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Whale Watching & Sailing Services	Description	Price	Contact
Monterey Bay Whale Watch	This tour operator offers trips ranging from 3-hours (available daily) to 12-hours (available on select days.) Located on Fisherman's Wharf, MB Whale Watch is open year-round.	Starting at: \$70 per adult \$65 per child (ages 4 to 12) \$20 per child (ages 3 & under)	Cruises can be booked online . To learn more or to book cruise offerings, call (831) 375-4658 or email whaletrips@gowhales.com .
Princess Monterey Whale Watching	This tour operator offers daily trips between 2.5 to 3-hours. Located on Fisherman's Wharf, Princess Monterey is open year-round. Customized specialty cruises and sunset bay cruises are also available.	Starting at: \$70 per adult \$45 per child (ages 3 to 11)	Cruises can be booked online . For general information, call (831) 372-2203 or email info@princessmontereywhalewatching.com . To learn more about specialty cruises, call (831) 869-7210 or email barbara@princessmontereywhalewatching.com .
Chris' Fishing & Whale Watching	This tour operator offers daily 3-hour trips departing in the morning & afternoon. Located on Fisherman's Wharf. Chris' is open year-round. Fishing trips are also available.	Starting at: \$60 per adult \$40 per child (12 & under) Fishing Trips: \$75 - \$120 per adult \$50 - \$120 per child (15 & under)	Cruises can be booked online . To learn more about cruises or fishing trips, call (831) 375-5951 or email info@chriswhalewatching.com .
Sail Monterey	This tour operator offers 75-minute trips Thursday – Monday. Located on Fisherman's Wharf, Sail Monterey is open year-round. Private & sunset cruises are also available.	Starting at: \$55 per adult \$45 per child (12 & under) \$85 per adult (Sunset Cruise)	Cruises can be booked online . To learn more or to book cruise offerings, call (831) 372-7245 or email book@sailmonterey.com .
Fast Raft Ocean Safaris	This tour operator offers 3–4-hour trips departing in the morning & afternoon, available on select dates. Located in Moss	Starting at: \$195 per adult & child (ages 8+) <i>Capacity is 6 passengers per trip</i>	Cruises can be booked online . To learn more or to book cruise offerings, call (408) 659-3900 or email reservations@fastraft.com .

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	Landing, Fast Raft is open year-round. Private charters are available from Moss Landing and Monterey.		
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Kayaking Outfitters	Description	Price	Contact
Adventures by the Sea	This outfitter offers daily kayaking rentals at several locations, including Cannery Row, Portola Hotel, Lovers Point, & Stillwater Cove in Pebble Beach. Private & guided tours are also available.	Starting at: \$40 for a single kayak \$70 for a tandem kayak	Rentals can be booked online . To learn more about tour & additional rental offerings, call (831) 372-1807 or email sales@adventuresbythesea.com .
Monterey Bay Kayaks	This outfitter offers daily kayaking rentals at two locations: Monterey's harbor and Elkhorn Slough in Moss Landing. Stand-up paddle boards are also available to rent. Private & guided tours are also available.	Starting at: \$45 per person (single kayaks) \$35 per person (tandem kayaks) \$45 per person (paddle boards)	Rentals are secured onsite. To learn more about tour & additional rental offerings, call (831) 373-5357, book online or email info@montereybaykayaks.com .
Kayak Connection	This outfitter offers daily kayaking rentals at Elkhorn Slough. Private & guided tours are also available.	Starting at: \$50 for a single kayak \$80 for a tandem kayak \$120 for a triple kayak	Rentals can be booked by phone at (831) 724-5692. To learn more about additional tour offerings, email moss@kayakconnection.com .
Pacific Grove Adventures	This outfitter offers daily 2 & 4 hour kayaking rentals located at Lover's Point Beach in Pacific Grove.	Starting at: \$30 for a single kayak \$60 for a tandem kayak	Rentals can be booked online . To learn more about rentals & additional offerings, call (831) 241 – 1125 or email info@pacificgroveadventures.com

