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Which Of These Three San Francisco Hotels Fits Your Personality?



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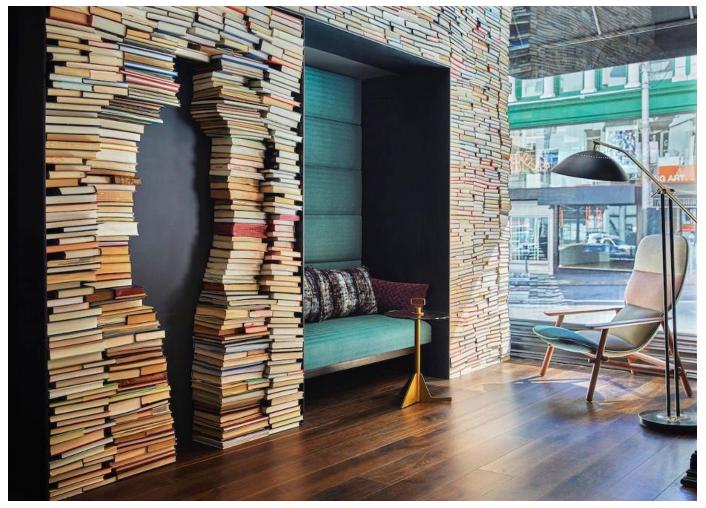
This cozy bed at Staypineapple welcomes you with the universal symbol of hospitality. STAYPINEAPPLE

Whether you're into art or sports, history or food, there's something for everyone in San Francisco. And that goes for its hotels, too.

This world-class city attracts more than 25 million visitors each year, and the variety of accommodations reflects the variety of their needs.

Here are three top choices, all as eclectic as the city itself.

Hotel Emblem



Hotel Emblem is a book lover's dream come true. CHRISTIAN HORAN PHOTOGRAPHY

If you're a book lover, you will feel right at home as soon as you walk through the front door of this literary hotel. There are books everywhere.



Look who's peeking out from your towel rack at Hotel Emblem. LOIS ALTER MARK

Inspired by the Beat Generation, with tributes to and quotes from writers like Jack Kerouac and Allen Ginsberg on the carpets, the walls and under your towels, Hotel Emblem is one of the oldest buildings in the city – yet it's got one of the trendiest vibes.



Hotel Emblem gives you a room of your own plus a typewriter and dictionary to write your masterpiece. LOIS ALTER MARK

Borrow books from the mobile Book Butler (and take them home for just \$10), enjoy a hand-crafted cocktail in the Obscenity Bar & Lounge – which celebrates free speech and whose fireplace denounces the idea of burning books – and use the old-fashioned typewriter on the desk in a room of your own to write your masterpiece. There's even a complimentary water, ice and snack bar on each floor.



A complimentary water station on every floor keeps you hydrated and prevents you from getting hangry. CHRISTIAN HORAN PHOTOGRAPHY

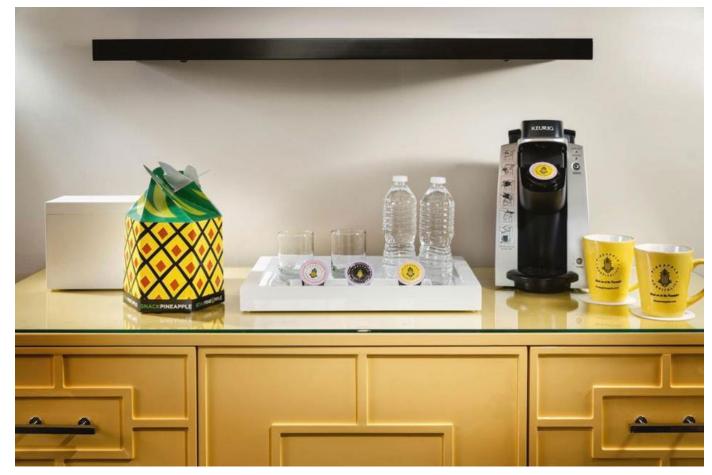
Hotel Emblem is located just a few blocks from Union Square, and you can set out on the road less traveled thanks to half a dozen unique self-guided city tours created by the hotel's Underground Concierge. Or you can walk to City Lights, the legendary indie bookstore, and stock up on books to read while you indulge in the award-winning pizza at Tony's Pizza Napoletana down the street.

Staypineapple



The lobby at Staypineapple. STAYPINEAPPLE

The pineapple is the universal sign of hospitality, and it's an apt logo for this cheery downtown hotel. A sophisticated little jewel box in the middle of the busy city, **Staypineapple** has a fun, irreverent attitude and bright hotel rooms that are well-designed and well-equipped.



Staypineapple amenities include a snack box and complimentary drinks. STAYPINEAPPLE

Staypineapple's stuffed husky welcomes you atop cozy beds stacked with plush duvets and cushy pillows. There's a pineapple charging station for your devices, all the bottled water you can drink and an in-room snack box that takes the place of a mini bar.



Staypineapple cookies are an afternoon delight. STAYPINEAPPLE

In the lobby, the Pineapple Bistro & Bar serves up breakfast and small bites, along with local wines and beers. Do not miss the complimentary afternoon delights – the signature cookies are as delicious as they are Instagrammable.

Lodge at the Presidio



Lodge at the Presidio offers breathtaking views of the Golden Gate Bridge. LODGE AT THE PRESIDIO

Just a free shuttle ride from downtown, you can stay in a gorgeous National Park setting for a truly unique San Francisco experience.

Lodge at the Presidio is the city's closest hotel to the Golden Gate Bridge, and the views are breathtaking. This historic boutique hotel is filled with art and lots of indoor and outdoor spaces to just relax and take in those views.



The living room/dining room area at Lodge at the Presidio. LODGE AT THE PRESIDIO

Complimentary breakfast and afternoon appetizers are served in the spacious living room/dining room area, and San Francisco's iconic food trucks take over the Main Parade Ground across the street every Sunday for the beloved family-friendly Presidio Picnic curated by Off the Grid.



LODGE AT THE PRESIDIO

Lodge at the Presidio offers fire pits and great views.

There's so much to do and see and explore throughout the 1500-acre Presidio, and Lodge at the Presidio is the perfect home base. You can visit the Walt Disney Family Museum next door, enjoy a meal at the Presidio Social Club and walk over to the Visitor Center for maps, exhibits and more. Or you can just park yourself on a chair by firepit at the Lodge, and take in the magnificence of the bridge.



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