San Jose At A Glance



San Jose is...

- California's oldest civilian settlement, founded in 1777.
- The site of California's first state capital.
- Northern California's largest city with a population of 1,042,094 (2016).
- The third largest city in California.
- The tenth largest city in the nation.
- The largest concentration of technology expertise in the world with over 6,600 companies.





Amazing, but True

- San Jose boasts the highest median household income in the nation.
- More than half of the adults living in Silicon Valley hold a college degree.
- 40% of San Jose residents are foreign born.
- San Jose has the largest Vietnamese population of any city outside Vietnam.
- San Jose leads the nation in patent generation.
- San Jose has one of only three Japantowns in the U.S.
- San Jose is the site of the world's first radio broadcasting station.
- Mount Hamilton is the world's first permanently occupied mountaintop observatory and houses the world's third largest optical refracting telescope.

Stay and Play Like A Local

- Wine Spectator noted the nearby Santa Cruz Mountains Wine Region as the "most underappreciated appellation in the world."
- Lake Cunningham Skate Park is California's largest skate park.
- Discovery Meadows park is home to the world's largest Monopoly board.
- The San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles is the first museum of it's kind in the U.S.
- San Jose has the nation's first Vietnamese Heritage Garden and Historical Museum.
- San Jose houses the largest collection of Egyptian artifacts in western North America.
- The Tech Museum of Innovation opened the first interactive bioengineering exhibit in the U.S.
- The San Jose Earthquakes soccer stadium has the largest outdoor bar in North America.
- With over 160 rooms, Winchester Mystery House is one of the largest Victorian homes in the U.S.

