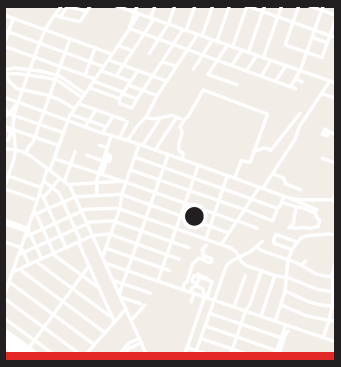
A NEIGHBORHOOD SPOTLIGHT

Around 5317 Pease

Food, parks, art and weekend plans in Houston's East End



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Groceries, food, parks, history, art and a year of events inside. Straight-line miles.

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LIFE AROUND PEASE STREET

Life around Pease Street

Start with lunch on Leeland, a mosaic art park and the bayou. Then work your way through the East End from 5317 Pease Street.



Listing photo

Start close to Pease Street, with Cullinan Park on Polk and a lunch stop at Mandola’s Deli. The deli serves sandwiches and Italian classics. Smither Park is a park built by more than 300 artists, with mosaic art throughout. Take your time with its small mosaic details!

This guide puts everyday stops first, then parks, neighborhood history, art and bigger outings. Each distance is a straight line from the house to a published main address or visitor entrance. Your walking or driving route will be longer. Scan the official page for current details, and the Directions code when you’re ready to go.

Use the grocery pages for regular errands, then look at the libraries and Green Line. Choose a few nearby stops first; save the museum district, gardens and coast for a day with more time.

NEAR THE FRONT DOOR

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Cullinan Park (Polk Street)	0.3 mi
Fiesta Mart #03	0.6 mi
Bohemeo's	0.7 mi
Eastwood Park	0.8 mi

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THREE WAYS INTO THE EAST END

Three ways into the East End

Lunch, a park and an afternoon of mosaic art: three places to try first.

1 EVERYDAY STOP

Mandola's Deli

4105 Leeland Street · 1.2 miles

Start with Mandola’s for sandwiches and Italian classics. Mandola's has served Italian food since 1975.

2 OUTDOORS

Mason Park

541 South 75th Street · 1.6 miles

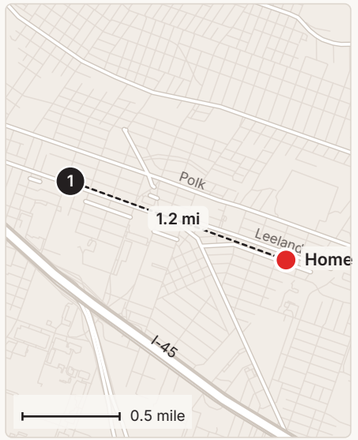
Head to Mason Park for 108 acres beside Brays Bayou. Cross the pedestrian suspension bridge, then take a look at the outdoor park. The community center’s renovation status is noted in Parks and trails.

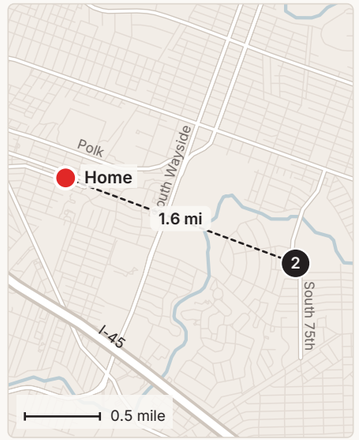
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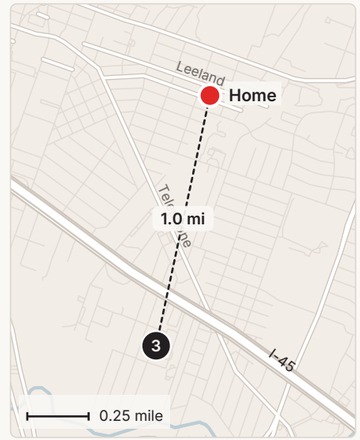
Smither Park

2441 Munger Street · 1.0 miles

Look closely at Smither Park’s mosaics. It’s a park built by more than 300 artists, with mosaic art throughout, and admission is Free. Take your time with the small details.







Menu and hours

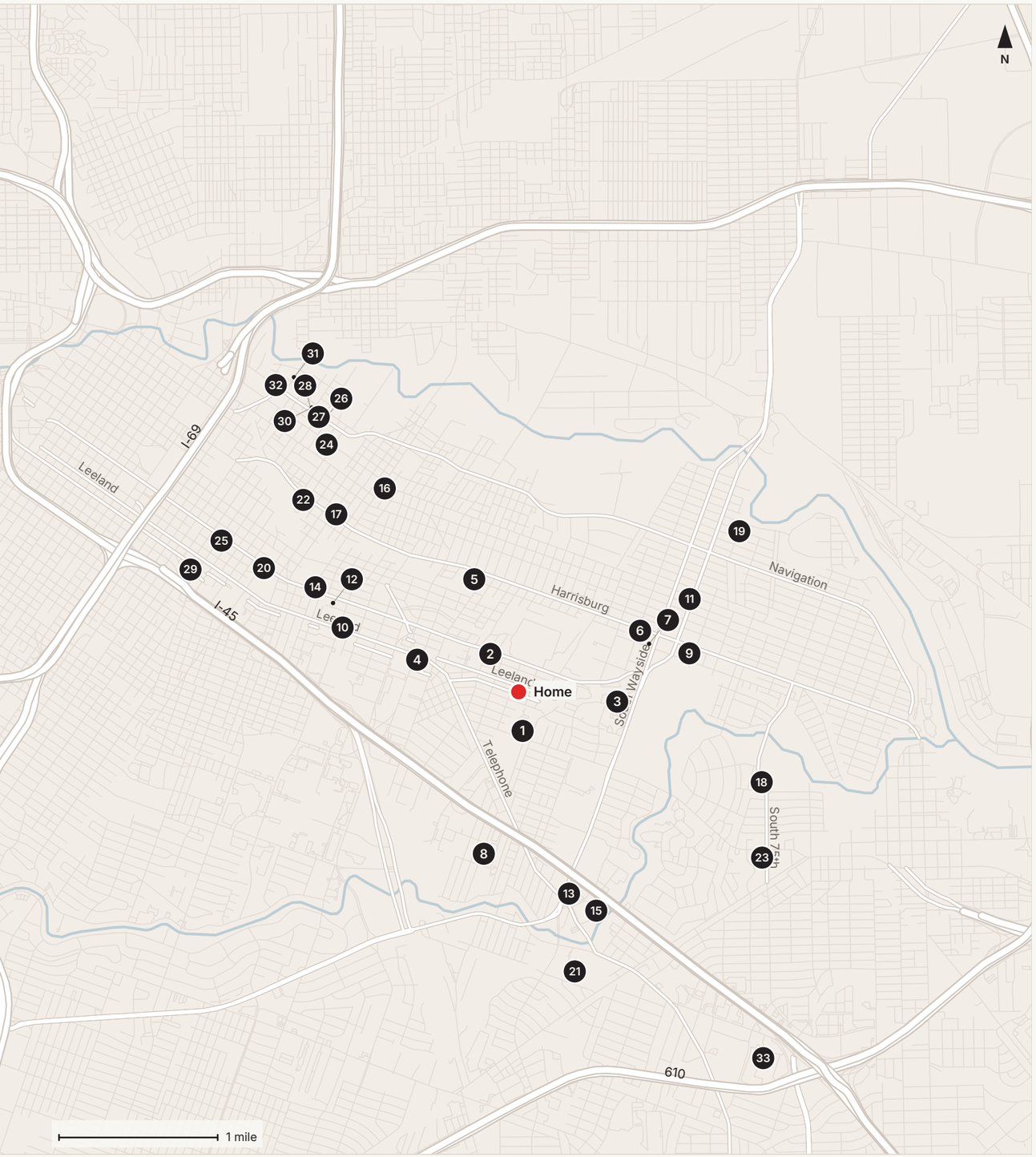
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Shaded rows are within about a mile and a quarter.

Streets: U.S. Census Bureau TIGER. Waterways: USGS. Straight-line miles from the house.

GROCERIES FOR THE WEEK

Groceries for the week

Compare these stores for your regular grocery run. Check the pharmacy schedule separately.

Fiesta Mart #03

WHERE 800 South Wayside Drive | **FROM HOME** 0.6 miles [6]
HOURS daily, 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Compare this Fiesta with the other neighborhood grocery stores. Use its official location page for store details and the Directions code to plan your trip.

Website Directions

Kroger (Polk)

WHERE 4000 Polk Street | **FROM HOME** 1.3 miles [20]

This Kroger has a deli, a bakery, beer and wine, and drug and general merchandise. For a separate errand, the store lists Western Union, money orders, check cashing and a Coinstar machine. Check the pharmacy schedule separately.

Website Directions

Sellers Bros. (Telephone Road)

WHERE 3337 Telephone Road | **FROM HOME** 1.5 miles [23,24]
HOURS daily, 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Sellers Bros. stocks meat, produce and specialty imports. This is a Telephone Road option to compare for your regular grocery run.

Website Directions

Gulfgate H-E-B

WHERE 3111 Woodridge Drive | **FROM HOME** 2.8 miles [48]
HOURS daily, 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

At the Gulfgate H-E-B, you'll find a fuel station, a pharmacy with a drive-through, a bakery, a deli, and meat and seafood. For an easy dinner, the store lists Flaming Bird rotisserie chicken, Meal Simple prepared meals and Sushiya sushi. Check the pharmacy schedule separately.

Website Directions

SPECIALTY GROCERIES AND FRESH BREAD

Specialty groceries

Fresh bread and specialty ingredients from Gulfgate, downtown and a nearby farm.

1 El Bolillo Bakery (Gulfgate)

WHERE 2421 South Wayside Drive | **FROM HOME** 1.3 miles [21,49]
HOURS daily, 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Try a wide choice of tres leches cakes every day at this Gulfgate bakery. Use the official page to look through cake options and plan a pickup.

Website Directions

2 Phoenicia Specialty Foods - Downtown Market

WHERE 1001 Austin Street | **FROM HOME** 2.9 miles [50,51]
HOURS Monday–Wednesday 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Thursday–Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Phoenicia's downtown market stocks produce, meats and seafood, artisan breads, wines, cheeses, a coffee and gelato bar, and prepared foods. The store carries more than 20,000 products from more than 50 countries, and there's free first-come parking in the One Park Place garage, entered from McKinney.

