



SF BAY AREA CLUBS

1015 Folsom

1015 Folsom (at Sixth St.) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-431-1200

<http://www.1015.com>

1015 boasts 3 dance floors, an internationally renowned roster of DJs, and a guaranteed late-night party. House, trance, etc.

111 Minna Gallery

111 Minna (at Second St.) San Francisco, CA 94105

415-974-1719

<http://www.111minnagallery.com>

An art gallery/nightclub/bar, this South of Market venue shows films, hosts DJs, all in a sleek atmosphere where people come to play.

1300 on Fillmore

1300 Fillmore (at Eddy) San Francisco, CA 94115

415-771-7100

<http://www.1300fillmore.com>

15 Romolo

15 Romolo (at Broadway) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-398-1359

<http://www.15romolo.com>

19 Broadway

17 Broadway (at Pacheco) Fairfax, CA 94930

415-459-1091

<http://www.19broadway.com>

21st Amendment

563 Second St. (at Bryant) San Francisco, CA 94107

415-369-0900

<http://www.21st-amendment.com>

222 Hyde

222 Hyde (at Turk) San Francisco, CA 94102

415-345-8222

<http://www.222hyde.com>

26 Mix
3024 Mission (at 26th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-826-7378

330 Ritch
330 Ritch (at Townsend) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-541-9574
<http://www.330ritch.com>

The former apex of the early '90s acid-jazz scene is now home to the long-running indie-pop weekly "Popszene" and more. Delicious food, dancing, and pool make this dark alley hideaway a hip hangout for the city's young and fabulous.

3300 Club
3300 Mission (at 29th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-826-6886
<http://www.3300club.com>

4Fourteen
414 Mason (at Geary) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-693-0777

Not really a separate venue so much as a separate room behind the Ruby Skye balcony, this is a new event space where Ruby Skye's smoking lounge used to be: they walled up the exterior windows, ditched the pool table, tore up the carpet and added some danceable floor surfacing. Throw some DJ equipment on one end and a bar on the other et voilà — 4Fourteen

500 Club
500 Guerrero (at 17th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-861-2500

540 Club
540 Clement (at Seventh Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94118
415-752-7276
<http://www.540-club.com/>

Haute and hardcore at the same time, the 540 Club is a place where many social classes can commingle comfortably: this Inner Richmond hangout often features punk rock and custom low-brow art on the walls, while the vintage setting feels like a private men's club from the early 20th Century.

5th Amendment
3255 Lakeshore (at Lakepark) Oakland, CA 94610
510-832-3242

7 Mile House Bar & Grill
2800 Bayshore (at Geneva) Brisbane, CA 94005
415-467-2343
<http://www.historic7milehouse.com>

800 Larkin
800 Larkin (at O'Farrell) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-567-9326
<http://www.800larkin.com/>

83 Proof
83 First St. (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94105
415-296-8383
<http://www.83proof.com>

Abbey Tavern
4100 Geary (at Fifth Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94118
415-221-7767
<http://www.abbeytavern-sf.com>

This Irish sports bar in the Inner Richmond features live bands and DJs on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights. A mixture of pop, rock, '80s, and Top 40 dance music caters to a mostly collegiate crowd.

Ace Cafe
1799 Mission (at 14th St.) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-861-3002
<http://www.acecafesf.com/>

Ace's
998 Sutter (at Hyde) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-673-0644
<http://www.acesbarsf.com>
Noo Yawk comes to Nob Hill at this Big Apple-themed bar that's like an East Coaster's idea of the ultimate bachelor den: playing card- and pinup-inspired artwork on the walls, muscular rawk on the juke, and plenty of TVs for watching the sports action.

Acme Bar
2115 San Pablo (at Addison) Berkeley, CA 94702
510-644-2226
Casual Berkeley hipster/punk/collegiate hangout with the common red-and-black color scheme, pool table, jukebox, and frequent DJs playing everything from retro soul to rock 'n' roll.

Air Lounge
492 Ninth St. (at Washington) Oakland, CA 94607
510-444-2377
<http://www.airoakland.com>

Albatross Pub
1822 San Pablo (at Hearst) Berkeley, CA 94702
510-843-2473

Alioto's
8 Fishermans Wharf (at Taylor) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-673-0183
<http://www.aliotos.com>

Al's Elbow Room
5650 Mission St. (at Whipple) San Francisco, CA 94112
415-333-2828

Amante
570 Green (at Columbus) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-362-4400
<http://www.amantesf.com>

The Ambassador
673 Geary (at Leavenworth) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-563-8192
<http://www.ambassador415.com>
Monday to Saturday 6 p.m.-2 a.m.

Amnesia
853 Valencia (at 20th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-970-0012
<http://www.amnesiathebar.com>
Dark red, hypnotic light helps this tiny bar live up to its name, and its stage features everything from '20s-themed nights and rock to big-band jazz and experimental electronica.

Amsterdam
937 Geary (at Larkin) San Francisco, CA 94109

Ana Mandara
891 Beach (at Polk) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-771-6800
<http://www.anamandara.com>

Annabelle's Bar & Bistro
68 Fourth St. (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-777-1200
<http://www.annabelles.net>

Anú
43 Sixth St. (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-543-3505
<http://www.anu-bar.com>
Low lighting, lounge seating, and the freshest electronica DJs rank Anú as a bona fide hot spot, despite its somewhat seedy location.

Apartment 24
440 Broadway (at Montgomery) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-989-3434
<http://www.apartment24sf.com>

Argus Lounge
3187 Mission (at Valencia) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-824-1447
<http://www.arguslounge.com>
An Mission District bar whose entertainment varies from night to night — usually DJs spinning vintage punk, old soul, or maybe some hip-hop and a little of reggae — although the occasional live band drops by. If there's no room up front, head back to the rear pool room and check out the cool triangular booth.

Arsimona
561 11th St. (at Clay) Oakland, CA 94606
510-444-1158
<http://www.arsimonalounge.com>

Atmosphere
447 Broadway (at Rowland) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-788-4623
<http://www.a3atmosphere.com>

The Attic

3336 24th St. (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-643-3376

<http://www.myspace.com/atticbar>

Your favorite dive bar and the sounds of your favorite DJ combine to create a great Mission District spot.

Aub Zam Zam

1633 Haight (at Belvedere) San Francisco, CA 94117

415-861-2545

Upper Haight cocktail oasis with a Persian decor theme and famously delicious drinks. Anthony Bourdain likes it, so why shouldn't you?

The Ave Bar

1607 Ocean (at Capitol) San Francisco, CA 94112

415-587-6645

<http://www.theavebar.com>

Azul

1 Tillman (at Grant) San Francisco, CA 94108

415-362-9750

<http://www.azul-sf.com>

Azul is back. After a late-2009 closure, and rumors about reinvention plans, the lush Union Square club and restaurant has re-opened as of early February 2010.

B Restaurant & Bar

720 Howard (at Fourth St.) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-495-9800

Bamboo Hut

479 Broadway (at Kearny) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-989-8555

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

Full-on tropical decor and a full-on complement of tropical drinks make the Bamboo Hut a top-notch tiki bar. You'll have to pay \$5 on Fridays and Saturdays to swing to the eclectic DJs.

Bar Bambino

2931 16th St. (at South Van Ness) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-701-8466

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

Bar Basic
510 Brannan (at Fourth St.) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-227-0449
<http://www.basicssf.com>

Barbacco
230 California (at Front) San Francisco, CA 94111
415-955-1919
<http://www.barbaccosf.com>

Beach Blanket Babylon
678 Green (at Powell) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-421-4222
<http://beachblanketbabylon.com>

Beach Chalet Brewery & Restaurant
1000 Great (at Ocean Beach) San Francisco, CA 94121
415-386-8439
<http://www.beachchalet.com>
Live surf, blues, and jazz bands! Full dinner served until 11 p.m., handcrafted brews, and striking coastal view.

Beale Street Bar & Grill
133 Beale (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94105
415-543-1961
<http://www.bealestreetsf.com>

The BeatBox
314 11th St. (at Folsom) San Francisco, CA 94103
This club has been called Studio Z, Fat City, Siberia, and other names over the past few years. They plan on "hosting only the best in disco and house" in upcoming months.

Beckett's Irish Pub
2271 Shattuck (at Bancroft) Berkeley, CA 94704
510-647-1790

Bender's
806 South Van Ness (at 19th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-824-1800
<http://www.bendersbar.com>
With some new paint, a fresh supply of cheap beer, and a restocked jukebox blaring the scrungy S.F. bands of past & present. Bands often prop themselves on the elevated corner steps and blast the Pabst out of your hands.

Bimbo's 365 Club

1025 Columbus (at Chestnut) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-474-0365

<http://www.bimbos365club.com>

Live music of all genres. Great sound, classy lighting, and staffers dressed like The Love Boat's Capt. This one of the city's finer concert halls.

Bird & Beckett

653 Chenery (at Carrie) San Francisco, CA 94131

415-586-3733

<http://www.birdbeckett.com>

Lots of good reading lining the wall, Bird & Beckett augments its calendar of literary happenings with folk singers, jazz combos, and acoustic music of a wide variety. Sunny outdoor seating and a relaxed atmosphere.

Biscuits & Blues

401 Mason (at Geary) San Francisco, CA 94102

415-292-2583

<http://www.biscuitsandblues.com>

This nationally renowned club in the heart of the theater district offers top-drawer electric blues seven nights a week. The food and drinks are reasonably priced and there isn't a bad seat in the house.

