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Highway 1: A theory

By Jordan Bowen

Highway 1 snakes along the lip of the continent, winding past the ridges, hills and cliffs thrust upward and out of the ocean over millions of years by two plates touching. In geologic time, what’s visible to our eyes has all happened rather quickly. Within the timeframe of the American imperium, little more than a century and a half in coastal California, the landscape seems permanent, enduring in this exact form until a storm crumbles a part of the cliff bearing Route 1 back into the sea.

The drive from the Point Reyes Peninsula through Marin and Sonoma Counties is marked by gut-wrenching switchbacks and awesome vistas—and by an ongoing effort to hold civilization here together. Houses and shops cling to the roadway in protective clusters, the road itself clinging to a crest of crumbling land shoved rudely up from the sea as if in a gasp.

In “The Edge of the Sea,” Rachel Carson writes, “Once this rocky coast beneath me was a plain of sand; then the sea rose and found a new shore line. And again in some shadowy future the surf will have ground these rocks to sand and will have returned the coast to its earlier state. And so in my mind’s eye these coastal forms merge and blend in a shifting, kaleidoscopic pattern in which there is no finality, no ultimate and fixed reality—earth becoming fluid as the sea itself.”

Since the historic deluges of California’s wettest winter, a year or so after the state’s driest winter, Highway 1’s steep embankments have been belted together in places by new reinforcements of like design: vertical wooden posts strapped down by a metal band like an architectural metaphor for a wine barrel in some new wave tasting room. For someone who cannot bear to look over a cliff face without vertigo, the workers who for weeks braved these deadly embankments far from the nearest town deserve some kind of plaque or medal.

Along the roadway, steel cables provide some hope of keeping the family car or delivery truck from tumbling
over—but you cannot cable the whole thing, and every week in the news, it seems, another vehicle makes the trip. For a public works project, these structures are touching in their unified aesthetic, as thoughtful interventions that manage not to mar the natural form.

But, well, is it all for naught? It is indubitably awesome—one of the rare good uses of that adjective, awe-some—to drive the treacherous road. The vast views are suddenly occluded by sheer, crumbling stone faces or bedraggled cypress windbreaks, only to emerge again above the fog line to a science fiction vista: a white ocean of fog with no depth, or an infinite, pacific horizon, without a single marker of distance.

What right do we have to it, to romp along this remote folly? Put aside for a moment the notions of sacred and profane, of violating “nature.” (We are nature, the highways are nature, as much as the ant and the anthill are nature.) By what right, from the perspective of civilization, legally, morally, are we here? Order, money, power, force. The Romans built roads to move their troops, but also to reinforce to their subjects who owns the network, who delivers the goods. As far as you can go on a highway, Caltrans, or C.H.P., or some deus ex machina like AAA, will protect and pave and shelter you, or call in a chopper if you topple over.

We have a right to be here because we killed for it and paid for it, or someone did, with blood and taxes, in construction and cartography, with interest on the national debt. The discomfort when a fallen tree closes a highway, or the road collapses from the embankment, or the wind takes out the power for a few days, is also an uncanny, stupid feeling of injustice—some force of entropy, beyond our control, has offended our right to enjoy this province, has trampled on our imperial right to leisure. How dare something come along to make it temporarily suck?

All of us raised in the ghostly republic of ashes are taught our manifest destiny: Kerouac has much in common with the owner of a lifted Hummer. We should be able to drive anywhere, on anything, and failing that, drag hundreds of dollars’ worth of survival equipment into the backcountry and pretend we’re homeless for a bit. For those of us in rental cars, with hotel confirmations in our inbox, we happily livestream our stories to Mom and ex-boyfriends on our phones, until, to our shock, the LTE vanishes and we are left alone with the cold glass of the passenger seat window superimposing the reflection of our face over the passing landscape.

At least we have some modern comforts to look forward to once we get out of the car, no matter how far we go. White sheets, pour-over coffee, hopefully a decent bar! We’re nauseous, but here we are.

Wilderness: a post-colonial mental trap, now part of the bureaucratic lexicon, with legal implications. Designed to erase indigenous history, prevent developers from turning the beach into another Monterey Cannery theme park, and give righteous cause to the baby boomers whose houses appreciate in value at its fringes. Keep it empty, keep it wild, keep it untamed and unmanaged, so long as it’s our backyard, so long as we can drive through it and over it, snapping selfies and gearing up for a light walk on a marked trail: the virtuous recreation. Sporting Patagucci windbreakers, H.D.R. cameras and social media sponsorships, our #vanlife lifestyle is truly an American religion—a worship not of land and nature, but of our entitlement to every last mile of this conquered continent. Hold my beer.
Octopus

By Jim Pellegrin

An octopus has eight arms.
An octopus can change color, just like that—
red for love, blue for sleep, green to grow—
squirt black ink to hide in when afraid.
Octopuses are smart as cats, for sure,
and likely as smart as we are.
An octopus can change shape
to get in or out of a tight spot,
such as a glass bottle
or a predicament.
An octopus's eyes
are identical in design
to human eyes,
including a pigmented iris
and a clear lens
to focus an image on the retina
which shoots the moving picture to the brain,
all this an example not of common ancestry,
but rather of convergent evolution,
meaning that, by the most bizarre
coincidence in the universe,
an octopus sees what we see.

An octopus has three hearts
in case one, or two, are broken.
(Three strikes though, and you are out.)
One day, the male octopus
hands the female
a packet of sperm
with his third right arm,
tucks it deep inside her.
This feels very good to both octopuses,
who embrace each other
with 16 amorous arms
while flashing all the colors
of the rainbow. After mating,
the male swims off and dies happily,
simple as that,
while the female stays behind.
She lays garlands of white, wriggly eggs,
guards them for weeks till they hatch,
then dies, peacefully, quietly,
as she watches her countless, shapeless, squirmy babies
paddle off clumsily to join the millions and millions of others
in the great, formless cloud of plankton that swirls around them,
consumes them, carries them away until they are lost in it
like tiny stars lost in the Milky Way.
For a few more seconds she gazes after them,
myriad shining specks of light
trailing off into darkness,
then she closes her eyes,
so much like ours,
forever. Octopus!

Mule and donkey

By Samantha Kimmey

I always get confused about whether it is the donkey or the mule
that is sterile. The mule, which is black and more horse-like, is the one
who looks at me whenever I go out the front door. I rarely go out the
front door. I park at the side door of my house.
I have to think logically to figure out which is sterile. When I see
them out there—they are always there—I think it must be the donkey,
because it looks so dumpy. It looks like a poorly drawn horse. But when
I think logically, I realize the mule, which looks like a horse, and a horse
could not produce an animal as silly as a donkey, and so it must be that
the donkey mated with a horse to produce the mule.