Website Directions

3 Finca Tres Robles

WHERE 5715 Canal Street | **FROM HOME** 0.9 miles [52]
HOURS Wednesdays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Finca Tres Robles began in 2014 on a long-vacant lot. The farm sells its own produce plus meat, dairy and eggs from partner farms, and it accepts SNAP at the farm store. Check the farm's own page for current pickup and market details.

Website Directions

WHERE THESE ARE FROM THE HOUSE



PHARMACIES AND EVERYDAY STOPS

Pharmacies and post office

Check the pharmacy hours for prescriptions. For a different errand, browse reusable art and craft supplies.

CVS Pharmacy (South 75th Street)

WHERE 806 South 75th Street | **FROM HOME** 1.9 miles [33]

This CVS lists a drive-through pharmacy and in-store pickup. The pharmacy closes for lunch from 1:30 to 2 p.m. Check the pharmacy's hours before leaving, especially if you need a prescription rather than a quick store purchase.

Website

Directions

Walgreens (South Wayside Drive)

WHERE 220 South Wayside Drive | **FROM HOME** 0.9 miles [12]

Walgreens has prescription refills and vaccine scheduling online. The store and pharmacy keep separate hours, so use the official page to check the service you need.

Website

Directions

Texas Art Asylum

WHERE 1719 Live Oak | **FROM HOME** 2.2 miles [42]

HOURS Tuesday–Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday 1 to 6 p.m., closed Monday

Texas Art Asylum is a creative reuse center selling donated art and craft materials. This is the place for a craft project or an unexpected find. The shop has kept more than 3.4 million pounds of reusable materials out of landfills since 2010.

Website

Directions

Eastwood Post Office

WHERE 5415 Lawndale Street | **FROM HOME** 0.2 miles [4]

HOURS Retail counter: Monday–Friday 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.; Saturday 8:30–11 a.m.; Sunday closed.

Use the Eastwood retail counter for postal errands. Lot parking is available. Check retail hours separately from post office box access and collection schedules.

Website

Directions

EVERYDAY STOPS

The Esplanade and the market

Sit under Navigation's live oaks, then check the market calendar. The map shows both stops from Pease Street.

1 Esplanade at Navigation

WHERE 2600-2800 Navigation Boulevard | **FROM HOME** 2.2 miles [44]

The Esplanade is a three-block stretch with iron arches, shade structures and protected old-growth live oaks. It opened in 2013. Under the old live oaks there's a raised wooden platform with wrap-around seating and picnic tables. Pause here while you're exploring Navigation.

Website

Directions

2 East End Farmers Market (Esplanade at Navigation)

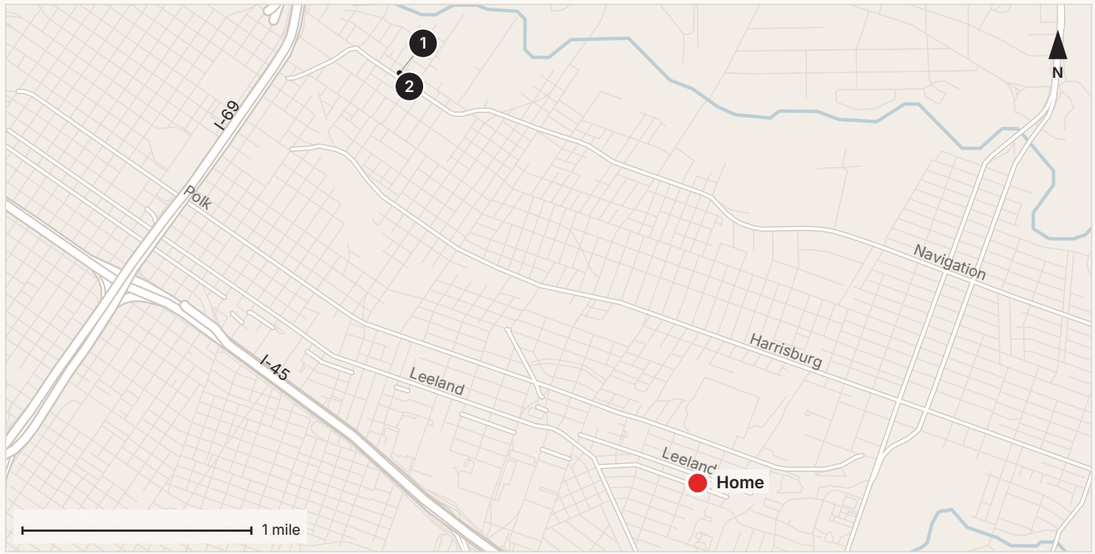
WHERE 2800 Navigation Boulevard | **FROM HOME** 2.1 miles [37]

Browse local food growers, prepared food, artisans and live performers. Check the market's official page before going, and give yourself time to look through the stands rather than making it a quick grocery dash.

Website

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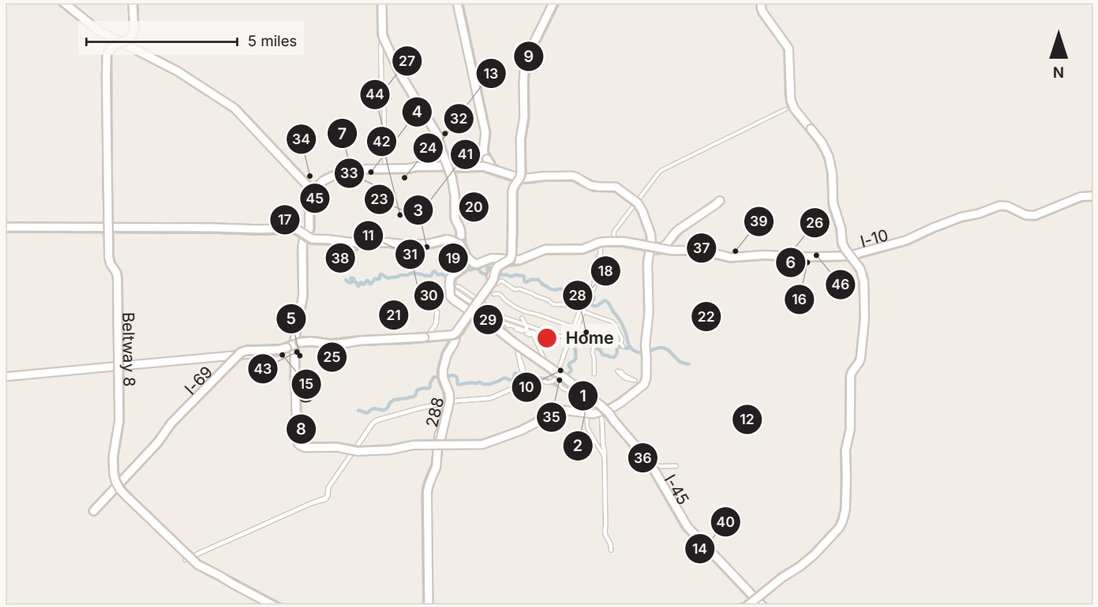
WHERE THESE ARE FROM THE HOUSE



HARDWARE AND HOME PROJECTS

Hardware and home projects

Home centers, hardware, lumber, paint, tools and garden supplies within the local radius. Numbers match the map; listed schedules are for stores.



All listed stores are within ten straight-line miles. Numbers match the directory. Roads: U.S. Census Bureau TIGER.

HOME CENTERS

HOURS, UNLESS NOTED Monday–Saturday 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Sunday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

1 Home Depot (6810) [53]
6810 Gulf Freeway · 2.3 miles

2 Lowe's [54]
1000 Gulfgate Center Mall · 2.7 miles

3 Home Depot (2777) [55]
2777 Katy Freeway · 5.0 miles

4 Home Depot (999) [56]
999 North Loop West · 8.0 miles

5 Home Depot (5445) [57]
5445 West Loop South · 8.2 miles

6 Home Depot (13400) [58]
13400 Market Street Road · 8.5 miles

7 Lowe's (1521) [59]
1521 North Loop West · 8.6 miles

8 Lowe's (4645) [60]
4645 Beechnut Street · 8.7 miles
HOURS Monday–Saturday 6 a.m.–10 p.m.; Sunday 8 a.m.–8 p.m.

9 Home Depot (10600) [61]
10600 Eastex Freeway · 9.4 miles

WALMART SUPERCENTERS

HOURS, UNLESS NOTED Daily 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

10 Walmart (2391) [62]
2391 South Wayside Drive · 1.2 miles

11 Walmart (111) [63]
111 Yale Street · 5.6 miles

12 Walmart (1107) [64]
1107 Shaver Street · 7.2 miles

13 Walmart (4412) [65]
4412 North Freeway · 7.6 miles
HOURS Daily 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

14 Walmart (9598) [66]
9598 Rowlett Road · 8.6 miles

15 Walmart (5405) [67]
5405 South Rice Avenue · 8.8 miles

16 Walmart (13750) [68]
13750 East Freeway · 9.0 miles

17 Walmart (1118) [69]
1118 Silber Road · 9.5 miles

HARDWARE AND LUMBER

18 Cox Hardware and Lumber [70,71]
1923 Wayside Drive · 1.7 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; closed Sunday
At Cox, find Home improvement and lawn-and-garden supplies.

19 Montalbano (1309) [72]
1309 Houston Avenue · 4.1 miles
HOURS Call ahead: 713-228-9011
Montalbano Lumber branch on Houston Avenue

20 Stokes Hardware and Supply Co [73]
3719 Irvington Boulevard · 5.0 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday closed
Stokes carries Home improvement and lawn-and-garden supplies.

21 Southland Hardware [74,75]
1822 Westheimer Road · 5.1 miles
HOURS Monday–Saturday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Tools, paint, plumbing and garden supplies

22 Galena Park Ace Hardware [76]
1401 Holland Avenue · 5.3 miles
HOURS Monday–Saturday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Hardware, electrical, plumbing, paint, hand and power tools, lawn and garden, automotive and sporting goods departments

23 C and D Hardware and Gifts [77]
314 East 11th Street · 6.0 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Home repair and improvement supplies

24 Grogan Building Supply Co. [78,79]
2419 Yale Street · 7.1 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 7 a.m.–5 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m.–1 p.m.; closed Sunday
Grogan sells Home improvement and lawn-and-garden supplies.

