ABOUT MILL VALLEY, CALIFORNIA

From actual people who have lived there or visited it!

TOP ISSUES:

- THE CHURCH OF MILFOLOGY IS HEADQUARTERED IN MILL VALLEY, CALIFORNIA
- PRETENTIOUS
- DESPERATE DIVORCEES
- GOLD-DIGGERS
- FAKE BLONDES WITH SILICONE AND BAD MEXICAN FACE JOBS
- ALCOHOLISM
- SELF-CENTERED YUPPIE DOUCHE BAGS
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- ASSHOLE NIMBY'S
- PRETENDS TO BE 'LAID BACK' BUT IS POWERED BY XANAX
- NARCISSISM
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- FAT CHICKS ARE PENALIZED
- ALL KIDS GET DEVELOPMENTAL PROBLEMS
- SEX CULT AND SPOILED BRAT ISSUES AT TAM HIGH SCHOOL
- WORST SMALL TOWN TRAFFIC IN AMERICA
- IF YOU TRY TO BUILD ANYTHING ALL OF YOUR NEIGHBORS SUE YOU
- DON'T TRY TO DATE ANY WOMAN FROM MILL VALLEY UNLESS YOU ARE VERY RICH

- What is Mill Valley, California Like?
- "It's fucking shit.

Now, with that rather provocative opening statement behind me, let me elaborate on why this is so.

The Pretentiousness

- Frivolous shops everywhere: In the downtown area (around the old Depot/Old Mill), one cannot find a hardware store, a decent café, or actual authenticity from the surroundings

 but it is incredibly easy to find 5 shops offering "Doggy Day Care" or Nail painting.
 Not that anything less vacuous would be appreciated by the residents, though—they're too busy shepherding Riley and Madison off to another soccer game! Hence, there's a total dearth of any culture in the town.
- Consumerism is the prevailing dogma, to the point where one's worth is judged based on the number of bland Adidas shoes and Nike sweatshirts they own. I, on the other hand, don't give an iota about the brand of my clothing, and would much prefer to speak with a human of substance over a brainless soccer mom with all the fashionable apparel.
- This brings me to the cliques in that little hick town: it is almost impossible to find somebody who doesn't share the same banal characteristics as the rest of the generic fuckers, and even if you can, they're likely involved with a group of soulless bodies so devoid of substance that I could likely walk right through their spray-tanned bodies. I must give particular mention to the school-board heads— at my middle school graduation last year, they all appeared to have practiced slightly different variations of the same speech (not that they had, in their collective endeavor, actually managed to produce anything worthwhile.)

One of Mill Valley's main drawing points is the quality of education, yet the schools are, generally speaking, SHIT!

• I attended Mill Valley schools for six years (3 at Tam Valley Elementary, literally right next to my house, followed by three at the prison-inspired Middle School), none of which I truly enjoyed, and most of which inspired little more than fruitless scribbles and anxiety. The only upside of Elementary school was the ability to lope through my family's back gate and be on the school's property (an ability, of course, ended with the construction of a new parking lot), thus saving me from too much morning hassle. The downsides were that I wasn't the least bit stimulated, the generally smuttiness of Mill Valleyians had evidently pervaded the youth, and the lack of desire from most teachers to be accommodating (I have OCD and other minor health issues, so frustration naturally set in when the generally-prescribed task was impossible to achieve). Middle

school was little better—teachers poor (and occasionally batshit crazy), a strong culture of conformity prevailed, and my fellow students... didn't exactly interest me, shall we say. And, should you be reading this in anticipation of moving to that colony of self-imposed exile, be aware that one of the only bright points in education, my 8th grade history teacher Mr. Lewis, is calling it quits at the end of the year.

So the TL;DR of Mill Valley education is: if your child is not a total conformist and has any sort of learning difference, they will *not* enjoy Mill Valley education.

• The People

• Ah, yes: the worst thing about Mill Valley, the root cause of that cesspit of vanity and trucker hats, are the people. It is my general view that, whenever one is struck with a particularly onerous disposition, they tend to pass it along to their next of kin, perhaps unwittingly, but most likely with malicious intent. Thus it is the parents — think overgrown Valley Girls for the most part, with an insurance salesman for a husband who influence the feeble-minded school administrators and teachers to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on new student ipads, instead of promoting open-mindedness via the more effective learning of languages; prefer to promote line-toeing teachers and administrators ahead of those who actually educate by challenging convention and criticizing the ineffective educational establishment; and who fuel a culture of virulent complacency by shifting all priorities towards math and the sciences, while our democracy (and ultimately the future of the planet and the human race) faces a severe challenge only exacerbated by the apathy of the young. It is this baneful attitude which repelled me the most, and finally prompted my family to move away; we now live in Leiden, the Netherlands, which fits my mentality far better than the shithole by the bay. Specialist bookstores, *gezellige* coffeehouses, genuine people— these you would never find in Mill Valley, and increasingly rarely in the Bay Area as a whole. I'll be returning for holiday in a few weeks, so that'll afford me a chance to check out the current state of affairs, but at the moment I have zero desire to live in the United States.

