Consensus 4-Star Picks

Fleur de Lys, 777 Sutter Street, 415-673-7779. D Mon-Sat. French Nouvelle in a romantic tented dining room. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$\$

Gary Danko, 800 North Point Street (at Hyde), 415-749-2060.

D Daily. Fancy French food served in high style. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$\$

Masa's, Hotel Vintage Court, 648 Bush, 415-989-7154. D Tue-Sat. Contemporary French. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$\$

Postrio, 545 Post Street, 415-776-7825. B/L Mon-Fri, D daily.

Wolfgang Puck's Northern California beach-head. California cuisine.

Valet parking. Great bar. \$\$\$\$

Aqua, 252 California Street. 415-956-9662. L Mon-Fri, D Mon-Sat. Gourmet seafood, beautiful presentation. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$

Fifth Floor, 12 Fourth Street (at Mission), 415-348-1555. D Mon-Sat. Outstanding modern French cuisine; cozy ambience. Valet parking.

Full bar. \$\$\$\$

American

House of Prime Rib, 1906 Van Ness Avenue, 415-885-4605. D daily. Best prime rib in the country. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$

Boulevard, 1 Mission Street, 415-543-6084. L/D Mon-Sat. Critically acclaimed California cuisine. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$

Sam's Grill, 374 Bush Street (near Kearny), 415-421-0594.

L/D Mon-Fri. Classic San Francisco grill founded more than 125 years ago. Full bar. \$\$

One Market Restaurant, 1 Market Street, 415-777-5577. L Mon-Fri,

D daily, Sunday brunch. San Francisco outpost of Lark Creek Inn's

Bradley Ogden. Piano music nightly. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$

California Cuisine

Jardiniere, 300 Grove Street (at Franklin), 415-861-5555. D daily. Delicious French-inspired California cuisine served in a gala atmosphere. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$

Hawthorne Lane, 22 Hawthorne Street (off Howard between Second

and Third Streets), 415-777-9779, L Mon-Fri, D daily. Eclectic California cuisine featuring Chinese style duck and roasted Sonoma lamb. Beautiful

art and open kitchen. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$

Fringale, 570 Fourth Street (at Bryant), 415-543-0573. L Mon-Fri,

D Mon-Sat. Basque-influenced California cuisine in a casual French bistro. Full bar. \$\$

Chinese

Harbor Village Restaurant, Four Embarcadero Center, Lobby Level,

415-781-8833. L/D daily. Cantonese, including Dim Sum. Bay views. Validated parking evenings. Full bar. \$\$

House of Nanking, 919 Kearny Street, 415-421-1429. L/D daily. Awesome food in crowded Chinatown "dive." Beer and wine. \$

The Mandarin, 900 Northpoint, 415-673-8812. L/D daily. Beautiful setting at Ghirardelli Square. Validated parking. Full bar.

Yank Sing, 427 Battery Street (near Clay), 415-781-1111. L daily.

Best Dim Sum in the Bay Area. Full bar. \$\$ French

La Folie, 2316 Polk Street (near Union), 415-776-5577. D Mon-Sat. Roland Passots' fanciful French combinations are featured in this popular neighborhood bistro. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$\$\$

Ritz Carlton Dining Room, Ritz Carlton Hotel, 600 Stockton Street,

415-296-7465. D daily. Dazzling food and decor. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$\$

Piaf's, 1686 Market Street (at Gough), 415-864-3700. D Tue-Sat, Sunday brunch. Great French food in lively cabaret. Ample street parking. Full bar. \$\$\$

Fusion - East/West

Rubicon, 558 Sacramento Street, 415-433-4100. L Mon-Fri, D Mon-Sat. Great food. Robert de Niro & Robin Williams are investors. Valet parking evenings. Full bar. \$\$\$

Globe, 290 Pacific Avenue (near Battery), 415-391-4132. L Mon-Fri,

D Mon-Sat. Exhilarating atmosphere. Outstanding crusty-salty-peppery T-bone steak. Full bar. \$\$\$

Oritalia, 586 Bush Street (at Stockton), 415-782-8122. D daily. Great fusion food in sophisticated surroundings. Parking: Sutter-Stocton Garage. Full bar. \$\$\$

Shanghai 1930, 133 Steuart Street, 415-896-5600. L Mon-Fri,

D daily. First rate Shanghai cuisine in luxurious art deco setting. Jazz nightly. Private cigar club. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$

Waterfront Restaurant, Pier 7, Embarcadero (at Broadway),

415-391-2696. L Mon-Sat, D daily, Sunday brunch. Sweeping views of the Bay. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$

Italian

Scala's Bistro, Sir Francis Drake Hotel, 432 Powell Street, 415-395-8555. B/L/D daily. Gutsy Italian food served in informal but elegant atmosphere. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$

Splendido, 4 Embarcadero Center (Promenade level), 415-986-3222.

