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San Jose is California's third largest city and the tenth largest city in the United States. Deemed a "global city," San Jose is the Mecca of Silicon Valley: high-technology and electronics industries have brought significant tourism and attractions to the city. The city also boasts a great proximity to all of Northern California's areas of interest due to its position in the greater Santa Clara Valley. Over 300 days of sunshine and the kingdom-like panorama of the Santa Clara Mountains make San Jose a beautiful urban retreat.



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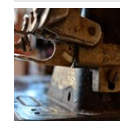
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## THE CITY



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Millennia before the first settlements, San Jose was home to the Ohlone Native Americans. The year 1770 brought with it a European presence in the form of Spanish explorers. Seven years later on November 29, 1777, California's first white settlement was established in the form of El Pueblo de San Jose de Guadalupe. The township would shift from Spanish to Mexican influence until 1848, when the United States gained California in the annex.

San Jose became a substantial agricultural community for close to two centuries. The Del Monte cannery was the city's primary employer for quite some time, and the first commercial broccoli farm in the United States started in San Jose. Numerous orchards around the Santa Clara Valley even filled the air with a sweet smell of fruit—drawing the moniker “The Valley of Heart's Delight.” Both these delightful orchards and San Jose's farming role would wither by the 1970s, however, when urban sprawl would rein in the burgeoning technology industry.

The growth campaigns began in the 1950s and 1960s under the helm of city manager Dutch Hamann, who annexed areas of the city to create suburbs. Such rapid growth was contested by locals to little avail, and San Jose soon became a hub of economic development. Countless

high-technological businesses sprang up in the city in the 1990s, and San Jose became the “Capital of Silicon Valley.”

With San Jose's emergence as a national center for business and tourism, the city's residents and visitors give San Jose a distinct culture. A tight-knit sense of community is extended from every street and building, from San Jose itself to the surrounding Santa Clara Valley.

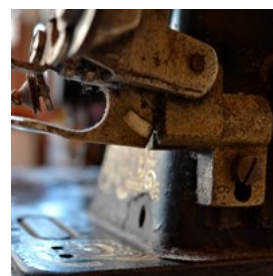
## DO & SEE



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Take your pick from San Jose's vast collection of natural, educational, cultural and entertainment attractions. Meditate softly at the Betsuin Buddhist Church, or cheer on the San Jose Earthquakes. There's always sights to explore and things to do in Silicon Valley.

### Winchester Mystery House



Perhaps San Jose's most whimsical treasure is the Winchester Mystery House. The Victorian-crafted mansion was built by Sarah Winchester, the wily heir to the Winchester repeating rifle fortune. As she believed she was haunted by the spirits of those killed by the rifle, Winchester built the house in an effort to thwart the spirits. The labyrinth was constructed and

added onto until Winchester's death, resulting in one of the strangest feats of architecture known to man. Endless stairs, corridors, mazes and secret passageways lead tour guides to instruct guests to stay with the group.

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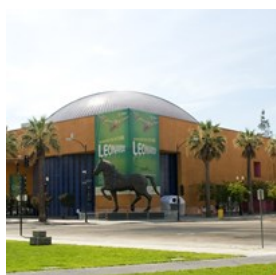
### Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph



Serving as the cathedral for the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Jose in California is the Cathedral Basilica of St. Joseph. The beautiful church follows the ground plan of a Greek cross, with a round altar beneath the dome. Bavarian glass and stained glass murals lend to the basilica's stunning craftsmanship, along with a multitude of artwork, sculptures, paintings and the elegant Stations of the Cross. Originally built in 1803, St. Joseph's has undergone several major fires and renovations to remain the lovely structure of today, and Mass is still held.

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Address: 80 South Market Street, San Jose  
Phone: +1 408 283 8100  
Internet: www.stjosephcathedral.org  
Email: jwind@dsj.org

### The Tech Museum of Innovation



Channeling the spirit of Silicon Valley is the Tech Museum of Innovation. The Museum is a non-profit learning organization designed to

immerse the public in the wonderful world of science and intellectual exploration. There are galleries with over 100 interactive activities encompassing a bounty of topics, as well as continuous learning for all ages. Various educational programs take place year-round, including The Tech Challenge, competitions for the youth and internationally-recognized programs like The Tech Awards.

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Opening hours: Every day 10am - 5pm  
Phone: +1 408 294 8324  
Internet: www.thetech.org  
Email: info@thetech.org

### Japanese Friendship Garden



The Japanese Friendship Garden was created out of reverence to San Jose's sister city, Okayama, Japan. It is now an amazing and breathtaking park that is used quite often for weddings. There are six acres of waterfalls, landscaping, bridges, Bonzai plants and much more. Take a stroll or picnic in one of San Jose's most beautiful treasures.

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Opening hours: Every day 10am - 7pm  
Phone: +1 408 794 7275

### Children's Discovery Museum



Fun for the family with children can be had at the Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose, where children are encouraged to interact with and explore our world. There are 150

exhibits in the 52,000-square-foot museum covering themes of creativity, community and learning. Programs also run daily, providing more focused activities and interactions for children.