25 Bering's (Bissonnet) [80]
3900 Bissonnet Street · 7.1 miles
HOURS Monday–Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Hardware for the home

26 Ace Hardware (Uvalde Road) [81]
1205 Uvalde Road · 8.6 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Hardware, plumbing, electrical, paint, hand and power tools, lawn and garden, patio and automotive departments

27 Montalbano (5850) [72]
5850 North Shepherd Drive · 9.8 miles
HOURS Call ahead: 713-691-6611
Montalbano Lumber branch on North Shepherd Drive

PAINT AND FLOORING

28 Sherwin-Williams (7118) [82]
7118 1/2 Harrisburg Boulevard · 1.3 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 6 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to noon, closed Sunday
Protective and marine

29 Sherwin-Williams (2821) [83]
2821 Gulf Freeway · 2.0 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Rollers and spray equipment

30 Southwestern Paint (1902) [84,85]
1902 Taft Street · 4.2 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., closed Sunday
A Benjamin Moore dealer with paints, stains, clear coats, wallpaper and painting accessories (chain-wide)

31 Sherwin-Williams (1409) [86]
1409 Montrose Boulevard · 4.5 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Brushes and rollers

32 Sherwin-Williams Floorcovering [87]
1331 East 40th Street · 7.3 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed Saturday and Sunday
Carpet, vinyl, laminate, ceramic and other floorcoverings

33 Southwestern Paint (721) [84,88]
721 West 19th Street · 7.3 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed Sunday
A Benjamin Moore dealer with paints, stains, clear coats, wallpaper and painting accessories

34 Floor and Decor (Dacoma) [89]
4330 Dacoma Street · 9.5 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
A tile and flooring store whose professional design experts help with your project for free

TOOLS AND FASTENERS

HOURS, UNLESS NOTED Monday–Saturday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

35 Harbor Freight (3333) [90,91]
3333 Telephone Road · 1.5 miles
Hardware, tools and accessories at the Telephone Road store

36 Northern Tool (7994) [92]
7994 Bellfort Street · 5.1 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Generators, pressure washers, air compressors, trailers and welding equipment

37 Northern Tool (11035) [93]
11035 East Freeway · 5.9 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
A tool and equipment store with a parts, service and repair counter and same-day delivery

38 Houston Bearing and Supply [94,95]
5311 Cornish Street · 6.6 miles
HOURS Monday–Friday 7:30 a.m.–5 p.m.
Bearings, V-belts, sheaves, couplings, electric motors, lubricants, roller chain and seals

39 Harbor Freight (1000) [96]
1000 Federal Road · 6.9 miles
Tool store on Federal Road

40 Harbor Freight (10045) [97]
10045 Almeda Genoa Road · 8.7 miles
Tools for DIY projects and professional jobsites

GARDEN CENTERS

HOURS, UNLESS NOTED Daily 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

41 Buchanan's Native Plants [98]
611 East 11th Street · 5.9 miles
HOURS Daily 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
A garden center devoted to Texas native plants and organic gardening, with lawn and garden supplies

42 Another Place in Time [99]
421 West 11th Street · 6.3 miles
HOURS Wednesday–Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (listed visiting days; confirm other days)
A Heights plant nursery specializing in staghorn ferns, succulents, tropicals, hoyas and rare plants

43 Garden Center (5345) [100,101]
5345 West Loop South · 8.3 miles
Palms and flowering plants

44 Wabash Feed and Garden [102]
4537 North Shepherd Drive · 8.7 miles
HOURS Monday–Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
A complete feed store and garden center that specializes in organic gardening, advice included

45 Garden Center (1700) [101]
1700 West Loop North Freeway · 9.0 miles
One of Houston Garden Centers' 20-plus area nurseries

46 Garden Center (14135) [101]
14135 East Freeway · 9.3 miles
One of Houston Garden Centers' 20-plus area nurseries, listed for Jacinto City, Channelview and East Beltway 8



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COFFEE, BREAKFAST AND PASTRIES

Coffee, breakfast and pastries

Two nearby stops for coffee, food and something to take home.

1 Bohemeo's

WHERE 708 Telephone Road | **FROM HOME** 0.7 miles [8]
HOURS Monday–Friday 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday noon to 7 p.m.

Start at Bohemeo’s for coffee, food, craft beer, live music and local art. It has been here since 2006. Pick a time to meet from the posted hours.

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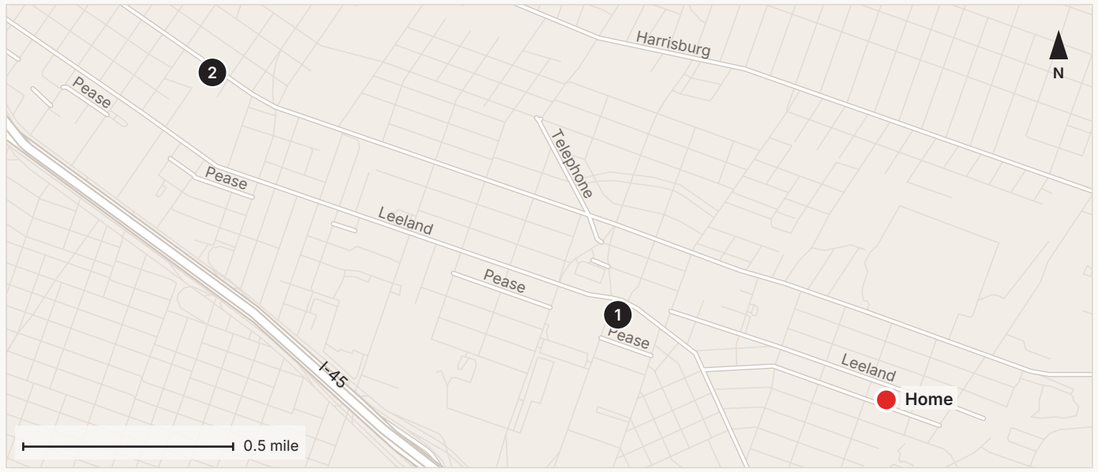
2 EaDough Pastries and Provisions

WHERE 3204 Polk Street | **FROM HOME** 1.8 miles [30,103]
HOURS daily, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Try kolaches, filled brioche, seasonal loaves and guava cream cheese danishes at EaDough. The shop has online ordering for pickup. Bring a few pastries home to Pease Street.

Website Directions

WHERE THESE ARE FROM THE HOUSE



LUNCH, TACOS AND A NIGHT OUT

Lunch and Tex-Mex

Try a deli lunch on Leeland or Tex-Mex on Navigation. Check the menu and opening hours before choosing your stop.

1 Mandola's Deli

WHERE 4105 Leeland Street | **FROM HOME** 1.2 miles [1]
HOURS Monday–Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Mandola’s serves sandwiches and Italian classics. Mandola's has served Italian food since 1975. Make it a lunch stop while you’re exploring Leeland.

Website Directions

2 The Original Ninfa's on Navigation

WHERE 2704 Navigation Boulevard | **FROM HOME** 2.2 miles [41,104]
HOURS Monday–Thursday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., with weekend brunch 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This is where Mama Ninfa Laurenzo began grilling skirt steak in tortillas in 1973, inside the family's tortilla factory. Look for Mama Ninfa's Original Tacos al Carbon and Musicos on the menu. Make time for lunch or dinner on Navigation, then explore the Esplanade nearby.

Website Directions

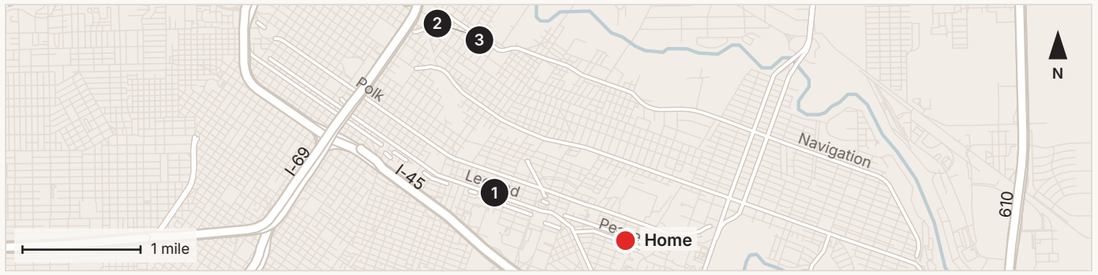
3 El Tiempo Cantina (Navigation)

WHERE 2814 Navigation Boulevard | **FROM HOME** 2.1 miles [36]
HOURS Monday–Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., with Saturday brunch 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

If you’re staying on Navigation, compare this restaurant with Ninfa’s before deciding where to have lunch. The listed Saturday brunch hours give you another option.

Website Directions

WHERE THESE ARE FROM THE HOUSE



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01 · EAT AND DRINK

Dinner and drinks

Choose a bistro, brewery, game-meat burger or cocktail stop.

Nancy's Hustle

WHERE 2704 Polk Street | **FROM HOME** 2.1 miles [35]
HOURS daily, 5 to 11 p.m.

Try the Nancy cakes with cultured butter, smoked trout roe and chives, or the cheeseburger on a brioche English muffin at Nancy's Hustle, a modern bistro serving natural wine, cider and cocktails. Reservations through Resy are recommended, and walk-ins are welcome.

Website Directions

Equal Parts Brewing

WHERE 3118 Harrisburg Boulevard | **FROM HOME** 1.8 miles [32]
HOURS Monday–Thursday 1 to 10 p.m., Friday–Saturday noon to midnight and Sunday noon to 10 p.m.

Equal Parts Brewing is a brewery and taproom on Harrisburg, brewing in the Second Ward since 2016. The brewery occupies a taproom building from 1911, rebuilt after a 1948 fire.

Website Directions

Moon Tower Inn

WHERE 3004 Canal Street | **FROM HOME** 2.0 miles [34]
HOURS Sunday–Thursday 11 a.m. to midnight and Friday–Saturday 11 a.m. to 1 a.m.

Moon Tower is an East End bar serving burgers and hot dogs. The menu includes venison, duck, elk, rabbit, boar and pheasant, with a kids menu, plus weekly specials, trivia and live music.

Website Directions

Eight Row Flint East End

WHERE 3501 Harrisburg Boulevard | **FROM HOME** 1.6 miles [25]
HOURS Monday–Friday noon to 2 a.m. and Saturday–Sunday 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.

