



FACT SHEET

OVERVIEW:

The Argonaut Hotel and Blue Mermaid Restaurant's newly renovated maritime atmosphere and outstanding service create an exciting and luxurious guest experience that appeal to both leisure and business travelers.

Housed in the historic 198,000 square-foot Haslett Warehouse, the 252-room deluxe Waterfront hotel is located at the corner of Jefferson and Hyde Streets in the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park at Fisherman's Wharf. Being the closest hotel in San Francisco to the water, the Argonaut is the only hotel with unobstructed water views on Jefferson Street that features spectacular views of the Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco Bay, Alcatraz and Downtown San Francisco.

Adjacent to the Argonaut Hotel is the Blue Mermaid Restaurant that stretches 7,000 square feet. The restaurant serves signature specialty chowders from large cauldrons in addition to seasonal seafood paired with fresh ingredients and cocktails with a local twist.

The Argonaut Hotel and Blue Mermaid Chowder House & Bar, part of Noble House Hotels & Restaurants opened on August 18, 2003. The Hotel was completely refreshed in early 2013.

LOCATION:

The Argonaut Hotel is situated on the waterfront in the historic Haslett Warehouse, on the grounds of the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park in the heart of Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco. Located at 495 Jefferson St., the hotel is across the street from the Hyde Street cable car turn-around and the Hyde Street Pier. Many of the rooms and all the suites have a dramatic view of the Golden Gate Bridge, Alcatraz, Coit Tower, San Francisco Bay or the TransAmerica Pyramid building.

San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park has opened a 10,000 square-foot Visitor Center on the ground floor of the Haslett Warehouse, adjacent to the lobby of the Argonaut Hotel. Visitors can experience the area's seafaring history through exhibits, programs and publications, lectures and an auditorium for educational events. The Center is a must see starting point for visitors to the National Park and Fisherman's Wharf.

In addition to the Visitor Center, located adjacent to the hotel, the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park offers numerous maritime related destinations, activities, talks and musical events for all ages. The Park offers public recreation (picnicking, bocce ball and an urban beach) in the Aquatic Park Historic District. The Maritime Museum is located in the National Historic Landmark bathhouse building (Polk and Beach Streets), the historic ships are berthed at Hyde Street Pier (foot of Hyde Street) and the library is located in Building E, Fort Mason Center.

Academy Studios of Marin, Calif., designed the Visitor Center. Exhibitology of Patterson, NJ fabricated and installed the exhibits.

San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park, a unit of the National Park Service, preserves and protects the nation's West Coast maritime heritage.

ADDRESS:	The Argonaut, Fisherman's Wharf 495 Jefferson Street, San Francisco CA 94109
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MANAGEMENT:	Noble House Hotels & Resorts
ACCOMMODATIONS:	The Argonaut Hotel offers 252-rooms and 13 suites, many with outstanding views overlooking the San Francisco Bay, Golden Gate Bridge, Alcatraz, the Coit Tower or the Transamerica Pyramid building.
GUEST ROOMS:	Many guestrooms are laid out like mini-suites, incorporating a small sitting area with a tailored sofa and a coffee table. Desks and bedside tables are made of whitewashed wood, giving a fresh beach-house feeling. Commissioned artwork of San Francisco landmarks by Curtis Ripley and overstuffed armchairs add to the charm. Frette bed linens are in all rooms. Other decorative elements include plantation shutters, captain's style desk chairs and striped carpeting. Walls are covered in textured white wall-covering while others feature original brick walls, wood beams, and warehouse steel doors. Many of the rooms and all the suites have a dramatic view of the Golden Gate Bridge, Alcatraz, Coit Tower, San Francisco Bay or the TransAmerica Pyramid building.
	Guest Suites

- The decor in the suites follows the same comfortable style of the other guestrooms, and includes spa tubs. All the suites have a dramatic view of the Golden Gate Bridge, Alcatraz, Coit Tower, San Francisco Bay or the TransAmerica Pyramid building.

Guest Bathrooms

- Bathrooms are richly decorated with faux antique gold-framed beveled glass mirrors topped with gold-star and tassel trimmed vanity lights. The vanities are made of granite and showers are accented with thick white terry cloth curtains. The walls are covered in an “octopus-style” print pattern.

DESIGN/ARTWORK

The Argonaut Hotel’s turn-of-the-century architecture, complete with red brick walls and Douglas Fir beams embodies the authentic nautical history and flare of the San Francisco waterfront in the early 1900s. The hotel is decorated with rich color schemes of navy blues, reds and golds. The nautical theme is accented by white-washed furniture, wide plank floors, porthole windows and mirrors, and nautical themed bedding.

Exterior

The four-story historical Haslett Warehouse, now the Argonaut Hotel, was built between 1907 and 1909 of timber and exposed brick. The original turn-of-the-century architecture stands today.

Interior

True to its history and location on the portside of San Francisco, the Argonaut Hotel is decorated in a classic nautical flavor throughout. The building maintains many original Douglas fir beams, warehouse steel doors and generously proportioned ceilings.

Designer and Architect

- Andrea Sheehan and Crystal Mazelli of Dawson Design created a warm, inviting environment within the framework of the historical Argonaut Hotel in the NPS’s National Register property and Fisherman’s Wharf.
- During the renovation project, the Design Team worked with San Francisco-based architects KMD and Heritage Consulting to ensure the historical integrity of the building.

Public Rooms

- As guests enter the hotel, the lobby opens up into a high-ceilinged room that gives guests the feeling of stepping aboard a luxury cruise ship, complete with wide wood plank floors and a central fireplace. Above the fireplace, a painting of an astronomer’s clock is a focal point. The living room and meeting areas are decorated in rich color schemes. Porthole-style light fixtures and a wall lined with teak, along with steamer ship style chaise lounges topped with thick terrycloth cushions welcome guests. The reception desk is in steamer trunk style and a stylized fish pattern carpet adds a whimsical touch.