The Bistro

1001 B St. (at Main) Hayward, CA 94541

510-886-8525

<http://www.the-bistro.com>

The Bitter End

441 Clement (at Sixth Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94118

415-221-9538

<http://www.travelnotes.org>

Blackthorn Tavern

834 Irving (at Ninth Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94122

415-564-6627

<http://www.blackthornsf.com>

The Blackthorn Tavern is a dream come true. Its wide selection of Beer on tap, along with performances by Celtic folk-rockers and cover bands, make it a gem in the heart of the Sunset

Blake's on Telegraph

2367 Telegraph (at Durant) Berkeley, CA 94704

510-848-0886

Blank Club
44 S. Almaden (at Post) San Jose, CA 95113
408-292-5265
<http://www.theblankclub.com>

The Blarney Stone
5625 Geary (at 20th Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94121
415-386-9914

Bliss Bar
4026 24th St. (at Noe) San Francisco, CA 94114
415-826-6200
<http://www.blissbarsf.com>
The Bliss Bar seems stuck in a bygone era. It is one of the only places in Noe Valley featuring live DJs.

Blondie's Bar & No Grill
540 Valencia (at 16th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-864-2419
<http://www.blondiesbar.com>
With people-watching, enormous martinis, and the occasional live jazz combo, this Mission District hot spot is a must for people making the scene.

Bloom's Saloon
1318 18th St. (at Texas) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-861-6707

The Blue Macaw
2565 Mission (at 22nd St.) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-920-0577
<http://www.thebluemacawsf.com>
This new club in the heart of the Mission has few jambands and indie rock acts — and (sadly) only focusing on Latin dance music, hip-hop DJs and stand-up comedy.

The Blue Maguey
590 Minnesota (at 18th St.) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-642-8229

Blues Jean Bar
1829 Union (at Octavia) San Francisco, CA 94123
415-346-4280
<http://www.thebluesjeanbar.com/>

The Boardroom
1609 Powell (at Green) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-982-8898
<http://www.woodyzips.com>

Bollyhood Cafe
3372 19th St. (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-970-0362
<http://www.bollyhoodcafe.com>

You'll be happy with this intimate Mission District restaurant's nightly assortment of worldbeat DJs and live music. You'll find it here!

Boom Boom Room
1601 Fillmore (at Geary) San Francisco, CA 94115
415-673-8000
<http://www.boombooblues.com>

Couches and cocktails complement a blues and funk boogie, which makes shaking it on the checkerboard dance floor a must. Nightly, up-and-coming national acts play sweaty, steamy sets on the venue's small stage.

Bottom of the Hill
1233 17th St. (at Missouri) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-621-4455
<http://www.bottomofthehill.com>

An indie rock club complete with a pinball machine, sticker-smothered bathrooms, and a smoker's patio. Nightly entertainment.

Bottoms Up Bar & Lounge
4704 Mission (at Persia) San Francisco, CA 94112
415-337-7200
<http://www.myspace.com/clubbottomsup>

Bourbon & Branch
501 Jones (at O'Farrell) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-346-1735
<http://www.bourbonandbranch.com/>

Bow Bow Cocktail Lounge
1155 Grant (at Jack Kerouac) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-421-6730

Brainwash

1122 Folsom (at Langton) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-861-3663

<http://www.brainwash.com>

Pack up your dirty clothes and hit Brainwash, an enterprising cafe/laundromat/gallery/club. All-ages crowds can catch free shows across the DIY spectrum, chomp on snacks, and wash their clothes — simultaneously

Brick Restaurant & Bar

1085 Sutter (at Larkin) San Francisco, CA 94109

415-441-4232

<http://www.brickrestaurant.com>

Brickhouse Cafe

426 Brannan (at Ritch) San Francisco, CA 94107

415-369-0222

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

Broken Drum Brewery

1132 Fourth St. (at Channel) San Rafael, CA 94901

415-456-4677

<http://www.brokendrum.com/brokendrum/index.html>

The Broken Record

1166 Geneva (at Edinburgh) San Francisco, CA 94112

415-963-1713

<http://www.brokenrecordsf.com>

The Broken Record balances itself nicely along the fence between low-brow and high-brow cultures: tattooed bartenders, indie/alt-rock on the stereo, and 50-cent-Pabst Saturdays keeps things unpretentious, while the wall of fine whiskeys and delicious homemade food attract those whose palates wouldn't be caught dead with a PBR

Bruno's

2389 Mission (at 20th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-643-5200

<http://www.brunossf.com>

After feasting on Southern-inspired fare, Bruno's patrons stay for the cozy atmosphere, which features two red-lit lounges, funky DJs, and a stream of premium cocktails.

Bubble Lounge

714 Montgomery (at Jackson) San Francisco, CA 94111
415-434-4204

<http://www.bubblelounge.com>

San Francisco's premier champagne house complements its exhaustive menu of bubbly with appetizers and weekend DJs. The overall vibe is loungey and often full of women in their favorite little black dresses.

Buckshot Bar & Gameroom

3848 Geary (at Third Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94118
415-831-8838

<http://www.buckshot-sf.com>

This ultracasual (read: picnic tables and taxidermy as indoor decor) Inner Richmond bar would put its money on the longshot horse. The Buckshot serves up cheap drinks, the music skews toward gutter rock 'n' roll, pool, shuffleboard, retro video-arcade bleepers, and Skee-Ball.

Buddha Lounge

901 Grant (at Washington) San Francisco, CA 94108
415-362-1792

The bright neon sign and stylized door frame draw you into this convenient (but otherwise average) Chinatown drinkery located right on the main Grant Street drag. Worth dropping in if you're feeling thirsty in the neighborhood

Buena Vista Cafe

2765 Hyde (at Beach) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-474-5044

<http://www.thebuenavista.com>

Bus Stop

1901 Union (at Laguna) San Francisco, CA 94123
415-567-6905

<http://www.facebook.com/BusStopBar>

Butter

354 11th St. (at Harrison) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-863-5964

<http://www.smoothasbutter.com>

After dancing up an appetite, patrons hit the double-wide food stand for inexpensive "trailer treats.

Cafe Claude

7 Claude (at Bush) San Francisco, CA 94108

415-392-3505

<http://www.cafeclaudes.com>

This tiny corner of Paris, tucked away in the downtown alley it's named for, is decorated with furnishings rescued from an old Paris cafe, including a curving zinc bar at which to enjoy your glass of red wine or kir royale. The bistro menu features such classics as soupe à l'oignon, quiche Lorraine, and croque monsieur at lunch, and escargots, steak tartare, coquille St. Jacques, and coq au vin at dinner. Live jazz is on tap Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights

Cafe Cocomo

650 Indiana (at 18th St.) San Francisco, CA 94107

415-824-6910

<http://www.cafecocomo.com>

Take in salsa dancing lessons, live music that explores a spectrum of Latin American rhythms, and a colorful buffet at the Coconut Groove restaurant (Thursday through Saturday), all within a lively indoor/outdoor setting. Classy attire required.

Cafe de la Presse

352 Bush (at Grant) San Francisco, CA 94104

415-398-2680

<http://www.cafedelapresse.com>

Cafe Royale

800 Post (at Leavenworth) San Francisco, CA 94104

415-441-4099

<http://www.caferoyale-sf.com>

A regular series of free acoustic, jazz, comedy, and film events draw curious locals and tourists alike to this windowed cafe nestled between the Union Square, Nob Hill, and upper Tenderloin neighborhoods. Filled with sunlight during the day and candlelit at night, the ceramic hex tile floors and high ceilings go for a classy vibe, while a large semi-circular sofa cozies up the middle of the room. There's even a pool table, should you feel like knocking around a few billiard balls. Fans of pulp literature should also drop into Kayo Books next door, then saunter to the other end of the block and see the apartment building where Dashiell Hammett wrote *The Maltese Falcon*

Cafe Van Kleeef

1621 Telegraph (at 16th St.) Oakland, CA 94612

510-763-7711

<http://www.cafevankleeef.com>

California Club

1750 Clay (at Van Ness) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-474-3516

Despite its name, the semiprivate California Club is best known as a host venue for events from a variety of international cultural groups from places such as Iceland and Poland, making it a space where almost any type of music, from classical to folk, might be played and enjoyed

Cantina

580 Sutter (at Mason) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-398-0195
<http://www.cantinasf.com>

The Canvas Cafe and Gallery

1200 Ninth Ave. (at Lincoln) San Francisco, CA 94122
415-504-0060
<http://www.thecanvasgallery.com>

What started out as a combination of a bright performance space/gallery and a tasty cafe has expanded to become a music destination. Nimble downtempo and drum 'n' bass DJs are now as likely as comedy and open mike musings -- all still rare birds in the Sunset

Casanova Lounge

527 Valencia (at 16th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-863-9328
<http://www.casanovasf.com>

Locals pack the worn velvet couches of this charming, dimly lit Mission District dive for pocket-change happy hour specials, cool DJ nights, and a stocked jukebox. Unless it's a major holiday, there's never a cover charge

Castagnola's at Fisherman's Wharf

286 Jefferson (at Jones) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-776-5015
<http://www.castagnolassf.com>

Cato's Ale House

3891 Piedmont (at Montell) Piedmont, CA 94611
510-655-3349

The Cellar

685 Sutter (at Taylor) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-441-5678
<http://www.cellarsf.com>

Cesar

1515 Shattuck (at Vine) Berkeley, CA 94709
510-883-0222
<http://www.barcesar.com>

Cheryl Burke Dance

1830 17th St. (at De Haro) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-252-9000
<http://www.cherylburkedance.com>

Come learn to dance like the pros — swing, salsa, tango, and other partnered steps – or just come to show off. Either way, the DJs and live bands send people twirling and twisting

The Chieftain

198 Fifth St. (at Howard) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-615-0916
<http://www.thechieftain.com>

Occasional acoustic acts entertain at this Irish brewpub in SOMA — mainly Celtic folk acts singing maudlin ballads about the Emerald Isle — though the songs are mostly background music for draining a few pints

Cigar Bar & Grill

850 Montgomery (at Jackson) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-398-0850
<http://www.cigarbarandgrill.com>

A swanky North Beach/Financial District bar that caters to lovers of a fine Cuban cigar as well as fine Cuban music, with Latin jazz and salsa bands playing every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night