When I approach the fence, it is the mule that always walks up to me.
He has a resigned face. Flies crowd the wet ponds of his eyes, which are
bigger than the diameter of my open mouth. Each one is as big and mys-
terious as an eight ball. The mule is not really resigned. A mule has only
one expression. Sometimes the donkey is near the fence when I ap-
proach, but if I approach, the mule will edge the donkey out of the way.
Is this donkey the father of this mule?
I am not the mother of this mule.
Timber Cove

It's locals' night at Timber Cove Resort, an A-frame lodge and hotel near Jenner recently restored to its midcentury glamour. A few young men in rain boots and vintage workwear lean against a bar of poured concrete and chevroned wood while an all-white fusion jazz band riffs on Ethiopian themes. An older woman with hair to her waist floats through the audience performing seductive, interpretative gestures. Hotel guests, travelers and locals sit on Danish modern lounge chairs and sofas around low coffee tables before an enormous gas-powered hearth. The cocktails are served up strong.

It is hard to tease apart the layers of simulacra. After all the difficult driving along the coastline through provincial tourist towns, Timber Cove offers modern sophistication dosed with curated nostalgia and local color, making it the perfect Instagram. “Our entire linear and accumulative culture collapses if we cannot stockpile the past in plain view,” the French philosopher Jean Baudrillard wrote. Modern design, as much as today’s music and clothing, stacks it all high, as though the last century of fashion and progress have crashed into the same wall.

Dizzying confluences of culture are everywhere. A woman with a British accent at the front desk heralds your transition from the provisional life of the highway back to the safety of globally inspired luxury. She offers complimentary glasses of ginger beer to quell the nausea of the road, and the bartender offers a shot of vodka to make it a mule—thank you. Inside your room, a Crosley record player comes with a selection of vintage LPs, including Nick Cave and the Bad Seeds’ Murder Ballads. (“They think they know you,” a friend said.) A complimentary bottle of chilled sauvignon blanc in a bath of ice waits on the dresser, and the view of the ocean is at first stunning, then gradually enveloped in mist. A high-backed, low wooden-slatted chair on the balcony overlooks the sea. The same scene is on the website, and you know from the photo that a glass of wine and an overturned book should be left next to the empty chair.

The resort is not only ideal for a wedding party (or an affair) but also corporate retreats. Fussball and pool tables are available on the expansive outdoor porch, and a croquet court has been installed by an old well overlooking the cove frequently photographed by Ansel Adams. (The photographer, who returned often to the site, has a conference room named in his honor.)

One evening, a couple in their 20s sat at the coffee table in the lodge, dining on seared scallops and sea urchin carbonara. The man wore fashion joggers and tapped away at his laptop. The woman asked us to hand her a log, which she split open to pour out a set of dominoes. Residents of L.A., they’d been here nearly a week and still had another week to go, scouting locations for a motorcycle commercial in the nearby hills. A bus rolled into the parking lot to let out a couple dozen Asian-American tourists heading for a wine and food pairing in the Ansel Adams room.

It is filmmaker Jacques Tati’s 1973 masterpiece “Playtime” that gets the modern experience of travel just right. An almost abstract, nearly silent, Chaplinesque farce, the film depicts busloads of Americans arriving in a near-future Paris completely transformed by office towers and traffic jams. The group’s chatter is mostly incomprehensible except for a few exclamations of wonder and delight, and
the French residents all speak an English-infected gibberish. A tourist with a camera discovers a charming scene of authentic old Paris on the city sidewalk: a peasant woman selling flowers, who poses for the camera. But other tourists and a pair of gum-chewing greasers in varsity jackets keep disrupting the shot. The American tourist’s journey would not be worthwhile without the photo, because all the other elements of her trip—the airport mall selling “Ideal Cheese” (a true nightmare for the French), the bus and the buildings, cars and language, are a repetitive simulation of her home country. The modern destination is a rationally ordered stage set that strives to and cannot produce the quintessential moment of spontaneous culture expected by the tourist. It is then recreated specifically to meet the tourist’s expectations.

At the end of the film, a fine dining restaurant struggles on its opening night to serve a grand procession of fur-wearing socialites. Doors fall off hinges, the paint is still wet, the food is never served. Gradually, the fabricated pretense of the whole affair falls apart. The jazz band is so hot it actually brings down the house, ordinary people start wandering in from the street, and the ceiling and walls cave in. Seated among the ruins, the patrons laugh and sing together, free at last.

The logic of hotel design was formerly to provide comfort for the business traveler or a soothing sense of safety for a vacationing family, all in a mass-produced semblance of the suburban home. You wouldn’t think of taking a photo of yourself or your loved ones inside the room; save that roll of film for the main attractions. These days, a savvy hotel knows its guests will do their best marketing for them. A carefully posed photograph, the lighting just right, plus some algorithmic optimization of levels and sharpness in the app, and you get a professional-quality image that conveys an authentic story to hundreds, if not thousands of followers. To that end, every detail of the hotel room now encourages the taking of photos and the sharing of live stories—even the ice bucket and tongs are carefully chosen for the photo shoot.

In this photo studio of collective experience, you might stop to consider the infinite procession of overlapping images, taken in this very spot, at just such a moment, by people not unlike yourselves.

Towering over Timber Cove, on a rocky point near the ocean, stands an unusual concrete and gold obelisk, created by Benjamino Bufano, an Italian “pint-sized and pugnacious stone carver” and San Francisco original who has a short alleyway named after him in North Beach. Bufano liked to construct bullet-shaped sculptures around the Bay Area, including a statue of Saint Francis made from melted weapons. The artist claimed that he protested America’s entry into World War I by mailing his trigger finger to President Wilson. (More likely he cut it off in an accident and made the most of a bad situation).

The Bufano peace monument, itself a state park, is painted and carved with two faces, the second improvised after a mishap during installation. Seeing it, Herb Caen cracked that “peace is now two-faced.” In light of the gathering clouds at home and abroad, however, its childlike simplicity seems defiant as it stares down the Pacific. Timber Cove has been repackaged and repurposed for a new world, as it has been before and no doubt will be again. But Bufano’s obelisk is a prescient monument to an unchanging truth: that peace requires constant vigilance. How are we to be active, honorable and vigilant in a world of mirrors?
Marshall Store

An untroubled shore culture is evident in most places on a body of water: long afternoons and ramshackle bars that serve beer, crabs and chowder, or some variation thereof. After lunch, folks drop their jet skis into the harbor, shove their boats into the bay, or haul a cooler to a gravel beach, nowhere else to be. Even when it’s not all pretty, we can filter out the ugly stuff: the highway, the grease barrels left by a dumpster, the power plant looming across the water. We might be sitting in a ruined landscape, but with a bit of water, even a ruin can be paradise.