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Automotive Experiences	Description	Price	Contact
Monterey Touring Vehicles	This rental provider offers a range of classic vehicles perfect for cruising along the coast in style. Vehicles can be delivered to select locations for a small delivery fee.	Starting at: \$200 for a half day (4 hours) \$400 for a full day (8 hours)	Vehicles can be reserved online . To learn more about MTV's fleet rental offerings, call (831) 337-8800 or email info@mtvrentals.com .
Land Rover Experience Driving School	The experience offers daily customized off road driving lessons, ranging from 1-hour to a full day. Land Rover is located at Quail Lodge & is open year-round.	Starting at: \$275 per vehicle <i>(Vehicles hold up to three passengers)</i>	Experiences can be booked online . To learn more about driving experiences, call (831) 620-8854 or email quail@jaguarlandover.com .
Allen Berg Racing Schools at WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca	The racing school offers programs ranging from 1-day to 3-days on select dates throughout the year. Drivers learn fundamental skills for racing formula cars at a world-renowned racetrack.	Starting at: \$2,345 for a 1-day program	Programs can be booked online . To learn more about program offerings, call (831) 230-1621 or email questions@allenbergracingschools.com .
Handcar Tours	This operator offers guided handcar tours across the railroad tracks in Fort Ord Dunes State park. The handcars are self-propelled using your arms and legs on the 6 mile oceanside journey, an experience unique to only Monterey County.	Starting at: \$189 per hand car <i>(Vehicles hold minimum of 2 people, max of 4. 10 cars can be rented for groups from 20-40 people as well.)</i>	Handcars can be reserved online. To learn more about this experience, call or text (831) 204-5000 or email help@handcar.com

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Bicycle Adventures	Description	Price	Contact
<u>Mad Dogs & Englishmen</u>	This operator offers daily E-bike rentals, specializing in heirloom quality, limited edition classic bikes perfect for Monterey County's hilly terrain. Locations in Carmel-by-the-Sea and at the Monterey Plaza Hotel. Private & guided tours can also be arranged.	Starting at: \$20 for 1-hour \$50 for a half day \$70 for a full day <i>Rental pricing varies and is based on type of e-bike selected.</i>	Rentals can be booked online in <u>Carmel</u> and <u>Monterey</u> . To learn more about rental offerings, call (831) 250-7687 or email <u>info@maddogscarmel.com</u> .
<u>Big Sur Adventures</u>	This operator offers daily bicycle & e-bike rentals from a storefront in the American Tin Cannery, with a variety of rental options. Big Sur Adventures also offers e-bike tours featuring locations such as 17-Mile Drive & Bixby Bridge in Big Sur.	Starting at: \$35 per day for standard rentals \$50 half day rentals \$75 full day rentals \$74 per person for select tours	Rentals or tours can be booked <u>online</u> . To learn more about rental & additional tour offerings, call (831) 244-0169 or email <u>info@bikebigsur.com</u> .
<u>Adventures by the Sea</u>	This operator offers daily bicycle & e-bike rentals from multiple locations in Monterey County. Adventures by the Sea also specializes in surrey rentals & private guided tours at select locations.	Starting at: \$55 for half day rentals \$85 for full day rental \$75 per adult for tours	Rentals can be booked <u>online</u> . To learn more about rental & additional tour offerings, call (831) 372-1807 or email <u>sales@adventuresbythesea.com</u> .
<u>Pacific Grove Adventures</u>	This operator offers hybrid and cruiser bike rentals at Lover's Point Beach. Surrey rentals are also available.	Starting at: \$30 for half day rentals \$40 for full day rentals	Rentals can be booked <u>online</u> . To learn more about rentals & additional offerings, call (831) 241 – 1125 or email <u>info@pacificgroveadventures.com</u>

