



Today's Dirty Dozen – Getting to the Hotel and getting around in San Francisco

Like many of the more reasonably priced hotels*, the GG Holiday Inn has no special airport pickup and delivery service. So, don't expect someone with a sign waiting at the airport (unless you want to hire the limo service yourself). Here are a number of options:

Arriving

1. **San Francisco Airport (SFO) to the hotel via taxi:** About \$40 - \$45, taxis can take up to four passengers.
2. **SFO to the hotel via shuttle:** You'll find plenty of these just outside on the same level as ticketing at the airport. No reservation required; \$16 for first person; \$9 each additional person. One service is SuperShuttle (www.supershuttle.com); more options at www.flysfo.com/web/page/tofrom/transp-serv/dtd
3. **SFO to hotel via public transportation:** Use SFO's AirTrain to get to the rapid transit (BART) station. Take BART (\$5.35) to the Civic Center stop. Go towards the Orpheum Theater (one-half block) and catch the #19/Polk bus or the #47/Fisherman's Wharf bus (\$1.50, exact change). Hotel is at the corner of Van Ness and Pine.
4. **Oakland Airport (OAK) to hotel via taxi:** About \$65; taxis can take up to four persons.
5. **OAK to the Hotel via shuttle:** No reservation required; \$25 for first person; \$9 each additional person. One service is SuperShuttle (www.supershuttle.com); more options at <http://www.oaklandairport.com/shuttles.shtml>
6. **OAK to hotel via public transportation:** Take AirBART (\$3 per person) to get to the Coliseum/Oakland Airport rapid transit (BART) station. Take BART (\$3.55) to the Civic Center stop. Go towards the Orpheum Theater (one-half block) and catch the #19/Polk bus or the #47/Fisherman's Wharf bus (\$1.50, exact change). Hotel is at Van Ness and Pine.
7. **From the San Francisco CalTrain station:** Board the #47/Fisherman's Wharf bus (\$1.50, exact change) at the southwest corner of 4th St & Townsend St. Get off at Van Ness and California.
8. **Driving:** . Hotel is located at the corner of Van Ness Avenue (Highway 101) and Pine Street. Go to www.goldengatewayhotel.com/overview.php and click on 'Maps and Directions.' This being San Francisco, hotel parking is very dear (\$38.76 per night).

Departing

9. **Hotel to SFO/OAK via taxi:** see arriving.
10. **Hotel to SFO/OAK via shuttle:** Reservation required via hotel gift shop/concierge. According to hotel, price is \$12 per person for SFO; \$25/15 for OAK..
11. **Hotel to SFO/OAK via public transportation** – reverse arrival instructions.
12. **Hotel to CalTrain:** reverse arrival instructions. Don't walk backwards.

Useful web sites:

www.sfmta.com San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (aka Muni; parking and traffic, plus all public transit in SF, including bus, light rail, vintage street cars, trolley buses, cable cars)

www.flysfo.com San Francisco International Airport (SFO)

www.oaklandairport.com Oakland International Airport (OAK)

www.bart.gov Bay Area Rapid Transit (aka BART)

* “reasonably-priced hotel” is a relative term. What may pass for reasonable in other cities is sometimes impossible to find in a place like SF - a City that consistently ranks in the top five tourist destinations in the world by ranking authorities such as Conde Naste, Mobil and others. In looking for hotels for LLC 12, the Local Organizing Committee contacted or visited more than 30 hotels. For the needs of a conference drawing 300 or so, with meeting rooms and amenities (and not at the airport), the GG Holiday Inn was a clear choice budget-wise. The next least expensive hotel was 25% higher. Welcome to SF, one of the most expensive places in the US to live.

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