Circa

2001 Chestnut (at Fillmore) San Francisco, CA 94123
415-351-0175
<http://www.circasf.com>

Circolo

500 Florida (at Mariposa) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-553-8560
<http://www.circolosf.com>

After-dinner DJs turn this typically swanky ultra lounge and restaurant into a glowing rainbow-lit room full of pricey cocktails and pretty faces

City Tavern
3200 Fillmore (at Greenwich) San Francisco, CA 94123
415-567-0918
<http://www.themenupage.com/citytavern.html>

Cityscape
333 O'Farrell (at Taylor) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-923-5002
<http://www.cityscaperestaurant.com>

It's worth saving pennies for this upscale bistro atop the Hilton San Francisco: The spectacular panorama from 460 feet above the ground is well worth the pricey fare. DJs spin light Top 40 nightly, but don't expect a bustling dance floor; most people are here for the views

Clift Hotel, Redwood Room
495 Geary (at Taylor) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-929-2372
http://www.clifhotel.com/clift_hotel_redwood_room.asp

Say what you will about the newly remodeled Redwood Room (named for the walls made from redwood trees), it's still one of the most striking places to grab an overpriced martini. From the whimsical Ian Schrager redesign to the perfectly awesome and minimalist bathrooms done by Philippe Starck, this is a fascinating place, popular with the upper-crust beautiful people trying to be seen or photographed for Paper City. The DJ sounds, though, are more background music than dance floor fodder

Club 525
525 Howard (at First St.) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-339-8686
<http://www.sfclubs.com>

Its upscale digs are home to a wild 18-and-up weekend scene. People move through two large dance areas to a mix of Latin house, high-energy romps, and club anthems. If you have the extra cash and a penchant for privacy, Club 525 also offers plenty of VIP hideouts

Club 93
93 Ninth St. (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-621-6333

Club Anton
428 Third St. (at Broadway) Oakland, CA 94607
510-463-0165
<http://www.clubanton.com>
Thursday to Sunday 7 p.m.-2 a.m

Club Caliente
298 11th St. (at Folsom) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-255-2232

Club Deluxe
1511 Haight (at Ashbury) San Francisco, CA 94117
415-552-6949
<http://www.sfclubdeluxe.com>

The sharp retro style of this Haight Street bar brings out scenesters and locals to enjoy live jazz, weekly comedy nights, or monthly Vaudeville cabarets in a setting reminiscent of the Rat Pack days of yore

Club Eight
1151 Folsom (at Eighth St.) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-431-1151
<http://www.eightsf.com>

Club Excelsior
4704 Mission (at Ocean) San Francisco, CA 94112
415-724-8460

Club Fugazi
678 Green (at Powell) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-421-4222

Club Malibu
3395 Mission (at Eugenia) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-821-7395

Have your Berlitz phrase book handy at this Mission District hot spot, as neither staff nor patrons speak much English. The place is packed almost every night for DJs who spin south-of-the-border club bangers. When Norteña bands play long sets on the weekends, it's like a can of sardines (or should we say "como sardinas en banasta"?).

Club Oasis
135 12th St. (at Madison) Oakland, CA 94607
510-763-0404

Club Six
60 Sixth St. (at Jessie) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-863-1221
<http://www.clubsix1.com>

Club Six has two separate areas with ample dance floors where some of the region's top DJs come to spin hip-hop, dancehall, electro, and house (among other styles), often into the wee hours of the night

Club Sutra

443 Broadway (at Rowland) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-788-0228

<http://www.sutrasf.com>

The address that once housed legendary S.F. punk venue the Mabuhay Gardens has certainly evolved over the years. Its current incarnation — as Club Sutra — is that of a trendy hotspot to which bridge-and-tunnelers flock for weekend parties full of dolled-up gals dancing to Top 40 hip-hop and mash-ups

The Clubhouse

414 Mason (at Geary) San Francisco, CA 94102

415-921-2051

<http://www.clubhousecomedy.com>

Cobb's Comedy Club

915 Columbus (at Mason) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-928-4320

<http://www.cobbcomedyclub.com>

Almost every big-name stand-up comedian you can think of has performed at this local institution. A great place to catch stars on the rise and established names.

Coda

1710 Mission (at Duboce) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-551-2632

<http://www.codalive.com>

A sharp new jazz, funk, hip-hop, and Latin music venue/restaurant at the gateway to the Mission District

Columbus Cafe

562 Green (at Columbus) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-274-2599

<http://www.columbuscafesf.com>

Comet Club

3111 Fillmore (at Filbert) San Francisco, CA 94123

415-567-5589

Comstock Saloon

155 Columbus (at Pacific) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-617-0071

<http://www.comstocksaloon.com>

Condor Club
560 Broadway (at Columbus) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-781-8222
<http://www.condorsf.com/>

Connecticut Yankee
100 Connecticut (at 17th St.) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-552-4440
<http://www.theyankee.com>

The Continental Club
1658 12th St. (at Campbell) Oakland, CA 94607
510-444-9000

The Cosmopolitan Cafe
121 Spear (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94105
415-543-4001
<http://www.thecosmopolitancafe.com>
Proud of its bid to be known as one of the city's best places to have a power lunch, it's an equally buzzing place for an after-work drink -- particularly its namesake -- or bite and to enjoy and to enjoy live jazz Wednesday through Saturday. Ties are loosened, but only so much

Costello's Four Deuces
2319 Taraval (at 33rd Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94116
415-566-9122
This Irish pub has live music nearly every night of the week, including an open-mike night on Thursdays that's become very popular with area songsmiths. On the weekends things get a bit louder when local rock and punk acts take the stage. But the schedule changes almost daily, so call ahead

Crazy Horse Gentlemen's Club
980 Market (at Golden Gate) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-771-6259
<http://www.crazyhorse-sf.com>

Crescent Hotel, Burritt Room
417 Stockton (at Sutter) San Francisco, CA 94108
415-400-0500
<http://www.crescentsf.com>

The Crib
715 Harrison (at Third St.) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-339-8686

DaDa S.F. Studio
86 Second St. (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94105
415-357-1367
<http://www.thegallerylounge.net>

Dalva
3121 16th St. (at Albion) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-252-7740

One long hallway of a bar, the low-lit Dalva boasts great sangria and DJs spinning various kinds of hip, cool music. If the tunes get too loud for conversation (which they often do), head to the not-so-secret back room (its "Hideout" status is even mentioned on the sign outside).

Delirium Cocktails
3139 16th St. (at Albion) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-552-5525

A change of name and management has turned this grubby Mission District haunt into a slightly less grubby Mission District haunt, with nightly DJs playing good ol' rock 'n' roll. The small, black-walled back room can get pretty hot and sweaty when the DJs are firing on all cylinders. With a motto like "service for the sick," we can dig it.

Dimples
1700 Post (at Buchanan) San Francisco, CA 94115
415-775-6688

DNA Lounge
375 11th St. (at Folsom) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-626-1409
<http://www.dnalounge.com>

Looking like a spaceship from The Matrix with futuristic factory decor on two floors, the remodeled DNA has long been a fixture on this happening 11th Street block. Regular goth-industrial nights, thrice-monthly "Bootie" mash-up parties, and miscellaneous house or hip-hop jams happen alongside occasional rock gigs and other special events. Some nights are all-ages and/or 18+, so check with the club before heading out

Doc's Clock
2575 Mission (at 21st St.) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-824-3627
<http://www.docsclock.com>

It's cocktail time! So decrees the bright neon on the marquee over Doc's Clock — and who are we to disagree? This Mission Street stalwart with its long, hallway-like interior offers a late-running happy hour and the occasional live music performance to augment its cocktails and vaguely retro theme

The Dogpatch Saloon
2496 Third St. (at 22nd St.) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-643-8952

With your other choices in the neighborhood being generally limited to gentrifying wine bars and/or scruffy old dives, this amiable, old-fashioned saloon may be your best middle-of-the-road option when seeking a casual drink in Dogpatch

Dolphin Club
502 Jefferson (at Hyde) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-441-9329
<http://www.dolphinclub.org>

Don Ramons
225 11th St. (at Kissling) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-864-2700
<http://www.donramons.ypguides.net>
Huge portions of Mexican fare, plenty of comfy seating, and frequent appearances by strolling mariachi players are the key ingredients of this SOMA dining hall

Double Dutch
3192 16th St. (at Guerrero) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-503-1670
<http://www.thedoubledutch.com>
With its '80s breakdancing photos, graffiti murals, and wall of retro boomboxes hovering behind the DJ booth, Double Dutch is old-school club with hip-hop, funk, and soul DJs spinning music.

Dragon Bar
473 Broadway (at Kearny) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-834-9383
<http://www.dragonbarsf.com>

Durty Nelly's
2328 Irving (at 24th Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94122
415-664-2555

E & O Trading Co.
314 Sutter (at Grant) San Francisco, CA 94108
415-693-0303
<http://www.eotrading.com>
This notable Southeast Asian restaurant brings in Robby Aguilar, Spanish classical guitarist on Tuesdays

Eagle Tavern

398 12th St. (at Harrison) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-626-0880

<http://www.sfeagle.com>

Its Thursday night music series has proved popular of late. An outdoor stage — sadly, so rare in San Francisco.

Eagle's Drift In Lounge

1232 Noriega (at 19th Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94122

415-661-0166

Eastside West

3154 Fillmore (at Greenwich) San Francisco, CA 94123

415-885-4000

<http://www.eastsidewestsf.com>

This restaurant is known for its oyster bar, but night transforms the seafood spot into a cool bar with hip hop DJs and live jazz.

Easy Lounge

3255 Lakeshore (at Lake Park) Oakland, CA 94610

510-338-4911

<http://www.myspace.com/easy510>

Edinburgh Castle

950 Geary (at Larkin) San Francisco, CA 94109

415-885-4074

<http://www.castlenews.com>

Indie DJs spin many nights at this dark, crowded Scottish pub. If you're into hip retro Britpop or Mod soul, this is the place.

