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cle.sales@mcmaster.com

Street Address:

200 Aurora Industrial Pkwy.
Aurora, OH 44202
[Driving Directions](#)

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P.O. Box 54960
Los Angeles, CA 90054-0960
la.sales@mcmaster.com

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Will Call Hours:

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Dayton, NJ 08810-0317
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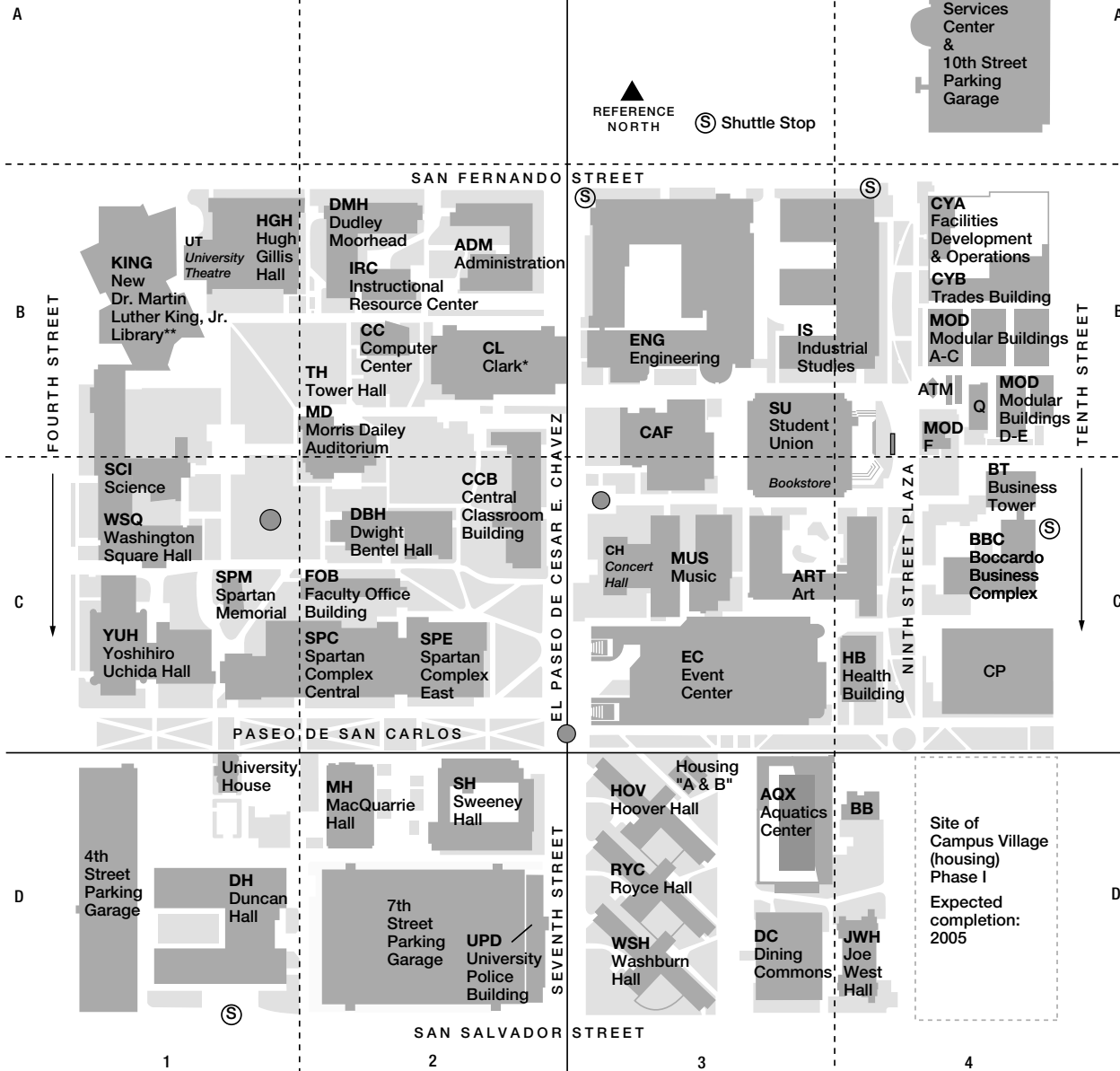
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San José State University

Main Campus



Building	Location	Building	Location
ADM Administration.....	B-2	JWH Joe West Hall.....	D-4
AQX Aquatics Facility.....	D-3	KING Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library.....	B-1
ART Art Building.....	C-3	MH MacQuarrie Hall.....	D-2
ATM Automated Teller Machines.....	B-4	MOD Modular Units.....	B-4
BBC Boccardo Business Center.....	C-4	MD Morris Dailey Auditorium.....	B-2
BB Building BB.....	D-4	MUS Music Building.....	C-3
BT Business Tower.....	C-4	Parking Garages	
F Career Center.....	B-4	4th Street.....	D-1
CCB Central Classroom Building.....	C-2	7th Street.....	D-2
CL Clark.....	B-2	10th Street.....	A-4
CC Computer Center.....	B-2	UPD Public Safety.....	D-2
CH Concert Hall.....	C-3	Q Building Q.....	B-4
CY Corporation Yard.....	B-4	RYC Royce Hall.....	D-3
DC Dining Commons.....	D-3	SCI Science Building.....	C-1
DMH Dudley Moorhead Hall.....	B-2	SPXC Spartan Complex Central.....	C-2
DH Duncan Hall.....	D-1	SPXE Spartan Complex East.....	C-2
DBH Dwight Bentel Hall.....	C-2	SPM Spartan Memorial.....	C-1
ENG Engineering Building.....	B-3	SSC Student Services Center.....	A-4
EC Event Center.....	C-3	SU Student Union.....	B-3
FOB Faculty Offices.....	C-2	SH Sweeney Hall.....	D-2
HB Health Building.....	C-4	TH Tower Hall.....	B-2
HCP Heating & Cooling Plant.....	C-4	YUH Uchida Hall.....	C-1
HOV Hoover Hall.....	D-3	UH University House.....	D-1
HGH Hugh Gillis Hall.....	B-1	UPD University Police.....	D-2
IS Industrial Studies.....	B-4	UT University Theatre.....	B-1
IRC Instructional Resources Center.....	B-2	WSH Washburn Hall.....	D-3
		WSQ Washington Square Hall.....	C-1

Building	Location	University facilities located off campus
AB	1120 Coleman Ave. (Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport)	Aviation Department, 1120 Coleman Ave. (Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport)
AF	1036 S.5th St.	Art Foundry, 1036 S.5th St.
IES	360 S.11th St.	International House, 360 S.11th St.
IES	284 S. 2nd St.	SJSU International and Extended Studies Classroom Building, 284 S. 2nd St.
IES	210 N. 4th St., Third Floor	SJSU International and Extended Studies Offices
IES	2160 Lundy Ave., Suite 250	210 N. 4th St., Third Floor SJSU International and Extended Studies Professional Development Center
MLML	8272 Moss Landing Road, Moss Landing	Moss Landing Marine Laboratories
SJSU	210 N. 4th St., 4th Floor	University Advancement
UA	84 W. Santa Clara St.	Alumni Association
		Communications & Public Affairs
		Development
UC	408 S. 8th St.	University Club, 408 S. 8th St.

