

## Finding Hard to Find Locations on Google Earth

It's not really difficult to find a location on Google Earth if you know the address or occasionally even merely some of the address. Google Earth easily found the Apple Headquarters in Cupertino when I entered:

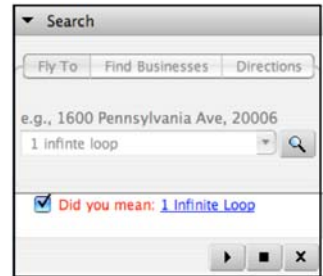
- 1 infinite loop, cupertino ca
- 1 infinite loop, cupertino
- 1 infinite loop 95014

### Google "Knows!"

Google's vast databases even make it possible *sometimes* to just get lucky! Apple's address is fairly famous so you'll have success just typing in:

- 1 infinite loop
- In fact, when I entered "1 infinite loop", it replied,...

**Did you mean: 1 Infinite Loop...** and it still took me right to the Apple Campus!



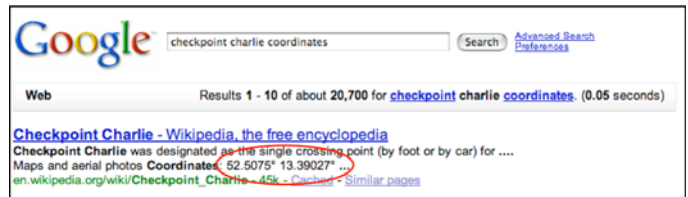
Even if you don't know any part of the address, Google recognizes many famous locations. Try a few famous places such as:

- Empire State Building
- The Pentagon
- Golden Gate Bridge
- Mount Everest

### Using Coordinates

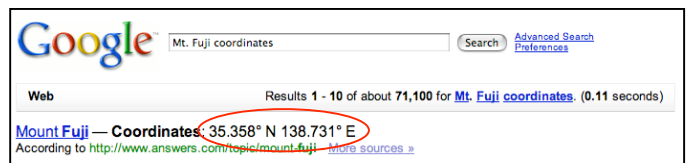
If you can find the geographical coordinates (Latitude/Longitude) for a location, you can simply enter them into Google Earth's SEARCH field. And, it's remarkably easy to find those coordinates!

A simple Google search that includes the name of a location + the word "coordinates" frequently shows them in the results list! You don't even have to go to the page! Just COPY right from the Google Search results listing and PASTE into the Google Earth Search field!



Sometimes you get really lucky in Google. I tried the same trick with Mt. Fuji and got this result.

Bam! Copy! Paste! I'm there!



Though results are inconsistent, Wikipedia frequently shows coordinates right at the top of the page on the right side. If not there, Wikipedia often shows coordinates at the bottom of the page *with direct links to Google Earth Placemarkers for the location!*



There are a number of websites devoted to helping you find location coordinates. One of my favorites is Geonames at: <http://www.geonames.org/>