Throughout the country, these spots have a provisional feeling—it’s a marvel they survive changing tastes, tropical storms or coastal gentrification. But you can always find them off the coasts of Oregon and Maine, on Rockaway Island in New York, in the Florida wetlands and the Louisiana bayous—and you can find it on Tomales Bay, at the Marshall Store.

The small, wooden structure on the shoulder of Highway 1 feels almost like an extension of the nearby boat works, with its coils of rope and port-a-johns lined up near the parking lot. The landscape here is not quite ruined. Across the bay is the Point Reyes Peninsula, where the wooded Inverness Ridge tapers off into bare ranch lands. The oyster shack sits at a small concavity in the shore, across the highway from an embankment of bay trees, bishop pine and invasive pampas grass waving its pompous feathers. A surfboard leans against an outdoor ice machine, like at a budget motel in Hawaii, and impertinent gulls are never far away, eyeing your unguarded plate.

Off the enclosed outer bar is an outside deck and long tables overlooking the water. Wine is by the bottle only, seating is first come, first served. Oysters are from Tomales Bay Oyster Company, the oldest continuously operating oyster farm in California: get them raw, Rockefeller, or barbecued. There’s an old lunch-counter vibe here on your average weekday, with as many local workers as tourists tackling hefty sandwiches. The store’s clam chowder, a staple that too many serve too thick or too thin, is one of the best in the county, if you ask us.

As for weather, try your luck—the cold mist saturates your clothes, but just as you’re about to leave, the sun unveils a last-minute tease, then covers the scene with languid heat. A gust of bay wind scatters your napkins: your cue to get a move on, but you’ll find it hard to leave.

The Marshall Store is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. everyday but Tuesday at 19225 Highway 1. (415) 663.1339 themarshallstore.com
Mammoth Rocks

The eponymous boulder at Goat Rock Beach is a massive sea stack of Franciscan Complex, the stuff of ancient sea floor shoved to the shoreline by the collision of the North American and Pacific plates deep beneath the surface. On the coast, we stand on the visible evidence of that struggle, a slow-motion collision that will presumably keep going long after we’ve blasted the human condition from the face of the earth.

The melange consists of the compressed material that was churned up from the bottom of the ocean in a kind of conveyor belt of gunk. Now the pile of hardened mineral sits blinking in the sun, still stunned by its eviction. Originally a crushed-up mix of hard and soft material, over time the waves washed away the softer parts, leaving only a tower of more resistant rock: a sea stack, the elements of a sea floor that survived the exposure to wind and waves and rain.

Goat Rock Beach is just south of where the Russian River gives way to ocean, leaving spits of sand for the harbor seals, cormorants and gray gulls to lay about in the elements of a sea floor that survived the exposure to wind and waves and rain.

At the beach, two space-black oystercatchers with bright-red bills and plucked-pink feet pick at the hol-lows in the rocks at low tide. Mates for life, they have little to say to each other at this point. They take turns feeding: one hops from rock to rock, pecking and pondering, while the other stands in thought on a dry stone just beyond the tide’s edge. It surveys the present boundary of the surf and confirms that the reach of an errant wave won’t disturb its rest; then it has a sit. The other exhibits a fine talent for leaping from stone to stone at the very moment the previous stone is submerged by a wave. A nice pair, these two, one up, one down. Not so different from their human observers, one of whom might scour the shore for driftwood while the other prefers to sit on the hood of the car.

On your way out, back up the slope, be sure to stop at the turnout at the top of the hill where a trail winds down to a grassy plateau. Take in the scene: instead of ocean, this ledge once looked out over a 12-mile-wide prairie highway of Pleistocene megafauna: massive creatures eating, fighting and fucking their way to extinction. The 10-foot-tall short-faced bear, like the Quebecois, had a taste for horse meat. Standing on its long hind legs, it would have doubled the height of a modern human. The saber-toothed cat, as large as a lion and twice as heavy, was cared for by other cats during recovery. (Fossil evidence shows bones healed after tremendous injuries, suggesting they were cared for by other cats during recovery.) And, of course, there was the Columbian mammoth, a 14-foot-tall Snuffleupagus, some with strawberry-blond hair. These beasts migrated along a prairie corridor stretching from Cloverdale to Monterey Bay, a savannah Atlantis submerged by the rising seas at the end of the Ice Age 11,000 years ago.

Follow the trail to two metavolcanic outcroppings, called the Mammoth Rocks—one split into two slumping triangular boulders, the other sagging like a botched cake. Research led by E. Brick Parkman, a senior archaeologist at California State Parks, suggests this was a rest stop for mammoth herds that rubbed themselves against the stones and wallowed in a nearby pit, as modern elephants do. Surfaces on the rocks at the height of a mammoth’s butt and too high up for any modern fauna show features of micro-abrasion identical to those on rubbing rocks used by elephants in Africa.

Walk between the two outcrops and you’ll find a moist depression in the grass, what Parkman calls an “enigmatic wetland.” He hypothesizes that it’s the leftover signature of a megafauna wallow, such as today’s buffaloes muck about in to bathe and groom. On their long, multi-generational journey from Asia over the Alaskan land bridge, early settlers walked past these rocks south of you and came upon a strange, red beacon of light—a sea-stack called Jasper Rock that still stands near the shore.

Parkman wrote: “Jasper Rock, given its highly-polished, bright red color, has been observed to reflect the light of the setting sun, much as the glass windows of buildings do... Prior to the intensive quarrying that we now know removed most of the rock’s polished surfaces, the outcrop would have lit up like a large beacon on clear days at sunset.” Some sight it was: a Jurassic Park’s worth of warring animals, their culture of conflict, loss and companionship simpler but no less real or violent than our own, on a savannah stretching out to the horizon. A beacon of red light in the distance, its color shifting and ebbing with the sun. This overlook will one day be submerged by water, as our glaciers retreat and our highways fall into the sea. Worlds are easier lost than remembered.