Building	Location	South Campus
		Spartan Stadium, Spartan Village, 10th & Humboldt Streets
		KOR Koret Center
		SAB Simpkins Athletic Building
		SIM Simpkins Stadium Center

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8. Map from San Jose Airport to/from SJSU

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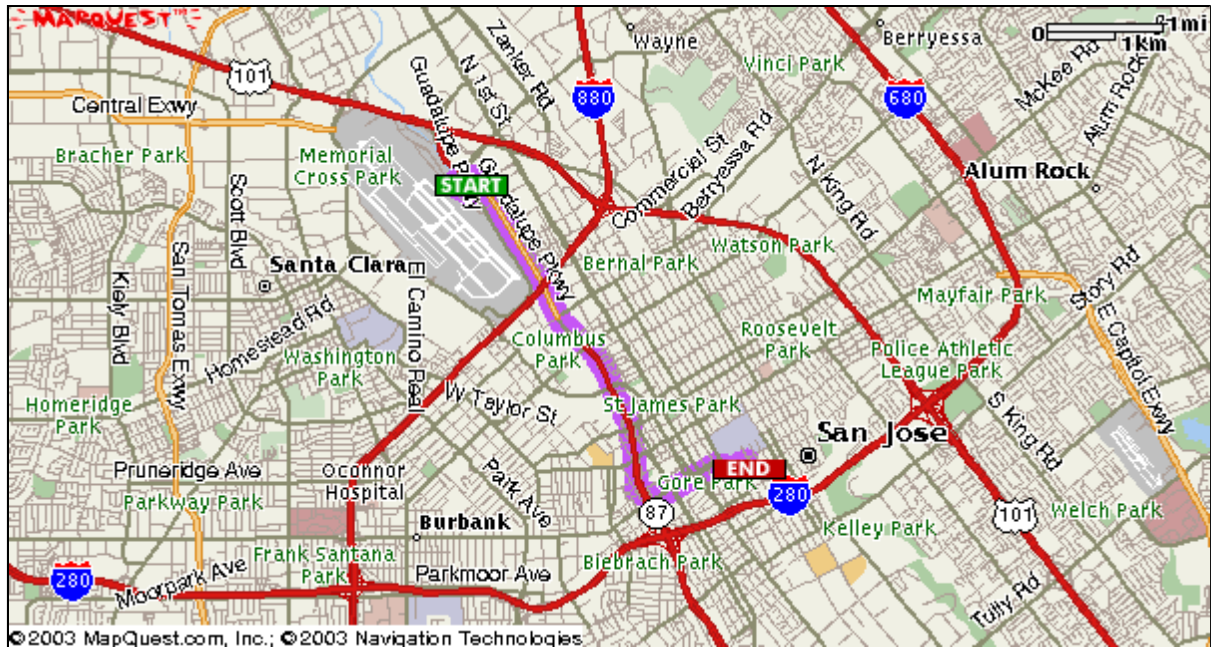
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 2. Turn RIGHT onto AIRPORT PKWY.	0.1 miles
 3. Turn RIGHT onto GUADALUPE PKWY/CA-87 S. Continue to follow CA-87 S.	2.9 miles
 4. Take the PARK AVENUE exit toward CA-82/SAN CARLOS ST.	0.2 miles
 5. Turn LEFT onto PARK AVE.	<0.1 miles
 6. Turn RIGHT onto WOZ WAY.	0.1 miles
 7. Turn LEFT onto W SAN CARLOS ST/CA-82 S. Continue to follow W SAN CARLOS ST.	0.6 miles
 8. Turn RIGHT onto S 4TH ST.	0.1 miles
 9. Turn LEFT onto E SAN SALVADOR ST.	0.2 miles
 End at E San Salvador St & S 7th St, San Jose, CA 95112 US	



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 1661 Airport Blvd
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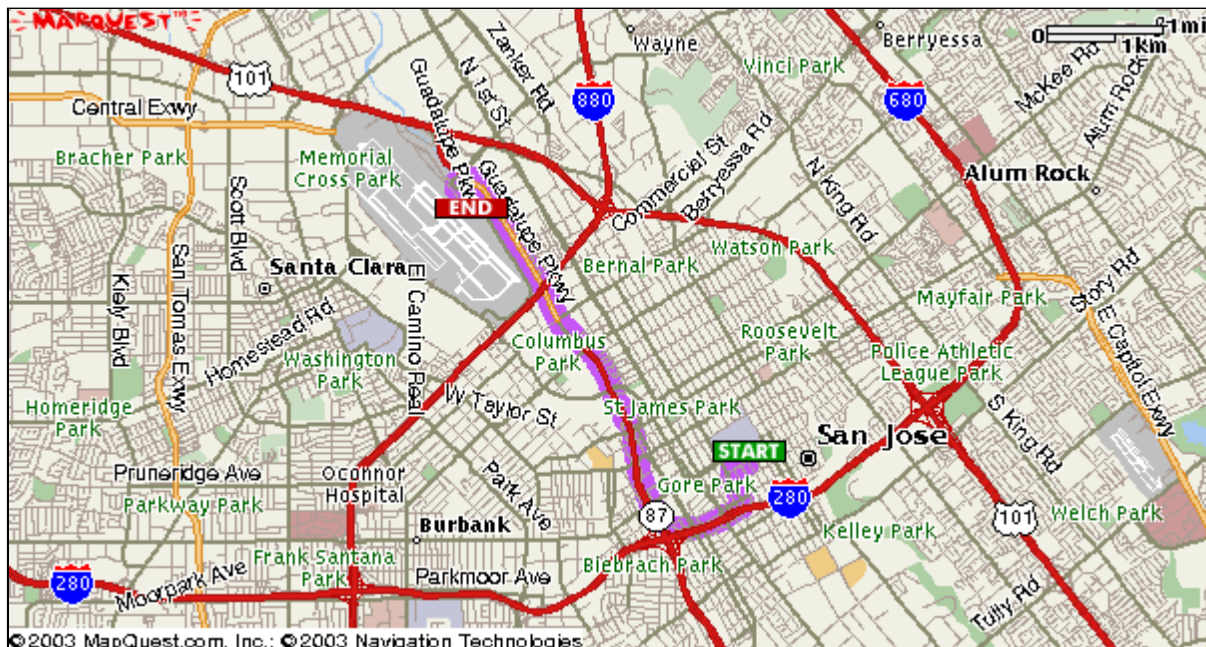
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Distance: 5.02 miles

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Directions	Distance
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2. Turn LEFT onto S 4TH ST.	0.2 miles
3. Merge onto I-280 N.	0.4 miles
4. Take the CA-87 N exit.	1.2 miles
5. Merge onto CA-87 S/GUADALUPE PKWY.	2.5 miles
6. Turn LEFT onto AIRPORT PKWY.	0.1 miles
7. Turn LEFT onto AIRPORT BLVD.	0.1 miles
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San Jose, CA

9. Places to go during your visit

Winchester mystery house

525 South Winchester Boulevard, San Jose, CA 95128

Tel. (408) 247-2000

<http://www.winchestermysteryhouse.com/>

Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum

1342 Naglee Ave

San Jose, CA 95191

Mondays: Closed

Tuesday - Friday: 10:00am - 5:00pm

Saturday - Sunday: 11:00am - 6:00pm

<http://www.egyptianmuseum.org/>

The Tech Museum of Innovation

201 South Market Street San Jose, CA 95113 (408) 294-TECH

Open Daily, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

<http://www.thetech.org/>

Movie Theaters

Century 24

741 South Winchester Boulevard, San Jose, CA 95128

Century 20 Oakridge

925 Blossom Hill Rd., San Jose, CA 95123

Century 22

3162 Olin Avenue, San Jose, CA 95117

Century 21

3161 Olsen Drive, San Jose, CA 95117

Century Capitol 16

3690 Hillcap Avenue, San Jose, CA 95136

Century Berryessa 10

1171 North Capitol Avenue, San Jose, CA 95132

Shopping mall

Westfield Shoppingtown-Valley Fair

2855 Stevens Creek Blvd, Santa Clara, CA

Theme Park

Paramount's Great America

4701 Great America Pkwy

Santa Clara, CA

408-988-1776

<http://www.pgathrills.com/>

10. Hospitals and Medical services in San Jose

Regional Med Center Of San Jose

(408) 259-5000 225 N Jackson Ave
San Jose, CA

San Jose Medical Center

(408) 998-3212 675 E Santa Clara St
San Jose, CA

Santa Clara Valley Medical Center

(408) 494-7400 2410 Senter Rd
San Jose, CA

Santa Clara Valley Medical Center

(408) 885-5000 751 S Bascom Ave
San Jose, CA

San Jose State University Student Health Center

Student Health Center
Health Building 106
One Washington Square
San José, CA 95192-0037
(408) 924-6120 (General Info)
(408) 924-6122 (Appointments)
(408) 924-6110 (Administration)

Hours of Operation

Fall/Spring Semester

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Wed. 8:00am - 3:30pm
Fri. 7:30am - 4:00pm

