

Seattle Activities Guide:

Near UW Campus

Food & Drink:

Coffee & Breakfast

- [Saint Bread](#)
 - Waterfront coffee and pastry shop, combining European and Asian baking styles. Named among the 22 best bakeries in the U.S. by the New York Times. Get there early for the full pastry selection!
 - Address: 1421 NE Boat St, Seattle, WA 98105
- [Cafe Allegro](#)
 - The first espresso bar in Seattle, which opened in 1975. Hidden in the alley next to Magus Books, this coffee shop serves high quality espresso and a limited supply of pastry and breakfast options.
 - Address: Alleyway, 4214 University Way NE, Seattle, WA 98105
- [Leon Coffee House](#)
 - A family-owned Mexican coffee house known for its impressive latte art! This coffee house offers a wide variety of coffee and food, including sweet and savory waffles, sandwiches, and authentic tamales.
 - Address: 1309 NE 45th St, Seattle, WA 98105
- [Cafe Solstice](#)
 - Laid-back and cozy vibe with free WiFi. This cafe offers in-house baked goods and sandwiches, high-quality espresso, and tea options.
 - Address: 4116 University Way NE, Seattle, WA 98105
- [Portage Bay Cafe](#)
 - For a more sit-down option, this brunch place offers local, organic, and sustainable options.
 - Address: 4130 Roosevelt Way NE, Seattle, WA 98105
- [Voula's Offshore Cafe](#)
 - Featured on the first season of Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives, this old-school daytime diner offers classics, like benedicts, omelets, pancakes, and more.
 - Address: 658 NE Northlake Way, Seattle, WA 98105
- [Hey Bagel](#)
 - Winner of best bagel at BagelFest West and immediate [local favorite](#) after opening last year. All they serve is hot bagels, a variety of cream cheese shmears, and coffee. You may find a line out the door, but the wait is quite short on weekdays.

- Address: 4610 Village Ct NE, Seattle, WA 98105

Lunch & Dinner

- [Big Time Brewing](#)
 - Seattle's oldest brewpub, operating since 1988. This brewery offers a casual atmosphere with brews, pizzas, and other bar fare.
 - Address: 4133 University Way NE, Seattle, WA 98105
- [Korean Tofu House](#)
 - A casual basement restaurant known for its silken tofu soups, bibimbap, short ribs, and complimentary banchan.
 - Address: 4142 Brooklyn Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98105
- [Sizzle & Crunch](#)
 - Vietnamese grill offering quick bites, including bahn mis, rice bowls, and salad bowls. Offers both grilled meats and tofu options.
 - Address: 1313 NE 42nd St, Seattle, WA 98105
- [Shultz's Bar & Grill](#)
 - This second-generation family owned German bar and grill, offers homemade sausages, giant pretzels, and German beers.
 - Address: 4114 University Way NE, Seattle, WA 98105
- [YGF Malatang](#)
 - The build-your-own Sichuan soup bowls were the highest reviewed stop on the UW Atmospheric and Climate Science department's quest to try every restaurant on "the Ave".
 - Address: 4730 University Way NE Ste 103, Seattle, WA 98105
- [Din Tai Fung](#)
 - World-famous Taiwanese restaurant specializing in handmade soup dumplings.
 - Address: 2621 NE 46th St., Seattle, WA 98105

Activities:

- [Gas Works Park](#)
 - About a 20-30 minute walk from UW campus, this park is the site of a former Seattle Gas Light Company gasification plant. This park has stunning views of Lake Union and has been featured in several movies, including 10 Things I Hate About You. On a clear day you might be lucky enough to see the Seattle skyline, Space Needle, landing seaplanes, and more!
 - Address: 2101 N Northlake Way, Seattle, WA 98103
- [Seattle Bouldering Project](#)
 - This modern rock climbing gym features bouldering walls, yoga classes, and recovery amenities. First-time visitors can get a free day pass that includes free

shoe and chalk rentals. Otherwise, standard day passes are \$30, with an additional \$6 fee for rental climbing shoes.

- Address: 4502 University Way NE, Seattle, WA 98105

- [UW Campus Self-Guided Walking Tour](#)

- This [interactive campus map](#) highlights major UW landmarks and libraries including Drumheller Fountain, The Quad, Suzzalo Library, Red Square, Columns, and Sylvan Theater.

- [Burke Museum](#)

- The oldest museum in Washington state, highlighting natural history and culture. The Burke Museum houses and cares for over 16 million significant artifacts and specimens from the Pacific and Coastal Salish region. Museum admission for non-UW students (with student ID) is \$16. Tickets can be booked online in advance.
- Address: 4303 Memorial Way NE, Seattle, WA 98105

- [Washington Park Arboretum](#)

- About a 30-40 minute walk or 15 minute bus ride from UW campus, this park consists of 230 acres of botanical gardens, walking paths, a Japanese garden, and preserved rare trees.
- Address: 2300 Arboretum Dr E, Seattle, WA 98112

- [Union Bay Natural Area](#)

