

Sights to See from your Seat
Cambria: the Perfect Place for Road Trips

CAMBRIA, Calif. (June 1, 2020) — The Central Coast is known for stunning views, whether visitors are driving through its scenic seaside towns or along the iconic Highway 1. Whether you're ready to pack your suitcase or just hit the road for the day, Cambria is the perfect place to begin and end your road trip as you visit these six sights that this little coastal town has to offer.

Below are some of the things that road trippers can enjoy during their next adventure on Highway 1. To learn more about the routes and activities in and around Cambria [visit the website](#) or download the Visit Cambria app, available on [iOS](#) and [Android](#).

The Town of Cambria

Driving through the town on Main Street, road trippers will notice Cambria is filled with vibrant art galleries, boutique shops lining the streets, and local eateries. Visitors can cruise through the town with their windows down and enjoy the abundance of historic architecture, dating back to the late 1800s.

Piedras Blancas Light Station

Visitors can discover some more Central Coast history on a road trip by heading 15 miles north of Cambria to see the historic [Piedras Blancas Lighthouse](#), located on a rugged, windswept coastal point. The lighthouse was first illuminated in 1875 to guide mariners along California's coast.

Elephant Seals

After visiting the Piedras Blancas Lighthouse, you can drive nearby to the [Northern Elephant Seal Rookery](#) to catch a glimpse of these giants of the sea resting in their rookery. During peak season, thousands of animals lounge on the shore, breeding, birthing, and resting. However, some elephant seals lounge on the coast year-round for visitors to admire.

Ragged Point

Ragged Point is a stopping point on Highway 1 that is full of stunning views. Visitors can pull off at a safe, scenic stop and enjoy the crisp, coastal air. Lovers of the outdoors can then stretch their legs by hiking [Salmon Creek Trail](#)—a secluded trail with waterfalls and ocean views.

Harmony, CA

Before visitors head back to Cambria, they can cruise through Harmony—a village just five miles south of Cambria with a population of 1. Many hidden gems can be found in this unique place, including glass blowing at [Harmony Glass Works](#) and ice cream from the [Harmony Valley Creamery](#) truck.

Hearst Castle

Overlooking the Pacific Ocean and six miles north of Cambria lies [Hearst Castle](#), a lavish historical landmark that is a must-see destination for anyone taking a cruise on Highway 1. If they have some time to spare on the road, visitors may choose one of the many guided tours offered, with 165 impressively decorated rooms and 127 acres of gardens, terraces, pools, and walkways. Currently, guests can take virtual tours of the inside of the incredible estate until in-person tours reopen.

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About Cambria

Nestled among towering pines and the shimmering sea on California's Central Coast, Cambria California is a picturesque village that unfolds along scenic Highway 1 between San Francisco and Los Angeles on the Central Coast of California, just six miles south of the famous historic landmark Hearst Castle. For more information, or to book a stay, please go to [VisitCambriaCA.com](#).