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7 Summer Road Trips Within 4 Hours of San Francisco

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San Francisco may be beautiful, but something about the thick marine layer and gusty winds this time of year makes us want to get out of Dodge. Whether you're in the market for Wine Country heat, a bucolic coastal retreat or crisp mountain air, these seven not-so-far-flung destinations are worth hitting the road for.



Seal Cove Inn

Half Moon Bay, California

This small beachside town is close enough for a day trip, but you'll feel more like a local by shacking up here for the weekend.

Stay: [Seal Cove Inn](#) is steps away from Fitzgerald Marine Reserve, where you can explore tide pools and see seals sunning themselves. Plus, the charming European-style inn feels like one of the most romantic spots on the West Coast.

Eat: Go on, be a tourist and order a bowl of New England clam chowder and an ice-cold beer at [Sam's Chowder House](#).

Do: [Farm + Fish + Flowers](#) (July 28) is your chance to experience HMB's local bounty at nurseries and farms, many of which aren't regularly open to the public. If you miss the event, you can still buy fish and crab fresh off the boat at [Pillar Point Harbor](#).