ARGONAUT NAME:

In Greek mythology, the term Argonaut referred to sailors in search of the Golden Fleece. Then, in 1849, the influx of adventurers who journeyed from every part of the world to join the California Gold Rush became known as the *New Argonauts*. So it is fitting that the evocative name now refers to one of the City's most unique hotels—one that celebrates its portside setting and embraces the timeless desire for adventure and exploration.

BUILDING HISTORY:

The Argonaut Hotel is located in the historic Haslett Warehouse. Originally built between 1907 and 1909, the building was the Warehouse for the California Fruit Cannery Association, which distributed its goods under the Del Monte brand. For 25 years, the Del Monte Warehouse was one of the City's principal industrial operations. In 1974 it was declared a historic landmark by the City of San Francisco and was listed on the National Register of Historic places in 1975. In 1978 the Haslett Warehouse was transferred to the National Park Service and then to the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park in 1988.

The four-story timber and solid brick building was once perched on the water's edge so ships laden with fruits and vegetables could directly unload into the building. Today, the water's edge is a half block away and it's likely that the landfill around the hotel covers the remains of many old ships.

Over the years, the Haslett Warehouse has been used for many things. In the 1930s, William Randolph Hearst leased part of the warehouse to store disassembled stones of a Spanish monastery. It has also been used as offices. Most recently, the National Park Service stored rigging, blocks, spars and other maritime gear in the building.

ROOM AMENITIES:

The Argonaut Hotel offers gracious and accommodating service to its guests, as well as a wide variety of amenities to meet their needs and to make their stay more relaxing, whether they are here for leisure or business.

- Fully-stocked mini bars that include a variety of treats including Ghirardelli chocolate
- WIFI + High-speed internet access
- Private voicemail
- 37" HD Flat Panel LG TV
- Two-line telephones with data ports
- In-room Coffeemakers with Complimentary coffee
- Iron & ironing board
- Hairdryer
- Complimentary daily paper
- In-room Laptop Computer safes
- Luxurious LATHER deluxe Bath Amenities and Frette bed linens

- All 13 Deluxe Suites include the Amenities of regular guestrooms plus spa tubs and glass-enclosed showers
- *Amenity varies according to room type*

HOTEL AMENITIES:

- Complimentary WIFI and High-Speed Internet access in the Lobby, Living Room, Meeting and Function rooms and all Public areas
- 18 Tall rooms with extra-long beds, fully accessible for people with disabilities
- 24/7 1,500 square foot health and fitness room provides cardio and strength equipment
- Room service provided by the Blue Mermaid Restaurant
- Del Monte Foods has partnered with the Hotel to offer visitors a glimpse of the history of the building. They created a photo gallery that recounts the history of the building when it was used by the California Fruit Cannery Association in the early 20th century.
- Pet-Friendly Hotel – The Argonaut Hotel has adopted a pet-friendly policy that welcomes pets with no size restriction or extra charges and provides online Pet Registration to prepare for their visit
- The hotel shares the ground floor of the Haslett Warehouse with the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park’s Visitor Center, which tells the maritime history of the West Coast. In the 10,000 square-foot facility, visitors can experience a slice of the area’s seafaring history and sample the Park’s extensive collection through interactive exhibits, lectures and an auditorium for educational events. The Visitor Center is a great starting point for those visiting this National Park and Fisherman’s Wharf.

RATES:

Rooms start at USD \$389 per night

NEARBY AREAS OF INTEREST:

- Fisherman’s Wharf
- Financial District
- Chinatown
- South of Market District
- North Beach
- Marina District
- Union Square
- The Castro

MEETINGS & EVENTS:

The Argonaut offers the *largest* ballroom space on Fisherman’s Wharf with an 8,850 square feet of total meeting space including the largest ballroom on Fisherman’s Wharf with 4,200 square feet and an additional 2,200 square feet of pre-function space. All four meeting rooms are located on the first floor.

High Speed, WIFI Internet access in the Lobby and Meeting rooms and a full menu of equipment are available. Wireless Internet access also is available in all Guestrooms and Suites. Wireless technology (WIFI) allows guests with wireless computers to connect to the Internet complimentary without the hassles of plugging in.

Full service Banquet and Catering is provided by the Blue Mermaid and the Argonaut Hotel. The highly experienced chef and catering team will gladly work to create a menu to customize any event.

**BLUE MERMAID
RESTAURANT:**

The historic 7,000 square-foot Blue Mermaid Restaurant is a casual restaurant with a regional focus and family friendly atmosphere that's been newly renovated in the summer of 2017. The restaurant provides stunning waterfront views of the Golden Gate Bridge, Alcatraz Island, Coit Tower and is also the perfect place for private events. Adjacent to the Argonaut Hotel, the Blue Mermaid features a variety of homemade chowders, including Executive Chef, Nathaniel Mitzner's signature Crab and Corn chowder, steamed mussels and classic cioppino that are prepared in an Earth-friendly fashion respectful of the Monterey Bay Aquarium's sustainable fisheries guidelines in addition to a full bar serving wines, microbrew beer and hand-crafted creative cocktails with a local twist including Painted Lady, Bloody Mermaid and Steph Saffron. The restaurant offers breakfast, lunch, dinner and extensive children's menu and aquatic themed activity packets and can seat 145, including 62 on the outdoor patio.

Designed by The Puccini Group, the casual and rustic Blue Mermaid Restaurant boasts an authentic, richly textured oceanfront ambiance accented with sea-faring touches like renderings of mermaids, rough-hewn timbers and thick braids of rope.

For more information or reservations visit www.blumermaid-sf.com or call 415-771-2222.

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