



# Local getaways™



## THE BEST DOG-FRIENDLY BEACHES IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Slurps up! Treat your bestie to the best beach getaway a pooch could ever hope for. It's not only fantastic exercise for the dog, it's cathartic for humans as well, being able to bring so much joy to a dog's day.

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## THE BEST PLACES TO SCUBA DIVE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

From island escapes, to sheltered coves and even oil rig adventures, Southern California boasts some of the world's most gorgeous scenery — with warmer water, to boot.

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## EIGHT BIRDS INTRODUCED TO HAWAII THAT EVERYONE SHOULD KNOW

It's easy to spot the colorful bevy of birds that hang out near beaches, hotels and lowland areas — especially since some of them make plenty of noise, too. No need to wing it when it comes to identifying them; simply take this nonnative bird checklist with you, or study it in your nest before you go.

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## THE ARGONAUT, SAN FRANCISCO'S ICONIC WATERFRONT HOTEL

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Housed within Fisherman's Wharf historic Haslett Warehouse building, the Argonaut Hotel merits a term like iconic both for its past and its present. Guests wake to views of the San Francisco Bay, Alcatraz, and the Golden Gate Bridge before venturing mere steps to next door Ghirardelli Square & Hyde Street Pier.

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## THE BEST HIKES IN THE NORTH BAY

Whether the mountains, forests or beaches be callin' (if we may paraphrase John Muir), you can find them here — accessible all year round. While there are thousands of trails here, we've selected a few of our favorites that showcase the range this land has to offer.

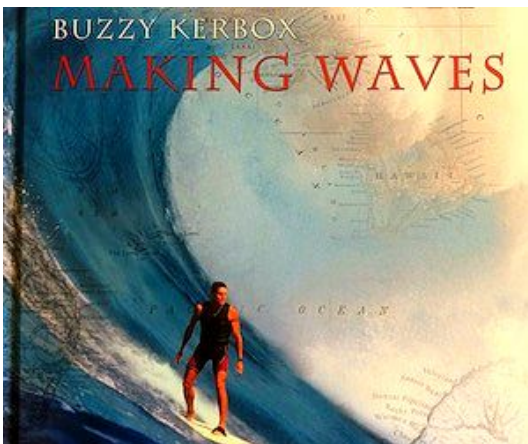
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## TEE-OFF AT ONE OF THESE 20 BAY AREA GOLF COURSES

From bustling cosmopolitan cities to quiet coastal communities, the Bay Area has been gifted with an exceptionally diverse collection of communal golf courses layered with a rich frosting of history. Did we miss your favorite? [Let us know!](#)

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR! BUZZY IS COMING TO MARIN COUNTY

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Meet legendary surfer Buzzy Kerbox and "talk story" with him at San Rafael's 101 Surf Sports on Thursday, July 22nd, at 5:30 pm. Buzzy is one of the first professional surfers from Hawaii, where he pioneered tow-in surfing along with Laird Hamilton. However, he is probably best known as a Ralph Lauren model in the '80s. Father, author, waterman and more, his stories are sure to be inspiring if not amusing.



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