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Marissa Guggiana : 33 Getaways from San Francisco that you Must Not Miss (Extension to 111 Places/111 Shops) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised 33 Getaways from San Francisco that you Must Not Miss (Extension to 111 Places/111 Shops):

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Francisco. Apparently not at all. By Customer We've lived in San Francisco for seven years and we're avid explorers of Northern California. We pride ourselves on coming up with new day trips and showing-off our adopted home to visiting friends and family. I was therefore skeptical about the amount of new information in this book until I flicked through a friend's copy and realized that a) I needed my own copy because b) we apparently have only scratched the surface when it comes to day-trips from SF. What I loved about this book is not only that it gave me new ideas about places to explore (including some VERY close to home) but it also highlighted lovely sights/restaurants/activities to see and do in areas we already thought we knew well like Pt Reyes or Petaluma. I also liked that the book focuses on smaller/family establishments and has lots of quick tips and lists, if you don't have time to read all the chapters. (Although those are worth reading over a glass of wine at your newly discovered favorite destination.) Highly recommended. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Three Stars By Peter D. Nervook 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Addictive travel book whether you live in or visit San Francisco By harriet schwab Jack Kerouac wrote, many years ago, There was nowhere to go but everywhere, so just keep on rolling under the stars I want to go to every getaway in this utterly smart, gorgeous, informative book by Marissa Guggiana recommending trips outside of San Francisco, and published by emons, the publisher of the incredible 111 places travel series. All the getaways in Marissa's utterly fabulous book are within three hours of San Francisco. There are weekends for you and children, you and lovers, you and friends. Hikes you never knew were there, cabins in the wilderness where you wake up to the pounding of the surf or flamingos calling. There are so many surprises. Have you been to Sonoma's Serengeti (one of the magical African animal preserves in the US)? Did you know you could sleep in a lighthouse? Or that you could go to Silicon Valley and print in 3-D? There are weekends that invite you to submerge in hot mud and minerals, that entice you to shuck your own oysters, that take you surfing and kite flying, invite you to sip one-of-a-kind cabernets, or have a Texas barbecue in Calistoga. Marissa, author of two award-winning food books, never forgets the food, the wine, the beer, or the cheese that the Bay area has to offer. She doesn't miss a great bar or a great restaurant or a great place to sleep, for that matter (whether a tree house, a haunted Victorian hotel or a rustic seaside cabin. With more than 300 photographs, maps, estimated times of travel and tons of insider information, I implore you if you live in the Bay area or if you're visiting, there is something here for you.

Go off the beaten path to discover 33 weekend getaways in the San Francisco Bay Area; the ultimate insider's getaway guide. Features interesting and unusual places not found in traditional travel guides. An extension of the international 111 Places/111 Shops series with over 150 titles and 1 million copies in print worldwide.

About the Author Marissa Guggiana is a fifth-generation native of Sonoma County and the celebrated author of two culinary books, *Primal Cuts: Cooking with America's Best Butchers* and *Off The Menu: Staff Meals From America's Top Restaurants*. Growing up in Northern California has nurtured her passion for exploring her surroundings and she is thrilled to share some of her favorite discoveries. As a freelance journalist, her articles have appeared in such publications as *Edible Communities* magazines, *Meatpaper*, and *Berkeleyside* among others. She lives in the Bay Area with her husband, Eric, and their daughter, Margot.