

Facts About Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Muir Woods National Monument, Fort Point National Historic Site

Park Summary

Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Muir Woods National Monument, and Fort Point National Historic Site are managed by a General Superintendent and a shared Senior Staff. The legislative boundary of Golden Gate is 80,000 acres in the counties of San Francisco, Marin and San Mateo, and includes much land managed by California State Parks, Marin Municipal Water District and San Francisco Public Utility Commission.

General Info About the Park

Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) was established by Congress in 1972 to offer a national park experience to a diverse urban population, while preserving and interpreting the park's outstanding natural, historic, scenic, and recreational values. One of the largest urban parks in the world, GGNRA welcomes over 17 million visitors a year. The park is as diverse as it is expansive; it contains attractions such as [Alcatraz](#) Island, Crissy Field, the Marin Headlands and Rancho Corral de Tierra. GGNRA also includes significant historical and natural resources and houses the largest museum collection in the National Park Service. Over half of North American avian species and nearly one third of California's plant species are found in the park.

Resources

- 1,200 historic structures
- 5 National Historic Landmark Districts
- 13 National Register of Historic Places properties
- 365 identified and over 500 predicted archaeological sites
- 9 cultural landscapes
- 5 lighthouses
- Home to 1,287 plant and animal species, that encompasses 91 miles of bay and ocean shoreline.
- Part of the UNESCO Golden Gate Biosphere Reserve
- Comprised of 19 separate ecosystems in 7 distinct watersheds
- Home to the largest museum collection in the National Park System
- Contains the 3rd largest number of federally protected or endangered species of all 401 units within the National Park Service.

FY 13 Stats

Acreage (gross area acres legislated):

80,624 (of which 20,000 are managed by NPS)

Visitation (including all three park units, excluding the Presidio):

Total 16,834,558; (the sum of Golden Gate NRA 14,289,121; Fort Point NHS 1,591,312; and Muir Woods NM 954,125)

NPS Staffing

287 employees (219 Permanent; 66 Term; 2 Temporary), excluding US Park Police

Budget

President's Requested budget for Fiscal Year 2013: \$26,776,000

Park Partners

Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy is the primary partner. GGNRA also [partners](#) with more than 25 nonprofit and commercial organizations as well as other government agencies that provide a wide range of visitor services and activities within the park including Nature Bridge, the YMCA, and Hostelling International.

Congressional Districts

U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein

U.S. Senator Barbara Boxer

U.S. Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi, 8th Congressional District

U.S. Congresswoman Jackie Speier, 12th Congressional District

U.S. Congressman Jared Huffman, 2th Congressional District

U.S. Congresswoman Anna Eshoo, 14th Congressional District