Visit Mammoth Rocks at Goat Rock Beach, in Bodega Bay.
Fort Ross State Park

During the previous Cold War, an academic-industrial complex of Russian émigrés and university Slavic departments helped to promote and burnish a nostalgic ideal of pre-revolutionary Tsarist Russia: land of Pushkin and nobility, sprawling epic novels and family huddled around the samovar. Their conservative platitudes resonated among the anti-communist right as much as their ingenious and exotic adaptations of Western forms in literature, film and theater stimulated leftist creatives like the Beats.

In light of our renewed national and partisan angst about the Russian Bear, it might be timely to visit Fort Ross Historic State Park, one of the last vestiges of the 150-year Russian colonization of the northern Pacific coast and supposedly the site of California’s first shipyard and windmill.

Russian America began roughly in 1732, when Peter the Great sent the explorer Vitus Bering, for whom the strait is named, in search of fur in Alaska. Fort Ross, painstakingly reconstructed by State Parks and volunteers, was built by the Russian-American joint-stock company at the Kashaya Pomo village of Metini. It was active for around 30 years before the Russians sold it off.

Today, Orthodox priests still hold ceremonies in the rebuilt church, the interior of which resembles a scene in a Tarkovsky film. After its near-closure in 2009, the Russian ambassador petitioned for its rescue, and the park was ultimately saved by a partnership with a Russian industrial conglomerate. Guided tours of the commander’s house—the only extant original structure—are offered on the first weekend of each month.

Fort Ross State Historic Park is located at 19005 Highway 1, in Jenner. (707) 847.3286. parks.ca.gov/fortross
Travelers snaking their way north to Mendocino might not suspect that upon reaching Elk, they will become temporary subjects of the local queen: Queenie, otherwise known as Lynn Derrick. Queenie opened the doors of her Roadhouse Cafe 17 years ago, but it feels as though it's been there just as long as the circa-1901 Elk Garage next door. Patrons eat in plush diner chairs or on a porch overlooking Highway 1 and the Pacific. Queenie's is a breakfast and lunch joint, specializing in eggs and burgers. “Flipping eggs was natural to me,” she said. “The first time I flipped an egg, it worked. I can feel the egg—I can tell by the sound that it makes when it hits the pan.”

Alongside breakfast sandwiches and burritos are vegan stuffed-potato omelets and house made corned beef hash. And any breakfast at Queenie’s is incomplete without her legendary scones. Fresh peach, lemon ginger, huckleberry: they are made each morning and served with a dollop of salted clotted cream. “I can do dinner,” Queenie said, “but I like this atmosphere where I can go out and talk to my customers. If it’s really busy and I see one of my regulars getting a little irritated, I can throw them a pickle and say ‘Here!’ You can’t do that in a stuffy place.”

The roadhouse walls are decorated with royal memorabilia—all presented as gifts—including signs proclaiming, “Viva Viva Regina,” “Queen Parking Only” and “It’s Not Easy Being The Queen.” Indeed, Queenie has had to work hard to keep the café open in a space where no one could hold the lease for more than a few years. “It’s like a ma and pop store,” she said, “but it’s only a ma. I’m always working on my days off.” Queenie dreamed of opening a café while she worked across the street at the Harbor House. “I used to stare at this place,” she said. “They didn’t want to give me a five-year lease because they didn’t want me to be stuck in it. I said, ‘I don’t plan to fail’.”

And she did not. She closes from December to Valentine’s Day to save on energy bills and has a steady flow of traffic the rest of the year. “You can’t survive without the tourists—Elk has a population of 225,” she said. “You need to let the tourists know how much you love them, and get a lot of returners.” Queenie gets most of her produce from Albion, nine miles north, and the meat from Covelo, just two hours away. Having lived on the Northern Coast for 36 years, her love for the community comes through in the food. “When you’re in such a small community, you depend on these people and they start depending on you,” she said. She hosts regular fundraisers for DACA applicants and California fire victims. Several years ago, when she was diagnosed with cancer, the community raised $30,000 to keep the café open while she underwent treatment.

One Friday afternoon in mid-August, patrons ranged from locals in thick farm boots to tourists discussing houses in Martha’s Vineyard. The plates hit the table, all conversation was replaced with gasps of appreciation. As I munched on the feta and grilled-onion burger, it was clear why patrons returned. The top bun, perfectly toasted, was branded with a “Q,” and the feta melted the onions onto the patty, a decadent medium-rare.

Queenie’s Roadhouse Cafe is open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Thursdays through Mondays, except in winter, at 6061 Highway 1, in Elk. (707) 877.3285. queeniesroadhousecafe.com.
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Alexa’s own move from a Brainerd Jones’ Heritage Home in the downtown historic district of Petaluma to the bucolic countryside just outside of town has expanded her knowledge of country properties. Her firsthand experience has proven invaluable in assessing for whom a particular country home is best suited and how to market the property most effectively.

Because Alexa believes in connecting people with places, she markets not only a house as a home but also the spirit of a community, unique local amenities, the value of history, and the soul of the land. To complement her comprehensive approach to marketing, Alexa partners with local cowboy and ranch guru, Scott Murphy of Vice Properties.

Scott’s family has been in agriculture and ranching in Marin and Sonoma since the early 20th century. He has a deep respect and understanding of the land in this region, and he enjoys helping individuals, families and groups in finding the right ranch property for their needs. His specialties are ranches, equestrian properties, vineyards, small country properties and undeveloped parcels, particularly in Western Marin and Sonoma Counties. He has been a licensed real estate agent since 1974, and owns a 186-acre farm 14 miles west of Petaluma in Northwestern Marin County — just one mile west of the Sonoma-Marin County line.

TOWN + COUNTRY meets FIELD + STREAM: Alexa and Scott bring a unique combination of experience to their shared clients. Together they work with a team of experts, including real estate attorneys, private land planners, soil engineers, well drillers, civil engineers, vineyard management experts, licensed contractors and a host of other qualified experts.
Tony's Seafood Restaurant
Local, Sustainable, Seafood

Meet
Chef Matt Shapiro

Since 2014, Matt Shapiro has played an integral role in the kitchens of Hog Island Oyster Co. A passionate fisherman and forager, Matt pays close attention to the quality and source of every ingredient he works with; especially the seafood he serves. “Quality food starts with the source. How it’s caught or harvested, how it’s handled, and how our purveyors are treating the land and sea – it is all reflected on the plate,” says Shapiro.

Tony’s Seafood Restaurant in Marshall, now a part of the Hog Island Oyster Family, introduces friends, neighbors and travelers to Chef Shapiro’s thoughtfully crafted, incredibly fresh seafood-driven menu. Relax in a casual atmosphere on the bay and dive into the exceptional bounty of California’s family farms and fishing boats.