El Rincon (Pulse Lounge)

2700 16th St. (at Harrison) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-437-9240

<http://www.elrinconsf.com>

A Caribbean joint by day, at night El Rincon transforms into — shazam! — the Pulse Lounge, with hopping music. Drum 'n' bass DJs throw down the latest jungle beats, hip-hop MCs and reggae bands, rock bands fuel the thirst for cheap beer.

El Rio

3158 Mission (at Precita) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-282-3325

<http://www.elriosf.com>

With moderately priced drinks, a sprawling patio, and stage in a side room, this Mission District destination has DJs spinning everything from country to funk, bands play everything from samba to punk, and the \$1 Monday nights.

Elbo Room

647 Valencia (at 18th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-552-7788

<http://www.elbo.com>

The Elbo Room is a low-priced music venue upstairs with DJs and local bands ranging from hip-hop to punk to bluegrass to samba.

Element Lounge

1028 Geary (at Polk) San Francisco, CA 94109

415-571-1362

<http://www.elementlounge.com>

The Element Lounge tries to balance both sides of the equation with hip-hop that's gritty. The long, corridor-like room features continually changing graffiti murals on one wall.

Eli's Mile High Club

3629 Martin Luther King Jr. Way (at 37th St.) Oakland, CA 94609

510-654-4549

<http://www.myspace.com/ElisMileHighClub>

Long a renowned blues hotspot, Eli's Mile High is now known as a punk rock dive by the highway. Thrashing guitars, pool tables, a back patio.

Encore Karaoke Lounge

1550 California (at Polk) San Francisco, CA 94109

415-775-0442

<http://www.encorekarokesf.com>

The decor feels like a cross between an old-school mafia den and new-school Asian lounge.

Endup

401 Sixth St. (at Harrison) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-646-0999

<http://www.theendup.com>

A nightclub that stays up well past its bedtime, the Endup has a reputation as an after-hours mecca and remains an urban oasis, with fountains, ferns and reverberating dance beats.

The Englander
101 Parrott (at E. 14th St.) San Leandro, CA 94577
510-357-3571
<http://www.englishpub.com>

Eos Restaurant and Wine Salon
901 Cole (at Carl) San Francisco, CA 94117
415-566-3063
<http://www.eossf.com>

Era
19 Grand (at Broadway) Oakland, CA 94612
510-832-4400
<http://www.oaklandera.com>

Etiquette
1108 Market (at Seventh St.) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-869-8779

Eve Lounge
575 Howard (at Second St.) San Francisco, CA 94105
415-806-0075
<http://www.eveloungesf.com>
The latest in DJ lounge South of Market with a retro jazzy vibe with leather benches and low-slung tables for drinks. Many events are free.

EZ5
682 Commercial (at Kearny) San Francisco, CA 94114
415-362-9321
<http://www.ez5bar.com>
Nightly DJs spinning house, hip-hop, and whatever's in between turn this mellow lounge into a rump-shakin' all-night party.

Family Billiards
2807 Geary (at Wood) San Francisco, CA 94118
415-931-1115

Farmerbrown
25 Mason (at Market) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-409-FARM
<http://www.farmerbrownsf.com>

Fiddler's Green

1333 Columbus (at Beach) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-441-9758

This Irish watering hole is a nice pit stop going between Fisherman's Wharf and North Beach. Sometimes they offer traditional Irish corned beef and cabbage, and DJs spin upstairs while live bands jam below.

The Fillmore

1805 Geary Blvd, San Francisco, CA 94115

415-346-6000

<http://www.thefillmore.com>

The Final Final

2990 Baker (at Lombard) San Francisco, CA 94123

415-931-7800

Finnegans Wake

937 Cole (at Carl) San Francisco, CA 94117

415-731-6119

<http://finneganswakesf.com/>

Fireside Lounge

1453 Webster (at Santa Clara) Alameda, CA 94501

510-864-1244

The Fishbowl Bar & Grill

1854 Divisadero (at Pine) San Francisco, CA 94115

415-775-3630

Fluid

662 Mission (at Annie) San Francisco, CA 94105

415-615-6888

<http://www.fluidsf.com>

DJs play funky house, hip-hop, and other trendy music at this glitzy club

Fly Bar & Restaurant

762 Divisadero (at Fulton) San Francisco, CA 94117

415-931-4359

<http://www.flybarandrestaurant.com>

Forbidden Island
1304 Lincoln (at Sherman) Alameda, CA 94501
510-749-0332
<http://www.forbiddenislandalameda.com>

Fourth Street Tavern
711 Fourth St. (at Lindaro) San Rafael, CA 94901
415-456-4828

Fox Theatre
2215 Broadway (at Middlefield) Redwood City, CA 94063
650-369-4119
<http://www.foxdream.com>
This venue is currently not open due to foreclosure issues

The Front Porch
65A 29th St. (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-695-7800
<http://www.thefrontporchsf.com/main.html>

Fuse
493 Broadway (at Kearny) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-788-2706
Fuse is a low-key joint with a good vibe and excellent taste in soul and hip hop DJs and trance and techno.

G3
3910 Geary (at Third Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94118
415-876-4080

The Gangway
841 Larkin (at Geary) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-776-6828

George Kaye's
4044 Broadway (at 41st St.) Piedmont, CA 94611
510-547-9374

Ghirardelli Square
900 North Point (at Polk) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-775-5500
<http://www.ghirardellisq.com>
The waterfront square is best known for its shopping, chocolate treats, and bay views.

Ghost Town Gallery
2519 San Pablo (at Sycamore) Oakland, CA 94612
<http://www.myspace.com/ghosttowngallery>

Glas Kat
520 Fourth St. (at Bryant) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-495-6620
<http://www.glaskat.com>

Previously the Trocadero Transfer, this SOMA nightclub features one room with stage and lighting system, plus a smaller area for more intimate dancing. Live salsa music. Then the DJs take over, offering Latin parties and house and hip-hop grooves.

Gold Cane Cocktail Lounge
1569 Haight (at Clayton) San Francisco, CA 94117
415-626-1112

A local watering hole that's been at this Haight Street location for decades. They have a pool table and a variety of cold beer on tap.

Gold Club
650 Howard (at Hawthorne) San Francisco, CA 94105
415-536-0300
<http://www.goldclubsf.com>

Gold Dust Lounge
247 Powell (at O'Farrell) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-397-1695

The Gold Dust has been heralded by the late Herb Caen as "the last of the authentic nightcaperies" — The decor is decidedly old-school.

The Golden Bull
412 14th St. (at Broadway) Oakland, CA 94612
510-893-0803

Gordon Biersch Brewery Restaurant
2 Harrison (at Embarcadero) San Francisco, CA 94105
415-243-8246
<http://www.gordonbiersch.com>

The Graduate
6202 Claremont (at College) Oakland, CA 94618
510-655-8847

Grant & Green

1371 Grant (at Green) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-693-9565

<http://www.myspace.com/grantandgreensf>

This club is a sure bet for loud rock, cheap drinks, and a crowd of local characters. A sidewalk barker pulls in tourists for blues-rock sets and cover bands.

Gravity

3251 Scott (at Lombard) San Francisco, CA 94123

415-776-1928

<http://www.gravityroomsf.com>

An urban club with a sophisticated environment, the Marina's Gravity offers the feel of a neighborhood bar with a big-city vibe. The club's warmth, elegance, and luxury is grown-up without being pretentious, which draws some of the city's best hip-hop DJs. Because like any club in San Francisco on a Friday or Saturday night, Gravity can get overfilled with snooty Marina yuppies and ghetto-fabulous poseurs, weeknights are a better time to have the room to get your groove on.

Great American Music Hall

859 O'Farrell (at Polk) San Francisco, CA 94109

415-885-0750

<http://www.gamh.com>

An great venue with antique ornamentation, a large stage, and an atmosphere of historical luxury. This hall first opened in 1907 and has been everything from a bordello to a jazz club and is known as one of the city's best places for live acts.

Ha-Ra

875 Geary (at Hyde) San Francisco, CA 94109

415-673-3148

A classic Tenderloin dive in every way.

Hard Rock Cafe

Pier 39 (at Embarcadero) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-433-7625

<http://hardrockcafe.com>

Harlot

46 Minna (at First St.) San Francisco, CA 94105

415-777-1077

<http://www.harlotsf.com>

Tucked into an alley near the Transbay Terminal, Harlot showcases a decor that is perhaps best described as "post-industrial chateau," with chandeliers mixed with exposed brick walls and iron girders. indie/hip demographic.

Harrington's Bar & Grill
245 Front (at Sacramento) San Francisco, CA 94111
415-392-7595
<http://www.harringtonsbarandgrill.com>

Harry Denton's Starlight Room
450 Powell (at Sutter) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-395-8595
<http://www.harrydenton.com>

The view of the city atop the Sir Francis Drake Hotel is worth the dress code and \$10 drinks; cover bands play funk, soul, and Motown classics and a DJ spins most weeknights. A favorite among S.F.'s old-money crowd.

Harry's on Fillmore
2020 Fillmore (at Pine) San Francisco, CA 94118
415-921-1000

Harry Denton's 1st bar! Not anymore! But it features occasional live DJs. The elegantly decorated bar draws a large crowd of young professionals with ladies worth meeting.

Heart and Dagger Saloon
504 Lake Park (at Lakeshore) Oakland, CA 94610
510-444-7300
<http://www.heartanddaggersaloon.com>

The Heart and Dagger promotes itself as an edgy rock 'n' roll club near Lake Merritt. Inside you'll find tattooed punks tending bar and playing tunes on the juke, or drink Pabst tallboys on the back patio.

Heights
2080 Van Ness (at Pacific) San Francisco, CA 94109
510-719-3300
<http://www.heightslounge.com>

Heinold's First and Last Chance Saloon
56 Jack London Square (at Alice) Oakland, CA 94607
510-839-6761

A small-but-honest bar at which Jack London used to tipple and write. The corner table he used remains unchanged.

Hemlock Tavern
1131 Polk (at Post) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-923-0923
<http://www.hemlocktavern.com>

By showcasing some of the world's best underground indie-rock bands, has quickly become one of the city's best. Punk DJs fill out the hours when bands aren't playing.

