Center (which is an absolutely gorgeous, massive, new venue) andddd it was amazing. May have cried a little while she was performing lol.











Noe Valley – The last night of our trip we stayed at an Air B&b in the cutest character home in Noe Valley. It was a safe neighborhood and would be a nice location to stay if you were traveling with young kids. We noticed lots of young families walking around & it made us miss our own kids! lol. There was an abundance of cafes and shops in this area at more affordable price points than right down town San Francisco! It's also close enough to walk around both Mission & Castro district (which aren't as family friendly but cool to see IMO)







Thanks for the good times #sfo – I'll be back!

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