

PASADENA

BUCKETLIST

MUST SEE

- Tour the iconic The Gamble House, a masterpiece of Craftsman architecture.
- See the renowned Van Gogh and Degas collections at the Norton Simon Museum
- Explore the original Trader Joe's, where it all began.
- Wander through the 120+ acres of the Huntington Library and Gardens – and be sure to visit the gift shop!

MUST EAT

- Don't miss the award-winning pain au chocolat at Artisanal Goods by CAR, recognized by Eater LA as the best in L.A
- Explore Pasadena's Boba Trail with 30+ spots to enjoy
- Treat yourself to freshly baked cobbler at The Gourmet Cobbler Factory
- Experience handmade pastas and dishes crafted with locally sourced ingredients at Union Restaurant, a Michelin-rated destination.
- Grab a cheeseburger at Pie 'n Burger, a Pasadena staple and historic local favorite.

TIPS

- The main downtown districts are very walkable, use the city garages so you only have to park ones
- Pasadena is sunny almost year-round, bring sunscreen
- Pasadena is compact and dense, many attractions are within 10-15 minutes of each other and can easily be reached via public transportation

BEST TIME TO VISIT
Mar. - May, Oct. - Jan.

MUST EXPERIENCE

- Ring in the New Year at the renowned Tournament of Roses Parade
- Discover unique finds at the Rose Bowl Flea Market, the largest on the West Coast.
- Tour the iconic Rose Bowl Stadium, a historic landmark since 1923
- Enjoy a play at the Pasadena Playhouse, the official State Theater of California
- Step into Vroman's Bookstore, a Pasadena institution since 1894 and the largest independent bookstore in Southern California, complete with an in store bar and coffee shop

MUST BUY

- The Venezuelan hot chocolate at Amara Chocolate & Coffee
- Gourmet cheeses from Agnes Restaurant & Cheesery
- Pasadena-themed souvenirs at the Pasadena Visitor Center
- The Dianne Salad Kit and fresh baked zucchini bread from Green Street Restaurant

MUST DO

- Discover Pasadena's diverse flavors through curated tastings on our Melting Pot Food Tour
- Catch a live comedy show at The Ice House, recognized as the nation's oldest comedy club.
- Explore Old Pasadena's boutique shops for unique, memorable gifts
- Capture a selfie in front of the Greetings from Pasadena mural while enjoying our self-guided sculpture and art walking tour

NUMBER OF DAYS NEEDED
2-3 days