



# *Concord*

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**Concord Fact Sheet**

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## **CONCORD VISITOR CENTER - START HERE!**

*When visiting Concord, make your first stop at the Concord Visitor Center! Our knowledgeable team and new, interactive information kiosk can help you find your way to everything you want to see and do in Concord!*

*The Visitor Center is located in the heart of Concord's charming, historic downtown at 2151 Salvio Street, in beautiful Salvio Pacheco Square. There's plenty of free parking too! More details at [VisitConcordCA.com](http://VisitConcordCA.com).*

## **LOCATION**

Concord, California is a thriving regional suburban East Bay center located just 29 miles (47 kilometers) northeast of San Francisco. Known for iconic landmarks and can't-miss destinations such as Mount Diablo, Concord Pavilion, and Todos Santos Plaza, Concord can be reached off of Hwy 680 or via two Concord stops along BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit): *Concord* and *North Concord/Martinez*. Those flying in can reach Concord via Oakland and San Francisco International airports as well as the small craft, public-use Buchanan Field Airport, in Concord.

Being in the heart of the Bay Area allows visitors to stay in Concord and easily travel to popular nearby locations. For wine enthusiasts, Concord is 32 miles away from Napa and 40 miles from Sonoma. Take BART to see the Oakland A's and other special events at the Oakland Coliseum or Arena, just 26 miles from Concord. Or head 29 miles west to San Francisco for a Golden State Warriors or Giants game or a day in the city.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

### **Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART)**

BART connects Concord to San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, and other cities. BART provides fast, reliable transportation to downtown offices, shopping centers, tourist attractions,



entertainment venues, universities, and other destinations for Bay Area residents and visitors alike.

- **Paratransit Bus Service**

County Connection provides bus and paratransit service throughout Concord, Pleasant Hill, Martinez, Walnut Creek, Clayton, Lafayette, Orinda, Moraga, Danville, and San Ramon, as well as unincorporated communities in Central Contra Costa County.

- **Airports**

If traveling by plane to SFO or Oakland Airport, take the train to Concord. BART is conveniently located at both airports and runs to Concord. If taking Amtrak, disembark at the Martinez station and then take a short ride via cab, Uber, or Lyft to Concord. JSX offers daily scheduled charter service from the Buchanan Field Airport located in Concord.

## **LODGING**

- **Hotels** 9
- **Total Rooms** 1300

Hilton Concord, Concord Plaza Concord, Clarion Hotel of Concord, Days Inn Concord, Best Western Heritage Inn, Motel 6 Concord, Premier Inns Concord, Studio 6 Concord, and American's Best Value Inn.

## **SHOPPING**

- **Main Shopping Centers**

The Veranda is Concord's newest shopping experience. The reimagined mixed-use retail center offers open-air shopping and dining. There are many options for dining or grabbing a tasty treat



and strolling along The Veranda's scenic outdoor walkway with waterfalls and outdoor seating. In the summer, the center offers *Veranda Unplugged* (live music nights), and Veranda On Ice skating rink in winter! The choices for entertainment are everywhere including a luxury movie/IMAX theatre, Dave and Buster's, Red Door Escape Rooms, and other imaginative and fun experiences.

The Willows Shopping Center offers activities, dining, and shopping options for the whole family to enjoy. It's conveniently located across from Hilton Concord too!

Sunvalley Shopping Center is the largest regional shopping center in Contra Costa County featuring more than 150 retail shops, services, and restaurants.

All of the above are located minutes from Hilton Concord, the Concord Plaza Hotel, and the Clarion Hotel.

## **FOOD & BEVERAGE**

Concord offers more than 350 restaurants and 27 different global cuisines.

January in Concord means the return of Comfort Food Month! This is when everyone from the Bay Area and beyond is invited to visit Concord and indulge in those dishes that bring pure joy with their warmth, heartiness, nostalgia, and well...comfort!

Concord continues to be a favorite for beer fans with a variety of craft brew experiences including The Hop Grenade Taproom & Bottleshop, E.J. Phair Brewing Company and Alehouse, Concord Taphouse, Side Gate Brewery & Beer Garden, and Epidemic Ales - a Concord-based brewery producing some of the best local brews in the Bay Area. The Contra Costa Beer trail connects these with other breweries throughout the county.

40 plus taquerias and restaurants make up the Concord Taco Trail. Featured in local and nationwide media including Food & Wine, the Taco Trail features some of the tastiest and most authentic tacos including al pastor, birria, fish, steak and so many more. Visit Concord received Visit California's Poppy Award for their work on the Concord Taco Trail!





Each of the above Concord Culinary trails has its own custom companion mobile passport with complete restaurant info for visitors and locals. The passports are filled with special discounts, offers, and a chance to win prizes too!

## **OUTDOOR RECREATION**

Towering 3,849 feet above California, Mount Diablo brings hikers, bikers, and campers from all over to its 20,000-acre state park. Over 400 plant and animal species live amongst the park's various terrain, drawing visitors to experience a diverse natural habitat and incredible panoramic views.

Whether you're picnicking, hiking, skateboarding, or just hanging out for a lazy afternoon, you can select from dozens of Concord parks. The Brazil Quarry Park boasts playgrounds, ball fields, a group picnic area, swimming pools, tennis courts, and miles of scenic hiking trails in the Lime Ridge Open Space.

Markham Nature Park and Arboretum feature an abundance of gorgeous greenery along Galindo Creek. Guests can take in separate rose and camelia gardens, a bee farm, a community garden, and an international garden. Each provides its own unique experience.

Briones Regional Park has views of the Diablo Valley and a trail to Diablo Foothills Regional Park, with wildflowers and vistas of San Francisco Bay.

A former coal-mining site, Black Diamond Mines Regional Trail connects Concord to the city of Pleasanton.

- **Cycling**

Bike Concord is a grassroots organization in Concord working for safe, convenient, and enjoyable bicycling in our community.



## AREA STATISTICS

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| • Geographic Size                 | 31.13 square miles |
| • Concord Population              | 124,074 (2021)     |
| • Contra Costa County Populations | 1,161,000 (2021)   |
| • Media Income                    | \$83,996           |

## VISITOR INFORMATION

Contact Visit Concord at **(925) 478-5802** or **info@visitconcordca.com**. Even more, information is available at [visitconcordca.com](http://visitconcordca.com)

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