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VineCycle Tours	<p>This operator offers guided tours through select vineyards in Monterey County on electric assist mountain bikes.</p>	<p>Inquire for price. Tours typically last two hours and cover 6-12 miles.</p>	<p>Rentals can be booked online. To learn more email jeff@vinecycletours.com.</p>
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Air-Based Excursions	Description	Price	Contact
Skydive Monterey Bay	<p>This operator offers the world's highest tandem skydive from 18,000 feet above ground, daily. Skydive Monterey Bay is located at the Marina Municipal Airport & features the best freefall skydiving, at up to 90 seconds.</p>	<p>Starting at: \$100 per person</p>	<p>Dives can be booked online. To learn more about additional offerings or the general experience, call (831) 384-3483 or email info@skydivemontereybay.com.</p>
Specialized Aviation	<p>This operator offers a range of helicopter and airplane tours, training courses & private charters highlighting Monterey County sites. Customized group adventures are also available.</p>	<p>Starting at: \$135 per person for airplane tours \$395 per person for helicopter tours <i>(Pricing & minimum guests are based on tour selected.)</i></p>	<p>Tours can be booked online. To learn more about tour offerings & customized adventures, call (831) 763-2244 or email main@spheli.com.</p>

Cultural Experiences	Description	Price	Contact
Monterey Bay Aquarium	<p>Located on historic Cannery Row, Monterey Bay Aquarium offers the opportunity to experience Monterey Bay firsthand, with daily educational</p>	<p>Starting at: \$49.95 per adult \$39.95 for seniors (ages 65+) \$39.95 for students <i>Pricing covers general admission</i></p>	<p>General admission tickets can be booked online. VIP tours can also be booked online. To learn more about general admission & tour offerings, call (831)648-4800.</p>

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	programs. Guided tours are also available.		
California Legacy Tours	This operator offers a vast range of daily walking tours, step-on tours & customizable presentations in several languages. Legacy tours highlight history, scenery, art, geology, agriculture, fauna & more.	Starting at: \$35 per adult \$25 per child <i>(Pricing based on tour selected)</i>	Tours can be booked online . To learn more about tour offerings, call (831) 324-3304 or email Monica@CaLegacyTours.com .
National Steinbeck Center	Located in nearby Salinas, just 17 miles east of Monterey, the National Steinbeck Center is a museum and archive that celebrates the life and work of writer John Steinbeck, as well as the Salinas region	Starting at: \$10.95 for adults, \$7.95 for children ages 13 to 17 \$5.95 for children ages 6- 12	Tours can be booked online . To learn more call (831) 775-4721 or email store@steinbeck.org .
VoiceMap Audio Tours by Carmel Cares	Carmel Cares is a local non-profit that has developed a series of walking & driving audio tours of Carmel-by-the-Sea and surrounding areas such as Old Fisherman's Wharf, Cannery Row, and Big Sur. VoiceMap app available for download.	Starting at: \$7.99 per walking tour \$9.99 per driving tour	Tours can be purchased online . To learn more or for assistance with purchases/downloads, please email CarmelCares1@gmail.com
Thai is Fun	This operator offers authentic Thai cuisine group/private cooking classes and demonstrations. Packages and gifts are also available.	Starting at: \$350 per group (<i>groups of 8 max</i>) \$75 per person for private classes (<i>2-4 people</i>)	Classes can be booked online . To learn more, call (831) 888 – 6650 or email goithaiisfun@gmail.com
Wellness Activities	Description	Price	Contact
Monterey Bay Mediation Studio	Monterey Bay Meditation Studio offers the opportunity to	Starting at:	Sessions & courses can be booked online . To learn more about additional offerings, call

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	develop, sustain & deepen meditation practices in a safe, comfortable environment. The studio features drop-in sessions & specialty courses available on select days.	\$5 per person for drop-in sessions \$140 per person for courses <i>Pricing is based on type of course selected</i>	(831) 373-1017 or email info@montereybaymeditation
Esalen Institute	Located in Big Sur, Esalen Institute offers weekly workshops & experiential programs, hot springs, lodging & more. The institute provides the ideal environment to explore deeper spiritual possibilities.	Starting at: \$420 per person (w/out lodging) \$845 per person (w/ lodging) <i>Pricing is based on weekend workshop</i>	Workshops can be booked online . To learn more about the general experience & additional offerings, call (831) 667-3000 or email info@esalen.org .
Refuge Day Spa	Refuge is America's first co-ed outdoor relaxation spa, located in Carmel Valley. In addition to sauna, steam rooms, hot pools Nordic cool & cold pools, massages are also available.	Starting at: \$55 per adult for general admission \$155 per adult for 50-minute massage	Massages can be booked online . To learn more about the general experience & additional offerings, call (831) 620-7360.
Pebble Beach Equestrian Center	Located in the Del Monte Forest, the equestrian center offers a variety of daily trail tours led by professional guides, as well as both group and private riding lessons year-round.	Starting at: \$145 per person for trail tour \$50 per hour for group lesson <i>Pricing varies based on selected tour.</i>	To book large group tours, lessons, or to learn more about additional offerings, call (831) 622-5985 or email equestriancenter@pebblebeach.com . Tours or lessons must be booked 48 hours in advance.
Happy Girl Kitchen	This operator offers a variety of culinary workshops such as cheesemaking and canning goods. Private workshops and other events are also available.	Starting at: \$120 per person	Workshops can be booked online . For more information or questions, call (831) 373 – GIRL (4475), or email sales@happygirlkitchen.com

