

WHERE IS SILICON VALLEY?

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IF YOU WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT SILICON VALLEY ORIGINALS, VISIT THESE OBJECTS:

REVOLUTION: MEMORY & STORAGE



IBM Disk Drive, 1956

Seeking a faster method of processing data than using punch cards, IBM invented the world's first disk drive in its San Jose laboratories. This stack of 50 disks held about 3.8 MB—or enough for one song today.

REVOLUTION: MINICOMPUTERS



Hewlett Packard, Founded in 1939

Started in a garage, HP is one of the Valley's founding companies. See some of HP's early products and learn about "The HP Way."

REVOLUTION: DIGITAL LOGIC GALLERY



Intel and the Microprocessor, Intel founded in 1968

Local giant Intel has transformed the world with its powerful microprocessors. See how they are made and have enabled the incredible shrinking computer.

Silicon Valley is the technology powerhouse of the world. The inventions flowing out of this once small, sleepy region—in 1940 it was the prune capital of the world—have transformed the way people around the globe live, work, and play.

See where global computer giants like HP, Intel, Apple, and Google had their humble beginnings and learn how technology has transformed the world.

REVOLUTION: AI & ROBOTICS



SRI Shakey the Robot, 1969

Shakey was the first robot that could reason about its actions without human control. Special software let it create a 'map' of its environment, which let it move about freely, even avoiding obstacles placed in its path.

REVOLUTION: INPUT & OUTPUT



Xerox Alto, 1973

Hanging out on bean bag chairs, Xerox PARC researchers invented Alto, a groundbreaking computer that brought the computer mouse, the graphical user interface and other innovations to the world.

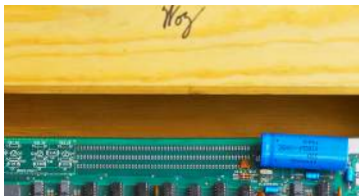
REVOLUTION: GAMES



Atari Pong Prototype, 1972

Remember Pong, the must-have gift of 1975? See Atari's original Pong prototype and play a live Pong game with a friend!

REVOLUTION: PERSONAL COMPUTERS



Apple I, 1976

See the Apple-1, the computer that launched Apple Computer, autographed by co-founder Steve Wozniak.

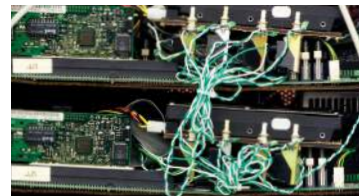
REVOLUTION: MOBILE COMPUTING



PalmPilot, 1996

The PalmPilot got people used to carrying around a small computer-like device and changed how we use computers forever. Can you imagine a day without your smartphone?

REVOLUTION: NETWORKING & THE WEB



Google Server Engine, 1999

One of Google's first server racks, made by Google engineers out of commonly available PCs and networking equipment, helped launch the internet giant.