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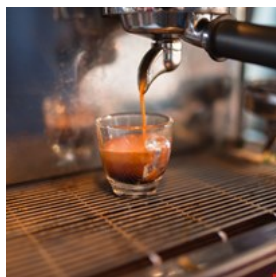
Phone: +1 408 298 5437

Internet: [www.cdm.org](http://www.cdm.org)

Email: [contactus@cdm.org](mailto:contactus@cdm.org)

More Info: Reopens after renovation on October 6, 2018

### Willow Glen



Willow Glen is San Jose's chic urban district. Graced by trees and a warming sense of community charm, Willow Glen has everything from eateries to pharmacies. Countless cafes, coffee houses, restaurants, retail shops, boutiques and businesses make the area a quintessential epicenter of activities. Free parking along the streets and public parking lots make Willow Glen that much more accessible. Be sure to look into which festivals are taking place, for Willow Glen hosts annual street festivities that showcase both San Jose and the greater South Bay area.

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Address: 1261 Lincoln Avenue, San Jose

Phone: +1 408 298 2100

Internet: [www.willowglen.org](http://www.willowglen.org)

Email: [info@willowglen.org](mailto:info@willowglen.org)

### San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art



The San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art is an exclusive art space in downtown San Jose. Founded initially by local artists seeking to present

great artwork to the area, the ICA has become a popular attraction. Contemporary art and innovations in creativity are displayed, presenting work and exhibitions from the region's artists. Admission is free and the art speaks to a diverse audience.

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Address: 560 South First Street, San Jose

Opening hours: Tues - Fri 10am - 5pm, Sat - Sun 12pm - 5pm

Phone: +1 408 283 8155

Internet: [www.sjica.org](http://www.sjica.org)

Email: [info@sjica.org](mailto:info@sjica.org)

### Mexican Heritage Plaza



The Mexican Heritage Plaza is a 200,000-square-foot cultural center designed to promote and strengthen the traditions of Mexico—one of the largest Latino centers in the nation. There are premier theatrical venues, thematic gardens and a Smithsonian-affiliated gallery. It is most certainly a sight to see and appreciate, with musical, dance and visual art activities taking place daily.

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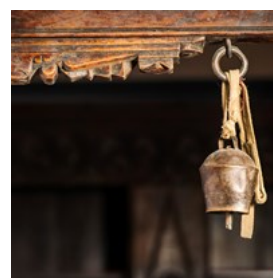
Opening hours: Mon - Fri 9am - 7pm, Sat & Sun 9am - 9pm

Phone: +1 408 794 6240

Internet: [www.mhcviva.org](http://www.mhcviva.org)

Email: [info@mhcviva.org](mailto:info@mhcviva.org)

### San Jose Betsuin Buddhist Church



San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin was founded in 1902 as a Temple of the Jodo Shinshu Nishi Hongwanji sect of Buddhism. Located in downtown San Jose, Betsuin attracts countless

visitors each year who are drawn to the Temple's interminable beauty. Ornate altars, ponds and gardens make Betsuin that much more transcendent and its meditative peace resonates with everyone regardless of creed or background. Ikebana flower arranging classes are held, as well as Judo training and Japanese language programs.

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Address: 640 North 5th Street, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Fri 8.30am - 5pm, Sat & Sun 8.30am - 4.30pm

Phone: +1 408 293 9292

Internet: [www.sjbetsuin.com](http://www.sjbetsuin.com)

### Almaden Quicksilver County Park



The Almaden Quicksilver County Park is one of San Jose's natural gems. The biodiversity is accompanied by a rich history of over 135 years and 4,152 acres. Wildflower displays, over 34.3 miles of hiking trails, 10 miles of biking trails and 23 miles of equestrian trails make Almaden Quicksilver the perfect getaway. The park is also pet-friendly and open to dog walking (as long as dogs are leashed). Ranger guided tours and walks are available.

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Address: 21785 Almaden Road, San Jose

Phone: +1 408 268 3883

Internet: [www.sccgov.org/sites/parks/parkfinder/pages/almadenpark.aspx](http://www.sccgov.org/sites/parks/parkfinder/pages/almadenpark.aspx)

Email: [tamara.clark@prk.sccgov.org](mailto:tamara.clark@prk.sccgov.org)

### Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum



The Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum is dedicated to the preservation and dissemination of cultural and natural history.

Employing multi-disciplinary methods of education, Rosicrucian teaches visitors about the complexities of past, present and future human relationships and endeavors. The research is collection-based, and the learning programs are collaborative and diverse. The architecture was modeled after the Temple of Amun at Karnak, and the museum boasts the largest collection of Egyptian artifacts in western North America.

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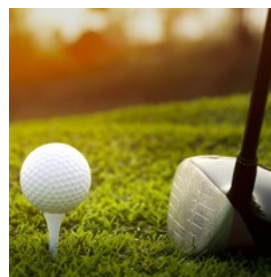
Address: 1660 Park Avenue, San Jose

Opening hours: Wed - Fri 9am - 5pm, Sat - Sun 10am - 6pm

Phone: +1 408 947 3635

Internet: [www.egyptianmuseum.org](http://www.egyptianmuseum.org)

### Cinnabar Hills Golf Club



Cinnabar Hills is a grandiose, 27-hole golf course overlooking Coyote Valley. There are 6 different 18-hole combinations, making

Cinnabar Hills one of the most regarded courses in Northern California. The public facility houses a restaurant that hosts breakfast on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, and lunch daily. The full-service bar and cocktail lounge features a Happy Hour during the week.

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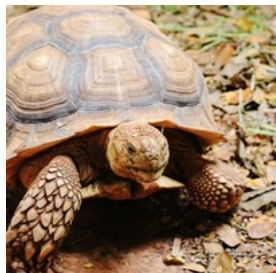
Opening hours: Mon - Sat 6am - 8pm, Sun 6pm - 8pm

Phone: +1 408 323 5200

Internet: [www.cinnabarhills.com](http://www.cinnabarhills.com)

Email: [cinnabarhills@cinnabarhills.com](mailto:cinnabarhills@cinnabarhills.com)

### Happy Hollow Park and Zoo



Not your typical zoo, Happy Hollow is rife with rides, play areas, and a Puppet Theater. It also operates as an accredited zoo, with over 140 animals in its conservation-centered park.

