

# Portland Travel Guide: Unanchor Three Days Livin As True And Local Portlander

Are you planning a trip to Portland and want to experience the city like a true local? Look no further! In this comprehensive three-day travel guide, we will take you on a journey through the vibrant and eclectic streets of Portland, Oregon. Get ready to immerse yourself in the city's unique culture, indulge in culinary delights, explore stunning outdoor landscapes, and discover hidden gems that will make your visit truly unforgettable.

## Day 1: Exploring Portland's Neighborhoods

Start your day off with a hearty breakfast at one of Portland's famed brunch spots. Indulge in mouthwatering dishes like Portland's famous Voodoo Doughnuts or innovative farm-to-table creations at Tasty n Alder. Fuel up for the day ahead!

After breakfast, head to the Pearl District, one of Portland's most trendy and upscale neighborhoods. Take a leisurely stroll along the cobblestone streets, admiring the art galleries, boutique shops, and converted warehouses. Don't miss Powell's City of Books, a book lover's paradise spanning an entire city block.



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For lunch, venture to Hawthorne Boulevard in the charming neighborhood of Southeast Portland. This eclectic street is lined with an array of quirky shops, vintage boutiques, and charming cafes. Grab a bite at one of the many food carts offering a diverse range of cuisine from around the world.

In the afternoon, explore the vibrant Alberta Arts District, a haven for artists and creatives. Marvel at the colorful murals that adorn the streets and visit the numerous art galleries showcasing local talent. Enjoy a craft beer or a refreshing cocktail at one of the district's trendy bars before heading to dinner.

End your day with a dinner experience at one of Portland's renowned farm-to-table restaurants. Indulge in seasonal dishes made with local ingredients, paired with a glass of Oregon's finest wine or craft beer. Immerse yourself in Portland's commitment to sustainable and locally sourced cuisine.

## **Day 2: Nature and Adventure**

Start your day early and take a trip to the Columbia River Gorge, a scenic wonderland just outside of Portland. Embark on a hike along the famous Multnomah Falls Trail, where you'll be rewarded with breathtaking views of the cascading waterfall and lush green surroundings.

After the hike, treat yourself to a picnic lunch amidst the stunning natural beauty of the Gorge. Savor locally sourced snacks and sandwiches while listening to the sounds of nature.

In the afternoon, head back to the city and explore Forest Park, one of the largest urban forests in the United States. Lace up your hiking boots and wander through miles of trails, surrounded by towering trees and serene wildlife. Don't forget to stop by the iconic Pittock Mansion for panoramic views of the city.

As the sun sets, make your way to the bustling Mississippi Avenue in North Portland. This vibrant neighborhood is known for its lively atmosphere, eclectic mix of shops, and thriving music scene. Enjoy live music at one of the many venues or savor a craft beer at a local brewery.

### **Day 3: Cultural Delights**

Start your day at the famous Powell's City of Books, where you can get lost amidst the shelves of countless books. Browse through a diverse range of genres, from bestsellers to rare editions, and find the perfect literary souvenir to take home with you.

For lunch, head to the buzzing food cart pod at Cartlandia, where you'll find a diverse selection of international cuisines. From tacos to kebabs, there's something to satisfy every palate. Grab your food and enjoy a picnic in one of Portland's beautiful parks, such as Washington Park or Tom McCall Waterfront Park.

In the afternoon, immerse yourself in Portland's thriving arts scene by visiting the Portland Art Museum. Admire the impressive collection of both contemporary and classic artworks, representing diverse cultures and artistic styles.

Wrap up your day with a visit to the iconic Powell's Books on Hawthorne Boulevard. This smaller branch offers a cozy and intimate atmosphere, perfect for relaxing with a cup of coffee and delving into a good book.

As your three-day adventure in Portland comes to a close, take a moment to reflect on the incredible experiences you've had during your stay. Portland truly offers a unique blend of natural beauty, cultural richness, and a vibrant local scene. Whether you're a foodie, nature enthusiast, or art lover, this city has something for everyone. Come visit Portland and live like a true local!



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### Three Days Livin' as a True and Local Portlander

Portland is a brilliant and bizarre place. We are known for our ridiculously large array of food carts, microbreweries, and hipsters. This is all true and does exist and is wonderful, but there is also so much more to this city that the average tourist does not discover. This itinerary is three days of living like I, a true Portlander, would.

Who is this Portland itinerary for?

If you like traveling to understand a city, as opposed to traveling for the photo ops, or if you like traveling for the food, for the side streets, for the surprises, for the cheap, then this itinerary is for you.

Please note that I have included a fair amount of walking. This is really only because I walk this city back and forth most every single day, so if you enjoy this particular mode of transport then you will be just fine. For people who aren't used to so much walking, there are buses or bicycle rentals (or cars).

In short, this itinerary is for people who want to step out of the tourists' comfort zone and go home with more stories than with anything else.

What will you see in Portland?

You will see small galleries, vintage stores, waffles being served out of windows, rainbow intersections, happy hours, festivals and markets, a serene waterfront, street musicians, and food galore. I will take you through several different districts of Portland so you can really begin to get a feel for what this city is composed of. There is an incredible range of experiences that most tourists never get to see, because much of it is designed for the local.

I've included maps and information for the following areas, as well as transportation information between all of them:

- SE Hawthorne and SE Belmont
- Mississippi
- Alberta Arts District
- The Pearl
- Downtown
- SW Waterfront
- Portland State University District

- Oldtown-Chinatown
- Sellwood
- Springwater Corridor
- The SE Warehouse District
- Burnside
- SE Division

I've pointed out sights that should not go unnoticed, and sights that would otherwise go unnoticed. I've also given you all possible useful websites in the itinerary, for events and festivals and transportation and such, so you can build your trip around things that will be going on in the city.

Finally...

If you have any questions along the way, my email is included in the itinerary and I'd be more than happy to help you out! Portland is a fun, quirky, vibrant city, and I hope you'll enjoy it as much as I do!



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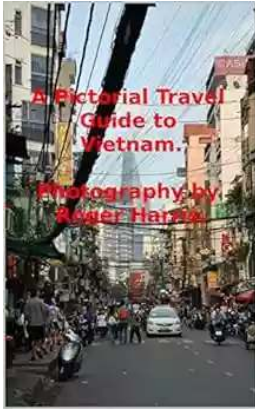
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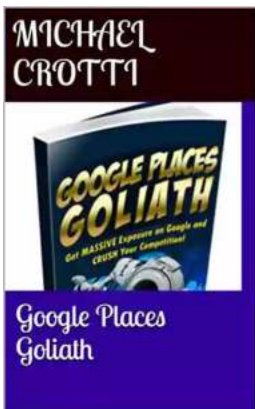
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