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Q: What urban hikes do you recommend to travelers who want to keep active?

Working for the dog-friendly Westin St. Francis Hotel, I really enjoy sending our guests to Fort Funston, located behind Lake Merced, to hike. The area is dog friendly and has trails that wind along the bluffs down to the beach. Fort Funston is also a designated hang gliding area. It's mesmerizing to watch the hang gliders as they launch themselves off the ocean cliffs.

Q: Any favorite spots in the Presidio?

The bunker area above the toll plaza, for no other reason than that it offers spectacular views of the Pacific Ocean. A great little hidden gem for grabbing lunch in the Presidio is the Transit Café. They have great wood-oven pizza.

Q: What's your top photo-op?

The Marin Headlands to the north of the Golden Gate Bridge offers a fantastic picture opportunity of the Golden Gate Bridge. You are looking down at the bridge as you take the picture. Just take the Alexander Avenue exit, loop under the freeway and continue up the grade. The pull out is on your left.

Q: What makes a good SF souvenir?

No visitor should leave without picking up a bag of Chinese fortune cookies from the Golden Gate Fortune Cookie Factory.

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