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Address: 1300 Senter Road, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Fri 10am - 4pm, Sat & Sun 10am - 5pm

Phone: +1 408 794 6400

Internet: [www.hhpz.org](http://www.hhpz.org)

Email: [HHguestservices@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:HHguestservices@sanjoseca.gov)

### San Jose Earthquakes Soccer



Silicon Valley is home to the MLS's San Jose Earthquakes. Now finding home in a brand new stadium, Earthquakes soccer is always riveting and always the pride of San Jose. The MLS regular season runs from March until October, so check out the website for a schedule of the upcoming games and information on tickets.

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Address: 1123 Coleman Avenue, San Jose

Phone: +1 408 556 7700

Internet: [www.sjearthquakes.com](http://www.sjearthquakes.com)

Email: [jpisani@sjearthquakes.com](mailto:jpisani@sjearthquakes.com)

### DINING



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Dining in San Jose is as much an experience as any Northern California vacation. Each venue holds that South Bay esteem and diligence, with the same pride and care going into each meal. Evenings of romance or nights of neighborly fun may be had, for San Jose offers a wide variety of restaurants.

### Elements Restaurant



Nestled along The Almaden is Elements Restaurant. French and Vietnamese fusion finds its way onto the menu to offer guests fine dining in

contemporary style. The place itself is unassuming, but don't be fooled. The chefs use only the freshest of organic and locally grown ingredients, which contributes to an ever-changing menu. Elements also bears a wine list of American and European selections, spanning featured names and smaller vineyards. Among favorites on the menu are the butternut squash soup, Tea Smoked Duck Breast and papaya salad with prawns.

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Address: 6471-10 Almaden Expressway, San Jose

Opening hours: Tue-Sat noon-8pm

Phone: +1 408 927 8773

Internet: [www.sanjoseelements.com](http://www.sanjoseelements.com)

Email: [reservation@sanjoseelements.com](mailto:reservation@sanjoseelements.com)  
More Info: Located next to Chase Bank.

### Le Papillon



Le Papillon is at the apex of fine San Jose dining. Specializing in Contemporary French cuisine, Le Papillon puts a Californian-inspired interpretation on the seasonal menu. Local, organic products and ingredients go into every dish, and the wine list is incredibly extensive and varied. Le Papillon is considered one of Northern California's most esteemed establishments.

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Address: 410 Saratoga Avenue, San Jose  
Opening hours: Mon - Fri 5.30pm - 9pm, Sat - Sun 5pm - 9pm  
Phone: +1 408 296 3730  
Internet: [www.lepapillon.com](http://www.lepapillon.com)  
Email: [i.gonzalez@lepapillon.com](mailto:i.gonzalez@lepapillon.com)

### Pizza Antica



Pizza Antica is California's destination for craftsmen Italian cuisine. Their specialty is Roman-styled pizza, and the chefs allow the dough to proof for three days before crafting the pie with seasonal, locally grown ingredients and toppings. Do not be fooled, though—the menu holds far more than just pizza. Pizza Antica serves a variety of Italian and Californian fare, from fresh salads, antipasti and fish, to meats and chicken. Also in store is an extensive wine list featuring 50 wines by the bottle and 20 by the glass.

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Address: 334 Santana Row, San Jose

Opening hours: Sun - Thu 11.30am - 10pm, Fri & Sat 11.30am - 11pm  
Phone: +1 408 557 8373  
Internet: [www.pizzaantica.com](http://www.pizzaantica.com)

### Siena Bistro



Hiding in downtown Willow Glen is Siena Bistro, an intimately designed Italian restaurant. The dishes are provocatively made, with the chefs taking the time to create a memorable experience for each guest's meal. Choose from a selection of pasta, fish, meats, salads and wines. Carefully selected Californian and Mediterranean wines are on the list, providing a superb complement to all menu items. Dine inside or dine al fresco on the peaceful patio.

Photo: [HQuality/Shutterstock.com](#)  
Address: 1359 Lincoln Avenue, San Jose  
Opening hours: Every day 11.30am - 2.30pm, Tue - Thu 5pm - 9pm, Fri - Sat 5pm - 10pm  
Phone: +1 408 271 0837  
Internet: [www.sienabistro.com](http://www.sienabistro.com)  
Email: [sienabistro@comcast.net](mailto:sienabistro@comcast.net)

### Menara Moroccan Restaurant



In accompaniment to beautiful sands, atlases and grand historic architecture, Morocco is also renowned for its great food. Menara Moroccan Restaurant graces the San Jose area with such cuisine and culture. Remaining under the original ownership of Arvind Shah for over 30 years, Menara possesses an award-winning menu and an equally acclaimed ambiance. Enjoy your meal with traditional belly dancing each night.

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Address: 41 East Gish Road, San Jose  
Opening hours: Every day 6pm - 10pm, Mon - Fri 11.30 - 2.30  
Phone: +1 408 453 1983  
Internet: [www.menara41.com](http://www.menara41.com)  
Email: [menara.moroccan@gmail.com](mailto:menara.moroccan@gmail.com)

### Aqui Cal-Mex

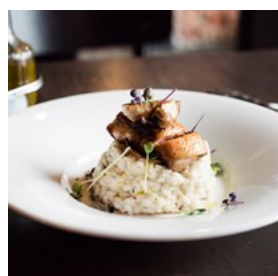


While Aqui Cal-Mex has four San Jose locations, the Willow Glen venue has been listed below. Known in the area for its intelligently designed

menu and cuisine, Aqui is a fusion of Asian, American Southwest and Latin American cuisine—dubbed “Cal-Mex.” The menu items are created using seasonal herbs, meats and produce so each meal is fresh. Plus, all of the artwork lining the restaurants is by local artists.

