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Strung like Spanish pearls along an 824-mile trail from San Diego to Sonoma, California's 21 historic missions offer a wealth of treasures, from priceless artifacts to gloriously restored architecture. There are 21 missions throughout the state and 8 of them are found here in Central California. Of the eight here, three were founded by Fr. Junipero Serra. Of these eight Central California missions, six of them are still functioning as active parishes, their original intention. After the discovery of Alta California, the Spanish Crown charged the first Franciscan friars to enter into the New World through Lower Baja, with a succession of conquistadors, explorers, and soldiers, on a trail called El Camino Real or "The Royal Road." The settlement began in 1769 at Mission San Carlos. California's 21 Missions are a fraction of over 100 missions that were built in North America. See Return of the Swallows Event When you take a drive along I-101 in California today, the popular coastal highway follows El Camino Real (The King's Road) created as a travel route by Spaniards who built 21 missions., Missions Of Central California.

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