Use the evening hours here to plan a stop on Harrisburg after exploring the neighborhood.

Website Directions

PARKS CLOSE TO HOME

Parks close to home

These three parks offer different scales, from a small Polk Street stop to the Gragg campus.

1 Cullinan Park (Polk Street)

WHERE 5120 Polk Street | **FROM HOME** 0.3 miles [2]

Cullinan Park on Polk is 0.86 acres. Its small size makes it a different stop from Mason or Gragg: keep it in mind when you want a nearby outdoor pause.

Website Directions

2 Eastwood Park

WHERE 5020 Harrisburg Boulevard | **FROM HOME** 0.8 miles [2,105]

Eastwood Park covers 10.25 acres. The City bought the land on Harrisburg in 1916 to create Eastwood Park. The park has a pool, a ball field, an above-ground skate park and shaded picnic tables; confirm seasonal pool access before making swimming the plan.

Website Directions

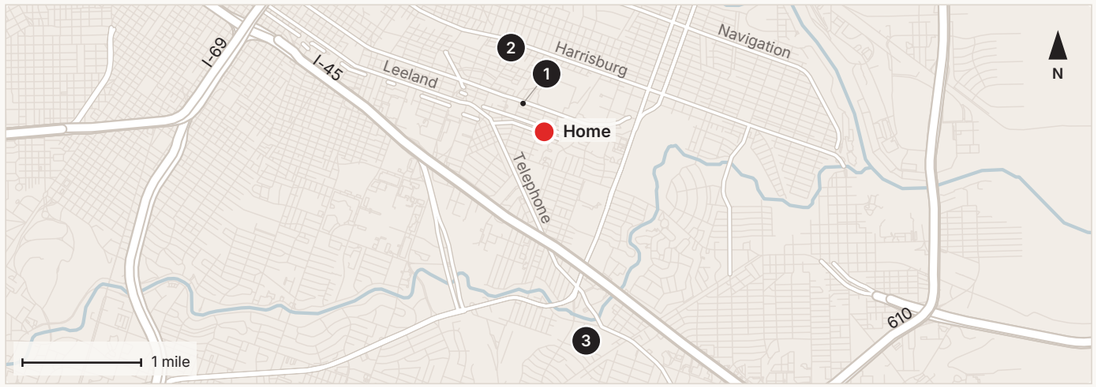
3 Gragg Park Complex

WHERE 2999 South Wayside Drive | **FROM HOME** 1.8 miles [2]

Gragg Park has about 48 acres. Make it another outdoor stop while you're getting to know the neighborhood.

Website Directions

WHERE THESE ARE FROM THE HOUSE





108 ACRES

MASON PARK AND THE BAYOU

Mason Park

Mason Park has 108 acres along Brays Bayou. The City bought the first 31.75 acres in 1928 as Pineview Manor Park, and Dora Porter Mason later gave 69.88 acres in memory of her husband, John T. Mason. The map shows the outdoor park and its bayou connections.

The bayou feature here is the pedestrian suspension bridge. The map shows the Mason Park area and connecting paths; the published park address is the access reference used for the distance and Directions code.

Mason Community Center is closed for renovations. Plan this visit around the outdoor park, and check the City's page before relying on an indoor program.

WHERE
541 South 75th Street

FROM HOME
1.6 miles

Sources [2,106,107]

GOOD TO KNOW

The red paths show Mason Park and its bayou connections. The marked ends are limits of this mapped segment. Check official information for current access.

Park and visitor information

Directions

EAST END PARKS AND THE WATER

East End parks and the water

A quiosco, a plaza, wetlands and creek-side lawns give these parks their own character.

Hidalgo Park

WHERE 7000 Avenue Q | **FROM HOME** 1.7 miles [28,108]

Hidalgo Park has a playground with spray fountains and baseball diamonds. The quiosco uses molded concrete to resemble tree trunks and branches. Its eight roof-supporting columns resemble tree trunks with different bark textures. One step carries the inscription "Houston Mexicans To Their City. V. Lozano."

Website

Directions

Guadalupe Plaza Park

WHERE 2311 Runnels Street | **FROM HOME** 2.5 miles [47,109]

Guadalupe Plaza Park has green space, a boat dock and history signs. The plaza was first built in the 1980s for El Mercado del Sol, and its renovation was finished in summer 2016. It's close to the Navigation stops in this guide, so pair a park visit with the market or a meal.

Website

Directions

Yolanda Black Navarro Buffalo Bend Nature Park

WHERE 2300 South Sgt Macario Garcia Drive | **FROM HOME** 2.0 miles [47]
HOURS daily, dawn to dusk

Buffalo Bend has three wetland ponds, an overlook and native plantings. It's named for civic leader Yolanda Black Navarro. Take time to look over the wetland landscape rather than treating this as a playground stop.

Website

Directions

Japhet Creek Park

WHERE 4600 Clinton Drive | **FROM HOME** 2.3 miles [47]
HOURS daily, 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Japhet Creek Park has meadows and open lawns. Check the park's page for current access and ongoing work before you head over.

Website

Directions

BEFORE HOUSTON, THEN A CITY OF ITS OWN

Before Houston, then a city of its own

Harrisburg was a town before Houston. Magnolia Park later became a city of its own, then joined Houston.

Start with Harrisburg. In 1826, John R. Harris had Harrisburg surveyed as a townsite. Ten years later, Jane Birdsall Harris's home became the Republic of Texas capitol in March 1836. These records put a much older town behind the boulevard's name. The next chapter involved transportation: The earliest portions of the Buffalo Bayou, Brazos and Colorado Railroad were operating by 1853. Harrisburg's story predates the neighborhoods and city boundaries you see around Pease Street today.

Magnolia Park followed a different path. Magnolia Park began as an excursion park in 1890, and Magnolia Park and Central Park subdivisions joined as the City of Magnolia Park in 1913. A place first known for outings had become a municipality. The combined city hall and fire station was dedicated on July 1, 1923. After annexation, the building served as Houston Fire Station No. 20. The building is one of the landmarks you can still find in this part of Houston.

The city boundaries changed again when Harrisburg became part of Houston in 1926, and Magnolia Park joined Houston in October 1926. Read the Magnolia Park marker in De Zavala Park, then see the former city hall's exterior. They tell related parts of the same story: a park, a neighborhood, an independent city and a district of Houston.

The former city hall gives you a building to connect with these municipal dates. It is a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark, designated in 2009. The separate Magnolia Park historical marker stands in De Zavala Park near the community center. Visit the marker and the exterior first; ask about access before planning an indoor stop.

TIMELINE

1826
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1853
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1913
Magnolia Park and Central Park subdivisions joined as the City of Magnolia Park in 1913 [112]

1926
Magnolia Park joined Houston in October 1926 [110]

NEIGHBORHOODS BUILT AROUND WORK AND COMMUNITY

Neighborhoods built around work and community

Homes, railroad work, churches and a community-built quiosco give this part of the East End a story beyond its street names.

In Eastwood, Eastwood's first lots went on sale in June 1912, and the neighborhood officially opened in September 1913. Eastwood's custom homes reflect Craftsman, Arts and Crafts, Foursquare and Mission styles. The mix helps explain the neighborhood's varied homes. Magnolia Park grew through different experiences: many early Mexican American residents worked laying railroad tracks or dredging and widening Buffalo Bayou. Work and neighborhood life developed together around the railroad and bayou.

By 1920, Magnolia Park had a business district of Mexican-owned firms. Churches and schools were part of that community. Our Lady of Guadalupe was organized in 1912 and provided schooling. At Our Lady of Guadalupe, The original building served as church and school, with services and classes in Spanish, and The mission became a parish in 1921. The parish's story continued as The church welcomed Central American and Vietnamese refugee communities in the 1970s. Check visitor access; an active historic church is not necessarily open for tours.

Hidalgo Park's quiosco makes another chapter visible. Vidal Lozano designed and built the quiosco. The community-funded quiosco was dedicated on September 16, 1934. Look closely: The quiosco uses molded concrete to resemble tree trunks and branches. The same year the quiosco was dedicated, LULAC Council 60, Houston's first council, formed in Magnolia Park in 1934. The park landmark and the community's institutions belong in the same neighborhood story.

TIMELINE

1913
Eastwood's first lots went on sale in June 1912, and the neighborhood officially opened in September 1913 [113]

1920
By 1920, Magnolia Park had a business district of Mexican-owned firms [110]

1934
The community-funded quiosco was dedicated on September 16, 1934 [108]

1934
LULAC Council 60, Houston's first council, formed in Magnolia Park in 1934 [112]

LANDMARKS YOU CAN STILL FIND

Landmarks you can still find

Read the Magnolia Park marker and see the former city hall and Hidalgo's quiosco. Confirm interior access before visiting.

1 Magnolia Park historical marker

WHERE 907 76th Street | **FROM HOME** 2.0 miles [112]

Read the Magnolia Park marker in De Zavala Park. The separate Magnolia Park historical marker stands in De Zavala Park near the community center. Magnolia Park began as an excursion park in 1890, and Magnolia Park and Central Park subdivisions joined as the City of Magnolia Park in 1913. Use the official marker record for the full text.

Read the official record

Directions

2 Magnolia Park City Hall and Central Fire Station

WHERE 7301 Avenue F | **FROM HOME** 1.6 miles [114]

The combined city hall and fire station was dedicated on July 1, 1923. After annexation, the building served as Houston Fire Station No. 20, and It is a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark, designated in 2009. View the exterior and marker; check separately before expecting interior access.

Read the official record

Directions

3 Hidalgo Park

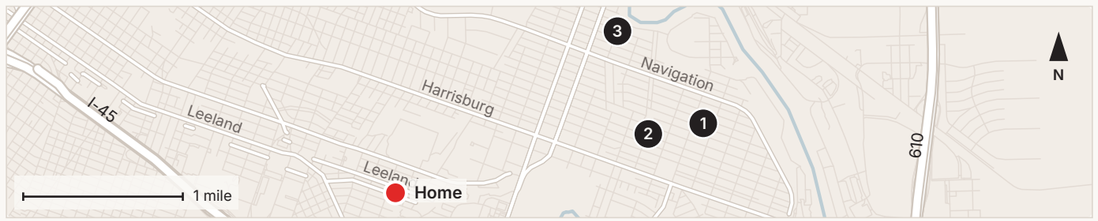
WHERE 7000 Avenue Q | **FROM HOME** 1.7 miles [28,108]

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Website

Directions

WHERE THESE ARE FROM THE HOUSE



CHURCHES, SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY

Churches and community

These parishes connect neighborhood history with churches, schools and generations of residents.

