

Portland List August 2013

Why Portland Matters

From an urban planning and design standpoint, Portland is the most studied city in the United States. It is the national leader in sustainability, transit oriented development, walkability and green building practices. Portland is not perfect, but it has been at the forefront of virtually every urban development trend in the country. The mass transit is a wonderful success story. It involves several modes and seamless integration of light rail and streetcar. The light rail service from the airport to downtown is a model of efficiency. Portland is tremendously walkable and its residents are active. They love the outdoors. In downtown, there are outstanding public spaces and parks, including Pioneer Square, Director Park, Jamison Square and the Waterfront. You can walk or ride transit everywhere in Portland – literally everywhere, and it’s extremely convenient. The Pearl District is the leading national example of new urbanism for the creative class. It is a truly outstanding neighborhood of mixed use, mixed income urbanism that works. “The Pearl” is diverse, authentic and interesting, on a scale that is urban but appropriately livable. This district is one of my favorite neighborhoods in the United States. Overall, Portland really “gets it”. It is home to smart, innovate and creative people that enjoy a great quality of life. They know what’s important and this city has enthusiastically embraced many positive urban development practices.

Hotels

The Benson Hotel
309 Southwest Broadway
503.228.2000
www.bensonhotel.com

Hotel Lucia
400 Southwest Broadway
503.225.1717
www.hotellucia.com

Heathman Hotel
1001 Southwest Broadway at Salmon
503.241.4100
www.portland.heathmanhotel.com

Hotel Vintage Plaza
422 Southwest Broadway
503.228.1212
www.vintageplaza.com

Hotel Monaco
506 Southwest Washington Street
503.222.0001
www.monaco-portland.com

Restaurants

Little Bird Bistro (CTU favorite)
219 Southwest 6th Avenue
503.688.5952
www.littlebirdbistro.com

Higgins (CTU favorite)
1239 Southwest Broadway
503.222.9070
www.higginsportland.com

El Gaucho at the Benson Hotel (CTU favorite)
319 Southwest Broadway
503.227.8794
www.elgaucho.com

Bluehour
250 Northwest 13th Avenue
503.226.3394
www.bluehouronline.com

Andina
1314 Northwest Glisan Street
503.228.9535
www.andinarestaurant.com

Wildwood
1221 Northwest 21st Avenue
503.248.9663
www.wildwoodrestaurant.com

Dan & Louis Oyster Bar
208 Southwest Ankeny Street
503.227.5906
www.danandlouis.com

Jake's Crawfish
401 Southwest 12th Avenue
503.226.1419
www.mccormickandschmicks.com/Locations/portland-oregon

Heathman Restaurant & Bar (drinks)
1001 Southwest Broadway
503.790.7752
www.heathmanrestaurantandbar.com

Red Star Tavern (drinks)
503 Southwest Alder Street - Adjacent to Hotel Monaco
503.222.0005
www.redstartavern.com

Restaurants (continued)

Urban Farmer (drinks)
525 Southwest Morrison Street
503.222.4900
www.urbanfarmerportland.com

Park Kitchen
422 Northwest 8th Avenue
503.223.7275
www.parkkitchen.com

Henry's Tavern
10 Northwest 12th Avenue
503.227.5320
www.henrystavern.com

Deschutes Brewery
210 Northwest 11th Avenue
503.296.4906
www.deschutesbrewery.com/locations/portland

Pazzo (drinks)
627 Southwest Washington Street
503.228.1515
www.pazzo.com

Irving Street Kitchen
701 Northwest 13th Avenue
503.343.9440
www.irvingstreetkitchen.com

Paragon Restaurant & Bar
1309 Northwest Hoyt Street
503.833.5060
www.paragonrestaurant.com/portland

Imperial
410 Southwest Broadway
503.228.7222
www.imperialpdx.com

Voodoo Doughnut
22 Southwest 3rd Avenue
503.241.4704
www.voodoodoughnut.com

Restaurants (continued)

Public Domain Coffee
603 Southwest Broadway
503.243.6374
www.publicdomaincoffee.com

Lovejoy Bakers (breakfast)
939 Northwest 10th Avenue
503.208.3113
www.lovejoybakers.com

Kenny & Zukes Delicatessen (breakfast)
1038 Southwest Stark Street
503.222.3354
www.kennyandzukes.com

Mother's Bistro & Bar (breakfast)
212 Southwest Stark Street
503.464.1122
www.mothersbistro.com

Neighborhoods

- Pearl District - (Powell's Books, Jamison Square) – this neighborhood is the national model for “creative class” new urbanism and transit oriented development
- Downtown/Cultural District (South Park Blocks, Portland State University, Pioneer Square, Director Park)
- Waterfront (walk from Old Town south along river to Riverplace)
- 23rd Avenue Shopping Street, Northwest District (also called Nob Hill)
- South Waterfront (newest neighborhood, streetcar goes there, ride the aerial tram)
- Southeast, Hawthorne Boulevard and Belmont Street (roughly between 33rd Ave. and 45th Ave. on both streets)
- 2 mile walking loop – Steel Bridge, Eastbank Esplanade, Hawthorne Bridge, McCall Waterfront Park
- Northeast, Alberta St. (between 12th Ave. and 33rd Ave.)