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The Inverness Store is a general grocery store with a wine and liquor selection, deli counter with seating, and seasonal cured meats and fresh seafood in the market; and a wine bar and daily changing menu with a mix of small plates and entrées in the restaurant. Dinner service Thursdays through Sundays; market open daily 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sundays 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. (415) 663.9075 invernessgrocery.com/dine 10021 Highway One, Olema, CA 94950

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The Station House Café serves American cuisine using fresh, organic and local ingredients, with happy hour from 4 to 6 p.m. and live music at 5 p.m. on Sundays. Open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. closed Wednesdays. (415) 663.1515 stationhousecafe.com 11180 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

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Tony’s Seafood serves fresh seafood, beer and wine overlooking Tomes Bay, with live music on Friday evenings. Open Fridays through Sundays 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. (Note: Will close January 1 for repairs) (415) 663.1107 18865 Highway One, Marshall, CA 94940

The Marshall Store serves fresh seafood, crab and tri-tip sandwiches, clam chowder and raw and barbecued oysters in a seaside dining room and outdoors. Beer available. Open everyday but Tuesday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (415) 663.1339 www.themarshallstore.com 19225 Highway One, Marshall, CA 94940

Hog Island Oyster Company sells live shellfish to go, offers picnic tables by reservation and sells oysters, cheese, charcuterie, wine and beer at an oyster bar. Farm open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., oyster bar open Fridays through Mondays, 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (415) 663.9218 hogislandoysters.com 20215 Highway One, Marshall, CA 94940

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The Old Point Reyes Schoolhouse is a historic country retreat with cottages, a schoolhouse and a barn loft just a five-minute walk to downtown. (415) 663.1166 pointreyesschoolhouse.com 11559 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Seven Grey Foxes offers two bed-and-bath units and one two-bedroom apartment on a country road near the village of Point Reyes Station. (415) 663.1089 sevengreyfoxes.com 145 Mesa Road, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956
One Mesa offers a private cottage with kitchen and rooms, each with private entrance and access to hot tub, featherbed toppers and down comforters, just a walk from town. (415) 663.8866 onemesa.com 1 Mesa Road, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Eger's Overlook Home is a custom contemporary California home with a hot tub and views of Tomales Bay wetlands and the Inverness Ridge. (415) 381.3903 point-reyes-vacation.com

Lingonberry Farm is a Swedish-style bed and breakfast with views of Tomales Bay one mile north of Point Reyes Station. (415) 663.1826 lingonberryfarm.com 12430 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Ferrando’s Hideaway offers spacious one-bedroom cottages with private hot tubs and woodstoves, surrounded by organic vegetable and flower gardens, within walking distance of Point Reyes Station. (415) 663.1966 ferrando.com 31 Cypress Road, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

The Point Reyes Country Inn and Stables is your headquarters for a weekend of relaxation, outdoor activities, and fine dining. (415) 663.9696 ptreyescountryinn.com 12050 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Point Reyes Vineyard Inn is a Mediterranean style bed and breakfast with views of the Inverness Ridge and West Marin’s rolling hills. (415) 663.1552 ptreyesvinyardinn.com 12700 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

MASHALL

Nick’s Cove Restaurant & Cottages is a waterfront destination featuring 12 luxuriously rustic and romantic cottages overlooking Tomales Bay. Full restaurant and bar is open for lunch and dinner daily, plus weekend brunch. (415) 663.1033 nickscove.com 23240 Highway One, Marshall, CA 94940

Ann’s View Cottage offers elegant accommodations overlooking Tomales Bay—the perfect retreat for romance and relaxation. annsview.com

Bayglow Cottage offers each day of the year a new reflection from the sun, the moon and the tides of Tomales Bay. bayglow.com

Inn on Tomales Bay offers a romantic weekend or week’s vacation at the finest bed and breakfast on Tomales Bay. (415) 663.9002

Lolo’s Cottage is the perfect waterfront gem situated above the bay, an ideal coastal getaway spot for couples and families. lолосcottage.com

Ravensview is perched above the eastern shore of Tomales Bay, a light-filled cottage offering comfort and privacy. ravensviewcottage.com

West Marin Network provides the ultimate lodging services for cottages, waterfront homes and luxury properties on Tomales Bay. westmarinnetwork.com

Barracca on the Bay is a custom coastal home offering panoramic vistas of the Point Reyes National Seashore. vrbo.com/43075

Captain On’s Retreat is an elegant one-bedroom cottage on Tomales Bay south of Hog Island. westmarinnetwork.com

Helen’s Hideaway is a quiet Tomales Bay waterfront cottage offering nature right at your doorstep. www.vrbo.com/235835

Raspberry Cottage invites you to be nourished by the beauty, sea life and ever-changing waters of beautiful Tomales Bay. vrbo.com/82021

Sea Mist is an escape to a charming, secluded getaway on majestic Tomales Bay. vrbo.com/79820

The Mermaid’s House is beautifully located on the waterfront of pristine Tomales Bay, an ideal spot to relax and unwind. themermaidshouse.com

TOMALES & DILLON BEACH

The Continental Inn has nine rooms in a quaint building in Tomales. (707) 878.2936 thecontinentalinn.com 26985 Highway One, Tomales, CA 94971

Dillon Beach Property Management specializes in vacation rentals. Open weekdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (707) 887.2204 www.dillonbeach.com 3985 Tomales-Petaluma Road, Tomales, CA 94971

Dillon Beach Resort offers rooms and cabins, a café, store, surf shop and beach. (707) 878.2505 or (707) 935.4310 dillonbeachresort.com 1 Beach Avenue, Dillon Beach, CA 94929

Lawson’s Landing is a resort and campground situated at the mouth of Tomales Bay, with camping, fishing, clamming, boat launch and rentals and an outboard shop. (707) 878.2443 lawsonslanding.com 137 Marine View Drive, Dillon Beach, CA 94929

Valley Ford

Valley Ford Hotel has six charming guest rooms with private baths, located in a garden setting with old growth Cypress trees. (707) 876.1983 vfordhotel.com 14415 Highway One, Valley Ford, CA 94972

BODEGA BAY & JENNER

Bodega Coast Inn has 44 rooms overlooking the water. Pet-friendly rooms available. (707) 875.2217 bodegacoastinn.com 521 Highway One, Bodega, CA 94923

Inn at the Tides offers upscale dining at the Tides Wharf restaurant and rooms overlooking the water. (707) 875.2751 innatatides.com 800 Highway One, Bodega, CA 94923