Source: 6.5 years of living in Mill Valley. Thank god it's over.

• MILL VALLEY SEEKS TO OPEN NEW COUGAR DEN TO SATISFY THE SUPERFICIAL YUPPIES THAT LIVE THERE

• Lets just say I am excited about after moving here! Favorite quote, Riess calls the Balboa "an American bistro - your quintessential neighborhood bar and grill." The Balboa Cafe, popular hot spot on San Francisco's "Bermuda Triangle" of bars and restaurants at Greenwich and Fillmore streets, is targeting Mill Valley. "We're trying to come to Marin. I'd like to," says Rick Riess of Mill Valley, CEO of the PlumpJack Group, which owns the Balboa and 13 other restaurants and hotels across the Bay Area. Riess is negotiating for a key downtown Mill Valley restaurant space. He's not ready to elaborate. Founded by San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom in 1992, the PlumpJack Group grew from a single wine store, PlumpJack on Fillmore Street, to a powerhouse of upscale wine stores, wineries, restaurants and inns. Newsom sold his interest in the company to his sister, Hilary, after he was elected mayor to avoid any conflict of interest.

PlumpJack Group properties include PlumpJack Wines; two PlumpJack wineries in Napa Valley; PlumpJack Cafes on Fillmore Street and in Squaw Valley; the PlumpJack Squaw Valley Inn; the Carneros Resort in Napa Valley; MatrixFillmore bar; JackFalstaff restaurant and bar in San Francisco's SOMA district; and the Balboa Cafe. If you want to fit wear a vertically striped shirt or A popped collar, bring coke and viagra and have a fake phone # memorized. Put on your best fake tan and talk about Stanford University like a liberal extremist.

"Quite disappointing actually: this could be the most charming, genuinely "Euro"-type town in California, with restaurants and cafés all around the town square each with plentiful outdoor seating, all open late into the night... but alas, it is not so: there is hardly anywhere you can get a genuinely delicious meal while seated outdoors (no, the Depot Café and Bookstore does not count, as they have a minimal breakfast menu, and what they do have, frankly sucks), and you literally cannot grab a cup of coffee after 7 or 8 pm. Put another way, aside from two or three mediocre restaurants* and the (awesome) movie theatre, Mill Valley is totally dead with ZERO to do after about 7 or 8 pm. Really a shame.

And there's another peculiar thing about MV: people are really antisocial and just don't seem very chipper, friendly, or happy, especially those who work in the local stores, cafes, and restaurants. They all have a rather glum and dour attitude, rather than the upbeat and friendly smiling service you get in places like LA or NY. It's such a cute small town, so beautiful, I just don't understand why people aren't happier! And it's not just people running the businesses, I get a similar vibe from people in public. I don't know why.

That, and there seems to be an age hole between 18 and about 97. Seriously. There's practically nobody in their 20s and 30s here. It's pretty weird."

mill valley travellodge sucks!

Review of Travelodge by Wyndham Mill Valley/Sausalito

I wish we would have stayed at the available and cheaper accommodations across the freeway but our friends talked us out of it. We asked for a refund and so far the unseen manager has not interacted with us. Terrible experience.

Room tip: stay somewhere else!

Mountain Home Inn Mill Valley -Place Sucks

Review of Mountain Home Inn

The Service is horrendous... wouldn't recommend anyone to come to this place.... i watched the bartender serve three people in front of me. I ended up leaving it was so awful. Save your money and your time. Your treated like cattle there. Completely let down

Steven Curto and Ben Wieland

February 17, 2020

While sitting through another day of AV Production Fundamentals last year, junior Beth Desta got into a heated argument with a boy sitting next to her in class.

Desta doesn't remember what instigated the conflict. What she does vividly recall, though, is the boy's response.

"He disagreed with me. He just looked at me in the eyes and called me the n-word," Desta said.

