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THE ARTICHOKE FESTIVAL RETURNS THIS WEEKEND

Let's get to the heart of it: it is great to have festivals back. Organizers anticipate upwards of 8,000 visitors over the July 24-25 weekend for the 61st installment of the annual event, this one themed, "Thistle be a good time."

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CALIFORNIA ROAD TRIP: YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

This national treasure is a wonderland of record-setting statistics: three of the world's tallest waterfalls, the tallest granite monolith in the world, and the world's most recognizable mountain. Here's everything you need to know about visiting.

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COMPOSTABLE AND PLANET-FRIENDLY PICNIC ESSENTIALS

There's nothing better than traveling to explore the gorgeous scenery mother nature has to offer and with these essentials, you'll be ensuring that scenery stays pristine.

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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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A DOSE OF ALOHA: THE BEST LUNCH ON THE NORTH SHORE OF OAHU

The North Shore of Oahu is a little gem and it's a great place to spend your day, and there are some tasty places to enjoy lunch. Here's a list of our favorite places for that mid-day meal.

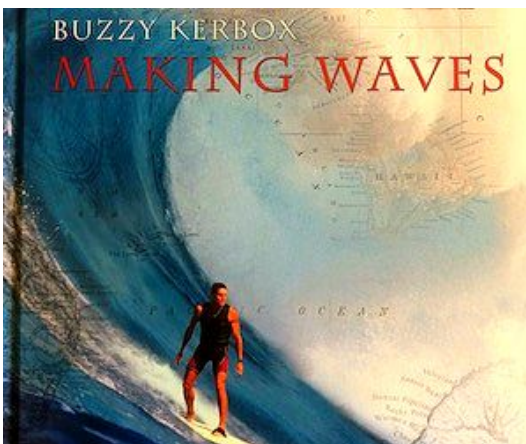
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BEST SNORKELING SPOTS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

An amazing array of kelp forests, corals and anemones, Garibaldi, crustaceans, rockfish and rays, sea lions and harbor seals, and more — you'll see them all at these SoCal snorkeling spots. Did we miss your favorite? [Let us know!](#)

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING TONIGHT? MEET BUZZY KERBOX IN SAN RAFAEL [partner]

Meet legendary surfer Buzzy Kerbox and "talk story" with him at San Rafael's 101 Surf Sports tonight, 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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