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Address: 1145 Lincoln Avenue, San Jose  
Opening hours: Mon - Wed 11am - 9pm, Thu - Sat 11am - 9.30pm, Sun 11am - 9pm  
Phone: +1 408 995 0381  
Internet: [www.aquicalmex.com](http://www.aquicalmex.com)  
Email: [aqui@aquicalmex.com](mailto:aqui@aquicalmex.com)

### Vin Santo



The vision of Italy native Chef Umberto Pala and wife Sharlene Pala, Vin Santo is a romantic Italian restaurant. The menu features lunch,

dinner, dessert and weekly specials, and there is also a wine list. The wines are mostly boutique names, meaning that each is entirely unique. You may choose to dine in the dining room, bistro, patio or bar.

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Address: 1346 Lincoln Avenue, San Jose

Opening hours: Tue - Sat 5pm - 10pm, Sun 5pm - 8.30pm  
Phone: +1 408 920 2508  
Internet: [www.vin-santo.com](http://www.vin-santo.com)

### Henry's Hi-Life



Henry's Hi-Life has been in the business of serving steaks, pork chops and chicken to San Jose since 1960. Henry's also has a full bar with bottled beer and top-shelf cocktails and shots. The ambiance is your typical, friendly neighborhood hangout.

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Address: 301 West St. John Street, San Jose  
Phone: +1 408 295 5414  
Internet: [www.henryshilife.com](http://www.henryshilife.com)

### Grill on the Alley



The Grill on the Alley was fashioned after the fine diners of Chicago, New York and San Francisco. Therefore the atmosphere is reminiscent of the Rat Pack days, with white table cloths, a waiting staff adorned in white jackets, leather booth seating, and the like. The kitchen serves Traditional American cuisine with the finest USDA Prime Steaks and premium Seafood. Take your pick from over 500 wines as well.

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Address: 172 South Market Street, San Jose  
Opening hours: Mon - Fri 11.30am - 10pm, Sat & Sun 9pm - 5pm  
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Internet:  
[www.thegrill.com/locations/the-grill-san-jose-california](http://www.thegrill.com/locations/the-grill-san-jose-california)  
Email: [sjgrill@thegrill.com](mailto:sjgrill@thegrill.com)



### 71 Saint Peter Restaurant



71 Saint Peter Restaurant is a unique blend of Mediterranean and French cuisine. Using the wealth of California's local ingredients, 71

Saint Peter prepares meals with fresh meats, produce, fish and chicken. Owner and Chef Luis Rodriguez's menu continues to achieve accolades and renown, making the restaurant one of San Jose's finest.

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Address: 71 North San Pedro Street, San Jose

Phone: +1 408 971 8523

Internet: [www.71saintpeter.com](http://www.71saintpeter.com)

### CAFES



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Eclectic themes and a sunny vista accompany each cafe in San Jose. Some even feature live music.

#### Bill's Café



With four San Jose locations, the Willow Glen Bill's Café adds that mystique that only the Willow could have. The fresh fruit is sliced, the oranges are squeezed for juice and the pastries are all prepared first thing in the morning.

Breakfast is thusly warm and ready for diners to start their days at Bill's. Lunch is equally scrumptious, with handmade soups, sandwiches, salads and specials. Other locations include The Rose Garden, San Jose/Santa Clara and Cottle Road.

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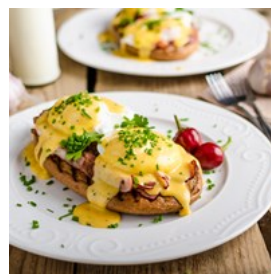
Address: 1115 Willow Street, San Jose

Opening hours: Every day 7am - 3pm

Phone: +1 408 294 1125

Internet: [www.billscafe.com](http://www.billscafe.com)

#### Café San Jose



Café San Jose is the place to go to get a traditional and quick breakfast. The extensive menu offers a variety of breakfast and lunch options. Try their popular pancakes or eggs Benedict for a delicious start to your day.

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Address: 1583A Meridian Avenue, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Fri 7am - 2pm, Sat & Sun 7am - 3pm

Phone: +1 408 265 3020

Internet: [www.cafesanjose.com](http://www.cafesanjose.com)

#### Good Karma Artisan Ales & Café



Enjoy some vegetarian or vegan food, craft beer and live music at Good Karma Artisan Ales & Café. Their menu features over 20 unusual beers and ciders to try. They focus on fresh, local and healthy ingredients. You can choose from the menu or customize your own plate.

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Address: 37 South 1st Street, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Sat 11am - 10pm, Sun 12pm - 8pm

Phone: +1 408 294 2694

Internet: [www.goodkarmasj.com](http://www.goodkarmasj.com)

### Bijan Bakery & Café



Having been awarded the 2006 “San Jose Bakery of the Year,” it is easy to see why Bijan Bakery & Café is a San Jose favorite.

