



ARCHITECTURE TOUR

10 TOURS – BIKE, WALK or DRIVE

Use the *Explore Pasadena Architecture* brochure featuring 10 tours of Pasadena's best kept neighborhoods. Tours range from 1.2 to 4 miles in length and may be explored on foot, by bicycle or car. Pick up copies of the brochure in the Visitors Center or download at VisitPasadena.com

Experience the natural beauty and deep history of Pasadena exploring the city's pristine neighborhoods. With 16 historic districts you will find a rare concentration of historic landmark homes and buildings as well as entire neighborhoods well preserved in their original urban plan. Accented by lush greenery, these routes will provide you with an experience full of history and splendor that will surely leave you wanting more of Pasadena.

Sample

Tour Route 4 - Oak Knoll

Once the site of a sheep ranch owned by Henry Huntington, Oak Knoll was developed into large estates around 1906. This rolling, oak-covered landscape is now home to the former Wentworth Hotel (1906), now the Langham Huntington Hotel & Spa as well as impressive sprawling estates.

Tour Route 6 – Civic Center and Playhouse District

Planned in the early 20's the special and richly detailed buildings, broad boulevards and park-like settings are firmly rooted by a civic axis. Commanding California Mediterranean structures include the Central Library, a domed City Hall and the Civic Auditorium.

Tour Route 10 - Lombardy Road

Returning from European study, the aspiring gentleman architects of the time created fanciful reconstructions of their half-remembered visions of rural Spain and Italy. This route passes the California Institute of Technology whose world-renowned faculty has won over 30 Nobel Prizes®. End the tour at the Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens with lunch in the Tea Room. See Gainsborough's Blue Boy on view in the Huntington's former Mansion or any of the 14 gardens on the 207 acre estate.

Tour Guide Information

Step on guides are available through Pasadena Heritage for a fee for group guided tours. Contact them at 626.441.6333 or preservation@pasadenaheritage.org.