The Hidden Vine

620 Post (at Cosmo) San Francisco, CA 94109

415-674-3567

<http://www.thehiddenvine.com>

Duck into Cosmo Alley from Post Street. Tastings offer chances to compare varietals from California and beyond, from lesser-known wineries.

HiFi

2125 Lombard (at Fillmore) San Francisco, CA 94123

415-345-8663

This nightspot is home to some down-and-dirty house and hip hop dance parties.

Holy Cow

1535 Folsom (at 11th St.) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-621-6087

<http://www.theholycow.com>

It's always a party at the Holy Cow. Watch partygoers on the dance floor as you sip half-price cocktails and groove to '80s music and R&B.

The Homestead

2301 Folsom (at 19th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-282-4663

Horizon

498 Broadway (at Kearny) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-576-1118

<http://www.horizonsf.com>

Hotel Biron

45 Rose (at Gough) San Francisco, CA 94102

415-703-0403

<http://www.hotelbiron.com>

Hotel Utah

500 Fourth St. (at Bryant) San Francisco, CA 94107

415-546-6300

<http://www.thehotelutahsaloon.com>

The Hotel Utah Saloon, where a small stage, an antique bar, and a diversely stocked jukebox set the scene. Local bands and acoustic songwriters perform.

House of Shields
39 New Montgomery (at Jessie) San Francisco, CA 94105
415-975-8651
<http://www.houseofshields.com>

Houston's
1800 Montgomery (at Embarcadero) San Francisco, CA 94111
415-392-9280
<http://www.houstons.com>
Some of the finest local piano crooners play pop standards from the '30s and '40s every night except Friday and Saturday.

Hyde-Out
1068 Hyde (at California) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-441-1914

Icon
1192 Folsom (at Eighth St.) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-626-4800
<http://www.iconloungesf.com>
Its interior all geometrical angles and glowing space-age lighting. Hip-hop and Top 40.

Il Pirata
2007 16th St. (at Utah) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-626-2626
<http://www.ilpiratasf.com>
With its black leather booths and no-frills atmosphere, this watering hole offers a roster of DJs spinning dance music ranging from reggae and soul to psytrance and other electronica. Two separate patios.

Impala
501 Broadway (at Kearny) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-982-5299
<http://www.impalASF.com>

The Independent
628 Divisadero (at Hayes) San Francisco, CA 94117
415-771-1421
<http://www.theindependentsf.com>
The Independent boasts great sound and sightlines, not to mention a diverse calendar that pulls top acts from genres including indie rock, alt-country, electronica, post-punk, funk, hip-hop, reggae, and other music from around the globe.

Infusion Lounge

124 Ellis (at Powell) San Francisco, CA 94102

415-421-8700

<http://www.infusionlounge.com>

An upscale lounge with Asian decor, glowing glass columns, and even a hologram behind the bar.

Ireland's 32

3920 Geary (at Third Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94118

415-386-6173

<http://www.irelands32.com>

A fine beer selection, darts, pool, European sports on TV, and pub food, this Inner Richmond pub offers live music most nights, from punk to traditional Irish music to an open mic night.

The Irish Bank

10 Mark (at Bush) San Francisco, CA 94108

415-788-7152

<http://www.theirishbank.com>

While the interior says Irish bar, it plays hip-hop and it has an alleyway setting that's urban and secluded.

Italian American Social Club

25 Russia (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94112

415-585-8059

<http://www.iascsf.com>

Jack London Square

Broadway & Embarcadero Oakland, CA 94607

510-814-6000

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

Don't miss the tiny, reconstructed Yukon cabin in which London lived while prospecting during the 1897 gold rush.

Jack's Club

2545 24th St. (at Utah) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-641-5371

<http://jacksclubsf.com/>

Jay 'n' Bee Club

2736 20th St. (at York) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-824-4190

<http://www.myspace.com/jaynbeeclub>

Jazzschool
2087 Addison (at Shattuck) Berkeley, CA 94704
510-845-5373
<http://www.jazzschool.com>

Jelly's
295 Terry Francois (at Pier 50) San Francisco, CA 94158
415-495-3099
<http://www.jellyscafe.com/home.htm>
"Club Havana" — a Latin dance party dedicated to die-hard salsa fans — The club's proximity to the baseball stadium means loads of easy parking whenever the Giants aren't in town.

Jester's Lounge
50 Third St. (at Market) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-974-8800
<http://www.argenthotel.com>
This cozy oasis of martinis is a destination for travelers and after-work locals alike.

Jillian's
101 Fourth St. (at Howard) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-369-6100
<http://sanfrancisco.jilliansbilliards.com>
This after- work hangout - becomes a dance spot on the weekends.

John Colins
138 Minna (at New Montgomery) San Francisco, CA 94105
415-543-2277
<http://www.johncolins.com>
Previously located at 90 Natoma, John Colins' new home gets crowded with white-collar workers from the Financial District in the late afternoon.

John Patrick's
1813 Park (at Eagle) Alameda, CA 94501
510-522-5105

John's Grill
63 Ellis (at Powell) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-986-3274
<http://www.johnsgrill.com/frmst1a.htm>
This landmark restaurant features local jazz guitarists nightly.

Johnny Foley's Irish House

243 O'Farrell (at Powell) San Francisco, CA 94102

415-954-0777

<http://www.johnnyfoleys.com>

Music lovers cherish the intimate cellar where songsmiths like Ron Sexsmith, Josh Rouse, and Lisa Loeb have all performed.

Jupiter

2181 Shattuck (at Center) Berkeley, CA 94704

510-THE-ROCK

Kate O'Brien's

579 Howard (at Second St.) San Francisco, CA 94105

415-882-7240

<http://www.kateobriens.com>

A downtown watering hole that feels like a friendly neighborhood Irish pub.

Kelley's Tavern

3231 Fillmore (at Lombard) San Francisco, CA 94123

415-567-7181

<http://kelleystavern.com>

Kells Irish Restaurant & Bar

530 Jackson (at Columbus) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-955-1916

<http://www.kellsirish.com>

Live music (on weekends) at this classy, comfortable pub and presenting gorgeous views of the bay.

Kelly's of Alameda

1313 Park (at Encinal) Alameda, CA 94501

510-769-1011

Kezar Pub & Restaurant

770 Stanyan (at Waller) San Francisco, CA 94117

415-386-9292

<http://www.thekezarpub.com>

The Kezar, located directly across the street from the original Kezar Stadium. The pub is a friendly and often packed — sports bar with greasy eats and plenty of TVs on which to watch the game.

Kilowatt

3166 16th St. (at Valencia) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-861-2595

<http://www.barbell.com/kilowatt>

The Kilowatt is just a regular suds joint, sans live music, but it's a pretty fun one nonetheless. Multiple pool tables, and good happy hour deals on beer.

Kimball's East

5800 Shellmound (at Christy) Emeryville, CA 94608
510-658-2555

Kimball's Carnival

215 Washington (at Second St.) Oakland, CA 94607
510-444-6401

<http://www.kimballscarnival.com>

Kingman's Lucky Lounge

3332 Grand (at Elwood) Oakland, CA 94610
510-465-5464

Kingman's Ivy Room

860 San Pablo (at Solano) Albany, CA 94706
510-526-5888

<http://www.kingmanscocktails.com>

The Ivy Room combines the retro feel and decor of the 40s cocktail lounge with the modern sounds and styles of hip-hop, R&B, avant-jazz, and more.

The Knockout

3223 Mission (at Valencia) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-550-6994

<http://www.theknockoutsf.com>

The Knockout has been called a clubhouse for big kids. Started by brothers and longtime Mission District bartenders dX and John Segura, the place just bleeds their love for kitsch, rockabilly, a touring mod band tearing up the stage, or a DJ spinning metal or old funk 45s.

KoKo Cocktails

1060 Geary (at Van Ness) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-885-4788

<http://www.kokococktails.com>

DJs play everything from vintage soul, hip-hop, and reggae to Brazilian beats, art-rock, and mutant disco.

Kozy Kar
1548 Polk (at Sacramento) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-346-5699
<http://www.kozykar.com>
Ironic beer selection, and retro van decor

Larry Flynt's Hustler
1031 Kearny (at Broadway) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-434-1305
<http://www.hustlerclubsf.com/>

Laszlo
2532 Mission (at 21st St.) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-648-7000
<http://www.laszlobar.com>
Lively locals spin dance music and party jams.

Latin American Club
3286 22nd St. (at Valencia) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-647-2732
<http://www.myspace.com/latinamericanclub>

The Layover
1517 Franklin (at 15th St.) Oakland, CA 94612
510-834-1517
<http://www.oaklandlayover.com>

Le Colonial
20 Cosmo (at Ophir) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-931-3600
<http://www.lecolonialsf.com>
The upscale Le Colonial restaurant features a palm tree-lined interior.

Lefty O'Doul's
333 Geary (at Powell) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-982-8900
<http://www.leftyodouls.biz>

Les Joulins Jazz Bistro
44 Ellis (at Powell) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-397-5397
Steak 'n' jazz are the highlights at this Union Square bistro, with nightly live performances.

Level III

500 Post (at Mason) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-929-2087
<http://www.levelthreesf.com>

Levende East

827 Washington (at Ninth St.) Oakland, CA 94607
510-835-5585
<http://www.levendeeast.com>

Li Po Lounge

916 Grant (at Washington) San Francisco, CA 94108
415-982-0072

Li Po is the hippest music venue in Chinatown. They host fringe punk, funk, electro, and rock.

Liminal

2000 Myrtle (at 18th St.) Oakland, CA 94607
510-835-2695

Lingba Lounge

1469 18th St. (at Connecticut) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-355-0001
<http://www.lingba.com>

Lion Pub

2062 Divisadero (at Sacramento) San Francisco, CA 94115
415-567-6565

Little Baobab

3388 19th St. (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-643-3558
<http://www.littlebaobabsf.com>

The combination of Creole food, Senegalese cocktails, and Brazilian music makes Little Baobab a cool place.

