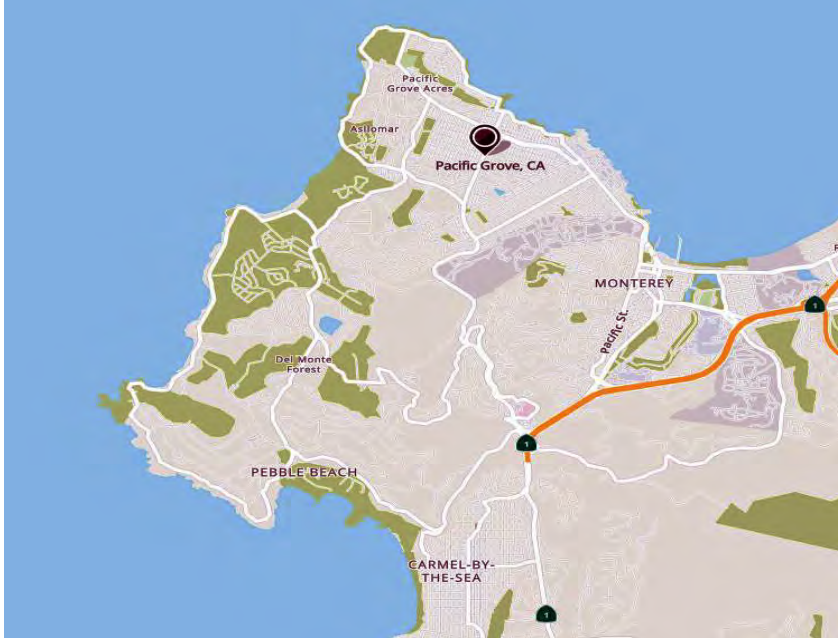


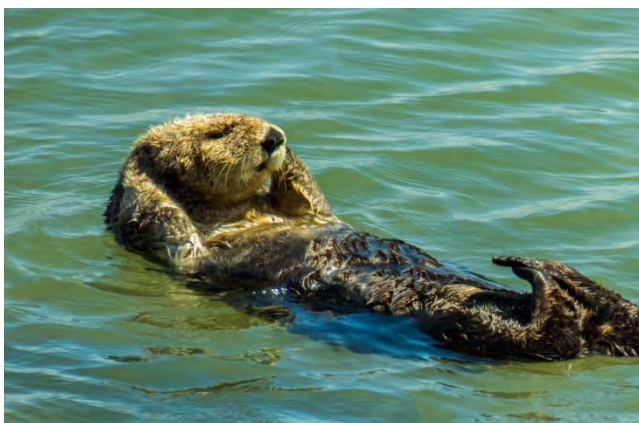
Monterey/Carmel Overnight Field TRIP May 4-7 2023

The PSOC will be staying at the **Olympia Lodge** located at **1140 Lighthouse Ave. in Pacific Grove CA (888-745-6343)**. The room rate will be **\$180 per night (taxes included)**. When making your reservation, be sure to tell them you are with PSOC to get our group rate. **Best to call in the morning and before 2:00 p.m.** The website is [Olympia Lodge \(theolympialodge.com\)](http://theolympialodge.com).

Friday evening Group Dinner is at 5:30 p.m. We're planning an early dinner at the **International Cuisine** family restaurant at **620 Lighthouse Avenue**, just down the street from where we are staying: [Home - International Cuisine \(internationalcuisineca.com\)](http://internationalcuisineca.com).



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Planning your photography locations- some ideas

1. [Carmel / Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA](#) - Art galleries, dining, picnicking, beautiful beach, views, Carmel Beach and Carmel River State Beach, Frank Lloyd Wright house, Robinson Jeffers Tor House, Carmel Mission.
2. [Cannery Row, Monterey, CA](#) - Shopping, dining, views, Monterey Bay Aquarium, Ansel Adams Gallery
3. [Fisherman's Wharf, Monterey, CA](#) - Great views, whale watching tours, dining.
4. [17-Mile Drive, Pebble Beach, CA](#) – Beach views walking trails. The **Lone Cypress** is a western icon, and has been called one of the most photographed trees in North America. See: [Images for lone cypress](#).
5. [Monterey Bay Aquarium, Monterey, CA](#) - One of the best aquariums in the world.
6. [Big Sur, CA](#) - fabulous coastal views, hike at Garrapata State Park, Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park, shop and dine at [Nepenthe](#), visit Ventana, dine at [Rocky Point Restaurant](#) , Point Sur Lighthouse Tour.
7. [Point Lobos State Reserve, Carmel, CA](#) A very photogenic rocky coast promontory.
- 8 [Point Pinos Lighthouse](#) is the oldest continually operating lighthouse on the West Coast, located on the beautiful Pacific Grove coastline, next to the scenic Pacific Grove Municipal Golf Links, surrounded by cypress trees.
9. [Bixby Creek Bridge](#) The bridge is located 13 miles south of Carmel along State Route 1. It is a beautiful reinforced concrete open-spandrel arch bridge in Big Sur.
10. [Santa Cruz Mystery Spot](#) is a gravitational anomaly located in the redwoods outside of Santa Cruz. <https://www.mysteryspot.com/>

Friday: You might want to visit Cannery Row and the Monterey Bay Aquarium on Friday. The crowds might be lighter compared to the weekend. The 17-mile drive and Pacific Grove might be a good morning choice followed by lunch and a walk around Carmel or a trip to the Aquarium in the afternoon. The PSOC dinner is at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, so you don't want to be too far out that afternoon.

Saturday: Consider a hike around Point Lobos in the morning, followed by a drive south on Highway 1 to Big Sur. Be sure to stop along the way (to or from) at Bixby Bridge, Julia Pfeiffer State Park, Nepenthe and Rocky Point. Good lunch stops are located at Nepenthe and Rocky Point.

Sunday: Going home via Highway 1 provides numerous photo opportunities. See link: <http://highway1discoveryroute.com/ragged-point-visitor-guide>. Ragged Point is a good lunch stop and has a great view of the coast.



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