Sonoma Coast Villa offers elegant accommodations, organic wine country cuisine, a lavish courtyard spa and horseback riding. (707) 876.9818 www.scvilla.com 16702 Highway One, Jenner, CA 95450

Visits

STINSON BEACH

Stinson Beach Surf and Kayak Rentals offers any equipment necessary for an outing in the surf or at sea. (415) 868.2739 3665 Highway One, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Live Water Surf Shop provides rentals and sales of all surf and beach gear. Open Mondays through Fridays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and weekends 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (415) 868.0333 livewatersurfshop.com 3448 Highway One, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Stinson Beach Health Club is a fitness center in the heart of Stinson Beach offering two workout rooms with cardiovascular equipment and Olympic weights with a garden for meditation. (415) 868.8801 3665 Highway One, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

The Stinson Beach Library is open Mondays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesdays from 1 to 9 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (415) 868.0252 521 Highway One, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Wellspring Center for Healing is a holistic healing clinic specializing in chiropractic medicine, acupuncture and massage. (415) 868.1370 wellspringcenterforhealing.com 3425 Highway One, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Stinson Beach Community Presbyterian Church has a Sunday worship service at 9:30 a.m. (415) 868.2603 32 Belvedere Avenue, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

BOLINAS

The Bolinas Library is a full-service public library with books, reference materials, research materials, magazines and public computers. Open Mondays and Wednesdays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursdays 1 to 9 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (415) 868.1171 14 Wharf Road, Bolinas, CA 94924

The Bolinas Museum hosts exhibits of various art mediums and local history in five different galleries, and offers cultural events. Open Fridays 1 to 5 p.m. and weekends noon to 5 p.m. (415) 868.0330 bolinasmuseum.org 48 Wharf Road, Bolinas, CA 94924

2 Mile Surf rents essential surf equipment and offers private and group surfing lessons and a summer surf camp. Open daily 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (415) 868.0264 2milesurf.com 22 Brighton Ave, Bolinas, CA 94924

Calvary Presbyterian Church has a Sunday worship service at 11:15 a.m. (415) 868.2180 3 Brighton Avenue, Bolinas, CA 94924

St. Aidan’s Episcopal Church has a 10 a.m. Sunday service. (415) 868.1852 30 Brighton Avenue, Bolinas, CA 94924

St. Mary Magdalene Church has a Sunday mass at 10:45 a.m. (415) 663.1139 16 Horseshoe Hill Road, Bolinas, CA 94924

Point Reyes Bird Observatory advances conservation through bird and ecosystem research from Alaska to Antarctica, on land and at sea. Visit the Palomarin Field Station on Mesa Road, in Bolinas. (415) 868.1221 prbo.org PO. Box 1157 Bolinas, CA 94924

OLEMA

Five Brooks Ranch offers full-service Western horseback riding in the Point Reyes National Seashore for the whole family, daily and year-round. (415) 663.0415 fivebrooks.com Highway One, three miles south of Olema, CA 94950

Marin Visitors Center West has lodging information and ideas for activities during your stay. Open Fridays through Sundays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and some Mondays. (415) 663.1060 visitmarin.org 9940 Highway One, Olema, CA 94950
Sacred Heart Catholic Church has a Saturday mass at 5:30 p.m. and at 7:30 p.m. in Spanish, and a Sunday mass at 8:30 a.m. (415) 663.1139 10189 Highway One, Olema, CA 94950

Nicasio & San Geronimo Valley
Saint Mary’s Catholic Church has a Sunday mass at 11:15 a.m. stcecilia-lagunitas.org On the town square in Nicasio, CA 94946

The San Geronimo Valley Community Center serves the valley community with arts and cultural programs, events, and senior and youth services. (415) 488.8888

Gan HaLev, the Jewish Congregation of San Geronimo Valley, holds regular services at San Geronimo Valley Community Center at 6350 Sir Francis Drake Boulevard, San Geronimo, CA 94963

Point Reyes Station
West Marin Fitness is a full-service gym with weight lifting and cardiovascular equipment, a shower and personal training. Open daily 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. (415) 663.1762 65 Third Street, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

West Marin Chamber of Commerce offers a Marin County visitor’s recreational guide. (415) 663.9232 pointreyes.org PO. Box 1035 Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Point Reyes Outdoors offers classes and tours in kayaking, bicycling and the Point Reyes area. Open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (415) 663.8192 pointreyesoutdoors.com 11401 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Blue Waters Kayaking offers guided hiking and boating tours in Tomales Bay and the Point Reyes area. Lessons and rentals available in Inverness and Marshall. Open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (415) 669.2600 bwkayak.com 60 Fourth Street, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

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West Marin Chiropractic treats back pain, sciatica, neck pain, shoulder pain, headaches, sports injuries and work-related injuries. (415) 663.8442 11100 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Point Reyes Community Presbyterian Church has a Sunday worship service at 9 a.m. (415) 663.1349 1445 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Heidrun Meadery produces naturally sparkling varietal meads using the traditional French Methode Champenoise. Tours and tastings every day but Tuesdays, with the tasting room open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; flights, picnics and patio leisure available. (415) 663.9122 heidrunmeadery.com 11925 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

The Fork at Point Reyes Farmstead Cheese Company offers farm tours, cooking demonstration classes, seasonal farm dinners, events and more. (800) 591.6878 pointreyescheese.com 14700 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

St. Helen’s Catholic Church has a Sunday service at 8:45 a.m. at the intersection of Highway One and Marshall-Petaluma Road, Marshall, CA 94940

Tomales & Dillon Beach
The Tomales Regional History Center is home to archives of the Tomales area, including yearbooks and mementos from local history. Open weekends 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (707) 878.9443 tomaleshistory.org 26701 Highway One, Tomales, CA 94971

Church of the Assumption has Sunday mass at 10:15 a.m. (707) 878.2208 26825 Hwy. One, Tomales, CA 94971

Tomales Presbyterian Church has a Sunday worship service at 9:30 a.m. (707) 762.4924 11 Church Street, Tomales, CA 94971

Lawson’s Landing is a resort and campground situated at the mouth of Tomales Bay, with camping, fishing, clamming, boat launch and rentals and an outfitter shop. (707) 878.2443 lawsonslanding.com 137 Marine View Drive, Dillon Beach, CA 94929

Bodega Bay & Jenner
Bodega Bay Visitors Center has tourist and local information, maps and schedules of events. Open daily 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. (707) 875.3866 850 Highway One, Bodega Bay, CA 94923

Bodega Bay Cycles is a full-service bike shop with rentals and bicycle tours available. Open Mondays and Tuesdays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sundays noon to 5 p.m. (707) 875.2255 bodegabaycycles.com 1580 Eastshore Road, Bodega Bay, CA 94923