The Little Shamrock

807 Lincoln (at Ninth Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94122
415-661-0060

Lone Palm
3394 22nd St. (at Guerrero) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-648-0109
<http://www.lonepalmbar.com>

Lost Weekend Lounge
2320 Santa Clara (at Oak) Alameda, CA 94501
510-523-4700

Lot 46
46 Geary (at Kearny) San Francisco, CA 94108
415-677-9029
<http://www.lot46sf.com>
A trendy new DJ room located immediately off Union Square

Lou's Pier 47
300 Jefferson (at Jones) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-771-5687
<http://www.louspier47.com>
Live blues blares most nights at Lou's in Fisherman's Wharf. The cover charge generally ranges from \$3 to \$10.

Lounge 3411
3411 MacArthur (at 35th Ave.) Oakland, CA 94602

The Luggage Store
1007 Market (at Sixth St.) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-255-5971
<http://www.luggagestoregallery.org>
They host exhibits and music in this gallery space with experimental instrumental sounds, a hip-hop special event, or a comedy open mic.

Luka's Taproom & Lounge
2221 Broadway (at West Grand) Oakland, CA 94612
510-451-4677
<http://www.lukasoakland.com>

Lush Lounge
1221 Polk (at Fern) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-771-2022
<http://www.lushloungesf.com>

Lusty Lady Theatre
1033 Kearny (at Broadway) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-391-3991
<http://www.lustyladysf.com>

Mad Dog in the Fog
530 Haight (at Fillmore) San Francisco, CA 94117
415-626-7279
British expats flock here for televised "football" games and pints of their favorite ale.

Madrone Lounge
500 Divisadero (at Fell) San Francisco, CA 94117
415-241-0202
<http://www.madronelounge.com>
This is the place on Divisadero to go. Everything is created by local artists, while DJs spin everything from hip-hop, funk, and soul to vintage jazz and retro rock 'n' roll.

Maggie McGarry's
1353 Grant (at Vallejo) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-399-9020

Make-Out Room
3225 22nd St. (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-647-2888
<http://www.makeoutroom.com>
This bar lends itself to the mostly folk and country acts that perform here. DJ nights, Latin funk and Jamaican ska to New Wave and indie dance hits.

Mama Buzz Cafe
2318 Telegraph (at 23rd St.) Oakland, CA 94612
510-465-4073
<http://www.mamabuzzcafe.com>

Manor West
750 Harrison (at Third St.) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-240-7558
<http://www.manorwestsf.com>
A new upscale nightclub in the space previously occupied by Boss.

Marina Lounge
2138 Chestnut (at Pierce) San Francisco, CA 94123
415-922-1475

Market Bar
One Ferry Bldg. (at Market) San Francisco, CA 94111
415-434-1100
<http://www.marketbar.com>

Marlena's
488 Hayes (at Octavia) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-864-6672

Mars Bar & Restaurant
798 Brannan (at Seventh St.) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-621-6277
<http://www.marsbarsf.com>

Featuring the occasional live DJ, this place is more often than not occupied by a young, after-work crowd. The back patio is one of the few places to sip a cocktail outdoors on sunny SOMA afternoons.

MatrixFillmore
3138 Fillmore (at Greenwich) San Francisco, CA 94123
415-563-4180
<http://www.matrixfillmore.com>

Mauna Loa Club
3009 Fillmore (at Union) San Francisco, CA 94123
415-563-5137

Maxwell's Lounge
341 13th St. (at Webster) Oakland, CA 94612
510-839-6169
<http://www.maxwellslounge.com>

An East Bay destination for those who like to dress up while they get down to R&B, neo-soul, and hip-hop, courtesy of both live singers and local DJs

McGrath's Pub
1539 Lincoln (at Stanton) Alameda, CA 94501
510-522-6263
<http://www.mcgrathspub.com>

Medici Lounge
299 Ninth St. (at Folsom) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-863-6334

On weekends this small corner restaurant lets DJs crank up the dance tunes in a relatively casual environment.

Medjool

2522 Mission(at 21st St) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-550-9055

<http://www.medjoolsf.com>

Ground zero of Mission District — Medjool is an upscale restaurant/bar known for its trendy clientele and a rooftop patio with an unbeatable view of the city skyline.

Meenar Music Club

346 Hartz Ave.

Danville, CA 94526

Mercury Lounge

1582 Folsom (at 12th St.) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-551-1582

<http://www.mercurysf.com>

Mezzanine

444 Jessie (at Mint) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-625-8880

<http://www.mezzaninesf.com>

A top-flight club on a dark city sidestreet, listen to electro bands, international DJs, or hip-hop MCs.

Mighty

119 Utah (at 15th St.) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-762-0151

<http://www.mighty119.com>

This warehousey Potrero Hill club hosts many mid to high profile DJ events, from house music hip-hop throwdowns and even the occasional roller disco.

Milk

1840 Haight (at Stanyan) San Francisco, CA 94117

415-387-6455

<http://www.milksf.com>

Milk has reimagined itself as the Upper Haight's venue for live rock, with frequent shows featuring some the best local indie bands.

Minx

827 Sutter (at Jones) San Francisco, CA 94109

415-346-7666

<http://www.minxdrinx.com>

Monday to Friday 5 p.m.-2 a.m. Saturday and Sunday 6 p.m.-2 a.m.

Miraloma Club
749 Portola (at Fowler) San Francisco, CA 94127
415-564-1131

Mission Bar
2695 Mission (at 23rd St.) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-647-2300

Mission Rock Cafe
817 Terry Francois (at Mariposa) San Francisco, CA 94158
415-626-5355
<http://www.missionrockcafe.com>
This China Basin indoor/outdoor club sits right on the water and has both local and international DJ talent playing everything from hip-hop to house.

Missouri Lounge
2600 San Pablo (at Parker) Berkeley, CA 94702
510-548-2080
<http://www.themissourilounge.com>
A chill bar with large outdoor patio, pool table, retro decor, hip-hop & rock DJs, and other amenities in Berkeley.

Mist
316 11th St. (at Folsom) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-552-6478
<http://www.mistsf.com>
Hip-hop, house, and bass-y beats bounce from the turntables and an elevated glass dance floor.

Mitchell Brothers O'Farrell Theatre
895 O'Farrell (at Polk) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-441-1930
<http://www.ofarrell.com>
Famous topless dance club with more history than your usual nudie bar.

Mojito
1337 Grant (at Vallejo) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-398-1120
<http://www.mojitosf.com>
North Beach music club that hosts bands and DJs playing reggae, Latin, funk, rock, and more.

Molotov's
582 Haight (at Fillmore) San Francisco, CA 94117
415-558-8019
Punk & thrash on the jukebox.

Monaghan's
3259 Pierce (at Chestnut) San Francisco, CA 94123
415-567-4466
<http://monaghanssf.com>

The Monkey Club
2730 21st St. (at Bryant) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-647-6546
<http://www.myspace.com/themonkeyclubsf>

The Mucky Duck
1315 Ninth Ave. (at Irving) San Francisco, CA 94122
415-661-4340
<http://www.muckyduckpub.com>

Namu
439 Balboa (at Sixth Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94118
415-386-8332
<http://www.namusf.com>

Nap's 3
3152 Mission (at Fair) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-648-1226

Nickies
466 Haight (at Fillmore) San Francisco, CA 94117
415-255-0300
<http://www.nickies.com>

A cross between a sports bar and nightclub, Nickies is a Lower Haight hangout where the DJs spinning old-school hip-hop and the smoking crowd overflows onto the sidewalk.

Nob Hill Tavern Sports Bar
1390 California (at Hyde) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-673-9294

Noc Noc
557 Haight (at Steiner) San Francisco, CA 94117
415-861-5811
<http://www.nocnocs.com>

North End Caffe
1402 Grant (at Green) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-956-3350

O'Reilly's Irish Bar & Restaurant
622 Green (at Columbus) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-989-6222
<http://www.oreillysirish.com>

O'Neill's
747 Third St. (at King) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-777-1177
<http://www.tisoneills.com>
O'Neill's is the place to go in South Beach if you need a pint of Guinness.

Oaklandish
411 2nd St. (at Franklin) Oakland, CA 94607
510-451-2677

The Occidental Cigar Club
471 Pine (at Kearny) San Francisco, CA 94101
415-834-0485
<http://occidentalcigarclub.com>

Octopus Lounge
180 Eureka Square (at Oceania) Pacifica, CA 94044
650-355-9400
<http://www.myspace.com/theoctopuslounge>

Olive
743 Larkin (at O'Farrell) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-776-9814
<http://www.olive-sf.com>

Otis

25 Maiden (at Kearny) San Francisco, CA 94108

<http://www.otissf.com>

Mostly for invite-only soirees this new club near Union Square sits on Maiden Lane.

Owl Tree

601 Post (at Taylor) San Francisco, CA 94109

415-359-1600

The Owl Tree is a flashy, upscale cocktail lounge.

Oz Smoking Lounge

3224 22nd St. (at Bartlett) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-970-9747

<http://www.ozloungesf.com>

This tiny hookah lounge fills its allotted space with savory smoke and the sound of dubby electronic beats.

Paradise Lounge

1501 Folsom (at 11th St.) San Francisco, CA 94103

415-252-5018

<http://www.paradisesf.com>

The Paradise Lounge has been described as multiple levels, three bars, and two dance floors" — the downstairs main room, the upstairs smoking room, the windowed "Above Paradise" bar, and the windowless DJ room behind that.

Paragon

701 Second St. (at Townsend) San Francisco, CA 94107

415-537-9020

<http://www.paragonrestaurant.com>

Thee Parkside

1600 17th St. (at Wisconsin) San Francisco, CA 94107

415-252-1330

<http://www.theeparkside.com>

This longtime home to bikers and blue-collars has transformed itself into one of the city's finest small rooms for rock, garage, punk, metal, indie. The back patio is great.