1 Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

WHERE 7250 Harrisburg Boulevard | **FROM HOME** 1.5 miles [115]

Immaculate Conception was established in October 1911 by the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. Its Neo-Romanesque church was dedicated in March 1957. Immaculate Conception was the mother church of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This is an active church. Confirm visitor access; the historical marker is inside a fence.

History and visitor information

Directions

2 Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church

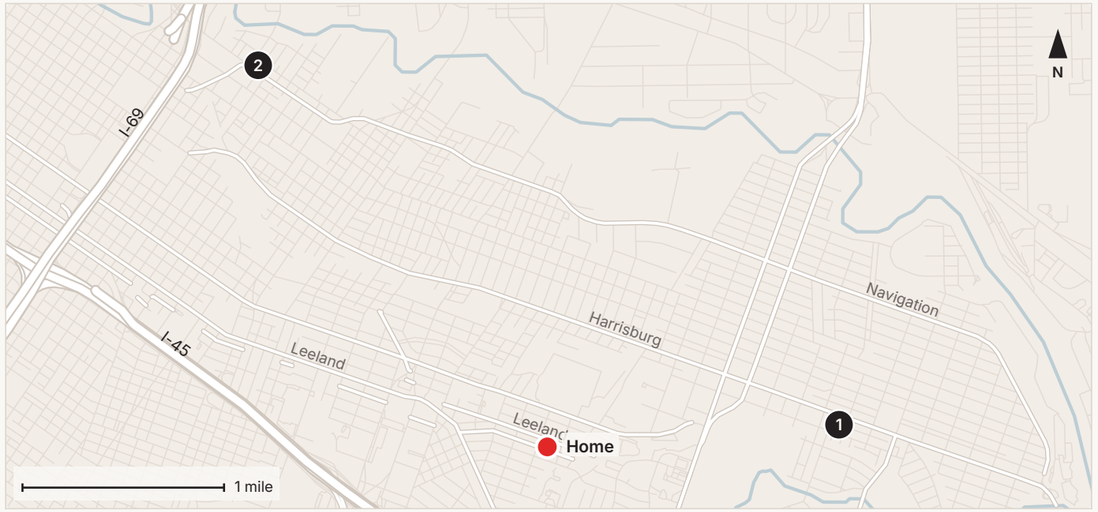
WHERE 2405 Navigation Boulevard | **FROM HOME** 2.4 miles [110,116]

Our Lady of Guadalupe was organized in 1912 and provided schooling. The original building served as church and school, with services and classes in Spanish. The mission became a parish in 1921. The church welcomed Central American and Vietnamese refugee communities in the 1970s. Confirm visitor access around services and school activities.

History and visitor information

Directions

WHERE THESE ARE FROM THE HOUSE



02 · MOSAICS, STUDIOS AND NEIGHBORHOOD STAGES

Mosaics and galleries

Visit outdoor mosaics, then check the gallery calendar.

1 Smither Park

WHERE 2441 Munger Street | **COST** Free | **FROM HOME** 1.0 miles [3]

Smither Park is a park built by more than 300 artists, with mosaic art throughout. The park was formally dedicated in September 2016. Look at the mosaic surfaces and the artists' small details. Admission and hours are listed below.

Website

Directions

2 BOX 13 ArtSpace

WHERE 6700 Harrisburg Boulevard | **FROM HOME** 0.9 miles [117]

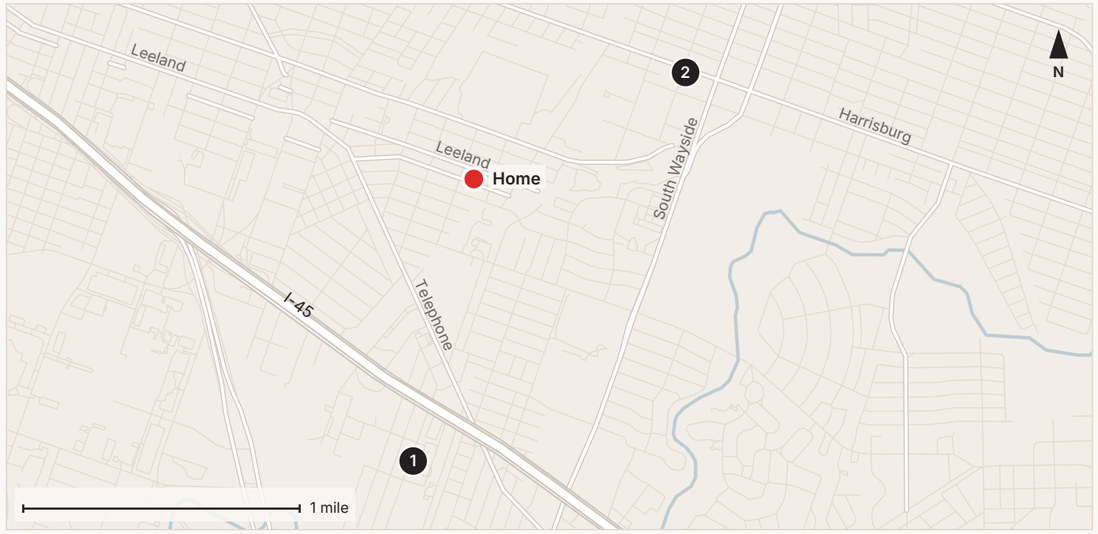
HOURS Saturdays 1 to 5 p.m. during exhibitions, or by appointment

Eight Houston artists founded BOX 13 ArtSpace in January 2008. The artspace occupies a former sewing machine factory and showroom, with a window gallery for small shows and a 100-foot outdoor mural wall. New exhibitions open every two months, picked by open call, so check the exhibition calendar before making a gallery visit.

Website

Directions

WHERE THESE ARE FROM THE HOUSE



ART AND CULTURE

Theater and live music

Choose a bilingual play or an evening show. The map locates both venues from Pease Street.

1 Talento Bilingüe de Houston

WHERE 333 South Jensen Drive | **FROM HOME** 2.4 miles [46]

Talento Bilingüe de Houston is a cultural arts center with a 240-seat theater, a professional dance studio and a gallery space. It was founded in 1977 as Teatro Bilingüe de Houston. Its program includes performances and exhibits year-round, plus workshops, a summer arts camp and touring shows for schools. Check for a performance, exhibit or workshop that interests you.

Website

Directions

2 Super Happy Fun Land

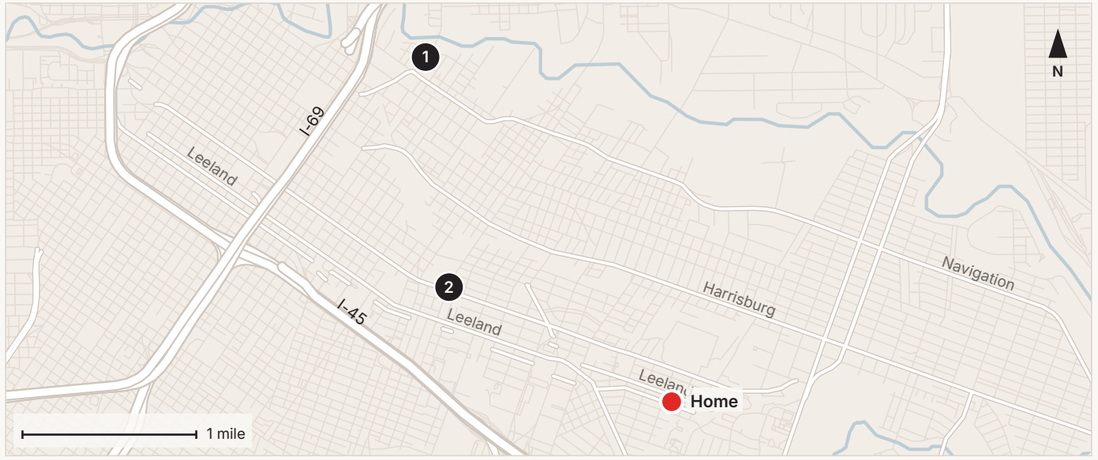
WHERE 3801 Polk Street | **COST** a $10 cover for all shows unless otherwise noted, with doors at 8 p.m. | **FROM HOME** 1.4 miles [22]

It hosts shows from experimental electronic music and jazz to hip-hop, underground rock and outsider art. The venue has a theater with room for 290, an art gallery and a patio. Choose an evening from the show calendar.

Website

Directions

WHERE THESE ARE FROM THE HOUSE





CITY PARKS AND THE BAYOU

City parks and the bayou

Sabine Street Bridge at Buffalo Bayou Park *Photo: Ed Uthman, CC BY 3.0, via Wikimedia Commons (cropped)*

These are citywide outings, from a downtown park to the western edge of Memorial Park. Use the regional map to see where they sit relative to the house.

1 Discovery Green

WHERE 1500 McKinney Street | **COST** always free | **FROM HOME** 2.8 miles [118,119,120,121]

HOURS open daily, 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Website Directions

Discovery Green is a 12-acre village green at the heart of downtown Houston with two restaurants, a water park for kids, a 1-acre lake, dog runs, an amphitheater and an event lawn. Spreading over more than an acre on the north side of the park, Kinder Lake is one of its signature features. There are the Kinder Large Dog Run and the Harriet and Joe Foster Small Dog Run, with crushed gravel, fountains and seating. Choose a program from the park's calendar.

