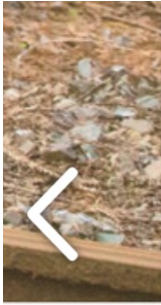


An Ode to Highway

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*As we contemplate travel in 2022,
road trips continue to hold a lot
of appeal. And with access to such
a storied thoroughfare as Highway 1,
Californians aren't complaining.
We celebrate our coastal passageway
with a three-part look at its engineering,
its personal charms and worthy reasons
to explore anew.*



Stephen Smith,
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e, dog trailer \$30.

Northern Monterey County

Most people speed through Castroville on their way to Monterey, but Ag Venture Tours & Consulting provides a new reason for artichoke lovers to put on the brakes at Pezzini Farms, just off Highway 1. Book a 90-minute walking tour that includes an overview of Salinas Valley agriculture, in-depth artichoke lore and an artichoke cupcake or deep-fried artichoke hearts. *\$55. agventuretours.com*

Steer into Carmel-by-the-Sea for made-to-order decadence from Dutch Door Donuts, which opened last fall in Carmel Plaza. The family-owned artisan shop has won avid fans for flavors such as blood orange, ground chocolate and pistachio cardamom, plus an expert cup of coffee. *dutchdoordonuts.com*

Big Sur

Stretch your legs and then some along the Pine Ridge Trail, a 19-mile, out-and-back trek through the Ventana Wilderness from Big Sur Station to Sykes Hot Springs. The popular trail in Los Padres National Forest reopened last April after more than four years of closure due to fire and storm damage. Reward the effort with a stay or a meal at iconic Deetjen’s Big Sur Inn, which reopened its rustic lodgings in late 2020 and its restaurant last May. *From \$135 with shared bath, \$250 with private bath. deetjens.com*

market, with live craft vendors lining *hotelcerro.com*

For more regionaling olive oil, honey Farm Inn’s new M features local wine tions. *applefarm.com*

Avila Beach

One block from the Morro Bay oysters LaVallee tasting room grapes grown in the Tip: To guarantee order oysters ahead

In Pismo Beach has direct access to convenient beach including special stars through the all 124 rooms, along \$303. *vesperapismo.com*

Santa Barbara

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