According to Desta, the use of racial slurs, including the n-word, is commonplace at Mill Valley. In her experience, white students callously use the word while joking with their friends or singing along to popular songs, while they lack an understanding of the deep racist roots of the word — or meaningful consequences for its usage at school.

While Desta described principal Tobie Waldeck as extremely upset about the incident, the student who called her the n-word to her face received two days' in-school suspension, which proved to her that "the administration doesn't really care."

"I just don't think they handle it seriously enough when it comes to non-black people saying the n-word. A black kid got suspended for even longer for saying it."

— junior Beth Desta

Sophomore Ryan Lucas shares Desta's disappointment in the school's response to the use of racist slurs at school. After a student in Lucas's World History class called her the n-word and Lucas reported it, the student received a three-hour detention. To Lucas, the punishment was woefully inadequate.

"With all the history of that word, with slavery and Jim Crow and all of that, it should have been a lot more than just a three-hour detention," Lucas said.

Desta shares her disappointment regarding the inconsistency and lack of severity in the school's punishments for racial slurs, referencing a black student who received two days of out-of-school suspension. Desta's harasser received only one day of out-of-school suspension, and Lucas's received zero days of out-of-school suspension.

"I just don't think they handle it seriously enough when it comes to non-black people saying the n-word. A black kid got suspended for even longer for saying it," Desta said.

Cater notes that the consequences for using racial slurs are determined by the principal based on "the student's age and maturity, the nature and seriousness of the infraction, the student's previous disciplinary record, and any other relevant factors." He also explains that consequences for the use of racial slurs can range from a detention to a long-term suspension.

While the claim that white students who use racial slurs are punished too lightly is disputed, the harm the slurs cause to minority students cannot be understated. After she was racially harassed, Desta wanted to transfer.

"After that, my mindset was, 'Mill Valley is racist. Mill Valley is racist. Everyone here sucks,'" Desta said. Even when Desta isn't individually attacked at school, the atmosphere of rampant racist language and attitudes hurts her.

"I come back from school in a bad mood most days. There are some days where I come to school in a good mood, and I also leave in a good mood," Desta said. "There are other times where it's like, even if no one's saying anything to me, or to anyone, in a derogatory way, it still kind of hits. It's still like, 'Okay, this is the school I go to where people don't know or understand their limits.'"

Lucas believes that despite the prevalence of racist language at Mill Valley, the school hasn't taken enough steps to raise awareness about the issue; to her, that's something that needs to change.

"There definitely needs to be some type of awareness. It should be common knowledge not to use the n-word," Lucas said, "I don't understand why it's not, especially with all the history behind it."

Desta agrees; in fact, she blames the school's failure to raise awareness for the rise of racist language.		
Unless you live out that way. Going to Mill Valley sucks. It kills time. The fare is peanuts. Its all slow windy roads. Low mileage & time consuming which means the fare is horrible.		

Then if you get another alert its 10-15 min away and \$5 fare rides. Or you lose 30min driving back to SF.

I will turn down all rides to Mill Valley from now on.

Milf dating in Mill Valley, CA, 94941

https://milfdating-site.com/california-milf-dating/mill-valley.htm

I find being a little freeky is sexy (94941, **Mill Valley**, California) I am pritty, busty **milf** wife blue eyes. I dont have time for dateing//boyfriends, so I'm just looking for a good timeI'm not seeking commitment, I am only after some satisfaction Looking for fun (**Mill Valley**, California, Bay Area) I like my partners to be honest and sincere.

Mill Valley California has terrible masturbation problem health concerns ...

https://www.smartcitiesdive.com/news/bay-area-city-halts-5g-development-over-health-concerns/532010/

The city council of **Mill Valley**, CA, a wealthy city north of San Francisco, voted unanimously to effectively halt installation of new small cell towers to accommodate 5G technology over health concerns. The "urgency ordinance" will bar applications for 5G towers while the city drafts a more permanent rule.

Perhaps more surprisingly, the liberal haven maintains some of California's strictest prohibitions against cannabis businesses, which are completely banned in a number of towns and in the unincorporated areas of Marin County.

It seems that Marin, with its picturesque woodlands and marinas, liberal politics and tony boutiques, is far less cannabis-friendly than its voting record suggests.

No Van Sleeping, No Cannabis Stores

Perhaps the first cue was years ago when, after pilgrimages of hippies trekked to Marin to witness the Dead live on stage, the county made it a crime to sleep in a van.

'This is a very wealthy community. People feel dispensaries will devalue that extremely expensive real estate.'

