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Walking San Francisco on the Barbary Coast Trail

By Daniel Bacon

Quicksilver Press. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 274 pages. Dimensions: 8.4in. x 5.4in. x 0.9in. Lace up your walking shoes or settle into your favorite reading chair for an unforgettable adventure through San Francisco's past and present. The Barbary Coast Trail connects twenty of San Francisco's most important historic sites. This comprehensive guide takes you to all of them and reveals a world populated by Gold Rushers, shanghaiers, Bonanza Kings, railroad barons, visionaries, and the pioneer women who tamed them. The Barbary Coast Trail is San Francisco's official historical walking trail. A series of bronze medallions set in the sidewalk mark the trail as it winds its way through vibrant neighborhoods. You'll walk down Gold Rush-era streets and Chinatown alleys, past Barbary Coast melodeons and Bonanza King mansions on a journey of discovery. It's great fun for the whole family! Whether you're a life-long resident or a brief visitor, you'll quickly become immersed in the heart and soul of San Francisco. You'll explore areas devastated in 1906, then reclaimed from the ashes. You'll visit the birthplace of the Gold Rush. You'll walk through a graveyard of Gold Rush ships buried beneath the streets. You'll experience the vibrant culture of North Beach,...



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Step 2. Choose a strategy and pace. Technically, the trail starts at the Old The Barbary Coast Trail is a marked trail that connects a series of historic sites and several local history museums in San Francisco, California. Approximately 180 bronze medallions and arrows embedded in the sidewalk mark the 3.8-mile (6.1 km) trail. The historic sites of the Barbary Coast Trail relate primarily to the period from the California Gold Rush of 1849 to the Earthquake and Fire of 1906, a period when San Francisco grew from a small village to an important shipping port. The Barbary Coast Trail is a walking path connecting 20 of San Francisco's most important historic sites. It is marked with a series of bronze medallions and arrows set in the sidewalk. We offer three ways to walk the Barbary Coast Trail: 1) printed guides available at the Visitor Information Center or can be ordered from our website 2) audio guides can be downloaded from our website 3) guided tours by appointment. Read more. Closed Now. Swap crowded bus tour for a more intimate alternative—a small-group tour in a deluxe minivan. See the popular San Francisco neighborhoods of Haight-Ashbury and North Beach, and pass by top city attractions such as Fisherman's Wharf, and Golden Gate Park.