

# What's New: Summer at the Presidio

# Free community events, more fabulous food, and new parkland for play

San Francisco, CA (May 8, 2025) – Summer in San Francisco wouldn't be complete without time spent in the city's very own national park site, the Presidio. With the approach of longer days and glorious weekends, the Presidio is offering new destinations and activities to enjoy nature, Golden Gate views, food, and lively gatherings with friends and family.

#### Just Announced – Outpost Meadow Picnic Area Opens July 17!

Just in time to celebrate the three-year anniversary of <u>Presidio Tunnel Tops</u>, its highly anticipated extension, the <u>Outpost Meadow</u> picnic area, will open to the public starting July 17.

The new one and a half-acre green gathering space is right next to the two-acre <u>Outpost</u> nature playground, San Francisco's largest playground and a hugely popular destination for kids. It adds more amenities for families, including picnic tables with grills, shaded areas, bike parking, and beautiful gardens and lawn areas to gather and relax. There will also be more space nearby for <u>Presidio Pop Up</u> food trucks. It's the perfect place to enjoy the beauty of San Francisco's northern waterfront!

#### **Free Summer Events**

The Presidio is excited to announce this year's roster of (mostly) FREE summer events, bringing communities together to dance, celebrate culture, learn nature and history, eat and play. Events are cohosted by the <u>Partnership for the Presidio</u> and in collaboration with many community partners. Mark your calendars!

- Intertribal Dance Gathering: Dancing is Our Medicine Saturday, May 24, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Presidio Tunnel Tops.
  - The Native American Health Center welcomes indigenous communities and the greater public for a day of dance, music, screen printing, and health screenings, with an arts and crafts marketplace and more. <a href="Event listing.">Event listing.</a>
- Memorial Day Commemoration Monday, May 26, 10:30 a.m., San Francisco National Cemetery.
  - The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs hosts the annual Memorial Day Commemoration, for the 107<sup>th</sup> year in the Presidio. Other activities honor and remember fallen service members and explore the Presidio's military history. <u>Event listing.</u>
- FOR-SITE Foundation presents *Black Gold: Stories Untold* June 6 to November 2, Thursdays through Mondays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fort Point.
   In this new exhibit, fifteen artists highlight the resilience, struggles, and triumphs of African Americans who lived in California from the Gold Rush to the era of Reconstruction following the Civil War (c. 1849–1877). In partnership with the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy.
  - Event listing.
- Gold Cup Event: ¡Día de Fútbol! Saturday, June 7, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Presidio Tunnel Tops.

Join engaging hosts from KDTV Univision 14 and Uforia Radio for a special community celebration of fútbol! Get ready for the 2025 Gold Cup with family fun and a surprise visit from the San Jose Earthquakes.

- Parks4All Brewfest Saturday, July 19, 12 p.m. to 4 p.m., Civil War Parade Ground.
   The Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy's Parks4All Brewfest features beer tastings, lawn games, live music, and food trucks. Ticket purchases support the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Civil War Parade Ground. Event listing.
- **Fiesta en el Parque** Sunday, August 10, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Presidio Tunnel Tops. This lively event returns for a third year, featuring interactive Zumba and Salsa experiences, Latin music with DJ Alex Merino, interactive art activities and more! <u>Event listing.</u>
- Chuseok Festival Saturday, September 27, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Main Parade Lawn.
   Join Korean Center Inc. for the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Chuseok Festival. This is the Bay Area's largest public event celebrating Korean culture, community, and tradition. The vibrant cultural event brings bold flavors, rhythmic performances, and community connections honoring Korea's cherished harvest holiday. <a href="Event listing">Event listing</a>

For complete information on these events and others, visit <a href="www.presidio.gov/events">www.presidio.gov/events</a>. The <a href="www.presidio.gov/events">Walt Disney</a> <a href="mailto:Family Museum">Family Museum</a> and <a href="presidio Theatre">Presidio Theatre</a> also present events all summer long. Check their websites for details.