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Agricultural Tours	Description	Price	Contact
AG Venture Tours	This operator offers a variety of half day tours on select dates throughout the season. Tours feature Monterey & Santa Cruz County wineries, Salinas Valley agricultural education or sightseeing destinations such as Monterey, Santa Cruz, or Big Sur.	Starting at: \$90 - \$155 per adult \$65 - \$80 per child (ages 5 to 16) <i>Pricing varies based on tour selected.</i>	Tours can be booked online . To learn more about additional tour offerings, call (831) 761-8463 or email evan@agventuretours.com .
The Farm	Located in Salinas Valley, The Farm offers four types of tours: basic, school, group & customized. All tours highlight The Farm's certified organic methods, though tours range in price, availability & time length.	Starting at: \$9 per adult \$7 per child (ages 3 to 17) <i>Pricing is based on basic tour</i>	To book tours or to learn more about tour offerings, call (831) 455-2575 or email thefarminsalinas@gmail.com .
Earthbound Farm Stand	Located in Carmel Valley next to Earthbound Farms, the farm stand offers a brief but engaging educational experience alongside organic produce, flowers & locally produced gifts available for purchase. Workshops are also available on select dates.	<i>To be determined</i>	To learn more, call (831) 625-6219 or email ebfsevents@taylorfarms.com . Current and upcoming events here .
Food & Wine Tours	Description	Price	Contact
Monterey Bay Food Tours	This operator offers a culinary walking adventure featuring food stops on Old Fisherman's	Starting at: \$150 per adult for Old Monterey tour	Tours can be booked online . To learn more about additional tour offerings, call (831)

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	Wharf and downtown Monterey including ties to popular TV show Big Little Lies. Private & customizable tours are also available.		204-2211 or email foodie@montereybayfoodtours.com
Carmel Food Tours	This operator offers a classic, e-bike, and scavenger hunt style tours of Carmel-by-the-Sea. All tour options feature guided culinary experiences at various hand-selected venues. Private customized group tours also available.	Starting at: \$59 per adult for scavenger hunt tour \$119 per adult for classic tour \$179 per adult for e-bike tour	Tours can be booked online . To learn more about tour offerings, call (831) 216 - 8533 or email info@carmelfoodtour.com .
Kombi Tours	This operator offers private 4.5-hour tours with transportation in a vintage Volkswagen Kombi bus for up to 6 people with several stops at local wineries & breweries. Private group tours available.	Starting at: \$150 per person for Wine & Brew tours \$700 for private group tours (6 persons max for all tours; tasting fees not included)	Tours can be booked online . To learn more about offerings and private tours, call (831) 747 – 7441 or email steve@kombitoursmonterey.com
Monterey Guided Wine Tours	This operator offers 4 -5-hour walking, customizable, private, and group guided wine tours. Transportation included in tours.	Starting at: \$145 per person for walking wine tour (Please inquiry direct for guided wine tour packages pricing.)	Tours can be booked online . Group tour quotes can also be requested online or by calling (831) 920 - 2792
Behind the Scenes Wine Tours	This operator offers 4 – 5.5 hour guided wine tours with stops to several wineries with picnic or other appetizers provided. 3 packages with varying amenities to choose from.	Please contact directly for pricing.	Tours can be reserved by contacting Dena Franscioni at (831) 596 – 4495 or dena6445@yahoo.com