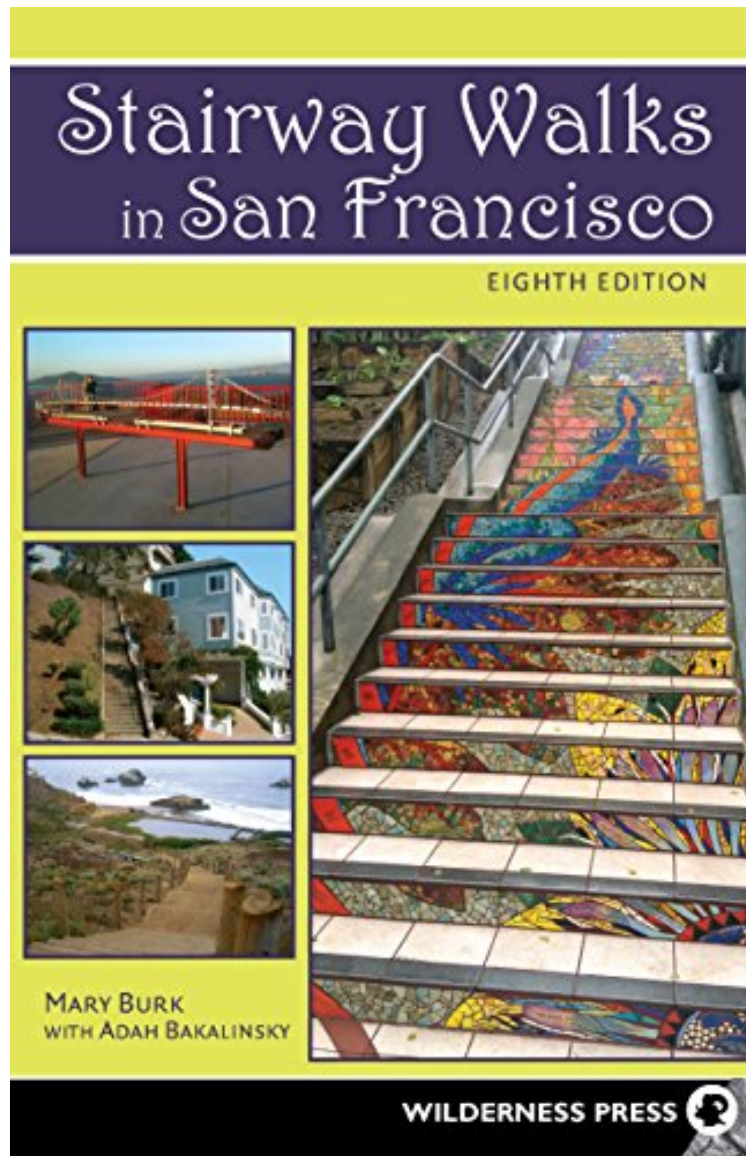


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away from San Francisco, but make day trips there often. This book is a great way to fill in some spare hours between other activities. Gives you a chance to get some exercise, see great views and little known corners plus learn something about the history and culture of various neighborhoods. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Excellent Guide Book! By Spyhunter100 Overall, it's a great guide to exploring the different neighborhoods in San Francisco. One thing to really improve on is to number the various paragraphs explaining the various points in each walk to be consistent with the numberings in each walk's map. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good way to explore San Francisco By California Tourist I had the 1984 edition of this book that I tried to use a few months ago when I was in "The City." Interesting how much buildings had changed in the Nob Hill area. Looking forward to going back and using the newest edition. For a walker, like I am, it's a fascinating way to explore.

Hundreds of public stairways traverse San Francisco's 42 hills, exposing incredible vistas while connecting colorful, unique neighborhoods -- Mary Burk and Adah Bakalinsky love them all. The updated *Stairway Walks in San Francisco* explores well-known and clandestine corridors from Lands End to Bernal Heights while sharing captivating architectural, historical, pop culture, and horticultural notes along the way. A comprehensive appendix lists every one of the city's 600-plus public stairways. Long-term residents and tourists alike have used the book for more than 25 years to adventurously uncover San Francisco's unexpected details.

**About the Author** Mary Burk has been walking around San Francisco since the 1980s, and met Adah at a book event held at the San Francisco Public Library. Since then, Mary has happily extolled the wonders of this little city's gems, which Adah's walks unearth, and she's also enjoyed taking many new walks with Adah in the process. Adah Bakalinsky is the queen of San Francisco's majestic, quirky, and quotidian stairways. Walker nonpareil and veteran guide, she explores the hidden corridors and cul-de-sacs of San Francisco, charting neighborhood changes by gathering stories from residents, gardeners, and shopkeepers. Bakalinsky has lived in San Francisco and walked its paths and stairways for many years, and has been a full-time resident since 1973. She estimates she has walked 15,000 miles in the City since that time. She has been the author of *Stairway Walks in San Francisco* since the first edition was published in 1984. She lives in San Francisco.