Owner Bijan Abachizadeh

and his family have been crafting cakes, croissants and pastries since 1986. All of the ingredients are premium quality, with most being imported from Europe, and Bijan steers clear of preservatives and trans fats. Beyond delicious baked goods are the wedding cakes, which are exquisitely designed by Bijan himself. A second bakery location is found in West San Jose on 441 Saratoga Avenue.

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Address: 170 South Market St. Suite 110, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Thu 6.30am - 9.30pm, Fri & Sat 6.30am - 11pm, Sun 7am - 9.30pm

Phone: +1 888 882 4526

Internet: [www.bijanbakery.com](http://www.bijanbakery.com)

### Iguanas Burritozilla



With both a Downtown and Evergreen location in San Jose, Iguanas Burritozilla is a local staple for top-notch burritos and Mexican

food. The establishment was even ranked in the Travel Channel’s “Tastiest Places to Chow Down in the Nation!”

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Address: 330 South 3rd Street, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Sat 11am - 12am, Sun 11am - 10pm

Phone: +1 669 255 0600

Internet: [www.burritozilla.com](http://www.burritozilla.com)

Email: [wecare@burritozilla.com](mailto:wecare@burritozilla.com)

### Chaat Café



The Chaat Café serves fresh Indian food using Halal chicken and grass-fed lamb, as well as organic vegetables and local produce.

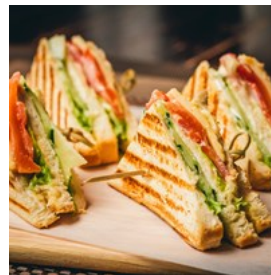
Photo: [farbled/Shutterstock.com](http://farbled/Shutterstock.com)

Address: 834 Blossom Hill Road, San Jose

Opening hours: Sun - Thu 11.30am - 9.30pm, Fri - Sat 11.30am - 10pm

Phone: +1 408 225 2233

### Café Rosalena



Boasting the “best breakfast burrito in town,” Café Rosalena is a friendly eatery on The Alameda. Breakfast and brunch are served with sizzling élan, and the menu also has a wide variety of specials, sandwiches and salads.

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Address: 1077 The Alameda, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Fri 6am - 3.30pm, Sun 7am - 1pm

Phone: +1 408 287 2400

Internet: [www.caferosalenasanjose.com](http://www.caferosalenasanjose.com)

### Fountain Restaurant



Among The Fairmont San Jose’s wealth of premier eateries and venues is The Fountain Restaurant. It opens daily for breakfast and lunch with

an a la carte menu and breakfast buffet. The Sunday Brunch is always enticing, and Pastry Chef Fernando Arreola wows guests with his dessert station.

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Address: 170 South Market Street, San Jose  
Phone: +1 408 998 1900  
Internet:  
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### Clover Bakery & Café



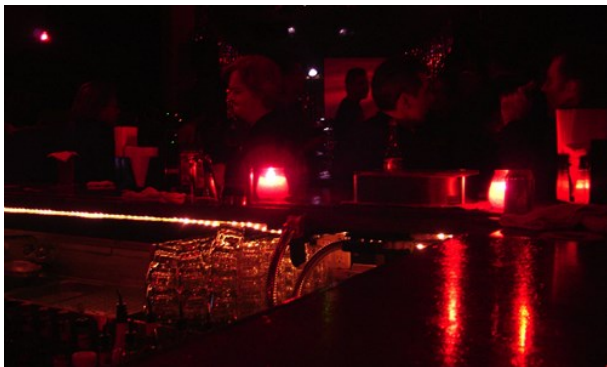
Clover Bakery & Café is a cute Japanese café serving yummy “breads” like the Yakisoba Pan, Hot Dog Roll and Vegetable Curry Pan. If

you choose to dine in, you may even ask the staff to warm up the buns before chowing down.

Clover is closed on Mondays.

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Address: 4342A Moorpark Avenue, San Jose  
Opening hours: Tue - Sun 8am - 8pm  
Phone: +1 408 257 3412  
Internet: [www.cloverbakery.com](http://www.cloverbakery.com)  
Email: [clover@cloverbakery.com](mailto:clover@cloverbakery.com)

## BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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San Jose has an assortment of nightclubs and bars for visitors seeking to spice things up after sunset. Live deejay sets, local bands and happy hours abound.

### LVL 44



LVL 44 is one of San Jose’s premier dance clubs and music venues. Live DJ sets and a full bar complement LVL 44’s “rock star” atmosphere.

Located in the Blank Club, LVL 44 is an extravaganza of New Wave, industrial and EBM music and entertainment.

Photo: [Tomas Simkus/Shutterstock.com](https://www.shutterstock.com/Tomas-Simkus)  
Address: 44 South Almaden Avenue, San Jose  
Opening hours: Thu - Sat 10pm - 1.30am  
Phone: +1 408 331 8419  
Internet: [www.lvl44.com](http://www.lvl44.com)

### Paper Plane



Hanging out in a place called Paper Plane sounds fun itself. When you get inside of the bar, you will right away feel the friendly vibe, meet

the amazing staff and smell the great food! Pick one of the cocktails on the list, sit back and enjoy your life.

Photo: [Cristi Lucaci/Shutterstock.com](https://www.shutterstock.com/Cristi-Lucaci)  
Address: 72 South 1st Street, San Jose, CA  
Opening hours: Sun - Tue 4.30pm - 12am, Wed - Sat 4.30pm - 2am  
Phone: +1 408 713 2625  
Internet: [www.paperplanesj.com](http://www.paperplanesj.com)  
Email: [ty@paperplanesj.com](mailto:ty@paperplanesj.com)

### Trials Pub



Stop by the Trials Pub when you are in San Jose to have a drink with your friends. They offer a huge selection of different kinds of alcohol, such as

beer and wine, to make sure everyone finds their favorite. While sipping your drink, try out one of the best fish and chips of San Jose as well.