Lynnette Shaw, founder, Marin Alliance for Medical Marijuana

These days, Marin County is home to billion-dollar companies like Autodesk software, BioMarin biopharmaceuticals and the luxury home décor retailer Restoration Hardware. The average price is a house here is about \$1.25 million. And the locals—at least those in political power—appear to view cannabis shops and cannabis farming as a threat to the community character, just as loathsome as a Walmart store. (Of which there are none within the county lines.)

When it comes to cannabis, local jurisdictions "are banning instead of licensing," Shaw says. Even in Fairfax, where the vote in favor of Proposition 64 was nearly 78 percent, she is uncertain whether the Town Council will authorize a permit for her to sell cannabis for adult use. Why not? Fear of increased traffic to her dispensary, she says, including talk of her store's negative influence on local youth.

"Keep in mind, this is a very wealthy community," Shaw adds. "People feel dispensaries will devalue that extremely expensive real estate, and they don't want cars and commerce. This is socially liberal place but also a closed, cloistered community of hard-working people who want their peace and quiet and they want to be discreet.

"I would say the electeds here have not gotten in touch with modern times, which is typical for Marin County. It's frustrating."

Mill Valley Mayor Sashi McEntee gathered outdoors Thursday with community members to personally apologize for a controversial comment made during a livestreamed City Council meeting Monday night regarding Black Lives Matter and the ongoing George Floyd protests across the nation.

KCBS Radio reported McEntee met with an "angry group" of residents in the town's Depot Plaza and the Marin Independent Journal reported that McEntee listened to critics vent "as community outrage continued" over her remark.

The <u>Marin IJ</u> reported that more than 100 residents attended the meeting and MeEntee addressed the crowd with a microphone.

"I apologize for what I said," she said. "First of all we can't talk about things that are brought up during public open time, and two, it's council policy we don't take up national issues."

At Monday's City Council meeting, a constituent submitted a question asking what Mill Valley is doing to show that Black Lives Matter.

McEntee responded, "It is a council policy that we do not take action on issues that are not of immediate local importance." This seemed to prove that white, elitist, ultra-privileged Mill Valley is as much of a stuck up center of white materialism as ever!

<u>The comment was subsequently amplified by comedian, activist</u> and East Bay local W. Kamau Bell, who tweeted it with the caption, "The Bay Area always gets credit for being the most liberal & progressive place, but it often seems to go out of its way to reject that reputation."

Mill Valley mayor is boo'd for citing Brown Act and council policy that bans the city from taking up national issues as why she said <u>#BlackLivesMatter</u> "is not of immediate local importance." Mill Valley resident Monica Morant, follows up with a passionate speech. <u>#GeorgeFloyd pic.twitter.com/5GOPFh42du</u>

— Lorenzo Morotti (@Enzomorotti) <u>June 5, 2020</u>

I Want it All Now! Documentary on Marin ... - youtube.com

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DFpMoEttjvA

From deep in NBC's archives, a funky '70s documentary which brought Marin County, California to national attention, from its fucked up deadbeat parents to it...

The drivers of Mill Valley vis-a-vis cyclists...

From my buddy Troy...

Short story, and I have a genuine question to ask

This morning, a woman (old, crotchety, grumpy, elitist sort) drove up behind me, started honking and yelling while I was commuting to work on shoreline highway just below my house. I was ~18 inches to the RIGHT of the white line, and fully following CA traffic laws "as far right as practicable.. except when reasonably necessary to avoid conditions (including, but not limited to, fixed or moving objects, vehicles, bicycles, pedestrians, animals, surface hazards, or substandard width lanes)." I was not impeding traffic in ANY way. She honks and yells, and I wave at her and yell out, "What? What do you want me to do?" then she speeds off yelling and gesturing. I catch up to her at Tam Junction, and calmly (honestly, I was calm and courteous... no really, I was!) say, "please calm down and be safe, I don't want an accident. Please just be safe, you could kill me." She yells some more to 'move over' to the surprise of other drivers (who saw what happened), and I ride off

to let her have a shitty day.

I go to the Mill Valley police website since her license plate was easy (license plate redacted) to remember, and I file a report and a complaint. Apparently the Mill Valley police will send a letter chastizing her, but with no legal implications at all unless several more complaints are lodged.

Now, I know I was legally and morally in the right, but I also know she 1) doesn't recognize that she probably shouldn't be driving if she can't determine that she can easily and safely go by, and 2) probably hates cyclists and will never learn to be polite under any circumstances.

Here's the question: Does my notifying the police and trying to talk to her help us as cyclists?