## **NEW Food Trucks Join Presidio Pop Up**

Nothing defines a summer day in the park like food, and <u>Presidio Pop Up</u> is expanding its rotating roster of more than 30 food trucks, carts, and tents that showcase the diverse cultures and cuisines of the Bay Area. Find them on the Main Parade Lawn, on Presidio Tunnel Tops, and starting in mid-July at the NEW Outpost Meadow picnic area at Crissy Field! Beginning Memorial Day week (May 26) 10 brand new vendors join the 21 returning vendors for the summer season.

## Starting late May:

- Adelitas Antojitos (Salvadoran and Mexican pupusas and tamales)
- Gregoire (French sandwiches and signature potato puffs)
- Los Kuyas (Mexican Filipino tacos)
- Respectable Bird (Signature fried chicken)
- Saltwater Bakehouse (Baked treats to eat or to go)
- Twirl & Dip (Organic soft serve ice cream with chocolate dip)
- Uji Time (Japanese soft serve ice cream)

### Starting mid-July:

- Mai's Garlic Noodles (Modern Cambodian noodles)
- Mestizo (Traditional dishes of the Yucatan)
- Mozzeria (Neopolitan wood-fired pizza)

See the <u>Presidio website</u> for the weekly schedule of Presidio Pop Up vendors. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on weekends, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on weekdays. See our website for other <u>food options</u> in the park.

#### **Family Fun**

Enjoy a family-friendly day at the <u>Outpost</u> playground and the <u>Field Station</u> – where there's no limit to play and discovery (for visitors of ALL ages! This summer, pick up a special seasonal <u>Presidio Adventure Passport!</u> Each free passport kit includes a field journal for writing notes, a deck of 18 illustrated GeoQuesting cards, and an illustrated "Adventures in the Presidio" map. This kit provides the tools to

embark on a treasure hunt where you seek hidden boxes and messages placed in unique locations around the Presidio. Each hidden box holds fun facts about park history and the natural world. Discover many other <u>Self-Guided Adventures</u> and Itineraries including checking out an Explorer Backpack to send you on your way.

Don't forget to book your summer camping trip at <u>Rob Hill Campground</u>, April 1 to October 31. The four group campsites can welcome up to 30 people each and include fire pits, picnic tables, and are nestled in the forest above the Pacific Ocean. Rolling reservations are made monthly on <u>Recreation.gov</u>.

## **Ongoing Offerings**

Stop by the <u>Presidio Visitor Center</u> daily at 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 2 p.m., or 3 p.m. for an informative overview of park resources and recreational possibilities by National Park Service (NPS) Rangers. Learn about the park and its history at campfire talks at <u>Presidio Tunnel Tops</u>, 4 p.m. daily. Museum galleries at the <u>Presidio Officers' Club</u> are open to the public for free Friday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m; you can uncover the rich cultural history of the Presidio and its early inhabitants and experience the special <u>EXCLUSION</u> exhibition. Enjoy a <u>Fort Point National Historic Site</u> History Talk & new exhibition every Friday through Sunday. Join hundreds of volunteers who help make the parks beautiful! See <u>here</u> for details.

### **Hours of Operation**

Presidio Pop Up (mobile food): Daily, weekends from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Outpost Nature Play Area: 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily

Field Station: Wednesday – Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday – Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Closed

Monday and Tuesday)

Presidio Visitor Center: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily

Presidio Officers' Club History Galleries: Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. For details on transportation to the park visit <a href="https://www.presidio.gov/transportation">https://www.presidio.gov/transportation</a>

## **About the Presidio and the Presidio Trust**

The Presidio is one of America's most visited national park sites, located within the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Spanning 1,500 acres next to San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge, the Presidio is among the most biologically diverse parks in America. Historically a home to native peoples and a military post under three flags, its facilities have been reinvented as museums, restaurants, hotels, homes, and offices. The Presidio Trust is the federal agency that stewards the Presidio, in partnership with the National Park Service and with support from the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy. The Trust sustains the Presidio by leasing homes and workplaces and offering visitor amenities. Learn more at presidio.gov.

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