Photo: luckyracon/Shutterstock.com

Address: 265 North 1st Street, San Jose, CA

Opening hours: Mon - Sat from 5pm

Phone: +1 408 947 0497

Internet: [www.trialspub.com](http://www.trialspub.com)

### Dive Bar



Private parties, dancers, special drinks and even more events are just a few of the delights that this bar has for you. Stop by the Dive Bar and

experience a little of San Francisco, right in the middle of San Jose.

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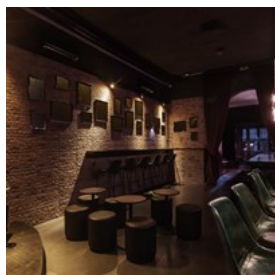
Address: 78 East Santa Clara St, San Jose, CA

Opening hours: Mon - Sat 4pm - 2am, Sun 2pm - 2am

Phone: +1 408 288 5252

Internet: [www.sjdivebar.com](http://www.sjdivebar.com)

### Hedley Club Lounge



The Hedley Club and Lounge is located in San Jose's Hotel De Anza. Considered one of the area's finest cocktail lounges, Hedley is styled

in French Art Deco, with a bar made of marble and cherrywood and entertainment highlighting San Jose's local jazz artists. A wood burning fireplace sets the tone for sultry recreation, while cocktails, wine and Mediterranean appetizers are always in season. The Hedley Club Live Music Calendar lists all upcoming events.

Photo: Anna Tamila/Shutterstock.com

Address: 233 West Santa Clara Street, San Jose

Opening hours: Every day

Phone: +1 408 286 1000

### Cielo



Nestled in San Jose's grand Hotel Valencia is Cielo. The rooftop wine bar and terrace makes for a great evening for those seeking quality drinks in an intimate atmosphere. Take in the Santa Cruz Mountains as you sip on a drink of choice, and enjoy the cozy fireplace after sunset.

Photo: goodluz/Shutterstock.com

Address: 355 Santana Row, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Sat 5.30pm - 9.30pm

Phone: +1 408 551 0010

Internet: [www.hotelvalencia-santanarow.com/cielo.htm](http://www.hotelvalencia-santanarow.com/cielo.htm)

### Haberdasher



Serving as a testament to the days of Prohibition speakeasies and underground cocktail bars, Singlebarrel gives patrons a selection of

crafted cocktails and fine cigars. The staff is incredibly knowledgeable of all drinks on the menu, and the bartenders will attentively craft the drink to your preference. The juices used are all hand-squeezed and fresh, and the vibes are chill and classy.

Photo: donfiore/Shutterstock.com

Address: 43 West San Salvador Street, San Jose

Opening hours: Sun, Tue & Wed 5pm - 12am, Thu - Sat 5pm - 1am

Phone: +1 408 792 7356

Internet: [www.haberdashersj.com](http://www.haberdashersj.com)

Email: [info@haberdashersj.com](mailto:info@haberdashersj.com)

### Britannia Arms of Almaden



The Britannia Arms of Almaden is a genuine British pub and sports bar. Live music is featured every Friday and Saturday night, with

Sunday and Wednesday nights featuring karaoke. "PubStumpers" trivia night is held on Tuesdays, and Thursdays are reserved for a live deejay set. There are flat screen televisions for all of the big sporting events, and a full kitchen and menu put the finishing touches on this popular venue.

Photo: Nomad\_Soul/Shutterstock.com

Address: 5027 Almaden Expressway, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Fri 11am - 2am, Sat - Sun 9am - 2am

Phone: +1 408 266 0550

Internet: [www.britanniaarmsalmaden.com](http://www.britanniaarmsalmaden.com)

Email: [help@britanniaarmsalmaden.com](mailto:help@britanniaarmsalmaden.com)

### Firehouse No.1



Firehouse No. 1 is a self-proclaimed gastropub with craft beers, specialty cocktails and a full menu of Traditional American cuisine. The atmosphere

is very relaxed and easy, with indoor and outdoor seating available. Firehouse happy hours are all the rave, with deals on beer, cocktails and appetizers.

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Address: 69 North San Pedro Street, San Jose

Phone: +1 408 287 6969

Internet: [www.firehouse1.com](http://www.firehouse1.com)

Email: [dale@firehouse1.com](mailto:dale@firehouse1.com)

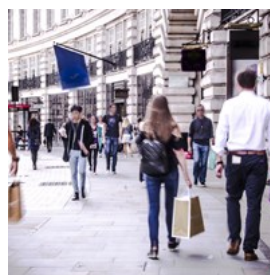
## SHOPPING



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Premium outlets, indoor shopping centers, chic boutiques, whimsical vintage shops and home furnishing stores. Visitors to the Silicon Valley can find a few days' worth of shopping in the city.

### Santana Row



A sight to see in and of itself, Santana Row is a picturesque deviation from the otherwise conventional shopping district. Santana Row is a touch of Southern France, a splash of Spain and a brush of Italy all in one medley. There are 70 retailers and boutiques, serving home to names like Anthropologie, Gucci and Crate and Barrel. Follow every whim and inclination and find yourself with a striking balance of shopping and elegance at Santana Row.