Parkway Lounge

1850 Park (at E. 19th St.) Oakland, CA 94606

510-451-7231

<http://www.parkwaylounge.net>

The Parlor
2801 Leavenworth (at Beach) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-775-5110
<http://www.theparlorsf.com>

Peacock Lounge
552 Haight (at Fillmore) San Francisco, CA 94117
415-621-9850
Latin rhythms and Cajun soul as listeners munch on Latin American food or head-bop at the bar.

Pearl's
329 West Portal (at 14th Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94127
415-556-5832

Peña Pachamama
1630 Powell (at Union) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-646-0018
<http://www.penapachamama.com>
South American cuisine, music, and art" and flamenco dance routines.

Perry's Joint
2051 Lincoln (at 22nd Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94115
626-798-4700
<http://www.perrysjoint.com>

Pete's 881 Club
721 Lincoln (at Irwin) San Francisco, CA 94122
415-453-5888
<http://www.petes881.com>

Pete's Tavern
128 King (at Third St.) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-817-5040
<http://www.petestavernsf.com>

The Phoenix
811 Valencia (at 19th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-695-1811
<http://www.phoenixirishbar.com>

Phone Booth

1398 South Van Ness (at 25th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-648-4683

Mission dive bar that attracts a young crowd. The pool table, a jukebox.

Pier 23 Cafe

Pier 23 (at Embarcadero) San Francisco, CA 94111

415-362-5125

<http://www.pier23cafe.com>

This hopping waterfront spot has bands: rock, reggae, salsa, funk, and jazz. Usually crowded, always fun.

Pink Diamonds

220 Jones (at Turk) San Francisco, CA 94102

415-931-1998

Pissed Off Pete's

4528 Mission (at Santa Rosa) San Francisco, CA 94112

415-584-5122

<http://www.pissedoffpetes.com>

Hosts occasional rock shows, DJ nights, and comedy events. There's a separate pool room in the back.

Place Pigalle

520 Hayes (at Octavia) San Francisco, CA 94102

415-552-2671

Players Arcade & Sports Grill

Pier 39 (at Embarcadero) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-981-6300

<http://www.playerssf.com>

Family-friendly sports bar with typically American grub, beer and wine for adults, and arcade games for the kids.

Plough & Stars

116 Clement (at Second Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94118

415-751-1122

<http://www.theploughandstars.com>

Live soundtrack of traditional jigs and reels gives this Richmond watering hole and occasionally opens the stage to folk acts.

Polomoni's
1845 First St. (at M St.) Livermore, CA 94550
925-447-5311

Pop's Bar
2800 24th St. (at York) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-401-7677
<http://www.myspace.com/popsbar>
Mission dive bar that attracts a mixture of skatepunks, bike hipsters, and anyone seeking cheap drinks, loud music.

Powerhouse
1347 Folsom (at Ninth St.) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-552-8689
<http://www.powerhouse-sf.com>
Having club nights with names like "Nipple Play" (nipple fetish night), "Underwear" (panty fetish night), a mix of house and techno every night, and the back room/dance floor

Press Club
20 Yerba Buena (at Market) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-744-5000
<http://www.pressclubsf.com>

Project One
251 Rhode Island (at 16th St.) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-465-2129
<http://www.projectonesf.com>
Art gallery? Or dance club? It showcases hip new Bay Area artists, while at night it comes alive to the sound of underground dance beats.

PT Lounge
3565 Geary Blvd. (at Stanyan) San Francisco, CA 94121
415-668-9888

Punch Line
444 Battery (at Clay) San Francisco, CA 94111
415-397-4337
<http://www.punchlinecomedyclub.com>

The Purple Onion
140 Columbus (at Pacific) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-956-1653
<http://www.caffemacaroni.com/purple.shtml>

Que Syrah

230 W. Portal (at 14th Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94127
415-731-7000
<http://quesyrah.com>

Radio Bar

435 13th St. (at Franklin) Oakland, CA 94612
510-451-2889

A small bar in downtown Oakland. The Radio Bar goes from cozy to crowded with a quickness.

Rafters

812 Fourth St. (at Lincoln) San Rafael, CA 94901
415-453-4200
<http://www.raftersgrille.com/>

The Ramp

855 Terry Francois (at Illinois) San Francisco, CA 94158
415-621-2378
<http://www.ramprestaurant.com>

This waterfront bar leans toward light jazz, pop, and easy listening most of the year, but in summer afternoons live salsa bands.

Rasselas Ethiopian Cuisine & Jazz Club

1534 Fillmore (at O'Farrell) San Francisco, CA 94115
415-346-8696
<http://www.rasselasjazzclub.com>

Red Devil Lounge

1695 Polk (at Clay) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-921-1695
<http://www.reddevillounge.com>

Independent rock bands perform in this venue.

Red Jack Saloon

131 Bay (at Midway) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-989-0700

Retox

628 20th St. (at Third St.) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-626-7386
<http://www.retoxsf.com>

Retox is a real Jekyll/Hyde kinda place: underground rock and metal bands with occasional DJs.

Revolution Cafe

3248 22nd St. (at Bartlett) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-642-0474

This Mission District cafe displays a changing exhibition of local visual art, and Papa Toby's diverse music calendar which offers free live jazz, creative folk, chamber music, and other sonic treats.

Rickhouse

46 Kearny (at Post) San Francisco, CA 94108

415-398-2827

The Riptide

3639 Taraval (at 47th Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94116

415-759-7263

<http://www.riptidesf.com>

With its fireplace, hearty drinks, and amazing free live music calendar, the Riptide has DJs spin punk, ska, and metal, with folk, bluegrass, and Americana bands.

The Rite Spot Cafe

2099 Folsom (at 17th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-552-6066

<http://www.ritespotcafe.net>

Folk and jazz.

RN74

301 Mission (at Beale) San Francisco, CA 94105

415-543-7474

<http://www.michaelmina.net/rn74>

Roccapulco

3140 Mission (at Cesar Chavez) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-648-6611

<http://www.roccapulco.com>

Salsa dancing is the featured attraction at this gigantic Mission District supper club.

Rockit Room

406 Clement (at Sixth Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94118

415-387-6343

<http://www.rock-it-room.com>

The Richmond District's only real rock club also features hip-hop, reggae, funk, comedy, and other events depending on the day.

The Room Ultra Lounge
101 Sixth St. (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-543-7666
<http://www.theroomsf.com>

Rooster's Roadhouse
1700 Clement (at Grand) Alameda, CA 94501
510-337-9190
<http://www.myspace.com/roostersroadhouse>

Rose Street House of Music
1839 Rose (at MLK) Berkeley, CA 94703
510-594-4000, ext. 687
<http://www.rosestreetmusic.com>

Rosewood
732 Broadway (at Stockton) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-951-4886
<http://www.rosewoodbar.com>
Mon.-Sat. 5 p.m.-2 a.m

Rouge
1500 Broadway (at Polk) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-346-7683
<http://www.rougesf.com>
From Top 40 and funky house to hip-hop and neo-soul.

The Royal Exchange
301 Sacramento (at Front) San Francisco, CA 94111
415-956-1710
<http://www.royalexchange.com>

Royale
1326 Grant (at Vallejo) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-433-4274
<http://royale415.com/>

The Rrazz Room
at the Hotel Nikko, 222 Mason (at Ellis) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-394-1189
<http://www.therrazzroom.com>
San Francisco's home of swanky cabaret entertainment, offers jazz singers, and more.

The Ruby Room

132 14th St. (at Oak) Oakland, CA 94612

510-444-7224

This stylish-but-chill hangout by Lake Merritt in downtown O-Town is a good place to disappear with a drink while DJs spin.

Ruby Skye

420 Mason (at Geary) San Francisco, CA 94102

415-693-0777

<http://www.rubyskye.com>

This multilevel venue is host to steamy house-music and trance DJs, weekly concerts, and corporate parties.

The Saloon

1232 Grant (at Vallejo) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-989-7666

<http://www.sfb Blues.net/Saloon.html>

Live blues performances, the Saloon also has the rugged distinction of having survived the 1906 earthquake and standing as the oldest bar in San Francisco (opened in 1861).

San Francisco Brewing Co.

155 Columbus (at Kearny) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-434-3344

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

Live jazz and blues on varying nights.

San Francisco Comedy College

414 Mason (at Geary) San Francisco, CA 94102

415-921-2051

<http://www.sfcomedycollege.com>

Savanna Jazz Club

2937 Mission (at 25th St.) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-285-3369

<http://www.savannajazz.com>

Savanna stands out in its neighborhood: live jazz most nights of the week, along with dinner and drinks at a reasonable price.

Saylor's Landing

2009 Bridgeway (at Ebbtide) Sausalito, CA 94965

415-459-2624

<http://www.saylorsrestaurantandbar.com>

SF Comedy Club
50 Mason (at Eddy) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-398-4129

Shanghai 1930
133 Steuart (at Mission) San Francisco, CA 94105
415-896-5600
<http://www.shanghai1930.com>
A Chinese restaurant, a jazz venue with nightly live performances from several local bands, and a members-only cigar lounge.

Shattuck Down Low
2284 Shattuck (at Bancroft) Berkeley, CA 94704
510-548-1159
<http://www.shattuckdownlow.com>

Sheba Piano Lounge
1419 Fillmore (at Ellis) San Francisco, CA 94115
415-440-7414
<http://www.shebalounge.com>

Shine
1337 Mission (at Ninth St.) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-255-1337
<http://www.shinesf.com>

Showdown
10 Sixth St. (at Market) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-255-7920
<http://www.showdownsf.com>
The venue formerly known as the Matador — and the Arrow Bar before that — This DJ spot on gritty Sixth Street is almost always a source of hip downtown beats.

Silver Clouds
1994 Lombard (at Webster) San Francisco, CA 94123
415-922-1977

Simple Pleasures
3434 Balboa (at 35th Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94121
415-387-4022
This low-key Outer Richmond mainstay has been a favorite of poets and folkie songwriters since it opened in the '70s.