Winter/Summer Break

Mon – Thurs 8:00am – 4:30pm
Fri. 7:30am – 4:00pm

11. Pharmacy & Drug Stores, Grocery Store

Longs Drug Stores

1285 Lincoln Avenue
San Jose, CA

1097 Leigh Avenue
San Jose, CA

Walgreen's Drug store

5 S 1ST ST
SAN JOSE,CA 95113-2402 (408) 283-0801 (408) 283-0835

780 E SANTA CLARA ST
SAN JOSE,CA 95112-1909 (408) 287-0300 (408) 287-0600

1661 MCKEE RD
SAN JOSE,CA 95133 (408) 347-1038 (408) 347-1404

Grocery stores

Safeway

1300 W. San Carlos St,
San Jose CA 95126
ph: (408) 882-0999
Services: Deli, Bakery, Pharmacy, Floral

1530 Hamilton Ave
San Jose CA 95125
ph: (408) 264-1523
Services: Deli, Bakery, Pharmacy, Floral

2306 Almaden Road
San Jose CA 95125
ph: (408) 266-6308
Services: Floral

Albertson

272 E Santa Clara St, San Jose, CA 95113
1792 S. W. Expressway, San Jose, CA 95126
1409 Bird Ave, San Jose, CA 95125

12. Kinko's

1. San Jose CA Downtown

93 E San Carlos St

San Jose, CA 95112-3632

United States

Phone: (408) 295-4336

Fax: (408) 279-0655

EMail: usa2901@kinkos.com

Distance: 0.65 miles

2. San Jose CA San Pedro Square

160 W Santa Clara St Ste 100

San Jose, CA 95113

United States

Phone: (408) 288-5320

Fax: (408) 288-5322

EMail: usa1030@kinkos.com

Distance: 1.02 miles



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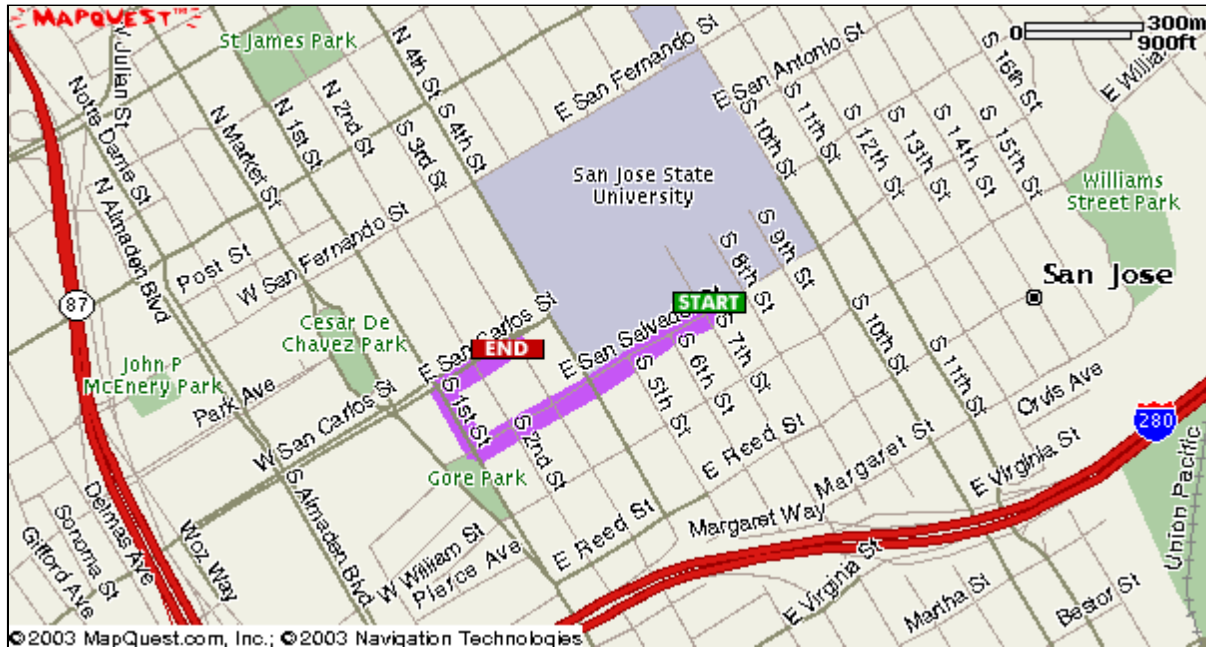
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End: 93 E San Carlos St
San Jose, CA
95112-3632 US

Distance: 0.65 miles

Total Estimated Time: 2 minutes

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2. Turn RIGHT onto S 1ST ST.	0.1 miles
3. Turn RIGHT onto E SAN CARLOS ST.	0.1 miles
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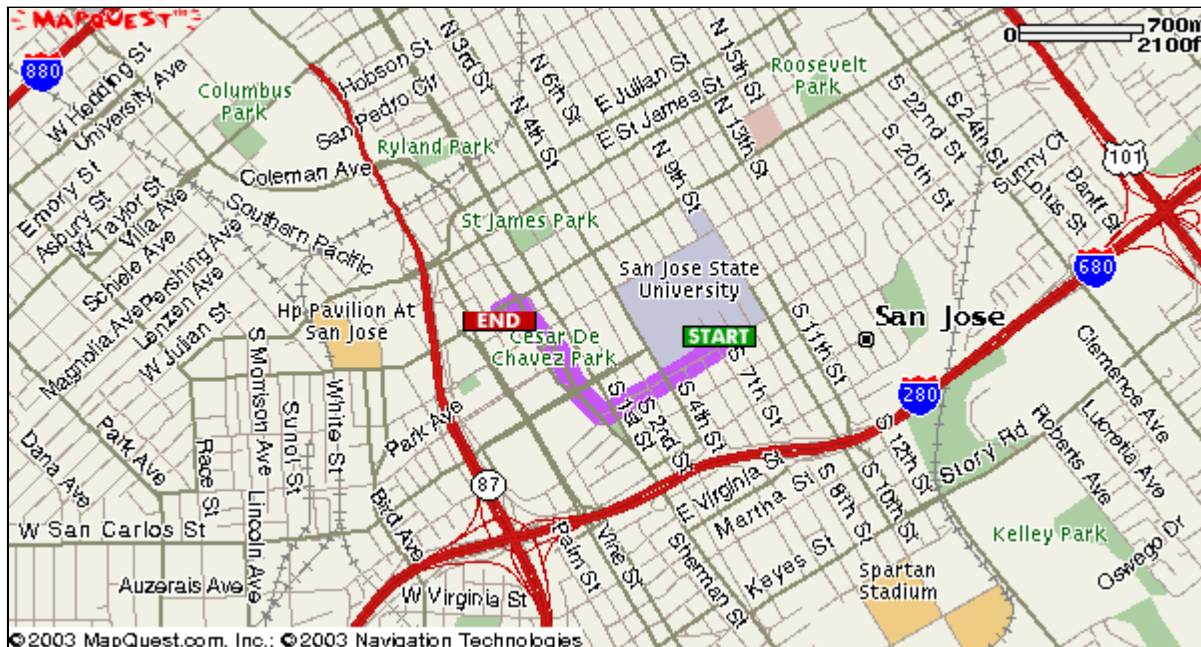
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End: 160 W Santa Clara St
San Jose, CA
95113-1708 US

Distance: 1.02 miles

Total Estimated Time: 4 minutes

Directions	Distance
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2. Turn RIGHT onto S MARKET ST/CA-82 N. Continue to follow S MARKET ST.	0.4 miles
3. Turn LEFT onto W SANTA CLARA ST.	<0.1 miles
End at 160 W Santa Clara St, San Jose, CA 95113-1708 US	



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160 W Santa Clara St
San Jose, CA
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13. San Jose Restaurant Guide

Bella Mia

(Downtown)

58 S. First St.

(408) 280-1993

www.bellamia.com

Weekend Brunch 10:00am to 3:00pm

Lunch and Dinner 11:00am to 10:00 or 11:00pm

Dinner entrees \$8.95 to \$22.95 (salad a la carte)

The place

Voted "Best New Restaurant in Downtown San Jose." The brick walls of this 100-year-old building, the beautiful wood staircase, lovely exhibition kitchen, and white table cloths create a romantic atmosphere. You can choose the charming patio, one of the booths in the back room, a table in the front room or upstairs, and you will be pleased. (You can even take the elevator upstairs.) Bella Mia has entertainment too -- a jazz brunch and dinner theater on the weekends. The service is excellent and includes delivery service to your home, hotel or office.

