

San Luis Obispo County: City of San Luis Obispo



LOCAL HIGHLIGHTS IN DOWNTOWN SAN LUIS OBISPO

Mission San Luis Obispo

- Located downtown at Chorro and Monterey Streets in the Mission Plaza, **Old Mission San Luis Obispo** serves the local Catholic Church parish. Visitors are welcome, the gift shop and museum are open Monday - Saturday 9:30am to 5pm, closed Sundays.
www.missionsanluisobispo.org

Mission Plaza

- Located in front of the Mission along San Luis Obispo Creek, **Mission Plaza** is a community area with public artworks, fountain, creek walks, cafés and shops. The Plaza is also home to –
 - **The Art Center**: Free public galleries of fine arts and crafts by California artists, a gift shop features works by local artists. Open 8am-5pm everyday except Tuesday.
 - **Historical Society Museum**: A private non-profit organization with displays of county history. Open 10am-4pm everyday except Monday and Tuesday.
 - **Children’s Museum**: Families explore and experience over 25 “hands-on” interactive exhibits that challenge children to learn while having fun. Parking is available on Monterey Street at Broad, across from the Art Center.

Jack House & Gardens

- The Jack Family lived in this 1880s two-story Victorian home for over 90 years and much of the family’s original furnishings are on display for visitors. The surrounding grounds offer one of the most beautiful old-fashioned garden settings in San Luis Obispo with trees over 100 years old.

Dallidet Adobe

- The 1850s adobe home and gardens are owned by the San Luis Obispo County Historical Society. The Mediterranean garden includes original trees and shrubs, two large redwood trees (grown from seedlings) and a memorial rose garden.

Farmers’ Market

- On Thursday nights year-round, six blocks of downtown are transformed into a **Farmers’ Market and Street Fair** where local farmers offer produce, fruits and flowers. The air is filled with smoke from the numerous oak BBQs offering ribs and tri-tip sandwiches. Be entertained by musicians, puppet shows, dancers and family fun.

Madonna Inn

- A landmark on California’s Central Coast for over 45 years. The world-renowned **Madonna Inn** offers uniquely decorated rooms, each with a special theme and color scheme, no two are alike! Enjoy a meal in the **Copper Café & Pastry Shop** or **Alex Madonna’s Gold Rush Steak House**. The downstairs men’s room “waterfall” has attracted visitors for years.
www.madonnainn.com