Sip
787 Broadway (at Powell) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-699-6545
<http://www.siploungesf.com>

Sizzle Lounge
at Showgirls Cabaret (412 Broadway) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-391-2800
<http://www.sizzlesf.com>

Skip's Tavern
453 Cortland (at Andover) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-282-3456
<http://www.skipstavern.com>
Skip's in Bernal Heights offers electric blues licks by the bushel.

Skybox Lounge
6005 Shellmound (at Powell) Emeryville, CA 94608
<http://www.skyboxlounge.net>

Skylark Lounge
3089 16th St. (at Valencia) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-621-9294
<http://www.skylarkbar.com>
A DJ bar with grand, high ceilings.

Slide
430 Mason (at Geary) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-421-1916
<http://www.slidesf.com>
Slide is more Puff Daddy than Jay Gatsby, and the DJs' selections of Top 40, hip-hop, and house music reflect it.

Slim's
333 11th St. (at Folsom) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-255-0333
<http://www.slims-sf.com>
A midsize venue that hosts a variety of underground rock, metal, hip-hop, and reggae bands.

Sloane
1525 Mission (at 11th St.) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-621-7007
<http://www.sloanesf.com>

Smiley's Schooner Saloon
41 Wharf (at Brighton) San Rafael, CA 94903
415-868-1311
<http://www.coastalpost.com/smileys>

Smuggler's Cove
650 Gough (at McAllister) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-869-1900
<http://www.smugglerscovesf.com>
A new Hayes Valley tiki bar focusing of a large variety of rum drinks and complete with indoor waterfall

SoCha
3235 Mission (at Valencia) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-643-6848
<http://www.sochacafe.com>
A variety of local musicians ranging from folk to jazz to classical.

Solstice Restaurant & Lounge
2801 California (at Divisadero) San Francisco, CA 94115
415-359-1222
<http://www.solsticelounge.com>

Soluna Café & Lounge
272 McAllister (at Larkin) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-621-2200
<http://www.solunasf.com>

Som
2925 16th St. (at S. Van Ness) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-558-8521
<http://www.som-bar.com>
Som has recessed mood lighting, mod-minimalist decor, and \$10 well drinks served to a trendy middle-class crowd while DJs sling beats from the shadowy corner.

Somar
1727 Telegraph (at 17th St.) Oakland, CA 94612
<http://www.somarbar.com>

Specs' 12 Adler Museum Cafe
12 Adler (at Broadway) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-421-4112

Specs' bar does indeed feel like a museum, sometimes bohemian old-timers will quietly prop themselves at the piano and add subliminal music to the constant hum of conversation.

Starry Plough
3101 Shattuck (at Prince) Berkeley, CA 94705
510-841-2082

Stork Club
2330 Telegraph (at 23rd St.) Oakland, CA 94612
510-444-6174

<http://www.storkcluboakland.com>

The Stork Club is downtown Oakland's best destination for underground punk & metal bands.

Straits
845 Market (at Fifth St.) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-668-1783
<http://www.straitsrestaurants.com>

Sugar Cafe
679 Sutter (at Taylor) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-441-5678
<http://www.sugarcafesf.com>

Sugar Lounge
377 Hayes (at Gough) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-255-7144
<http://www.sugarloungesf.com>
Monday-Thursday 4-11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday 4 p.m.-2 a.m.

Suite one8one
181 Eddy (at Mason) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-345-9900
<http://www.suite181.com>

The DJs who spin hip-hop, house, Top 40, soul, and mash-ups with a conventional flavor.

Swedish American Hall

2174 Market (at Sanchez) San Francisco, CA 94114

415-861-5016

<http://www.swedishamericanhall.com>

The Swedish American Hall. Music usually ranges from country and folk to indie rock and beyond.

Sweetie's

475 Francisco (at Mason) San Francisco, CA 94133

415-433-2343

Tee Off Bar and Grill

3129 Clement (at 32nd Ave.) San Francisco, CA 94121

415-752-5439

<http://www.teeoffbarandgrill.com>

Tempest

431 Natoma (at Mary) San Francisco, CA 94107

415-495-1863

A no-frills hangout popular with bike messengers and neighborhood locals. On rare occasions, punk and indie bands may perform.

Temple

540 Howard (at First St.) San Francisco, CA 94105

415-978-9942

<http://www.templesf.com>

The city's latest megaclub boasts multiple rooms and great music.

Terra

511 Harrison (at First St.) San Francisco, CA 94105

415-896-1234

<http://www.terrasf.com>

The Dubliner

3838 24th St. (at Vicksburg) San Francisco, CA 94114

415-826-2279

<http://www.dublinerbars.com>

Thieves Tavern

3349 20th St. (at Shotwell) San Francisco, CA 94110

415-401-8661

Thirsty Bear Brewing Company
661 Howard (at Third St.) San Francisco, CA 94105
415-974-0905
<http://www.thirstybear.com>

Thirsty Bear has become something of a live music venue. DJs spin on Thursday and the Sunday night.

Tonic
2360 Polk (at Union) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-771-5535
<http://www.tonic-bar.com>
Occasional DJs spin hip hop, lite house, and soul.

Tony Nik's Cafe
1534 Stockton (at Columbus & Green) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-693-0990

Top of the Mark
One Nob Hill, 999 California (at Mason) San Francisco, CA 94108
415-616-6916
<http://www.topofthemark.com>
This famed martini bar offers high-class wallpaper music on the weekends, including lounge piano, easy listening, classical, and some jazz combos.

Tortilla Heights
1750 Divisadero (at Bush) San Francisco, CA 94115
415-346-4531
<http://tortillaheights.com>

Trax
1437 Haight (at Ashbury) San Francisco, CA 94117
415-864-4213
<http://www.sftrax.com>
This Haight-Ashbury mainstay rarely has a dull moment.

Triple Crown
1760 Market (at Octavia) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-863-3516
<http://www.triplecrownsf.com>
The Triple Crown is a small- to mid-size nightclub with House and electronic DJs play hip-hop, retro disco, and occasional live bands keep the schedule interesting.

Triptych Restaurant
1155 Folsom (at Rausch) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-703-0557
<http://trptychsf.com>

The Tunnel Top
601 Bush (at Stockton) San Francisco, CA 94108
415-722-6620
Spinning globe-trotting hip-hop from South American grooves to Afro-Cuban anthems.

Underground SF
424 Haight (at Webster) San Francisco, CA 94117
415-864-7386
<http://www.facebook.com/undergroundsf>
Lower Haight spot attempts to play from vintage disco to drum 'n' bass to hip-hop to reggae.

The Union Room
401 Mason (at Geary) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-931-6012
<http://www.theunionroom.com>
Hear local songwriters and blues troubadours within shouting distance of Union Square.

Union Square Sports Bar
115 Mason (at Eddy) San Francisco, CA 94102
415-345-8484

Uptown Nightclub
1928 Telegraph (at 19th St.) Oakland, CA 94612
510-451-8100
<http://www.uptownnightclub.com>
The Uptown is a venue in the downtown Oakland music scene. Indie pop, punk, rockabilly, hip-hop, burlesque events, DJ nights.

Urban Diversion Clubhouse
1329B Columbus (at Beach) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-776-7455
<http://www.urbandiversion.com>

Velma's
2246 Jerrold (at Upton) San Francisco, CA 94124
415-824-4606
<http://www.velmasworld.com>

Verdi Club

2424 Mariposa (at Potrero) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-861-9199

<http://www.verdiclub.net>

The Verdi, the city's premier venue for live and DJed big-band dancing. Monday nights are for swing, and Thursday nights remain a favorite for tango aficionados.

Vertigo

1160 Polk (at Sutter) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-674-1278

The DJs are playing grooving pop, R&B, and soul from the past 30 years.

Vessel

85 Campton (at Stockton) San Francisco, CA 94108
415-433-8585

<http://www.vesselsf.com>

Vesuvio Cafe

255 Columbus (at Broadway) San Francisco, CA 94133
415-362-3370

<http://vesuvio.com>

Vinyl Room

221 Park (at Howard) Burlingame, CA 94010
650-347-7656

<http://www.vinyl-room.com>

VooDoo Lounge

14 S. Second St. (at E. Santa Clara) San Jose, CA 95113
408-286-8636

<http://www.voodooloungesj.com>

The Warfield

982 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94102-4012
415-345-0900

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

Water Lounge

5634 College (at Ocean View) Oakland, CA 94612
510-654-5426

<http://www.waterloungeoakland.com>

Whiskey Thieves
839 Geary (at Larkin) San Francisco, CA 94109
415-409-2063

White Horse Inn
6551 Telegraph (at 66th St.) Oakland, CA 94609
510-652-3820
<http://www.whitehorsebar.com>

Wicked Grounds
289 Eighth St. (at Folsom) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-503-0405
<http://www.wickedgrounds.com>

Wild Side West
424 Cortland (at Wool) San Francisco, CA 94110
415-647-3099

Wish
1539 Folsom (at 11th St.) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-431-1661
<http://www.wishsf.com>
A happening DJ hotspot spinning downtempo funk, house, and soul.

The X
715 Harrison (at Third St.) San Francisco, CA 94107
415-339-8686
<http://www.sfclubs.com>
This 18-and-over place with DJs spinning techno, trance, and house.

XYZ Restaurant and Bar
181 Third St. (at Howard) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-817-7836
<http://xyz-sf.com>

Yoshi's Japanese Restaurant
510 Embarcadero West (at Washington) Oakland, CA 94607
510-238-9200
<http://www.yoshis.com>
The world-class jazz club, is home to both a Japanese restaurant and a stage that hosts a variety of top-flight acts.

Yoshi's San Francisco
1330 Fillmore (at Eddy) San Francisco, CA 94115
415-655-5600
<http://www.yoshis.com>
This sparkling new venue is upscale to the max.

Zeitgeist
199 Valencia St. (at Duboce) San Francisco, CA 94103
415-255-7505
<http://www.zeitgeistsf.com>