The food

Yes, it's Italian, and the menu and chef are the same as the popular Bella Saratoga in the nearby town of Saratoga -- famous for its award winning salmon raviolis in a creamy tomato dill sauce. That could be your appetizer. Order Jake's Caesar Salad. It's different -- with tomatoes and avocado -- but delicious. Their pastas are excellent; so are their hardwood grilled dishes and their flatbread pizzas. Try the Steak Bella Mia (Filet mignon with grilled prawns and wild mushroom sauce). And finish it all with Cappuccino Mud Pie (espresso Haagen Dazs, chocolate sauce & Oreo crust). You will love the coffee. It's - - yes -- Starbucks.

The mother of this restaurant, Bella Saratoga, is in a charming old Victorian house in Saratoga. (same menu) If you don't mind the ride, this is also a wonderful place to eat.

Located at 14503 Big Basin Way, Saratoga

(408) 741-5115

www.saratoga-ca.com/bella/

Blake's Steakhouse and Bar

(Downtown)

17 N. San Pedro Square

(408) 298-9221

Fax (408) 298-9261

Lunch 11:30am-2:00pm (week days only)

Dinner 5:00pm-10:00pm

Dinner entrees \$10.00 to \$27.95 (includes salad)

The place

"Their steaks are outstanding" says my friend Joyce. One of San Jose's newer restaurants, Blake's is building a reputation as an outstanding steak house. Following the recent trend of simple, classy decorating, you will enjoy a wide open, large dining room, wood tables, white place mats -- and at the center of it all, a "Cheers-like" bar, and above it all, a balcony of more tables.

The food

On the menu, you will find about 13 choices for a steak dinner; however, the favorites are the Ribeye, the New York Strip, and the filet -- some things never change. To start dinner, the popular choices are either the Grilled Castroville Artichoke, or Crispy Onion Straws (a pile of deep fried onion strings). For you non-beef eaters, the menu does offer other choices. All meals include a choice of potato dish and their hot fresh onion bread. Choose from a nice list of wine to accent your meal. For dessert there's Chocoate Chip Irish Cream Cheesecake, Toasted Macadamia Nut Pie and more.

California Cafe Bar & Grill

(Valley Fair)*

2855 Stevens Creed Blvd.

(408) 296-2233

Lunch and Dinner 11:00am to 10:00pm (Sunday brunch)

Dinner entrees \$9.95 to \$22.95 (salad a la carte)

The place

As part of the front of the beautiful Valley Fair Mall, this upscale, casual- California style restaurant is always crowded, so if you want to beat the dinner crowd, either make reservations or arrive before 6:00. The dining room is an open room, filled with white table cloths, wooden chairs and a few booths. Though it's noisy here, and some of the tables closely placed, there is a romantic ambiance because of low lighting, candles, the piano player, and attentive servers in their black and white uniforms.

The food

You can sit at the counter, dip the wonderful bread in olive oil and balsamic vinegar, and watch the cooks create your dinner. For an appetizer you can try one of the favorites -- Calamari & Artichoke Frito Misto (with citrus aioli) or Crab Cakes (with corn chow chow, mustard ginger aioli). Your entree could be the wonderful Smoked Rack of Pork (with maple whipped yams, braised greens, in sun dried cherry jus) or perhaps Crab & Potato Crusted Sea Bass (with chardonnay and lemon snow peas and mushrooms). For dessert, there's Mile's Mud Pie, Tiramisu, Pumpkin Cheesecake, Chocolate SoufflŽ Cake, and Andrea's Chocolate Chocolate Cake.

*Other locations

50 University Ave (Los Gatos)

(408) 354-8118

700 Welch Road, Palo Alto

(415) 325-2233

California Sushi

(Downtown)

1 E. San Fernando St.

(408) 297-1847

Fax (408) 297-0270

Lunch weekdays only 11:00am-2:00pm

Dinner 5:00pm-9:30pm - closed Sundays

Dinner entrees \$8.50 to \$13:00 (salad a la carte)

The place

Enter the little door at the corner of the building, and you will think you've come into a delightful, small Japanese sushi bar. You have -- that's what's downstairs, and if you want to sit at the sushi counter, you will enjoy watching the cooking and requesting the various sushi's displayed in front of you. If you want a full Japanese style meal, then climb the stairs to the simple, but elegant dining room, shoji screens and all, where you will be served an excellent Japanese meal.

The food

Lunches, like beef teriyaki and shrimp tempura run about \$7.00 and include rice and miso soup. To begin a romantic dinner, you might choose from the Sushi a la carte menu, or Mushi Gyoza (Japanese pot sticker) or Sake Sashimi (thinly sliced smoked salmon served with house special dressing), with some saki, and then for your main course choose two items from the combination listing. You can make your own sushi hand roll if you like, or you can choose from the Health Combo a Tofu Salad or Kaisen Salad, each with Maki Sushi. Lots of choices here, all excellent.

Camera Cafe

(Downtown)

S. 2nd & San Carlos St.

(408) 998-0932

Fax (408) 294-3334

www.cameranet.com

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner 7:30am to 10:00 or 10:30pm

Sandwiches and salads from \$4.25 to \$5.50

The place

This funky little cafe is attached to the Camera Three art theaters. Yes, you can buy a sandwich or salad and munch your dinner while you watch the latest Sundance film. Or in the early hours before work, you can sip espresso and nibble a scone at an outside table while you read the latest Camera Cinema News. You might return on certain Tuesdays or Wednesdays for a lager of local beer or glass of wine and listen to poetry, live music or even attend an occasional beer tasting.

The food

Delicatessen style service offers scones, muffins, bagels, quiche, vegetable knishes, etc., excellent salads and unusual but delicious sandwiches with names like My Dinner With Andre, Cinema Paradiso, Passion Fish. Yes, they have gooey desserts -- S'mores, Blackout Cake, and other pastries.

Emile's

(Downtown)

545 S. Second Street

(408) 289-1960

email: emiles@emiles.com

Fax (408) 998-1245

www.emiles.com

Lunch Fridays only 11:30am-2:00pm (Call ahead for reservations)

Dinner Tues-Sat 6:00pm-9:30pm

(Closed Sun & Mon)

Dinner entrees \$24.00 to \$32.00 (salad a la carte)

The place

Emile's is truly a fine San Jose institution. Emile Mooser, the owner, is from Gruyère region of Switzerland. In 1973, after an outstanding career cooking on cruise lines and in San Francisco restaurants, Emile opened his own place here in San Jose. His restaurant has gained international acclaim, winning such awards as: "The Best of the Best Award" by *Condé Nast* magazine, the "Travel Holiday Award," the "Epicurean Rendezvous Award," the *Wine Spectator* "Award of Excellence," and the "Distinguished Restaurants of North America Award."

The food

Emile's cuisine is contemporary European -- French, Swiss and Italian with daily specialties that vary according to the season. Your appetizer here might be Butternut Squash Gnocchi (with tomato truffle sauce and parmesan cheese) or perhaps the Grilled Pistachio Crusted Sea Scallops (on a bed of baby spinach with a citrus vinaigrette). And your entree? Maybe the Seared Peppered Salmon (with leeks and shiitake mushrooms served with a ginger beurre blanc) or the "*Les Grenadines des Trois Rois*" (filet of beef, veal and lamb, each in its own sauce, served with a roasted garlic flan and polenta croutons). Finally, for dessert you could dip into Creme Brûlée With Tahitian vanilla bean or a Grand Marnier soufflé.

Emile Mooser offers more than a great menu. He teaches popular cooking classes, hosts special events, and has set up corporate-team-building courses at his restaurant with participants such as Hewlett Packard, Fujitsu, and Apple. Emile has been a guest instructor at Draeger's culinary center.