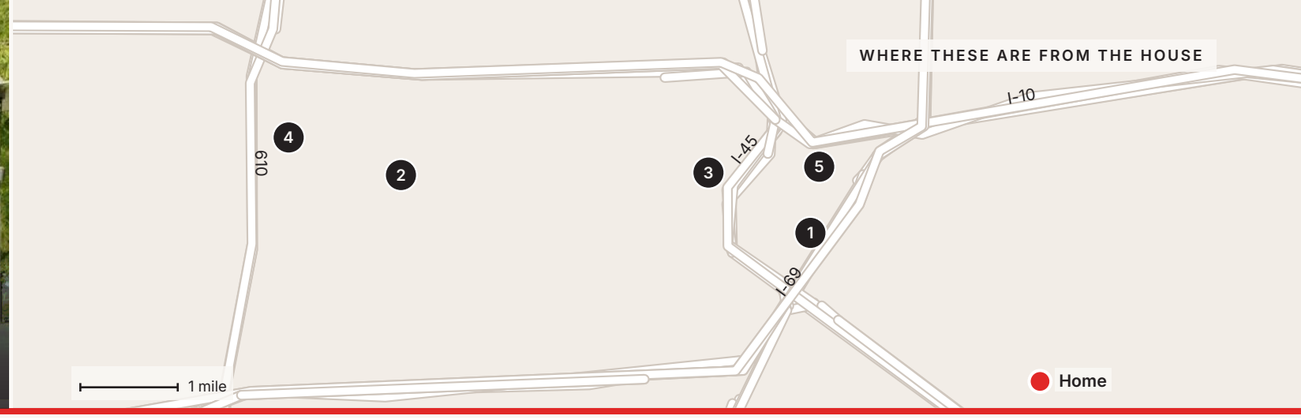
2 Memorial Park

WHERE 6501 Memorial Drive | **COST** Free and paid parking throughout the park | **FROM HOME** 6.9 miles [122,123,124,125]

HOURS Cullen Running Trails Center daily, 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.; confirm hours for other park areas on the visitor page

Website Directions

Memorial Park is a 1,500-acre park with native prairies, wetlands and sports complexes. There are picnic areas at Picnic Loop and Clay Family Eastern Glades and lakeside picnic pavilions with grills, a 5.5-acre Central Lawn and two wooden piers with benches on Hines Lake. The Kinder Land Bridge includes a West Mound lawn for picnics, with equinox and solstice markers, and an East Mound with etched animal footprints. There's both free and paid parking throughout the park.



3 Buffalo Bayou Park

WHERE The Water Works Visitor Center, 105-B Sabine Street | **FROM HOME** 4.0 miles [126,127]

HOURS open daily; lighted areas 6 a.m. to 11 p.m., other areas dawn to dusk

Website Directions

Buffalo Bayou Park has a 160-acre green space west of downtown with gardens, a nature play area, a dog park and public art. Start at the Visitor Center at The Water Works (105-B Sabine Street) and its Bayou Boutique, open daily 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The park lists bicycles, kayaks and canoes to rent through the park's partner vendors, if you want to explore from the water. Check the operator's page before booking a rental.

4 Houston Arboretum and Nature Center

WHERE 4501 Woodway Drive | **COST** free admission | **FROM HOME** 8.1 miles [128,129,130]

HOURS grounds daily, 7 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. March–October and 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. November–February; Nature Center daily, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Website Directions

The Arboretum is a 155-acre nature preserve on the western edge of Memorial Park, with native prairie, savanna, wetland, woodland and riparian habitats. Inside, look for an interactive Discovery Room and a Nature Shop in the Nature Center. Nature Center and Discovery Room open daily 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; occasional holiday and special-event closures apply. Check the visitor page for parking rules and plan your visit around the Nature Center's hours.

5 Allen's Landing (Buffalo Bayou boat tours)

WHERE 1019 Commerce Street | **FROM HOME** 3.2 miles [127,131,132]

HOURS open daily; lighted areas 6 a.m. to 11 p.m., other areas dawn to dusk

Website Directions

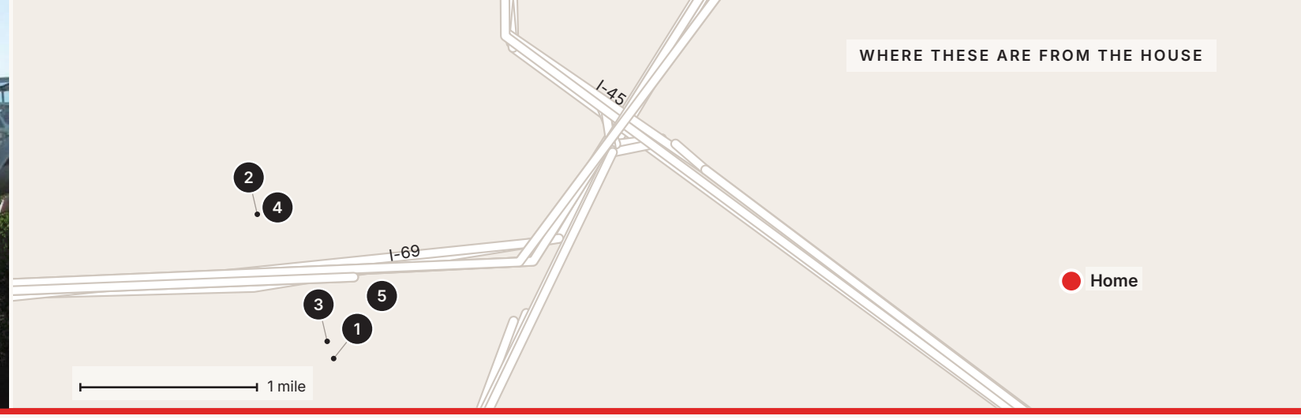
Allen's Landing is the birthplace of Houston and its original port, at the heart of Buffalo Bayou Downtown. It is home to Buffalo Bayou Partnership's headquarters at the Sunset Coffee Building, with connections to Buffalo Bayou Park and Buffalo Bayou East. For a water outing, there are kayak and canoe rentals from Buffalo Bayou Kayak Tours at the Sunset Coffee Building; hours vary and reservations are recommended. Drivers can use paid parking in the Bayou Lot at 901 Commerce Street, entered at Travis and Commerce streets.



MUSEUMS AND ART SPACES

Museums and art spaces

The Menil Collection *Photo: Francisco Anzola, CC BY 2.0, via Wikimedia Commons (cropped)*



Choose a large museum day or a smaller art-space visit. Admission policies and opening days differ, so check the details for each place.

1 Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

WHERE 1001 Bissonnet Street | **COST** all-access tickets $24 for adults, $20 for seniors 65+ with ID and youth 13–18; children 12 and under free | **FROM HOME** 4.2 miles [133,134,135,136]

Website Directions

HOURS Wednesday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday and Friday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.; closed Monday and Tuesday

MFAH has three main gallery buildings and a collection spanning more than 5,000 years. Find James Turrell's light tunnel, The Light Inside, which links the Law and Beck buildings underground, then take a look at the PNC Roof Garden, with panoramic skyline views along the sloped, walkable roof of the Glassell School of Art. The PNC Roof Garden and the Cullen Sculpture Garden are open to the public at no cost. Check special-exhibition tickets separately from general admission.

2 The Menil Collection

WHERE 1533 Sul Ross Street | **COST** always free | **FROM HOME** 4.6 miles [137,138,139,140,141]

HOURS Wednesday–Sunday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; closed Monday and Tuesday

Website Directions

The Menil has more than 25,000 works, in a Renzo Piano main building that opened in 1987. Look for the Dan Flavin Installation in Richmond Hall, a former neighborhood grocery store built in 1930. Outside, the campus has a 30-acre neighborhood of live oaks, native plants and outdoor sculptures by Michael Heizer, Ellsworth Kelly, Jim Love, Max Neuhaus and Mark di Suvero. Choose one building or give yourself time to explore several.

3 Contemporary Arts Museum Houston

WHERE 5216 Montrose Boulevard | **COST** always free | **FROM HOME** 4.2 miles [142,143]

HOURS Wednesday and Friday–Sunday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; closed Monday and Tuesday

Website Directions

CAMH is a non-collecting museum showing art of our time, from early-career solo shows to major group exhibitions, with no permanent collection, just six to eight new exhibitions each year. The museum was founded in 1948, with an iconic stainless steel building designed by Gunnar Birkerts that opened in 1972. Check what's on before you go; a return visit can mean a different exhibition.

4 Rothko Chapel

WHERE 3900 Yupon Street | **COST** the grounds are free and open to the public daily from dawn to dusk | **FROM HOME** 4.5 miles [144,145,146]

HOURS Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., including holidays; it closes for programs about twice a month, so check the calendar

Website Directions

The Rothko Chapel is a spiritual space that Philip Johnson, Howard Barnstone and Eugene Aubry designed for 14 murals by Mark Rothko. It was founded by John and Dominique de Menil, who also founded the nearby Menil Collection. Outside is the Broken Obelisk by Barnett Newman, rising over the reflecting pool and dedicated to the Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King Junior. Begin at the Suzanne Deal Booth Welcome House, where visits begin, with the Chapel Shop. Visitors are asked not to take photos or use technology inside.

5 Houston Center for Contemporary Craft

WHERE 4848 Main Street | **COST** free admission | **FROM HOME** 3.9 miles [147,148,149]

HOURS Tuesday–Saturday 10 a.m.–5 p.m. (listed visiting days; confirm other days)

Website Directions

The Craft Center has craft exhibitions, working artist studios, hands-on programs, unique gifts and a Craft Garden. It was founded in 2001, with contemporary craft exhibitions and artist residency programs. Choose a studio visit or hands-on program from the calendar. Parking is available in the free lot behind the building off Rosedale and Travis.

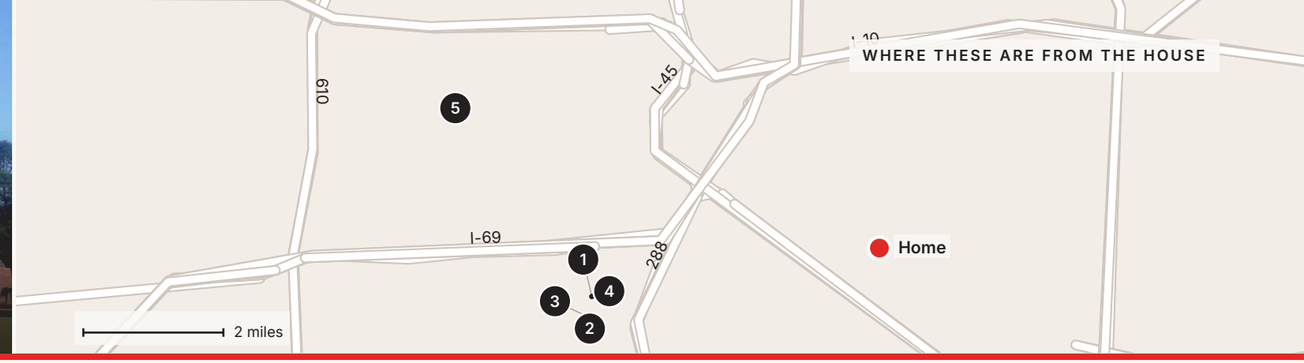


SCIENCE, GARDENS AND A FAMILY DAY

Science, gardens and a family day

View from Hermann Park

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Three of these stops are in or beside Hermann Park; the Children's Museum is nearby in the Museum District. Bayou Bend is a separate River Oaks outing on the regional map.

