



Day 1 | Mon 25

9am - 10:30am

Family Activity



Mama's Restaurant

website:
www.mamas-sf.com/

phone:
(415) 362-6421

address:
1701 Stockton St
San Francisco, CA 94133
United States

What It Is: This small restaurant serves up one of San Francisco's most coveted breakfasts in a warm, cozy atmosphere.

Why Kids Love It: Pancakes!

Why Adults Love It: The crab benedict.

Details: There is a long line every day so the earlier you get there, the better. Kids can be entertained at nearby Washington Square Park while mum or dad waits in line (worst case scenario!)

10:30am - 12:30pm

Family Activity



Fisherman's Wharf and Pier 39

website:

<http://www.fishermanswharf.org/>

phone:

(415) 674-7503

What It Is: San Francisco's seafront marketplace is a must-visit for first-timers to the city. Fishing boats, seafood stalls, and tons of activities for the whole family means you can spend hours here without even noticing!

Why Kids Love It: Check out the carousel in the middle and the sea lions at the back!

Why Parents Love It: Kids and parents can be entertained here. Sit at one of the many cafes or stroll through the various shops. On weekends and in the summer, street performers and festivals abound!

Details: This will be a good time because it will be early and it won't be so crowded. After you're done, continue walking onto Pier 39 and then walk along East along the Embarcadero (If you don't want to walk catch a pedi-cab bicyclist and head to the Ferry Building).

1:00pm - 2:30pm

Family Activity



The Slanted Door

website:

www.slanteddoor.com/

phone:

(415) 362-6421

address:

Ferry Building #3
San Francisco, CA 94111
United States

What It Is: One of San Francisco's most beloved restaurants. Vietnamese fare by chef Charles Phan in a seafront setting.

Why Kids Love It: The access to the pier and large glass windows offer great views of the boats.

Why Parents Love It: An elegant and bright dining room, perfect after the bustle of Pier 39.

Details: Must make a reservation. Definitely order the crab cellophane noodles. Grab a nice glass of wine with lunch or cocktail and enjoy the waterfront view. After lunch walk inside the retro-fitted old Ferry Building. Sample or buy all local artisan foods, wines, and even teas.

2:30pm - 5:00pm

Family Activity



The Exploratorium

website:
www.exploratorium.edu/

phone:
(415) 674-7503

address:
Pier 15, The Embarcadero
San Francisco, CA 94111
United States

What It Is: The Exploratorium is San Francisco's hands-on science museum. Their mission is to change the way the world learns.

Why Kids Love It: Every exhibit is interactive and there is something for kids of all ages, from the fog-machine bridge to climbing sculptures.

Why Parents Love It: A truly hands-on way to learn, parents will enjoy the exhibits as well, or at minimum will enjoy watching their kids learn.

Details: Tickets can be bought online or at the door. It's a bit pricey but worth it (\$29 for adults, \$19 for kids 4-12, kids under 3 are free). If you are hungry the food at the restaurant is excellent. Hand made sushi to pizza.

5:30pm – 8:00pm

Family Activity



Exploring the Mission Area

What Is It: An ever-changing neighborhood of Latino culture-Bohemian-Yuppies. The Mission is one of San Francisco's oldest neighborhoods, and now home to much of Silicon Valley's young tech talent. Hipsters abound, you will see.

Why Kids Love It: Interesting graffiti and some cool stores and restaurants.

Why Adults Love It: The Mission offers a real glimpse into San Francisco's Mexican culture, while being at the edge of the food and retail scene.

Details: Cab or Uber it to the Mission District from the Exploratorium.

Walking along Mission/Valencia Street between 16th and 22nd Street you will see everything from classic San Franciscan Victorian homes, amazing artists murals that tell the history of the area, boutique shops, and the hottest bars and restaurants.

Make reservations at Delfino's and have incredible pizza and Italian food and then walk across the street and grab dessert at the famous Bi-Rite Icecream Shop.

Cab it back to the hotel with a full belly and feeling guilty free knowing that you walked-off all of the incredible epicurean delights you indulged throughout the day!

Day 2 | Tue 26

9:00am - 10:00am

Family Activity



Paddle Boating and strolling around Stowe Lake

website:
www.mamas-sf.com/

phone:
(415) 362-6421

address:
1701 Stockton St
San Francisco, CA 94133
United States

What It Is: Golden Gate Park is the largest city park in the United States, larger than Central Park. There are several things to do so today's day is going to be exploring the best of them.

Why Kids Love It: Jump on a paddle boat and cruise through the foliage on Stowe Lake. You can have a picnic breakfast or pick up a coffee and croissant at the kiosk there.

Why Parents Love It: There's nothing like relaxing on the water or one of the shady patches around Stowe Lake. Those who need a little more cardio can take a stroll on the trail around the lake.

Details: It's best to drive around Golden Gate Park as it's quite large and distances are far.

10:30am - 1:30pm

Family Activity



California Academy of Sciences

website:
www.calacademy.org/

phone:
(415) 379-8000

address:
55 Music Concourse Dr
San Francisco, CA 94118
United States

What It Is: The Japanese Tea Garden is the oldest public Japanese Tea Garden in the United States. It is a beautiful and elegant place to visit, and homage to San Francisco's Japanese heritage.

Why Kids Love It: Kids are intrigued by the uniquely Japanese elements in the structures around the garden, particularly by the pagodas and the bridge over the pond.

Why Parents Love It: This quiet and serene place to enjoy in the park. Stroll through the gardens and enjoy the Japanese architecture and décor, or simply relax in the teahouse.

Details: It is free to enter and stroll around the Gardens.

3:00pm - 5:00pm

Family Activity



Koret Children's Quarter

website:
<https://goldengatepark.com/childrens-playground.html>

phone:
(415) 831-2700

address:
Golden Gate Park
San Francisco, CA
United States

What It Is: A newly renovated area in Golden Gate Park, dedicated exclusively to the play and wonderment of children.

Why Kids Love It: An age-old carousel, a climbing wall shaped like waves and long wooden slides!

Why Adults Love It: Organic snacks at the kiosk.

Details: Koret Children's Quarter is located just off of Kezar Drive (on the southeast side of Golden Gate Park). The playground is found right next to the carousel at Bowling Green Drive between John F. Kennedy Drive and Martin Luther King Jr. Drive.

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Family Activity



Dinner at Ebisu

website:
ebisusushi.com/

phone:
(415) 566-1770

address:
1283 9th Ave
San Francisco, CA 94122
United States

What it is: One of San Francisco's favorite neighborhood spots serving fantastic sushi and Japanese cooked dishes.

Why Kids Love It: Sit at the counter and watch the chefs expertly dish up fresh and delicious food.

Why Adults Love It: No-fuss, reasonably priced and wonderful sushi, ramen, and noodles.

Details: If Japanese doesn't strike your fancy try the many other eateries on 9th avenue.

Mombassador Note:



Hi Max,
I hope you and your family have a great time in San Francisco. A couple of things to watch out for:

1) San Francisco does not have Baywatch weather. It's a common misconception tourists hold. San Francisco is often foggy and therefore cold so make sure you are all layered, the weather can change depending on which neighborhood you are in.

2) Public transportation is hard to come by in San Francisco. For day 1 of this itinerary you will do fine with Uber, but day 2, within Golden Gate Park it will save you time to rent a car. If you have more time to spend in the Bay Area, you can take a day trip over the Golden Gate Bridge into Napa or Sonoma.

Have a wonderful trip!

Best,

Yukari - MomAboard Mombassador to San Francisco