Eulipia

(Downtown)

374 S. First Street

(408) 280-6161

Lunch Tues-Fri 11:30am - 1:30pm

Dinner Tues-Sat 5:30pm and Sun 4:30pm

Dinner entrees \$9.95 to \$19.95 (salad a la carte)

The place

Eulipia has contributed fine food and culture to San Joseans since 1977. The funky bar upstairs has been the scene for poetry, literature readings and great music. Even the name comes from an album by Rahsaan Roland Kirk. Downstairs, inside refurbished brick walls, Eulipia was the first restaurant to have white table cloths. The brick walls, the subdued light, the candles, the beautiful bar, the attentive service and great American cuisine create a romantic atmosphere.

The food

Before dinner, choose from a group of unique cocktails -- Chocolate Martini (premium vodka and dark creme de cocoa in a chilled cocoa-rimmed glass), or a Banalini Champagne (with banana liqueur and peach liqueur) and more. For dinner, if you choose the Chef's Choice menu at \$24.50 per person, you can select one each of the best from a list of appetizers, entrees, and desserts. Unusual appetizers here are Crab Fondue in a homemade rosemary bread bowl or Chicken in Filo (with brie, hazelnuts and apples). The Spinach and Endive Salad with spiced walnuts and blue cheese vinaigrette is great. Dinner entrees include Seared Fresh Ahi Tuna Steak (with soy beurre blanc) or the Mesquite Grilled Beet Filet (with garlic mashed potatoes and crispy onions). For dessert there's Chocolate Pecan Tart, Chocolate Creme Brulee, Chocolate Truffle Cake and more.

The Fountain at the Fairmont

(Downtown)

170 S. Market Street

(408) 998-3982

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

6:30am-10:30pm weekdays and 7:00am-12:00am weekends

Dinner entrees \$10.50 to \$19.25 (salad a la carte)

The place

Stroll through the Fairmont's elegant main floor, passed the drop-down center where flickering lamps and overstuffed couches make a cozy place for drinks and conversation, then down the east corridor to the Fountain Restaurant. Here your elbows will rest on white table cloths, you will drape pink napkins across your lap, and your menu will taunt you with four pages of fabulous fountain desserts. The tall display you see at the middle of the restaurant is the center piece for the dinner buffets (\$14.95 including salad and dessert) on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

The food

Not too hungry for breakfast? You might order a plain mega muffin or croissant and freshly ground coffee or tea (\$2.25). Hungry? Try the buffet breakfast, served everyday (\$12.50) or maybe banana nut pancakes, or a Sunrise Enchilada. The extensive lunch menu includes traditional favorites like Chinese chicken or Caesar salad, grilled reuben or club sandwiches, great pasta dishes, and special fixings like a monte cristo sandwich or vegetarian tortilla sandwich. If you are on the Pritikin diet, they even have choices for you. Dinner? If you don't want the dinner buffet, you might choose one of the favorites -- Asparagus and Mushroom Risotto, Fish & chips, Pollo Pasta, or Seared Lime Scented Salmon Filet. But desserts are the real specialty here. Aside from espresso, old fashioned malted milk shakes, cokes flavored with the real syrups, root beer floats, parfais, gourmet sundaes, there are dishes like Banana-fo-fanna (crispy fried bananas, hot caramel, and a mound of fresh vanilla ice cream topped with freshly made whipped cream) or Chocolate Dreams (dark chocolate ice cream atop a fudgie, chewy brownie on a pond of hot fudge, smothered with chocolate charlotte russe and topped with a chocolate dipped cherry).

Germania Restaurant

(Downtown)

261 N. 2nd Street

(408) 295-4484

Lunch 11:00am-2:00pm

Dinner 5:00pm to 9:00pm

No lunch on weekends and closed Mondays.

Dinner entrees \$14.00 to \$19.90 (soup or salad included)

The place

Built in 1889, this restaurant is a San Jose historical landmark. The building was the first home of the San Jose Symphony where they played in the large hall in back of the restaurant until the 1960's. The hall is now used for banquets, ballroom dancing, Oktoberfests, Sommerfests, beertastings, etc. The restaurant in front is charming, warm with its wood panelled walls, long full wood bar, white table cloths, carnations, and German music. On warm summer days you can sip one of 50 brands of beer and linger over lunch or dinner in the biergarten with its bougainvillea and umbrella tables.

The food

Here you will experience traditional German cuisine in the "nouvelle" style, coming from different regions of Germany. All soups and sauces are made fresh daily. The menu lists items such as Badische Kalbsmedallions, Odenwalder Hasenpfeffer, and Wienerschnitzel, but the favorite is Schwabischer Sauerbraten (tender marinated beef, roasted and served with a tart sauce, potato pancakes and red cabbage). The favorite appetizer is the Sausage Sampler (various German style sausages grilled and served with two mustards). For dessert, of course, there's Apfelstrudel (with chantilly cream) Black Forest Cake and more.

Gordon Biersch Brewing Company

(Downtown)

33 E. San Fernando Street

(408) 294-6785

Fax (408) 294-4052

Lunch & Dinner 11:00am-11:00pm Fri and Sat till 1:00am

Dinner entrees \$7.25 to \$16.50 (salad al la carte)

The place

The young-inventive-successful-entrepreneurial tradition of Silicon Valley is alive at Gordon Biersch. In 1988 Dan Gordon (German trained brew master) and Dean Biersch -- both in their twenties -- founded their successful restaurant/brewery in Palo Alto. They quickly opened another in San Jose -- also a booming success. Now they have one in Honolulu, in Pasadena, and San Francisco and have set up a state-of-the-art brewery in San Jose to brew for a wider distribution. They serve their own lagers, brewed in tall stainless steel vats right inside the restaurant. With good cuisine at reasonable prices, they appeal to a broad group of people. Enter the San Jose restaurant through tall iron gates with an arching GordonBiersch sign over top into what first seems like an alley but then opens onto a sprawling brick patio, lit at night with twinkling lights. Inside the restaurant to the right, the ceilings are high, walls, floors, tables, chairs, and the 50 foot long bar all wood, a little reminiscent of a German beer hall but elegant. Weekends, a live band plays in the patio, and the place always seems to be busy.

The food

Garlic fries, beer and socializing after work are big here. For dinner, you can have light faire -- maybe the popular Grilled Asian Chicken Salad or something more substantial like favorites Roasted Lemon Chicken or Garlic Rubbed Hanger Steak (with beer mustard and horseradish smashed potatoes). If you are vegetarian, there's the Linguine with Fire-Roasted Portabella Mushrooms and Fresh Tomato Sauce. Be sure to choose the lager that goes with your cuisine. I hear it makes a difference. For dessert, the chef has created something new -- Banana Split Cheese Cake.

Henry's Hi-Life

(Downtown)

301 W. St. John Street

(408) 295-5414

Fax: (408) 295-5431

www.henrys-hi-life.com

Lunch (Tues - Fri only 11:30am - 2:00pm)

Dinner (7 nights - from 4:00 or 5:00pm to 9:00 or 10:00pm)

Dinner entrees \$10.25 to \$12.25 (includes salad)

The place

Don't miss this San Jose treasure. If you drive up in the day light, you will wonder if this is the place because the building (built in 1882) appears in need of repair. Actually, it went through quite a repair job after the last big San Jose flood. At night the neon signs give a cheerful welcome. Go on in. You will think you've stepped into an old-west bar and that you should have brought your six shooter. Take a number from the little box on the door jam, get a drink at the long bar. Watch the bartender punch keys on the old cash register. Then thump over the wooden floor and drop a coin into the juke box. The menu is carved into a piece of wood on the barroom wall, just a few items because this is a simple barbecue ribs and steak house. They will take your order while you wait in the bar, and when your table is ready -- salad and all -- they will call you.

The food

The steaks, oak-wood smoked ribs and chicken are wonderful. You can smell them smoking in the afternoon. You will not leave hungry; the steaks start at 14oz, and the baked potato is 16oz. Though it's not yet on the wall, they've added sword fish and center cut pork chops to the menu. Lunch includes a variety of sandwiches, salads, pastas, steaks, and fish. All of these include side dishes like salads, baked potatoes, or salad. No desserts. And it's a good thing because you won't have room.

