

This is San Francisco [A Children's Classic]

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Let the rumbling cable car tell you the story! And what a story: From the crookedest street in the world to the Peking ducks in Chinatown, San Francisco is easily one of the world's most enchanting cities. Illustrator Miroslav Sasek captures both the breathtaking landscape and the cosmopolitan flavor of the City by the Bay in *This is San Francisco*. First published in 1962, Sasek's jaunty, colorful illustrations will still dazzle kids and adults alike.

Here's a flat-out classic. In 1962, Czech author-illustrator Miroslav Sasek created *This Is San Francisco*, another installment of his series of children's travel guides (*This Is Paris*, *This Is London*, *This Is New York*). With his usual distinctive and charming style, Sasek tours the sights around the City by the Bay, including Lombard Street, the cable cars, Fishermen's Wharf, Golden Gate Bridge, and Chinatown. This 2003 reissue edition also includes a number of annotations about how certain locales have changed since the book was published. There's a good chance that anyone who grew up in or near San Francisco will remember this book fondly. Everyone else has a joyous discovery ahead. --David Horiuchi

M. Sasek was born in 1916 in Prague, Czechoslovakia. An author and illustrator, he is best remembered for his classic stories on the great cities of the world. He died in 1980.

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