



BIG SUR PHOTO LOCATION GUIDE

WORLD'S MOST BEAUTIFUL COASTAL DRIVE

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Montaña De Oro State Park

Stop by Montaña De Oro State Park and spend there at least a couple of hours and do not forget visiting the Spooner's Cove.

🌐 35.275, -120.888

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Morro Bay

The Morro Rock, which is the area's main attraction, is a 180-meter tall volcanic plug. Try shooting the rock at sunset or in the morning from Morro Creek Beach.

🌐 35.369, -120.867

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Moonstone Beach

Take a walk along Moonstone Beach Drive for amazing photo opportunities. Along the way, treat yourself to breakfast or lunch with a spectacular ocean view at the Leffingwell Landing State Park.

🌐 35.582, -121.120

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Point Piedras Blancas

The main attraction of the Piedras Blancas beaches is the Elephant Seals Rookery. But if you follow the coastal trail you will discover other interesting spots to shoot seascapes.

🌐 35.664, -121.265

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From Dunes to Mountains

This is where the flat part of the drive ends and the famous Big Sur mountainous stretch begins.

🌐 35.733, -121.314

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Ragged Point

This is the first mountain vista point. The view is spectacular but it is somewhat difficult to photograph.

🌐 35.776, -121.328

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McWey Falls

This is another signature location of the Big Sur. The beautiful sandy beach at McWey Falls was recently formed by a major road slide that left State Route 1 unpassable for 12 months in 1980.

🌐 35.776, -121.328

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Pfeiffer Beach

Pfeiffer Beach is arguably one of the most beautiful beaches in Central California. At the same time, it is also the most secluded. The only way to get to the beach is to take a narrow, rundown one-lane road through the mountains.

🌐 36.160, -121.673

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Point Sur Lightstation

The Point Sur Lightstation is where the most popular and iconic stretch of the Big Sur begins. Most tourists driving from Monterey typically turn around when they reach this point.

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Bixby Bridge

It is impossible to miss the iconic Bixby Bridge since there is no way around it.

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Little Sur River Beach

This is the place where the Little Sur River enters the ocean. Every time I pass this spot it looks different because the small river makes its way to the ocean differently with each rainfall and season.

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Point Lobos State Reserve

I call the Point Lobos State Reserve a crown jewel of the entire drive. Be ready to dedicate a full day to the park.

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