Hobee's

2 San Jose locations, phone #'s and hours listed below*

www.hobees.com

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Breakfast averages \$5.00

Dinner entrees less than \$10.00

The place

Hobee's has won a stream of "Best Breakfast" awards for years from several newspapers. It's no wonder; if you arrive at a Hobees and find a crowd, you will also find a pot of coffee or tea waiting for you while you wait for your name to be called. Paul Taber and family grew the first Hobee's in Mountain View in 1974. It was so successful, they opened another in Sunnyvale, then Palo Alto and so on. Now there are 11 of them around northern and central California, all very successful. The atmosphere is cheerful, and warm, with wood tables and cute curtains, and the service is excellent.

The food

When president Clinton and Hillary brought Chelsea to Stanford, the security guards chunked down a bunch of Hobee's signature (to die for) blueberry coffee cake, and then arranged to have some delivered to the Pres because they knew he'd like it too. Breakfast here is a feast, just like Grandma used to make. You can have everything from a simple (but exquisite) muffin, to the South of the Border Omelet (with black bean chili, and cheese topped with salsa fresca, guacamole and sour cream). Hash browns a la carte at Hobee's are a meal in themselves. There's Uptown Hash browns (topped with sautéed onions, tomatoes, cheese and sprouts) \$4.50, The Cal Bears Browns (topped with turkey sausage, mushrooms, peppers, tomatoes, tomato basil sauce and cheese) \$5.50 and more. The juices are fresh squeezed and the breads are wonderful.

Lunches include sandwiches, quesadillas, burgers, or trips to the soup and salad bar with soups like cream of asparagus or New England clam chowder. The salad bar is unusual too, with whole hard boiled eggs, those tiny corn-on-the-cobs, spinach and lots of other choices and a variety of salad dressings. Their standard iced tea is cinnamon flavored. Dinners include pasta's, chicken, and a variety of vegetarian meals. Yes, they have wine and beer and lovely desserts.

*North San Jose

River Oaks Plaza at Montague Expressway

680 River Oaks Plaza

(408) 232-0190

Hours: (Mon-Fri 6:30am-9:00pm) (Sat & Sun 8:00am-3:00pm)

Town & Country Village

In the far corner next to the theater

920 Town & Country Village

(408) 244-5212

Hours: (Mon 7:00am-2:30pm) (Tues-Fri 7:00am-9:00pm) (Sat 8:00am-9:00pm) (Sun 8:00am-3:00pm)

Il Fornaio

(Downtown)

302 S. Market Street

(408) 271-3366

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner 7:00am to 11:00pm Fri & Sat 8:00am to 12:00am

They close for one hour between 10:30am and 11:30am to set up for lunch.

Dinner entrees \$8.95 to \$21.95 (salad a la carte)

The place

IL Fornaio is a chain of successful Italian restaurants, famous for the wonderful from-scratch bread they bake on site (available to take home). Inside San Jose's IL Fornaio, a line of tall, arched windows make up the wall that faces San Carlos Street, and across the room another line of these windows form an inside wall of the beautifully restored Saint Clair Hotel. High ceilings and cream paint are accented with wood wainscoting, dark framed pictures, and wood floors. Two colorful murals at either end of the dining room, one above the bar and one above the grill, are of scenes from Italy. Amidst this large dining room, you will be served your dinner on white table cloths by friendly waiters. Reservations are recommended.

The food

The first two weeks of each month, IL Fornaio feature's a special menu (in addition to their regular menu) with cuisine and wines from a specific region of Italy. The regular menu includes traditional pasta dishes such as Lasagna Ferrarese (spinach pasta layered with meat ragu, porcini mushrooms, parmesan and bechamel) or the Turtei Con Aragosta (homemade ravioli filled with fresh Maine lobster in a lobster cream sauce topped with shrimp). They even have pizzas (single serving). There are also grilled items like Pollo Al Mattone (a half chicken marinated with lemon and herbs, cooked on the wood-fired grill under a hot brick and served with sautéed fresh spinach and Tuscan white beans). The dessert cart is hard to resist, especially the Tiramisu.

Johnny Rockets

(Downtown)

150 S. First Street

(408) 977-1414

Lunch and Dinner 11:00am to 11:00pm

Meals range from \$2.85 to \$3.95

The place

This is a red-and-white bright knock off of a 1950's hamburger joint. Sit in one of the wide booths, or on a stool at a tall table, or at the long U shaped counter. Cheerful servers dressed in white stewardess style caps and white aprons, pour your ketchup, refill your drinks, and swirl the straw dispenser for you. Drop 5 cents into the juke box on your table, and you can add your favorite tune to the atmosphere -- "Twist & Shout" by the Isley Brothers, or maybe "She Loves You" by the Beatles.

The food

Here's your chance to get a real old fashioned malt, cherry coke, fries, hamburger or a chili dog. You too vegetarians because they have "The Streamliner," a vegetarian hamburger. Other sandwiches are old faithfuls like grilled cheese, BLT's, egg salad, tuna etc. Of course, a fifty's fountain menu would not be complete without the hot fudge sundae, root beer float, or pie a la mode.

Khanh's Garden Restaurant

(Town & Country Village)*

615-618 Town and Country Village

(408) 241-4940

Lunch and Dinner (10:00am to 9:30pm - 10:30pm weekends)

Dinner entrees \$4.95-single dishes to \$12.95-combinations

The place

San Jose has a large Vietnamese population, and this restaurant has successfully served both native Vietnamese and others for sixteen years. It's clean, open, casual and nicely decorated, with tiled tables and white place mats, huge ceiling beams, plants everywhere, and a friendly staff. This is a good place for couples, families or business lunches. Might be good to make a reservation on weekends, but don't let that stop you. Call ahead.

The food

The menu is in Vietnamese and English. For an appetizer you might order the popular Fresh Roll, which is steamed pork, shrimp & fresh vegetables wrapped in rice paper and served with soybean sauce and roasted peanuts. Top of the list for soups are Combination Egg Noodle Soup and Combination Rice Noodle Soup. Favorite entrees for Americans are the various Vietnamese vermicelli (not the Italian kind) dishes because they are delicious and on the healthy side with vermicelli, lettuce, bean sprouts, fresh mint, roasted peanuts, and your choice of grilled fish or meat served with a sweet and sour sauce. For those who are familiar with Vietnamese food, the gourmet selections are the favorites. And for dessert the favorite is Flan, certainly a dish from the French influence. *Take San Carlos about 3.5 miles. The street will become Stevens Creek Blvd. as you cross the freeway. Turn left into the Town and Country Shopping Center and drive straight through till you see Khanh's on your right.

La Forl t

(New Almaden)*

21747 Bertram Rd

(408) 997-3458

Sunday Brunch 10:30am-2:00pm

Lunch served only during December from 11:30am-2:00pm**

Dinner 5:00 or 5:30pm to 9:00 or 10:00pm

Closed Mondays

Dinner entrees \$17.75 to \$29.75 (salad a la carte)

The place

This is one of San Jose's finest dining houses, listed among the 50 best French restaurants in the United States. The building -- in the New Almaden forest -- was constructed in 1848 as a boarding house for miners working the New Almaden quicksilver mines (It was the first two story hotel in California). In the 1930's it was converted into the Cafe Del Rio which lasted for almost 40 years. Today, with sparkling lanterns surrounding the outside of the restaurant, a lighted brick patio next to the river, and paned picture windows, this place is enchanting. You will be served in elegance here, comfortable chairs, white table cloths, servers in formal attire, a beautiful full bar. This is a place for celebrating a special occasion. Be sure to call for reservations. The restaurant sometimes closes for private parties.

The food

The chef specializes in wild game with specials that include several different venison dishes, wild boar, pheasant, etc. Other favorites are Rack of Lamb, Shellfish & Linguine (marinated and barbecued lobster, scallops & prawns with olive oil, sherry vinegar & basil), and Tournedos of Beef. You can order escargot for an appetizer or maybe smoked salmon (with capers, onions & vinaigrette). And for dessert order the Combination Plate (dark chocolate pate, white chocolate mousse, amaretto cheese cake and creme brulee). Can you imagine having a little of each of these things?