- The woman doesn't care, will this make her more hostile toward cyclists? Or is there a slim chance she will tone done her aggression?
- The police should know that cyclists matter and have a voice, but in a broad generalization, we're more looked upon as a revenue source for tickets than a valid class of vehicles, and therefore much diminished in clout. Does this annoy cops or help get our message across?
- I tried to be extra polite when I caught her, partly because I knew she'd continue yelling, and mostly because other drivers were watching and would potentially hear what I had to say. Does this help at all (again, I highly doubt it helped the driver see the error, but perhaps her teenage granddaughter in the backseat will talk to her later?) or does it simply make more drivers think 'there goes another asshole cyclist'?

I simply dream for a day when everyone has to ride a bike at least once a month to learn how to be better members of the driving and human community.

Honestly, your input is appreciated. Doesn't need to be a huge group discussion, I just want your feedback and can follow up with anyone who wants the full group input.

Thoughts?	

MILL VALLEY, CA — The mayor of Mill Valley's yuppie elitist response to a racially sensitive question has sparked outrage on social media.

Mill Valley residents and others online accused Mayor Sashi McEntee of mishandling the question during the public comment portion of Monday's City Council meeting.

A community member submitted a comment about a "white silence is violence" sign that was taken down in downtown Mill Valley.

"Mill Valley is, in many ways, a place of privilege, yet the crisis facing our country is, and should, affect us all," wrote the citizen, who noted that the sign was torn down within 12 hours.

"Our question is simple: What is Mill Valley doing to show that Black Lives Matter?" he asked.

McEntee briefly responded to the question.

"It is a council policy that we do not take action on issues that are not of immediate local importance," she said. "But we appreciate hearing everybody's comments."

A video of the mayor's remarks was uploaded to YouTube on Tuesday. As of Wednesday morning, the video already had more than 20,000 views and over 100 comments. The video was also widely shared on Twitter, causing "Mill Valley" to trend Tuesday night.

"I stand with Black Lives Matter," Linda Price wrote. "Not of immediate local importance? Ridiculous. It is of importance for every American no matter where you live. It is about human dignity."

"Absolutely shocking," Roz Bicen wrote. "What planet are they on? Privilege obviously means you don't have to care for things that don't impact on your own life. Utterly tragic."

"How shameful of you to say that when you are brown," Trixie Perez wrote. "Black lives matter and it is of importance even in Mill Valley."

"Something tells me Mill Valley is getting a new mayor soon," Macey Payne wrote.

Many people online were not satisfied with McEntee's statement, including current and former Mill Valley residents.

"I grew up in Mill Valley. I am Black. I matter," Keith Lawton responded on Twitter. "Mill Valley never showed me that I mattered."

"This wasn't an appropriate or acceptable response to the question," Jim Prosser wrote. "Every municipality, including us here in Mill Valley, needs to reckon with the sanctity of black life and address how to affirm it."

"This isn't good enough Mayor," Brian Law wrote. "I'm a black homeowner in Mill Valley and trust me when I say this is a local issue. Do better and set the right example of how to lead. Lord knows we could use some leaders to be proud of in this moment."

Over the last week, people have taken to the streets in cities across the country in support of the Black Lives Matter movement and against police brutality after the death of George Floyd, a black man who died Memorial Day in Minneapolis after being taken into police custody.

As one of the few Black people that have grown up in Mill Valley, I'm deeply disappointed but not surprised. Our leaders have never listened to, represented, or fought for us. https://t.co/x8KRIQzIGe

— Rachel Abrahams (@rachels_archive) <u>June 3, 2020</u>

Mill Valley is the epicenter of white denial and white privilege. This IS local issue. Do better, mayor.

— Katy Foster (@kfostertweet) June 3, 2020

I grew up in Mill Valley. I am Black. I matter. Mill Valley never showed me that I mattered. Police in Mill Valley stopped me many times to "ask for my ID," because there were "reports of break-ins."

— Keith Lawton (@Keith_Lawton) June 3, 2020

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— Brian Law (@law_brian) June 3, 2020

Black Lives Matter is not only of immediate local importance of ANY community, it goes down to the individual. It =is= of immediate importance of each of us as a human being. And as Mill Valley is made up of human beings, it =is= of immediate local importance to Mill Valley.

— Ric Fink (@ricfink) June 3, 2020

MILL VALLEY CALIFORNIA IS STILL TROPHY WIVES, GOLD-DIGGERS AND INVESTMENT BANKER ASS-HOLES

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