1 Houston Museum of Natural Science

WHERE 5555 Hermann Park Drive | **COST** general admission $25 adults 12+; $16 children 3–11, seniors 62+ with ID and military with ID; ages 2 and under free; Butterfly Center, planetarium and giant-screen theater have separate admission prices. | **FROM HOME** 4.2 miles [150,151,152,153,154,155]

Website | Directions

HOURS regular admission hours Monday–Thursday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday–Sunday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., last entry 30 minutes before closing

Start at the Morian Hall of Paleontology on Level 1, from early microbes to dinosaurs, including the prehistoric predator known as Wyrex. The Cullen Hall of Gems & Minerals is closed for renovation; curated selections are displayed in the first-floor Hamill Gallery. Other choices include the Hall of Ancient Egypt, with coffins, sarcophagi and mummies from the Old Kingdom to the Roman era and the Cockrell Butterfly Center, a three-story glass rainforest conservatory with a 50-foot waterfall and 1,500 butterflies.

2 Houston Zoo

WHERE 6200 Hermann Park Drive | **COST** flex pricing; reserve tickets online for non-member, non-CityPASS guests; children 3–12 and seniors 65+ receive 20% off; tickets are not sold on site. | **FROM HOME** 4.3 miles [156,157,158,159,160,161]

HOURS open 7 days a week, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., last entry 4 p.m.

Website | Directions

The Zoo has more than 6,000 animals on a 55-acre tropical landscape inside Hermann Park. See the Galápagos Islands exhibit, with sea lions, giant tortoises, sharks and a habitat for Humboldt penguins and Texas Wetlands, with bald eagles, whooping cranes and alligators. No Zoo lot of its own; free parking in Hermann Park fills fast on holidays and nice days, and nearby garages charge.

3 Hermann Park

WHERE 6100 Hermann Park Drive | **COST** train day passes $6 on weekdays excluding holidays and $7 on weekends and holidays; pedal boats $16 per boat for up to four; carousel $3 a ride. | **FROM HOME** 4.3 miles [162,163,164,165]

Website | Directions

HOURS park daily 6 a.m.–11 p.m.; railroad and carousel daily 10 a.m.–6 p.m.; pedal boats daily 10 a.m.–5 p.m.; activities close Thanksgiving and Christmas, and weather or seasonal changes may affect hours.

At Hermann Park, look for the Hermann Park Railroad, with a stop across from McGovern Centennial Gardens. Look for The Commons, a 26-acre area with Play Gardens, Splash Cove water play, a cafe and food truck court and a Japanese Garden designed by Ken Nakajima, opened in 1992. You can also try a 20- to 25-minute train ride from Kinder Station. Some activities are ticketed even though general park entry is free.

4 Children's Museum Houston

WHERE 1500 Binz Street | **COST** $21.95 online for everyone 1 and older ($23.95 on site); seniors 65+ and military with ID $19.95 online; under 1 free | **FROM HOME** 3.9 miles [166,167,168,169,170]

Website | Directions

HOURS Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday–Sunday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; closed Monday

The Children's Museum has 90,000 square feet of hands-on exhibits, workshops and science demos. Try Kidtropolis, USA, a city run by kids, with nine businesses and more than two dozen jobs, FlowWorks water play, with an 18-foot Cauldron and boat races or PowerPlay's three-story climbing Power Tower. For younger children, there's Tot*Spot for babies and young toddlers, with a nursing room.

5 Bayou Bend Collection and Gardens

WHERE 6003 Memorial Drive | **COST** house and gardens $14 adults, $12 students with ID and ages 13–18 and seniors 65+; free ages 12 and younger, active military and MFAH members | **FROM HOME** 6.4 miles [171]

Website | Directions

HOURS Wednesday–Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.; last admission 4 p.m.; closed Monday and Tuesday

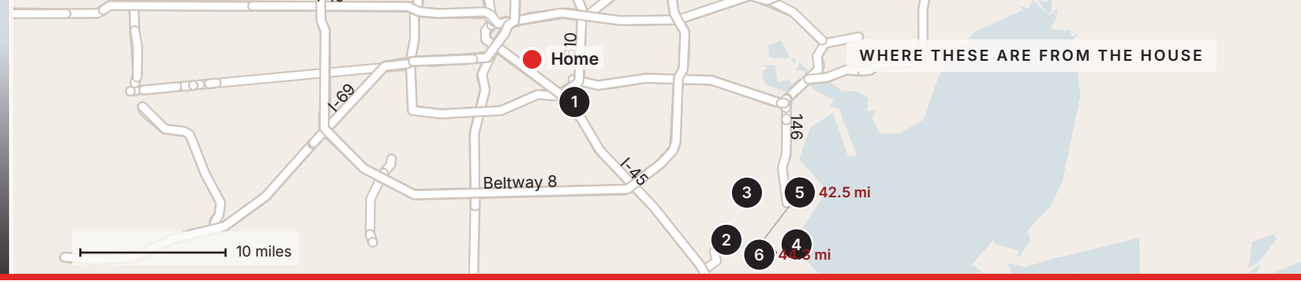
Bayou Bend displays American furniture, silver, ceramics and paintings in Ima Hogg's former home within 14 acres of organically maintained gardens. Choose docent-guided and self-guided tours, and begin at the Kilroy Center for an orientation gallery, library, public terraces and parking at the Kilroy Visitor and Education Center.

Gardens, rockets and the coast



Galveston Pleasure Pier, another coast stop

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Start with the closer Botanic Garden, or plan a day in Pasadena, Clear Lake, Kemah or Galveston.

1 Houston Botanic Garden

WHERE 1 Botanic Lane | **COST** $12 adults 18+; $8 children 3–17, students 18+ with ID, seniors 65+, and active military with ID; free under 3; cashless. | **FROM HOME** 4.1 miles [172,173,174,175]

Website Directions

HOURS daily, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., last entry 4:30 p.m.; closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day

Explore 132 acres wrapped by Sims Bayou, with Global, Culinary, Stormwater Wetlands and Coastal Prairie gardens. See plants from around the world in the Global Collection Garden. The Susan Garver Family Discovery Garden has simple water machines and a boardwalk maze around a lagoon. There's free on-site parking, first come, first served.

2 Space Center Houston

WHERE 1601 East NASA Parkway | **COST** $29.95–$39.95 ages 12+; $24.95–$34.95 ages 4–11 online; ages 3 and under free; box office $5 more | **FROM HOME** 18.3 miles [176,177,178,179,180,181]

HOURS Hours vary by date; check the calendar

Website Directions

The Starship Gallery holds the Apollo 17 command module, a full-size Skylab training module and a Moon rock you can touch. NASA tram tours are subject to availability, weather and NASA building closures; boarding requirements and fees vary by tour. There is also the Historic Mission Control tram tour, which costs extra and is sold only as an add-on to general admission. Space Center Houston is the official visitor center of NASA Johnson Space Center and a Smithsonian Affiliate.

3 Armand Bayou Nature Center

WHERE 8500 Bay Area Boulevard | **COST** $7 ages 13–59; $5 ages 4–12 and 60+, plus college students, teachers, active duty military and first responders with ID; free ages 3 and under. | **FROM HOME** 17.4 miles [182,183,184,185]

Website Directions

HOURS open Wednesday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. (last entry 4 p.m.); closed Monday and Tuesday

Explore an urban wilderness preserve of wetland forest, prairie and marsh, home to more than 370 species of birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians. Pets aren't allowed, for their safety and the wildlife's.

4 Kemah Boardwalk

WHERE 215 Kipp Avenue | **COST** free to walk in; rides take tickets or an All Day All Ride Pass | **FROM HOME** 22.2 miles [186,187,188,189,190,191]

HOURS Seasonal ride hours; check the calendar

Website Directions

Kemah has waterfront restaurants, rides, shops, festivals and seaside shows, open daily. Ride choices include the Boardwalk Bullet, a 96-foot wooden roller coaster with a 92-foot first drop and speeds of 51 mph. Another option is Stingray Reef, touch tanks where you can feed live stingrays, on the first level of the Aquarium Restaurant. It is a cashless property, including the parking lots, with ATMs on site. Check ride hours and temporary closures on the calendar.

5 Moody Gardens

WHERE 1 Hope Boulevard | **COST** a one-day Value Pass or individual attraction tickets; ages 3 and under free with a paid ticket | **FROM HOME** 42.5 miles [192,193,194,195,196,197,198]

HOURS Check the daily hours for each attraction

Website Directions

Moody Gardens has three glass pyramids: the Aquarium Pyramid, the Rainforest Pyramid and the Discovery Pyramid. The 1.5-million-gallon Aquarium Pyramid has penguins, seals, sharks and a jellyfish gallery. The 10-story Rainforest Pyramid has free-roaming birds, a waterfall, giant river otters, a Komodo dragon and an ocelot. The Discovery Museum, MG3D Theater and 4D Special FX Theater round out the pyramids. The property is open 365 days a year, with free parking.

6 Galveston Pleasure Pier

WHERE 2501 Seawall Boulevard | **COST** walk-on passes (no rides), single ride tickets and all-day ride passes | **FROM HOME** 44.3 miles [199,200,201,202,203]

HOURS change with the season and sometimes week to week, so check the pier's calendar before you go

Website Directions

Pleasure Pier has rides, midway games, food stands and shops on a pier over the Gulf at 25th Street and Seawall Boulevard. Two big ride choices are the Iron Shark roller coaster, with a 100-foot lift, a beyond-vertical drop and four inversions and the Texas Star Flyer swing, which lifts riders more than 230 feet above sea level. Drivers can use paid parking in the lot across from the pier next to Fish Tales.

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Winter

Use these recurring events as seasonal ideas. Check the organizer's calendar for the next edition, tickets, route and entry rules; the direction codes below identify a venue or access reference, not a reserved event entrance.