*13 miles (and part of it into the hills) to get here, but it's worth it. Take the Almaden Expressway south about 9 to 10 miles to the sign "New Almaden." Turn right and wind past ranch type homes and up the hill about three miles. Go passed the Old Oprey House until you see the sign pointing left to La Forl t. Go left and over the little bridge to the parking lot. You will see the restaurant on your left.

**La Forl t does not regularly open for lunch, but will open for a party of 15 or more. They do open for lunch in December because of all the luncheons they will be serving for holidays.

Lan's Garden

(Downtown)

155 E. San Fernando St.

(408) 289-8553

Lunch and Dinner 10:00am-11:30pm (weekends to 2:00am)

Dinner combos about \$6.50 per person

The place

Across from San Jose State, this simple Vietnamese restaurant is usually quite busy serving students and professors. The dining room has little ambiance, but the food is good, and it's quite reasonable. Student lunch specials are about \$3.49 and regular lunch specials \$4.50. They even have 10% discount coupons. They can accomodate large groups.

The food

Favorites here are Mongolian Beef (spicy hot), Beef Soup, Shrimp with Snow Peas, Hot Temper Shrimp, BBQ Chicken with rice & soft noodles, and the Sea Food combination. Enjoy!

Le Papillon*

410 Saratoga Avenue

(408) 296-3730

Lunch weekdays only 11:30am-2:30pm

Dinners every day 5:00pm to 10:00pm

Dinner entrees \$22.00 to \$28.00 (salad al la carte)

The place

For 20 years Le Papillon has been one of San Jose's finest upscale restaurants -- elegant, with upholstered mahogany chairs, white table cloths, and flickering candles. You will be seated by the Maitre D' and served in a cozy dining room with paned windows, plantation shutters, and drapes.

The food

This excellent French menu changes from month to month. However, you can always find Pepper Seared Filet of Beef with Brandy Demi-Glace and also Herb Crusted Halibut on Roasted Shallot Risotto cake with Dill and diced Tomatoes because they are favorites. Ahi Tuna Sashimi with grated Daikon and Soy Wasabi Sauce is a favorite appetizer, but you might be lured into such wonderful sounding things as Shredded Fillo and Squab Tart with Pinot Noir and Wild Huckleberries. Desserts here, as in any fine French restaurant, are wicked and wonderful. Favorites are Souffle of Grand Marnier (your choice of sauces) or Chocolate Macadamia Marquis, and the list goes on.

Something unique at Le Papillon is their Tasting Menu (Prix Fixe \$65.00 per person -- Minimum of Two). Order this, and you will be served at least five different dishes plus an appetizer and a cheese course. Lunch offers three or four dishes plus an appetizer and a cheese course (\$35 per person). If you want to include various wines to go with each course, add \$30 per person.

*From downtown take the 280 Freeway to the Saratoga Ave. turnoff and turn right on Saratoga Ave. Go passed the Harker Academy until you see the restaurant on the right.

Lou's Village*

1465 W. San Carlos

(408) 293-4570 Fax (408) 293-9424

www.lousvillage.com

Lunch 11:30am-3:30pm week days only

Dinner begins weekdays at 3:30pm, Sat 5:00pm, Sun 4:30pm

Dinner entrees \$15.00 to \$20.00 (salad mostly al la carte)

The place

This upscale, San Jose landmark began over 50 years ago and has been a family affair ever since -- now on the third generation. Originally, Lou's was as much a night club as a restaurant, hosting performers like Lucille Ball, Lenny Bruce, Scatman Crothers and many others whose pictures still adorn the walls. Over the years it has transformed to keep up with the times. (Check out their internet homepage for a full history.) You will find the lovely dining room warm, and cozy with overstuffed booths, comfortable chairs, and dark wood accents. The full bar and lounge is of rich woods and is filled with deep sea brik a brak. The service is excellent. In fact, Lou's now has a shuttle that takes their patrons to the Shark's games and will even pick up at some hotels. Call for information.

The food

Lou's specializes in an excellent seafood menu with appetizers like Oysters Rockefeller, Escargot, and Half Dungeness Cracked Crab. Their specialties are salmon, Maine lobster, scallops, calamari, and New York steak. They even have Lobster Ravioli with sauce Nantua. Unusual entrees here include Deep Fried Calamari tossed with cheese and Italian parsley and Lou's specialty, Shrobster (lobster stuffed with crab and shrimp meat). Wonderful.

*From downtown, take San Carlos Street west past Meridian. Lou's Village is on the right.

Original Joe's

(Downtown)

301 S. First Street

(408) 292-7030

www.originaljoes.com

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner 11:00am to 1:30am

Dinner entrees \$9.95 to \$24.95 (salad a la carte)

The place

OJ's opened in 1956, and it's doing something right because it's still mobbed almost every night for dinner. Excellent chefs in traditional tall white hats sauté, stir, flip and simmer northern Italian cuisine right in front of the counter where you may sit and eat if you choose. Or you may sit in a leather booth and be served by a waiter in a tux. In the back, there's a full bar with a good sized lounge. No reservations, so get here before 6:00pm, and if there's a Sharks' game you might consider arriving by 4:00pm. Call ahead and see.

The food

Here's where you can still get a 18 to 20 oz steak, aged and cut by Original Joe's own butcher. Their 3/4lb hamburgers served on French bread have been voted "Best in San Jose" many times. This is one of the few remaining places you can order a Joe's Special (hamburger and spinach concoction) or sweetbreads. Favorites include their minestrone and clam chowder soups, their veal scaloppini, veal piccata, and chicken cacciatora. For dessert? You will be full, so maybe spumoni or sherbet will do. However, there's more, Tiramisu, Gelato, Chocolate Mousse Torte, Cheesecake.

Paolo's

(Downtown)

333 W. San Carlos Street

(408) 294-2558

www.acoates.com/paolos/

Breakfast 6:30am (Continental)

Lunch 11:00am - 2:30pm

Dinner 5:30pm - 10:00pm

Closed Sundays

Dinner entrees \$11 to \$23.50 (salad a la carte)

The three-course RSVP menu is \$21.00 per person.

The place

In 1985 Paolo's prepared dessert for Ronald Reagan's inaugural ball. That should give you some idea of the stature of this old family-owned San Jose restaurant. It has repeatedly won national and local recognition, including "The Distinguished Restaurant of Northern California," "Travel Holiday," "Dirona," and "Wine Spectator" awards. *Zagat Guide* lists it as "The Best Italian Food in Northern California," and the *San Jose Mercury* gives it a four star rating. With food of this caliber, a wine list of over 600 wines, and an unusual, elegant setting you can hardly go wrong. In its new location on the ground floor of the Adobe building, Paolo's faces the Guadeloupe River walk. After dinner stroll out passed the fountain and along the river walk, or over the bridge to the Center For Performing Arts.

The food

Breakfast here is a continental affair beginning at 6:30am in the espresso bar where you can sip your cafe latte, nibble on pastries, and guzzle your choice of juice.

The lunch menu includes wonderful sandwiches and things from IL Bar, or, from the dining room menu, elegant antipasti dishes, soups and salads and even heart healthy entrees like Cape Sante E Borlotti (pan-seared sea scallops served with broilotti bean cream, garlic, lemon scented chard, and a spicy herb-flavored olive oil).

For your dinner appetizer you might like Funghi Griglia Alla Toscano (large shiitake mushrooms grilled and basted with olive oil, herbs, lemon and garlic), and for a salad the "Insalata Di Cape Sante (warm salad of pan-seared scallops with radicchio, pancetta, fried potatoes, and red wine-shallot). Then your entree could be "Linguine Nero E Bianco (Black and white noodles with calamari, clams, shrimp, fish, vegetables, curry and olive oil) or Vitello Saltimoca (Veal rolls stuffed with prosciutto, Fontina cheese and sage in a Marsala-mushroom sauce). The dinner menu changes some with the season, including special preparations of wild game -- quail, venison, and duck. Dessert is a problem because the list is long and excellent. How about Pera Al Forno Con Sapa (baked pears with fresh grape syrup, served with cinnamon mousse) or maybe a selection of Italian cheeses?