L Mon-Fri, D daily. Splendid Italian food in Mediterranean atmosphere. Validated parking. Full Bar. \$\$\$

Japanese

Fujiya, One Embarcadero Center, Lobby Level, 415-398-1151.

L Mon-Fri, D Mon-Sat. Shabu-shabu bar, sushi bar, teppan steak and teppan-yaki. Validated parking. Full bar. \$\$

Kyo-Ya, Palace Hotel, 2 New Montgomery Street, 415-546-5090.

L Tue-Fri, D Tue-Sat. The most elegant and serene Japanese restaurant

in San Francisco. Very fresh fish. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$\$

Mexican

Café Marimba, 2317 Chestnut Street, 415-776-1506. L Tue-Sun,

D daily. Superb Yucatan and Oaxacan cuisine in new Marina hot spot. Full bar. \$\$

Maya, 303 Second Street (at Harrison), 415-543-2928. L Mon-Fri,

D daily. Superb upscale Mexican food in a room filled with beautiful Mexican art. Parking lot (across street). Full bar. \$\$\$

Seafood

Tadich Grill, 240 California Street, 415-391-2373. L/D Mon-Sat.

San Francisco's oldest restaurant. Full bar. \$\$

Farallon, 450 Post Street, 415-956-6969. L/D daily. Coastal cuisine

with a French twist in a romantic "under the sea" atmosphere. Valet

parking. Full bar. \$\$\$\$

Plouf, 40 Belden Place (near Bush), 415-986-6491. L Mon-Fri,

D Mon-Sat. Charming seafood restaurant specializing in mussels. Located in Financial District alleyway reminiscent of Paris. Parking: Sutter-Stockton Garage. Full bar. \$\$

Steak Houses

Alfred's Steak House, 659 Merchant Street (off Montgomery),

415-781-7058. L Mon-Fri, D daily. Great steaks, clams, mussels and iced shrimp in a bordello ambience. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$

Harris' Restaurant, 2100 Van Ness Avenue, 415-673-1888. D daily. Piano nightly. Jacket required. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$\$

Favorites Not Easy to Classify

Bizou, 598 Fourth Street, 415-543-2222. L Mon-Fri, D Mon-Sat. Tasty Mediterranean food served in a cozy corner restaurant. Ample street parking at night. Full bar. \$\$

Moose's, 1652 Stockton Street, 415-989-7800. L/D daily, Sunday brunch. Ed Moose's tavern restaurant with great food and lively bar scene. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$\$

Rose Pistola, 532 Columbus Avenue (near Union), 415-399-0499.

L/D daily. Wonderful garlic-herb-rubbed mesquite grilled bone-in strip steak. Valet parking. Full bar. \$\$

Thirsty Bear, 661 Howard Street (between Second and Third Streets), 415-974-0905. L Mon-Fri, D daily. Stylish Spanish tapas restaurant and brew pub. Parking lot at Third and Howard Streets. Full bar. \$\$

Zuni Café, 1658 Market Street (near Franklin), 415-552-2522.

B/L/D Tue-Sun. The best roast chicken in San Francisco is served in rustic Bohemian environment. Valet parking evenings. Full bar. \$\$

Lively Nightlife

Jazz at Pearls, 256 Columbus Avenue (between Pacific and Broadway), 415-291-8255. Top name local and national jazz musicians are featured at this North Beach/Chinatown venue. Parking lot is on Broadway. Full bar, 2 drink minimum. \$

Biscuits & Blues, 401 Mason Street (at Geary), 415-292-2583. Live national and local blues artists nightly starting at 9:00 p.m. Ticket prices \$3 - \$25 depending on performer. Parking: Mason-O'Farrell Garage. Restaurant and full bar. \$\$

Starlight Room, Sir Francis Drake Hotel, 450 Powell Street,

415-395-8595. Dancing to the 7-piece Starlight Orchestra (40's, 50's and 60's music) 21 stories above the City. Fantastic views. Valet parking. Cover charge. Full bar. \$\$

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can hang themselves...

...where they have greens at every meal...but it's the bread...

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from the many wonderful restaurants in The City.

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best San Francisco has to offer. Bon Appetit!

\$ \$25 \$\$ \$25 - 50

\$\$\$ \$50 - 75 \$\$\$\$ Over \$75

The above price estimates are based on an average dinner for **two**, excluding drinks, wine, tax, and tip. Reservations are recommended. Also, unless

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