Bodega Bay Surf Shack has surf gear, clothing and surf gear rentals. Open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (707) 875.3944 bodegabaysurf.com 1400 Highway One, Bodega Bay, CA 94923

Bodega Bay Pro Dive rents and sells diving and scuba equipment and hosts diving trips in and around the Bodega Bay area. Open Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sundays 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (707)
### Shopping

#### STINSON BEACH

Live Water Surf Shop serves the North Bay area with rentals and sales of all surf and beach gear. Open Mondays through Fridays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and weekends 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (415) 868.0333 livewatersurfsb.com 3448 Highway One, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Crickets at the Beach is a seaside gift shop selling fair-trade items and local art. Open weekends. (415) 868.8859 cricketsatthebeach.com 3448 Shoreline Highway, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Meristem Flowers is a florist and gift shop. (415) 868.0666 3472 Highway One, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Oceanic Realty specializes in vacation and longterm rentals, as well as sales in Stinson Beach and the surrounding areas. (415) 868.0717 oceanicrealty.com 3470 Highway One, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Seadrift Realty specializes in high-end coastal home sales and rentals. (415) 868.1791 seadriftrealty.com 2 Dipsea Road, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Claudia Chapline Gallery is a multimedia art gallery and sculpture garden. Open by appointment. Leave a message at (415) 868.2308 or email info@ccchapline.com 3445 Shoreline Highway, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Healing Arts is a New Age bookstore selling spiritual supplies, CDs, gems and toys. (415) 868.9305 artheals.org 3415 Highway One, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Stinson Beach Books is a seaside bookstore selling local literature and history books as well as national best sellers and magazines. Open daily 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (415) 868.0700 3455 Highway One, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Many Villages sells unique artisan international crafts, decorations, art and toys. (415) 868.1419 3488 Highway One, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

Highway One Properties serves the communities of Stinson Beach, Seadrift and Bolinas with home sales and vacation rentals. (415) 868.0298 hyvoneprop.com 3605 Highway One, Stinson Beach, CA 94970

#### BOLINAS

Bolinas Book Exchange asks customers to leave donations depending on the value they place on the book. (415) 868.9080 22 Brighton Avenue, Bolinas, CA 94924

Bolinas Bay Hardware & Mercantile offers quality tools for the home and garden, unique gifts, nostalgic toys and handmade jewelry. Lumber, landscaping materials and more... Open weekdays 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and weekends from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 415-868-2900. bolinasbayhardware.com 1 Olema -Bolinas Road/

Las Baulines Nursery offers a large selection of succulents, drought-tolerant grasses, Mediterranean-type plants, fruit trees, organic vegetables, citrus and bedding plants for pots; certified greywater consultant on staff. Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. (415) 868.0808 150 Olema-Bolinas Road, Bolinas, CA 94924

Kaleidoscope is a women’s artisan clothing and international crafts store. Open every day but Tuesday noon to 6 p.m. (415) 868.9231 48 Wharf Road, Bolinas, CA 94924

Seashore Realty has served West Marin real estate since 1949. (415) 868.1234 seashore-seaclty.com 22 Brighton Avenue, Bolinas, CA 94924

Bolinas Real Estate serves West Marin with vacation and longterm rentals and permanent residence sales. (415) 868.1942 bolinasrealty.com 3 Wharf Road, Bolinas, CA 94924

BG Bates, Realtor makes your West Marin dreams come true. (415) 868.1026 bgbates.com P.O. Box 282 Bolinas, CA 94924

#### OLEMA & NICASIO

Beulah Gallery is a small art gallery showing a variety of mediums from local artists. Open Thursday through Saturday noon to 5 p.m. (415) 663.0380 9980 Highway One, Olema, CA 94950

The Nicasio Valley Cheese Company offers a selection of artisan cheeses made and sold in their own facility and cheese tastings until 4:30 p.m. Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. (415) 662.6200 5300 Nicasio Valley Road, Nicasio, CA 94946

Nicasio Land Company serves your regional real estate needs. (415) 662.2004 4499 Nicasio Valley Road Niciso, CA 94946

#### INVERNESS PARK & INVERNESS

Spirit Matters sells wildly delightful oddities and deities, gifts, books, music, jewelry, scarves, cards and garden art. Open Thursdays through Sundays 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and by appointment. (415) 663.8699 12307 Sir Francis Drake Boulevard, Inverness Park, CA 94956

The Point Reyes Light is a Pulitzer Prize-winning weekly newspaper serving West Marin and beyond. News room and office open Mondays through Thursdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with newspapers, North Coasters, subscription and advertising information and complete bound archives dating to 1948. (415) 669.1200 ptyresylight.com 12781 Sir Francis Drake Boulevard, Inverness CA 94937 and P.O. Box 210 Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Dan Morse Real Estate has been ranked number one in Inverness, Point Reyes Station, Marshall and Olema, according to the Bay Area Real Estate Information Service, for the past ten years. (415) 669.1260 danmorsonline.com 12786 Sir Francis Drake Boulevard, Inverness, CA 94937

#### Point Reyes Station

Mostly Natives Nursery sells a wide assortment of California native and other plants, with free gardening classes on Saturdays. Open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 54 B Street, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956 (415) 663.8833