Rue de Paris

(Downtown)

19 N. Market Street

(408) 298-0713

Fax (408) 298-0713

email: rudedepari@aol.com

<http://www.frenchfood.com>

Lunch Mon-Fri 11:00am-2:00pm

Dinner 5:30pm-10:00 or 11:00pm

Dinner entrees \$14.95 to \$23.95 (salad a la carte)

The place

Flower boxes, lace curtains, and shutters - this charming, intimate restaurant has been serving classical and contemporary French cuisine in the heart of downtown San Jose since 1983. It was voted "The Best French Restaurant" and the "Most Romantic Restaurant" in Santa Clara Valley by the readers of *METRO*. It is also the winner of the "Wine Spectator Award of Excellence" four years in a row for having an outstanding wine list -- over one hundred different vintage ports, dating back to 1896. "Port Club at the Rue" offers port tastings, featured dinners and presentations to its members.

The food

The menu includes appetizers such as Escargot de Bourgogne, and Prawns Bordelaise. Entrees include Rack of Lamb with Garlic Crust (Carre d'Agneau Provencale) and Beef Wellington. All salads are served with the Rue's dill vinaigrette dressing (Sold by popular demand in 12 ounce bottles - \$3.25). Desserts include Chocolate Almond Torte and Grand Marnier Souffle.

71 Saint Peter

(Downtown)

71 N. San Pedro Street

(408) 971-8523

Fax(408) 938-3440

Lunch M-F 11:30am-2:00pm

Dinner Mon-Sat 5:00pm-10:00pm

Closed Sundays

Dinner entrees \$11.00 to \$20.00 (salad a la carte)

The place

This is one of San Jose's newer restaurants -- four years old -- but it has quickly become one of the favorites. If you like charming, intimate ambiance and good cuisine, this is the place. An inside arbor covered with ivy, dark tile floors, pretty windows, and a lovely grill inside the dining room give the place a garden feel. White table cloths and good service give it class. Because Saint Peter is small and popular, reservations are recommended.

The food

The cuisine here is Mediterranean grill, accompanied by your choice of fine wines. From the lunch menu you can choose pasta, a sandwich, an entree or an entree type salad. From the dinner menu, your appetizer might be Baked Polenta (with roasted wild mushrooms au jus and shaved parmesan) followed by a spinach salad (with goat cheese, candied pecans, warm roasted garlic and bacon vinaigrette). Some of the favorite entrees here are Seafood Linguini (with scallops, prawns, and clams in a spicy tomato broth), Crispy Roasted Duck (with raspberry-black pepper demi glace and mashed potatoes), or Grilled Filet Mignon (with blue cheese-cabernet demi glace and wild mushroom-potato gratin). For dessert, Sour Cream Fudge Cake with home made sauce or maybe the Creme BrulŽe.

Scott's Seafood Bar & Grill

(Downtown)

185 Park Avenue, Sixth Floor

(408) 971-1700

www.scottsseafoods.com

Lunch Mon-Fri only 11:30am-5:00pm

Dinner daily 5:00pm-10:00pm Sun till 9:00pm

Dinner entrees \$12.00 to \$26.95 (salad a la carte)

The place

A room with a (sixth-floor) view of San Jose, a lovely exhibition grill and a full bar in the background, a romantic, little lamp atop your white table cloth, servers who give you their full attention, and you have a romantic evening at Scott's. Perhaps that's why people have been returning for almost 12 years. The location helps too -- near the San Jose Convention Center, across from the Center for Performing Arts, and close to the major hotels in town.

The food

But then maybe it's the menu. The excellent sea food here is prepared in different ethnic styles and according to season by Chef Zaragoza. Appetizers include Cajun "popcorn" fried Shrimp, Steamed Washington State Clams, Fried Calamari. Entrees include dishes like SautŽed Medallions of Sturgeon (over garlic-mashed potatoes with wild mushroom sauce) or one of Zaragoza's wonderful fish stews. For those who'd rather not eat fish, there's pasta, chicken, and steaks. The bread you eat along with it is excellent. Yes, there's dessert. Try the Chocolate Peanut butter ice cream pie, the Chocolate Mousse Torte or the Strawberries Romanoff. Wonderful!

Sports City Cafe

(Downtown)

150 S. First Street

(408) 291-2233

Sunday Brunch 9:30am-2:00pm

Lunch and Dinner

Sun 11:00am-9:00pm 10:00pm wkdays 11:00pm wkends

Dinner entrees \$7.95 to \$17.95 (salad a la carte)

The place

Sports City Cafe is a restaurant connected to San Jose Live (an enormous spread of sports bars and game activities that you must see to believe). In fact, when you are through with your meal, walk through the door to San Jose Live and give yourself a little tour.

Exhibition grill, California cuisine nicely presented, good service, and a large bar characterizes Sports City Cafe. You can watch the televisions placed around the dining room or you can sit in the bar and watch the big screen TV.

The food

Come here for Sunday brunch and have Eggs Benedict or Cajun Scramble while you watch the Raiders beat the Sea Hawks. The lunch and dinner menu are the same and available all day. So you can order everything from Spicy Nachos, Pizza, Spinach Salad, Burgers, Pasta Primavera, and Baby Back Ribs to a Rib Eye Steak and be happy with your choice. Desserts are tempting too -- New York Cheesecake, Irish Cream Mousse, Cafe Latte Cheesecake, and more.

Stratta Grill & Cafe

(Downtown)

71 E. San Fernando St.

(408) 293-1121

Fax (408) 293-2992

Lunch Mon-Fri 11:30am-2:30pm

Dinner Tues - Sun 5:00pm-10:00pm

(no dinner Mon)

Dinner entrees \$10.95 to \$18.95 (salad a la carte)

The place

Last year Stratta's received *Metro's* "Best New Restaurant" award, and this year it placed #3 on *Metro's* list of overall best restaurants. Pretty good for a new restaurant, and they've already added another room. No wonder it's so popular with its charming, European ambiance and elegant cuisine. Small rooms with faux painted walls, terra cotta tile and hardwood floors, exhibition grill, wine bar, white table cloths, and a few tall, carved booths and you come out with a Greek-Italianish look. If you plan to come after 6:00 in a party of 6, call ahead for reservations.

The food

Start your meal here with a delicious Caesar Salad or Classic French Onion Soup. Then for an entree Luke, the manager, says the specialties have the best of everything. So you might want the Fresh Ahi Tuna (seared citrus-pepper crusted Ahi, with julienne vegetables, and angel hair pasta with citrus Beurre Blanc). If not fish, then maybe Grilled Marinated Flank Steak (with wild mushroom sautŽ, roasted garlic mashed potatoes, and seasonal vegetables). The dessert specialty here is Lou's famous cheesecake with seasonal berries or fresh fruit.

Togo's

(See list below for San Jose locations)

www.togos.com

Lunch and Dinner

Opens approximately 10:00am and closes 8:00 or 9:00pm

Sandwiches and Salads under \$5.00

The place

San Jose does it again. Founded in 1971 by San Jose State student Michael Cobler, Togo's has grown to 200 and spread to other western states. This sandwich and salad eatery serves excellent, humongous sandwiches cheap and to your specifications. The staff is always friendly.

The food

Togo's bakes their own bread, and it's excellent. They have hot and cold sandwiches, 29 of them from which to choose. You watch while your sandwich is put together, so you can say "no onions" or "a little more mayo." The all time favorite is #24, Avocado & Turkey. Now they even have a Hummus sandwich for the vegetarian customer. (Hummus is a garbonzo bean and seasoning paste that is quite delicious.) The favorite salad is Togo's Taco Salad (chili, tortilla chips, tomatoes, guacamole, sour cream, chili peppers, cheese, lettuce), and it's yummy.

900 N. First St. (downtown)

408-287-4570

173 W. Santa Clara St. (downtown)

408-286-9394

866 E. Campbell Avenue, (across from the Pruneyard)

408-371-3696

1008 Town & Country Village

408-261-8646

336 E. William St.

408-297-11

3076 Landess Ave.

408-262-9200

380 N. Capitol Ave.

408-251-3284

5677 Snell Ave.

408-226-0730

1937 Tully Rd.

408-272-3121

4360 Stevens Creek Blvd. #C

408-249-6440

14944 Camden Ave.

408-371-3353