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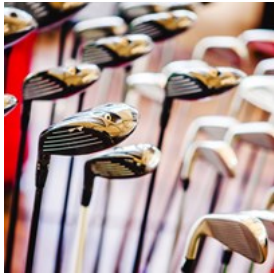
Address: 356 Santana Row, San Jose

Phone: +1 408 551 4611

Internet: [www.santanarow.com](http://www.santanarow.com)

Email: [concierge@santanarow.com](mailto:concierge@santanarow.com)

### Golf Galaxy



putters and a lot more.

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Address: 4070 Stevens Creek Boulevard, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Sat 10am - 9pm, Sun 11am - 5pm

Phone: +1 408 615 7000

Golf Galaxy is an amazing store for the lovers of golf. Step in and find yourself in a paradise of golf clubs, shoes, iron sets, drivers, wedges,

### Westfield Oakridge Mall



Westfield Oakridge Mall is a beautifully constructed shopping center featuring retail stores, restaurants, cinemas and more.

Familiar brands in-house include Coach, Macy's, LOFT, Nordstrom Rack, Old Navy, Sephora, and Bath & Body Works among others. Step over into 300 San Jose after shopping for an upscale, adult bowling experience. Offers happen weekly at various stores, so be sure to check the website for ongoing and upcoming sales.

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Address: 925 Blossom Hill Road, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Thu 10am - 9pm, Fri & Sat 10am - 10pm, Sun 11am - 7.30pm

Phone: +1 408 578 2912

Internet: [www.westfield.com/oakridge](http://www.westfield.com/oakridge)

### Eastridge Shopping Center



The Eastridge Shopping Center bears a mosaic of both unique retailers and the more popular name brands. Find a host of women's, men's and

children's clothing and houseware at department stores Sears, Macy's and JC Penney. For pharmacy and grocery needs, there is even a Fresco World Market. Dining and entertainment is also included at Eastridge, with restaurants and AMC cinemas.

Photo: pryzmat/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2200 Eastridge Loop, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Sat 10am - 9pm, Sun 11am - 6pm

Phone: +1 408 238 3600

Internet: [www.eastridgecenter.com](http://www.eastridgecenter.com)

### The Plant Shopping Center



The Plant is home to a variety of stores and restaurants. For shopping, there is a collection of apparel, specialty and department

stores, as well as services. Choose from retail giants Target, Ross Dress for Less, Justice and others, and dine at favorites like Famous Dave's and Panera Bread.

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Address: 1 Curtner Avenue, San Jose

Opening hours: Every Day 8am - 11pm

Phone: +1 408 753 9230

Internet: [www.theplantsanjose.com](http://www.theplantsanjose.com)

Email: [DBenavente@arcpreit.com](mailto:DBenavente@arcpreit.com)

### Great Mall



The palm-lined Great Mall is Northern California's largest indoor shopping outlet. There are over 200 stores, encompassing everything

from sporting goods to jewelry. Shop at the likes of Saks Fifth Avenue or H&M and dine at Outback Steakhouse or Dave & Buster's. Century Theatres 20 shows all the new releases, making

Great Mall the ultimate shopping experience. The Mall serves the San Jose, Milpitas, Fremont and Santa Clara areas.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 447 Great Mall Drive, Milpitas  
Opening hours: Mon - Sat 10am - 9pm, Sun 11am - 8pm  
Phone: +1 408 945 4022  
Internet: [www.simon.com/mall/great-mall](http://www.simon.com/mall/great-mall)

### Gilroy Premium Outlets

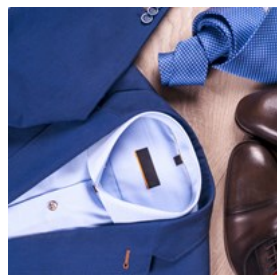


An impressive 145 outlet stores are found at Gilroy Premium Outlets in nearby Gilroy, CA. Find daily savings events at retailers like Polo Ralph

Lauren, Hugo Boss, J.Crew, Tommy Hilfiger, Banana Republic, Ann Taylor and more.

Photo: Karkas/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 681 Leavesley Road, Gilroy  
Opening hours: Mon - Sat 10am - 9pm, Sun 10am - 7pm  
Phone: +1 408 842 3729  
Internet: [www.premiumoutlets.com/outlet/gilroy](http://www.premiumoutlets.com/outlet/gilroy)

### Salvatore Ferragamo



Once a favorite of Marilyn Monroe, Audrey Hepburn, Greta Garbo and other Hollywood starlets, Salvatore Ferragamo is a world

leader for luxury goods: leather goods, shoes, apparel, perfumes, accessories, silk products and more are all sold at various Salvatore Ferragamo locations. A single-brand store is available for shoppers in San Jose's Santana Row. As founder Salvatore Ferragamo once stated, "There is no limit to beauty, no saturation point in design, no end to the material." This sentiment is still shared in his stores.

Photo: Vtmila/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 2855 Stevens Creek Boulevard, Santa Clara  
Opening hours: Mon - Sat 10am - 9pm, Sun 11am - 6pm  
Phone: +1 408 615 9300  
Internet: [store.ferragamo.com/america/us/ca/santaclara/2855-stevens-creek-blvd.html](http://store.ferragamo.com/america/us/ca/santaclara/2855-stevens-creek-blvd.html)

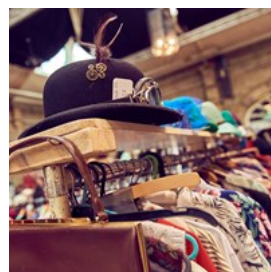
### iBiss Boutique



Located in stunning downtown Willow Glen, the iBiss Boutique offers a healthy selection of over 1,000 fashions, footwear, jewelry and handbags. Dress yourself chic at iBiss Boutique.

