

Welcome to San Diego!



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WHERE TO GO

Irish Outreach San Diego
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Mon - Fri: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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109 West Ash Street, San Diego, CA 92101
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1 SEAPORT VILLAGE

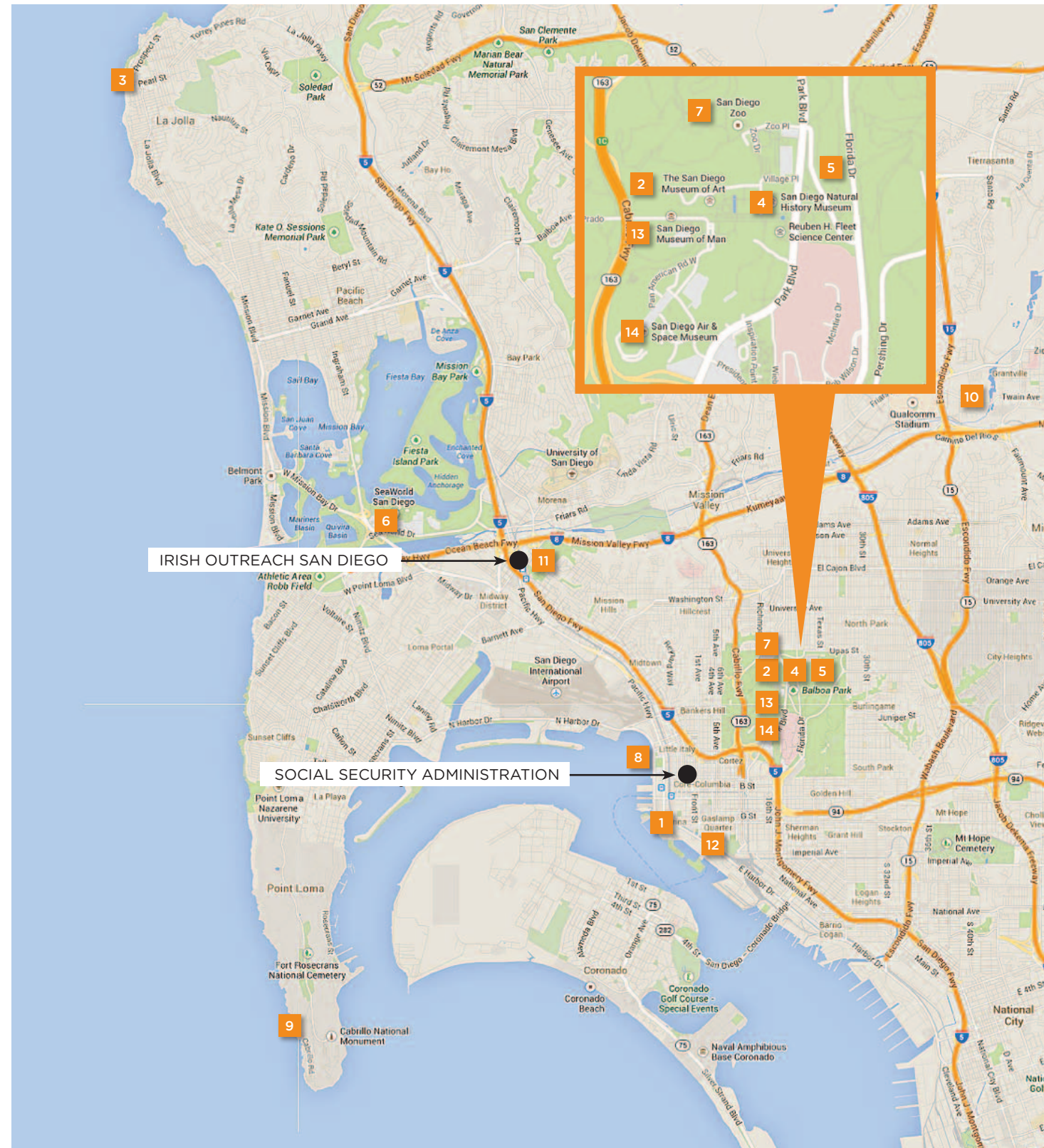
Free entertainment, a restored 1895 Loeffl Carousel and an unforgettable waterfront ambience make Seaport Village the perfect “package” for visitors! Seaport Village is a treasure of 70 one-of-a-kind shops and restaurants where everyone can find a little something special. Currently, Seaport Village features more than 50 specialty shops, four major restaurants and 13 international eateries built on 14 acres facing San Diego Bay. Footpaths lead visitors by ponds, a graceful lagoon, beautiful fountains and lush, colorful landscaping. Embarcadero Park north provides visitors access to 22 acres of parkland. 849 West Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA

2 SAN DIEGO MUSEUM OF ART

The San Diego Museum of Art, the region’s oldest, largest and most visited art museum, provides a rich and diverse cultural experience for almost 250,000 visitors annually. Located in the heart of beautiful Balboa Park, the Museum’s nationally renowned permanent collection includes Spanish and Italian old masters, South Asian paintings, and 19th- and 20th-century American paintings and sculptures. *Open 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. daily. Sundays, 12:00 p.m. (noon) - 5:00 p.m. Closed on Wednesdays.* 450 El Prado, San Diego, CA

3 MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART

With two locations, the Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (MCASD) is the region’s leader devoted to the exploration and presentation of the art of our time, presenting works across all media created since 1950. Located in the heart of downtown San Diego and in the coastal community of La Jolla, MCASD provides a great variety of exhibition spaces and experiences for the community, showcasing an internationally recognized collection and a dynamic schedule of exhibitions and public programs. *Open 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. daily. Closed on Wednesdays. The Museum is free on the third Thursday of every month from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.* 700 Prospect Street, La Jolla, CA



4 SAN DIEGO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

The museum was founded in 1874 as the San Diego Society of Natural History. It is the oldest scientific institution in Southern California, and the third oldest west of the Mississippi. In its initial years, the Society was the region’s primary source of scientific culture, serving a small but growing community eager for information about its natural resources. *Open 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. daily.* 1788 El Prado, San Diego, CA

5 BALBOA PARK

Balboa Park began as 1400 acres of land set aside in 1868 by San Diego civic leaders. Known then as “City Park”, the scrub-filled mesa that overlooked present day Downtown San Diego sat without formal landscaping or development for more than 20 years. Today the Park’s total land area has been reduced to 1,200 acres. 1549 El Prado, San Diego, CA

6 SEAWORLD SAN DIEGO

SeaWorld San Diego is an animal theme park, oceanarium, outside aquarium, and marine mammal park. Adjacent to the property is the Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute, which conducts research on marine biology and provides education and outreach on marine issues to the general public, including information in park exhibits. *Open 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. daily.* 500 Sea World Drive, San Diego, CA

7 SAN DIEGO ZOO

The zoo houses over 3,700 animals. San Diego Zoo pioneered the concept of open-air, cageless exhibits that re-create natural animal habitats. It is one of the few zoos in the world that houses a giant panda. In 2013, the Zoo added a new Koalifornia Adventure, providing an Australian experience. *Open 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. daily. Check zoo.sandiegozoo.org for schedule changes.* 2920 Zoo Drive, San Diego, CA

8 MARITIME MUSEUM OF SAN DIEGO

Founded in 1948, the Maritime Museum of San Diego has a worldwide reputation for excellence in restoring, maintaining and operating historic ships. The museum has one of the world’s best collections of historic ships, including the world’s oldest active ship, the Star of India. The museum’s collection also includes the 1898 steam ferry Berkeley, the 1904 steam yacht Medea and the 1914 Pilot, the state’s official tall ship Californian— a replica of a mid 19th century revenue cutter. The Museum displays permanent and temporary exhibits on maritime history, commerce and exploration. *Open 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. daily, summer hours till 9:00 p.m.* 1492 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA

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