

# Old Town San Diego

1. San Diego is the birthplace of California. The **first** European exploration of the West Coast was by Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo, a Portuguese navigator sailing for Spain, who landed in San Diego on September 28, 1542.



### Mission San Diego de Alcala

2. San Diego County has the **most** missions in the state, with four in all: Mission San Diego de Alcala, Mission San Luis Rey, Mission San Antonio de Pala and Mission Santa Ysabel.



### **Coronado Bridge**

3. The **first** person to drive over the landmark San Diego-Coronado bridge, which opened in 1969 connecting downtown San Diego with Coronado, was Ronald Reagan.



## **San Diego International Airport**

4. The San Diego International Airport is the **busiest**, single-runway major airport in the nation and the second in the world after London Gatwick.



### La Jolla Playhouse

5. Between The Old Globe and the Tony Award-winning La Jolla Playhouse, San Diego has sent **more** shows to Broadway than any other city in the U.S.\_



### **Birch Aquarium**

6. The Birch Aquarium at Scripps in La Jolla is the largest oceanographic museum in the country.



#### **Belmont Park**

7. The Giant Dipper, a classic, wooden roller coaster in Belmont Park along Mission Beach, is **one of only two** ocean-side coasters on the West Coast. Built in 1925, it is also the **only** roller coaster in the U.S. to have National Landmark status and to be on the National Register of Historic Places.



8. San Diego County has the **largest** number of farms (almost 7,000) in the U.S. and ranks first in the nation for value of floriculture, nursery, greenhouse and sod products. San Diego County also produces the **most** avocados of any region in the country.



#### **Hotel Del Coronado**

9. The Hotel Del Coronado has hosted ten United States presidents, including the **first** state dinner held outside the White House in 1970. The resort also unveiled the world's first electrically lighted, outdoor Christmas tree in 1904.



### Geisel Library, UCSD

10. The University of California, San Diego's Geisel Library in La Jolla houses the world's **largest** collection of original Dr. Seuss manuscripts and other materials. Dr. Seuss (Ted Geisel) was a one-time resident of La Jolla. Yes I am proud to be...UCSD!