Photo: Kiian Oksana/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 1100 Lincoln Avenue, San Jose  
Opening hours: Mon & Sat 11am - 7pm, Tue - Fri 11am - 8pm, Sun 11am - 6pm  
Phone: +1 408 295 8200  
Internet: [www.missibiss.com](http://www.missibiss.com)

### Moon Zoom



Moon Zoom is San Jose's quirky destination for vintage apparel, costumes and collectibles. Styles originate all the way from the 1940s to the 1980s, and the store also has a great selection of accessories. Necklaces, wigs, stock shoes and countless others can be found.

Photo: Seeshooteatrepeat/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 1630 West San Carlos St, San Jose  
Opening hours: Every day 11am - 7pm  
Phone: +1 408 287 5876  
Internet: [www.moonzoom.net](http://www.moonzoom.net)

## Z Gallerie



Z Gallerie is a treasure chest of home furnishings and décor. Beds, lights, window accessories, furniture, artwork, pillows, bedding—your entire house or apartment can be furnished at Z Gallerie.

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Address: 378 Santana Row, San Jose

Opening hours: Mon - Sat 10am - 9pm, Sun 11am - 7pm

Phone: +1 408 615 9863

Internet: [www.zgallerie.com](http://www.zgallerie.com)

## TOURIST INFORMATION



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## Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport



San Jose is served by the Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport, located 2 miles northwest of Downtown San Jose. SJC is a hub for

Southwest Airlines, and services the following: Alaska Airlines, All Nippon Airways, American Airlines, Delta, Hawaiian Airlines, JetBlue, Southwest Airlines, United Express, US Airways, Virgin America and Volaris.

118 daily flights average 9 domestic and international carriers to 31 nonstop destinations. For ground transportation, SJC offers door-to-door shuttles, hotel courtesy shuttles, inter-terminal shuttles, limousines, charters, public transportation, rental cars, taxis and scheduled buses.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Mineta San Jose International Airport, San Jose

Phone: +1 408 392 3600

Internet: [www.flysanjose.com](http://www.flysanjose.com)

## San Francisco International Airport



San Jose is also served by the San Francisco International Airport, located 35 miles northwest of Downtown San Jose. SFO is a hub of

United Airlines and Virgin America. The following airlines are serviced out of SFO: United Airlines, Alaska Airlines, Hawaiian Airlines, Southwest Airlines, airTran, Sun Country Airlines, Delta, jetBlue, Asiana Airlines, American Airlines, Virgin America, US Airways, Frontier Airlines, as well as Air Canada, LAN Airlines, TACA / LACSA, Aeromexico, WestJet, TACA and Avianca. SFO has domestic, European and Asian flights. Ground transportation is included both at SFO and to the airport, encompassing public transit, airporters, shared-ride vans, pre-arranged vans, taxis, limousines, charters and hotel courtesy shuttles.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: San Francisco International Airport, San Francisco

Phone: +1 800 435 9736

Internet: [www.flysfo.com](http://www.flysfo.com)



## Passport/Visa



Citizens of the Schengen countries, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Japan, South Korea,

Taiwan and the Kingdom of Brunei can visit the United States for up to 90 days without applying for a visa (as well as citizens of Andorra, Lichtenstein, Monaco and San Marino). Citizens of these countries must obtain an ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) before traveling. All other travelers must obtain a visa before visiting the United States.

International travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the country.

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## Best Time to Visit



Visiting San Jose is enjoyable at any time, as the weather is warm all year round with the exception of a few colder weeks in the winter.

Generally, the chance of bad weather and rain is very low. If you like the heat, the hottest months in San Jose are July and August. If you are looking to avoid crowds, visit in November and have a look around the various museums and malls.

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## Public Transport



The San Jose area is served by the Amtrak rail service, Caltrain, ACE commuter rail, BART and the local Santa Clara Valley Transportation

Authority (VTA). The VTA connects downtown San Jose to Mountain View, Milpitas, Campbell, and Almaden Valley. There are also streetcars in operation from History Park that run during holidays.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Internet: [www.sanjoseca.gov](http://www.sanjoseca.gov)

## Taxi



There are various cab services operating in the San Jose area: San Jose Airport Taxi - +1 408 600 6352 Lucky7cab - +1 408 347 0777 Rainbow Cab -

+1 408 271 9900

United Cab Co. - +1 408 971 1111

Eco City Cycles - +1 408 771 7723

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## Post

United States Postal Service



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Address: 105 North 1st Street, San Jose

Phone: +1 408 292 0487

Internet: [www.usps.com](http://www.usps.com)

## Pharmacy



Linda Rx Pharmacy 1569  
Lexann Avenue, Suite 130  
+1 408 270 2828  
Evergreen Pharmacy  
2690 S White Road, Suite  
200A +1 408 270

0670

Walgreens Store San Jose

5 S 1st Street

+1 408 283 0835

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## Telephone



Country code: +1 Area  
Code: 408/669

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## Electricity



110V AC, 60Hz

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## Population

998,537

## Currency

\$1 US = 100 cents

## Opening hours

Standard operating hours are between 10am and 9pm  
Mondays through Saturday, and 11am to 7pm on Sundays.

## Newspapers

San Jose Mercury News

San Francisco Chronicle  
San Francisco Examiner  
Metro Silicon Valley  
East Bay Express  
SF Weekly

## Emergency numbers

911

## Tourist information

San Jose Convention & Visitors Bureau, San Jose McEnery  
Convention Center, Cultural Facilities

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San Jose, CA 95110