DECEMBER

Deck the Hall (Mayor's Holiday Tree Lighting) [204]

The Mayor's Holiday Tree Lighting at City Hall, a tradition that kicks off the season. Visitor reference: Hermann Square at Houston City Hall, 901 Bagby Street, Houston, Texas 77002; about 3.5 miles from Pease Street.

WINTER

Chevron Houston Marathon and Aramco Houston Half Marathon [205,206]

A marathon and half marathon weekend. Visitor reference: George R. Brown Convention Center, 1001 Avenida de las Americas, Houston, Texas 77010; about 2.6 miles from Pease Street.

LUNAR NEW YEAR

Asia Society Texas Lunar New Year Festival [207]

Music and dance performances and zodiac-inspired activities celebrating traditions from across Asia. Visitor reference: Asia Society Texas Center, 1370 Southmore Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77004; about 3.8 miles from Pease Street.

WINTER

TXU Energy presents Zoo Lights [208]

Enjoy an evening light path with animal-themed displays; visit during the day to see animals. Use the main entrance at 6200 Hermann Park Drive; the Medical Center entrance is unavailable. Buy event tickets for your selected date and follow the listed arrival time. About 4.3 miles from Pease Street.

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Spring

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MARCH

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo [209]

Livestock and horse shows, concerts, shopping and dining. Public passenger drop-off reference: 8825 Kirby Drive, Houston, Texas 77054. Check the Rodeo transportation page for parking and entry rules; choose the arrival point that applies to your ticket.

APRIL

Houston Art Car Parade [210]

Along Allen Parkway and in downtown Houston. Visitor reference: Sam Houston Park, Sam Houston Park, 1000 Bagby Street, Houston, Texas 77002; about 3.5 miles from Pease Street.

SPRING

Houston Arboretum Spring Plant Sale [211]

Texas native wildflowers, grasses, shrubs and trees. Visitor reference: Houston Arboretum and Nature Center, 4501 Woodway Drive, Houston, Texas 77024; about 8.1 miles from Pease Street.

SPRING

Houston Art Bike Parade and Festival [212]

Join an annual spring celebration of art bikes, with music, community and art activities at Fonde and Smither parks. Families and community members watch participants pedal their art bikes. Use Smither Park as the visitor reference and check the calendar for participation details. Visitor reference: Smither Park, 2441 Munger Street, Houston, Texas 77023; about 1.0 miles from Pease Street.

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Summer

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JULY

Freedom Over Texas [213]

Ending in a choreographed fireworks finale. Visitor reference: Sam Houston Park, Sam Houston Park, 1000 Bagby Street, Houston, Texas 77002; about 3.5 miles from Pease Street.

SUMMER

Houston Pride Festival and Parade [214]

Live entertainment, food, local businesses and community in downtown Houston. Visitor reference: Hermann Square at Houston City Hall, 901 Bagby Street, Houston, Texas 77002; about 3.5 miles from Pease Street.

JUNETEENTH

Juneteenth at Emancipation Park [215]

A celebration rooted in the annual Houston Juneteenth tradition. Visitor reference: Emancipation Park, 3018 Emancipation Avenue, Houston, Texas 77004; about 2.7 miles from Pease Street.

SUMMER

Houston Shakespeare Festival [216]

See Shakespeare plays each summer at Hermann Park's Miller Outdoor Theatre, with free professional theatre for Houston audiences. Use the theatre's calendar and seating information to plan your evening. Visitor reference: 6000 Hermann Park Drive, Houston, Texas 77030; about 4.2 miles from Pease Street.

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Fall

Use these recurring events as seasonal ideas. Check the organizer's calendar for the next edition, tickets, route and entry rules; the direction codes below identify a venue or access reference, not a reserved event entrance.

FALL

Japan Festival Houston [217]

Japanese music, dance and martial arts, food, ikebana, tea ceremony, origami and bonsai in Hermann Park. Visitor reference: Hermann Park, 6001 Fannin, Houston, Texas 77030; about 4.3 miles from Pease Street.

FALL

Bayou City Art Festival Memorial Park [218]

About 300 artists in 19 categories, with a Memorial Park edition in the fall and a Downtown edition in the spring. Visitor reference: Memorial Park, 6501 Memorial Drive, Houston, Texas 77007; about 6.9 miles from Pease Street.

DÍA DE MUERTOS

MECA Día de Muertos Festival [219]

A free celebration of Latin American folk art traditions that honor family and ancestry. Visitor reference: MECA at the Historic Dow School, 1900 Kane Street, Houston, Texas 77007; about 4.1 miles from Pease Street.

FALL

Original Greek Festival [220]

Look for Greek food and pastries, live music, traditional dancing, a marketplace and church tours at a recurring autumn festival at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral. Check the organizer's ticket details before visiting. Visitor reference: Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 3511 Yoakum Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77006; about 4.3 miles from Pease Street.

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TWO EASY DAYS

Two easy days from Pease Street

Two days to try from Pease Street. Check opening details before leaving. Map numbers show the order of stops; dashed lines show that order, rather than a driving route.

Saturday nearby

MORNING

1 **Bohemeo's** 8
708 Telephone Road · 0.7 miles
Begin with coffee.

LATER

2 **Mason Park** 106,107
541 South 75th Street · 1.6 miles
Walk the outdoor park.

LUNCH

3 **Mandola's Deli** 1
4105 Leeland Street · 1.2 miles
Lunch at the deli.

FINISH

4 **Smither Park** 3
2441 Munger Street · 1.0 miles
Explore the mosaics.

Sunday on Navigation

MORNING

1 **Sunday market** 37
2800 Navigation Boulevard · 2.1 miles
Browse the Sunday market.

LATER

2 **Guadalupe church** 110,116
2405 Navigation Boulevard · 2.4 miles
See the exterior.

LUNCH

3 **Original Ninfa's** 41,104
2704 Navigation Boulevard · 2.2 miles
Lunch on Navigation.

FINISH

4 **Guadalupe Plaza** 47,109
2311 Runnels Street · 2.5 miles
Spend time outdoors.





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HOUSE ACCOUNTS AND CITY SERVICES

House accounts and services

Set up the house accounts and confirm the city services for your address.

Homestead exemption 221,222

Check residence homestead eligibility and file with HCAD; ownership and principal-residence occupancy are required. You can use HCAD's Exemptions Genie to identify exemptions that may apply. Use the two official pages for eligibility and the application.

Apply

Find exemptions

Electricity plans 223

Use the Public Utility Commission's Power to Choose website to compare available electricity plans, prices and other factors. Read the provider's contract and electricity facts label before choosing a plan.

Compare plans

Consumer help

Water and sewer 224

Start or transfer residential water service through Houston Public Works Utility Billing. For help, water service questions: 713-371-1400. Keep the service-start confirmation.

Start service

Account

Natural gas 225

If the home uses natural gas, arrange a new or transferred service through CenterPoint's moving portal. Confirm which utilities the home uses, then keep the start or transfer confirmation.

Start service

Utility help

Trash and recycling 226,227

Look up your address for your assigned trash collection day. For a problem, contact 311 for missed collection or roll-cart repair. Check recycling and heavy-trash instructions for your address.

Collection

City help

LICENSE, REGISTRATION AND VOTING

License, registration and voting

Texas license, vehicle and voter instructions differ. Use the official pages below for the steps that apply to you.

Texas driver license 228,229

Update a Texas driver license or ID address within 30 days of moving. Moving from another state? New Texas residents can drive with a valid eligible out-of-state license for up to 90 days. Read the DPS requirements and arrange an appointment before relying on the deadline alone.

Update address

New residents

Vehicle registration 230,231

HOURS Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., closed Wednesday

Register an out-of-state vehicle in Texas within 30 days after establishing residence or entering gainful employment. Use the Harris County Tax Office and Texas DMV instructions to check your documents and the order of steps for your vehicle.

County steps

State steps

Voter registration 232

Update your Texas voter registration address through the state's free service. If you are new to Texas, use the state's registration instructions to check eligibility, deadlines and how to submit your application.

Update address

Register

Houston 311 233

For city service help, call 311 or 713-837-0311; live assistance is available 24/7. Keep the service-request number so you can follow up. The official city pages explain which department handles a request.

Request help

City services

LIBRARIES AND THE GREEN LINE

Libraries and the Green Line

Keep the two branches' opening days straight, then use METRO's current planner for the Green Line.

1 Stanaker Neighborhood Library

WHERE 611 South Sgt Macario Garcia Drive | **FROM HOME** 1.2 miles [17,19,234]

HOURS Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Wednesday noon to 8 p.m.; Friday 1 to 5 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; closed Sunday

Any Texas resident can apply online for a free digital library card; after approval, the card number arrives by email. To borrow books and other physical items, bring a valid photo ID to a branch. This branch also lists free meeting rooms you can reserve with a library card.

Website

Directions

2 Flores Neighborhood Library

WHERE 110 North Milby Street | **FROM HOME** 1.5 miles [19]

HOURS Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday noon to 8 p.m.; Friday 1 to 5 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; closed Sunday

Use the Flores branch for an in-person library visit. To borrow books and other physical items, bring a valid photo ID to a branch. Check this branch's hours separately from Stanaker's.

Website

Directions

3 Magnolia Park Transit Center

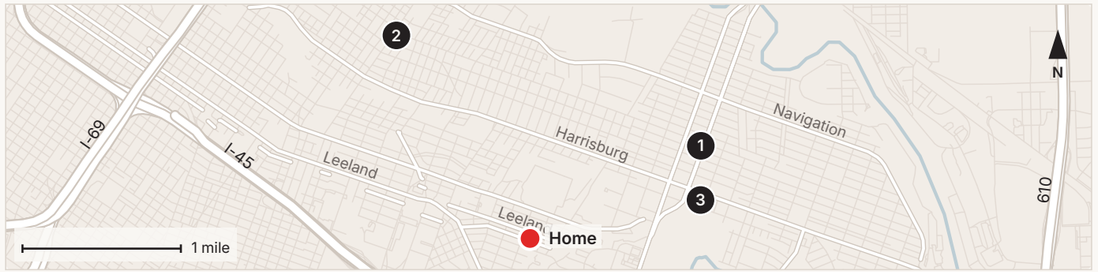
WHERE 6948 Harrisburg Boulevard | **FROM HOME** 1.1 miles [16]

Magnolia Park is a Green Line boarding point. Use METRO's planner to check the current Green Line schedule, fares and any service changes. The route planner is the second code; it is more useful here than directions to an office.

Website

Plan a trip

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