The Epicenter sells designer Dana Davidson’s artisan clothing and T-shirts, and more. Open noonish to sundownish. (415) 663.1239 Mesa Road and Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Gallery Route One is an artist-member supported gallery featuring programs involving art and the environment and exhibits year-round, with openings, parties and periodic Sunday salons with exhibiting artists. Open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. everyday but Tuesday. (415) 663.1347 galleryrouteone.org 11101 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Vita sells a collection of artisan crafts, clothing, home accessories and jewelry. Open Fridays through Sundays 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (415) 663.0515 11101 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Point Reyes Jewelers offers custom earrings, bracelets, necklaces, watches, and wedding and engagement rings. Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. (415) 663.1936 11101 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Point Reyes Surf Shop retails and wholesale beach clothing, footwear and surf gear. Open weekdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and weekends 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. (415) 663.8750 jayli.com 11101 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Black Mountain Cycles is a full-service bicycle repair and retail shop. Walk-ins and appointments are both welcome. Open Tuesdays through Thursdays 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fridays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and weekends 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (415) 663.8125 blackmtncycles.com 11101 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Coyuchi is a retail store, outlet and warehouse supplying organic fair trade cotton bedding, wool blankets, towels and other home supplies, as well as robes, sleepwear and baby clothes and accessories. Open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (415) 663.8077 coyuchi.com 11101 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Black Mountain Weavers sells wool yarns, wool art and spun and knitted clothing and accessories from local sources and artists. Free knitting and spinning clinics on Tuesdays. Open Thursdays through Mondays from
Garden of Eden is an herbal apothecary and healing room offering customized herbal mixtures, spiritual healing consultations and private spiritual healing sessions. Open Wednesdays through Fridays 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays noon to 5 p.m. (415) 663.1747 gardenofedenapothecary.com 63 Third Street, Suite 16, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Coastal Marin Real Estate has served West Marin buyers and sellers for 30 years, with an office in downtown Point Reyes. (415) 663.1104 coastermarin.com 11100 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Chedda’s Garage is a AAA-certified garage, family owned since 1923, offering general maintenance, repair and towing. Open weekdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (415) 663.1227 11225 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Greenbridge Gas and Auto is a general full-service maintenance garage and gas station. Open weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (415) 663.0633 1401 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Cabine County Emporium & Saddlery is a purveyor of fine, casual and contemporary clothing, a wide selection of saddlery, equipment and riding apparel, shoes and home furnishings. (415) 663.8303 cabaline.com 11313 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Ink Paper Plate makes and sells handmade art objects, from letterpress stationery to silk-screened textiles to fine art prints, accepts commissions and side projects, and offers casual workshops for friends, families and artists. Studio open by appointment; shop open noon to 5 p.m. on Fridays and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekends. inkpaperplate.com In the Greenbridge Gas and Auto building at 11401 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

West Marin Community Thrift Store sells used clothing, shoes, accessories, home and garden items, children’s clothes and toys, and antiques, with proceeds benefiting West Marin Community Services. Open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., with donations accepted 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (415) 663.9227 11431 Highway One, Suite 20, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Village Snipper offers haircuts and more. (415) 663.9121 11431 Highway One, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Marin Sunshine Realty helps maintain the magical, intentional way of life in West Marin. (415) 663.9448 marinsunshine.com 65 Third Street Suite 15, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Art Rogers Photography Studio and Gallery is open to visitors by appointment on the Point Reyes Mesa. artrogers.com (415) 663.8345

West Marin Real Estate and Vacation Rental has served the real estate needs of West Marin since 1964. (415) 663.8281 west-marin.com 355 B Street, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Tomales

Two Silos Mercantile sells antiques and selected seconds in the top floor of a historic downtown building at 27005 Highway One, Tomales, CA 94971 (707) 878.2888

Tomales Fine Art exhibits local and California artists, and co-owner and operator Jeanette Le Grue teaches oil painting workshops. Open Fridays through Mondays noon to 5 p.m. (707) 878.2525 tomalesfinearts.com 27050 Main Street, Tomales, CA 94971

Karen Karlow, Realtor promises integrity and experience when either buying or selling Marin and Sonoma properties. (707) 283.2814 or (707) 486.6728

Valley Ford

West County Design features fine wood tables; polished concrete vanities, counter tops and furniture; glass, ceramic, wood, metal, custom and limited edition art and furniture for home and office. (707) 876.1963 westcountydesign.com 14390 Highway One, Valley Ford, CA 95450

Bodega and Bodega Bay

Artisans’ Co-op is Bodega’s art cooperative, featuring juried pieces of all mediums and a long list of member artists. Open daily 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. (707) 876.9830 artisansco-op.com 17135 Bodega Highway, Bodega, CA 94922

Hamilton Trading Company is an antique store and dealer, specializing in pre-19th century goods. Open Fridays through Tuesdays noon to 5 p.m. (707) 876.3035 hamiltontradingcompany.com 17175 Bodega Highway, Bodega, CA 94922

Seagull Antiques sells older pop culture items, from records and vintage magazines, to stained glass and toys. Open Fridays through Sundays 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. (707) 876.3229 17190 Bodega Highway, Bodega, CA 94922

Northern Light Surf Shop sells and rents all necessary gear for surfing, including boards, wetsuits, body boards, gloves and fins. Open weekdays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and weekends 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (707) 876.3110 northernlightsurf.com 17191 Bodega Highway, Bodega, CA 94922

Bodega Bay Cycles is a full-service bike shop with rentals and bicycle tours available. Open Mondays and Tuesdays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursdays through Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sundays noon to 5 p.m. (707) 875.2255 bodegabaycycles.com 1580 Eastshore Road, Bodega Bay, CA 94923

Bodega Bay Surf Shack has surf gear, clothing and surf gear rentals. Open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (707) 875.3944 bodegabaysurf.com 1400 Highway One, Bodega Bay, CA 94923

Bodega Bay Pro Dive rents and sells diving and scuba equipment and hosts diving trips in and around the Bodega Bay area. Open Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sundays from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (707) 875.3054 bbprodive.com 1275 Highway One, Bodega Bay, CA 94923

Bodega Bay Kites stocks a large selection of kites and offers summertime kite flying tours on the beaches in the Bodega Bay area. Open everyday except Tuesday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (707) 875.3777 bodegabaykites.com 1415 Highway One, Bodega Bay, CA 94923

Second Wind sells beach and kite flying supplies in a large shop near Bodega Bay beaches. Open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (707) 875.9643 secondwindfun.com 1805 Highway One, Bodega Bay, CA 94923

Bodega Bay Kayak offers customized kayak tours for groups though the Bodega Bay and Sonoma coasts.
Smith and Kirk is a fine art gallery featuring glass art, pottery and jewelry. Open everyday but Tuesday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (707) 875.2976 smithandkirk.com 1785 Highway One, Bodega Bay, CA 94923

Synchronicity sells artisan gifts, rare candy and prints from local artists. (707) 875.2542 1795 Highway One, Bodega Bay, CA 94923

The Ren Brown Collection has rotating exhibits, specializing in East Asian and Japanese-American prints, and East Asian antiques. (707) 875.2922 renbrown.com 1781 Highway One, Bodega Bay, CA 94923

On the shore of stunning Tomales Bay is a restaurant with views like no other. Serving fare made with impeccable ingredients from nearby farms and ranches, and seafood specials that swim right up to the dock, it’s a real find. And with twelve impossibly picturesque and luxurious cottages on the grounds, you’ll never want to leave. Come for a visit – we’re pretty sure Nick's Cove is the perfect spot for you.

The Lodge at Point Reyes offers 22 rooms and two private cottages with our delightful continental breakfast included. Enjoy a restful environment on the border of Point Reyes National Seashore Park and feast on delicious locally sourced cuisine at Farm House.