- A neat little natural park by the water. The 15-min walk from campus also takes you by the UW stadium and sports grounds.
- Address: 3501 NE 41st St, Seattle, WA 98105

- [University Village](#)

- A higher-end shopping center with a variety of shops and restaurants.
- Address: 2623 NE University Village St, Seattle, WA 98105

Near Downtown Seattle

Food & Drink:

- [Pike Place Chowder](#)
 - Highly popular and award-winning spot for New England Clam Chowder, as well as several other scratch-made chowders. Started in 2003, this spot aims to craft the best chowders using fresh, sustainably sourced seafood and farm-to-table ingredients.
 - Address: 1530 Post Alley, Seattle, WA 98101
- [Piroshky Piroshky](#)
 - Russian pastry spot in Pike Place Market with delicious sweet and savory hand pies.
 - Address: 1908 Pike Pl, Seattle, WA 98101
- [Beecher's Handmade Cheese](#)
 - Founded in 2003, Beecher's is known for its "World's Best" mac and cheese and award-winning cheese, including the most well-known Flagship cheese. At this location you can also watch the cheesemakers at work!
 - Address: 1600 Pike Place, Seattle, WA 98101

Activities:

- [Pike Place Market](#)
 - Seattle's original farmers market with famed fish-throwing seafood vendors, freshly cut flowers, produce stalls, and local artisan crafts. Free to walk around and explore!
 - Address: 85 Pike St, Seattle, WA 98101
- [The Gum Wall](#)
 - The Gum Wall is a brick wall situated beneath Pike Place Market covered with used chewing gum. It originated inadvertently around the Market Theater in the 1990s and later evolved into a local landmark.
 - Address: 1428 Post Alley, Seattle, WA 98101
- [Seattle City Pass](#)
 - If you are looking to experience several of Seattle's top attractions including the Space Needle Observatory, Seattle Aquarium, Chihuly Garden and Glass, Museum of Pop Culture (MOPOP), Seattle Art Museum, Argosy Cruises Harbor Tour, or several others, we'd recommend the Seattle City Pass. With the option of 3 attractions or 5 attractions, this pass will give you the best value and is valid for 9 consecutive days including the first day of use.
- [Seattle Center + Space Needle](#)

- Accessible by a short monorail ride from the downtown *Westlake* light rail stop or waterfront walk via Olympic Sculpture Park from the Pike Place area, Seattle Center is the home of the iconic Space Needle, the Chihuly Garden and Glass Museum, the Museum of Pop Culture, and more.
- Address: 305 Harrison Street, Seattle, WA 98109
- [Smith Tower](#)
 - Seattle's oldest skyscraper, this 38-floor structure was once the tallest building west of the Mississippi River. This historical landmark offers a self-guided history tour and admission to the observatory & bar with breathtaking 360-degree views of Seattle. Tickets are \$21 with a valid student ID.
 - Address: 506 2nd Ave, Seattle, WA 98104
- [Seattle Underground Tour](#)
 - The Seattle Underground Tour is a guided walking tour through the subterranean storefronts and sidewalks beneath the modern Pioneer Square streets. Tickets are available for \$27 with a valid student ID.
 - Address: 614 1st Ave, Seattle, WA 98104

Near SeaTac Airport

Food & Drink:

- [Stevie's Famous Pizza](#)
 - As a pizza aficionado, this is the best slice I've found in the Seattle area.
 - Address: 822 SW 152nd St, Burien, WA 98166
- [Sharps Roasthouse](#)
 - A bit higher-end option offering handmade sourdough pastas, classic cocktails, and smoked BBQ burgers and prime rib. With 9,000+ reviews, this scratch kitchen comes highly recommended.
 - Address: 82427 International Blvd, SeaTac, WA 98188
- [Floret – By Cafe Flora](#)
 - Fresh, local, vibrant vegetarian fare and Stumptown espresso drinks in Sea-Tac airport. Floret offers quick counter service and table service dining. The fancy breakfast sandwich is delicious!
 - Address: Located in the SeaTac Airport, past security, in the A Concourse

Activities:

- [Highline SeaTac Botanical Garden](#)
 - An 11-acre free public park that preserves a collection of historic and relocated private gardens, including Seike Japanese Garden and Elda Behm's Paradise Garden. Established through community efforts to save local green spaces from airport expansion.
 - Address: 13735 24th Ave S, SeaTac, WA 98168
- [Westfield Southcenter Mall](#)
 - 2-level indoor shopping mall with more than 200 stores and restaurants, as well as an IMAX theater.
 - Address: 2800 Southcenter Mall, Seattle, WA 98188
- [Angle Lake Park](#)
 - A 10-acre public park located just South of Sea-Tac with walking trails, a fishing dock, and surrounding greenery.
 - Address: 19408 International Blvd, SeaTac, WA 98188
- [The Museum of Flight](#)
 - The world's largest independent, non-profit air and space museum, featuring an extensive collection of over 175 aircraft and spacecraft, as well as interactive flight simulators and the historic original Boeing "Red Barn" factory. Admission is \$29 per adult.
 - Address: 9404 East Marginal Way S, Seattle, WA 98108