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DRIVING IN LOS ANGELES



BASIC RULES

In the United States, traffic keeps to the right. Although each state sets its own traffic laws, most California traffic laws are the same or similar throughout the country. Drivers must possess a valid U.S. or international driver's license. Speed limits and traffic rules are strictly enforced. If there are no posted signs, the maximum speed is 25 miles per hour on city streets and 65 miles per hour on freeways. California state law requires the use of seat belts in all private vehicles. A right turn on a red light after stopping is permitted unless otherwise indicated.

CELL PHONES

In California, drivers are required by law to use a hands-free device to talk on a cell phone while driving. Sending or reading a text while driving is against the law. This includes text-based communications like e-mails and instant messages. Using your smartphone's GPS or mapping service while driving is permitted, only with the use of a hands-free device.

CHILD SAFETY

Since Jan. 1, 2012, California law requires:

- Children under the age of 8 must be secured in a car seat or booster seat in the back seat.
- Children under the age of 8 who are 4' 9" or taller may be secured by a safety belt in the back seat.
- Children who are 8 years and over shall be properly secured in an appropriate child passenger restraint system or safety belt.

It is illegal to leave a child who is 6 years old or younger unattended in a motor vehicle. Someone who is at least 12 years old must supervise the child/children who are age 6 or under. Significant concerns include health risks (e.g. a locked car on a very hot day) and safety issues (the engine is running or the keys are in the ignition).

PARKING

Vehicles parked in violation of posted regulations are ticketed and towed very quickly. Before you park, be sure to carefully read all signs that state the hours and days when parking restrictions are in effect.

- · A red curb means no parking
- · A green curb indicates parking for a limited time only
- A white or yellow curb indicates passenger loading and unloading, no parking Parking is often available in garages or parking lots for a fee. Many restaurants and shopping centers offer valet parking for a fee as well.

TRAFFIC

Traffic is usually heavy on the freeways during morning and evening commutes. Weekday morning rush hour is roughly from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. The evening rush hour is around 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. and later. When freeways are jammed it's advisable to use surface streets as alternate routes. In L.A. a "surface street" is any street that is not a freeway or limited-access highway (aka expressway).

TRANSPORTATION & CABS



Los Angeles Metro main site

https://www.metro.net/

Cabs

City Cab (626) 584-1000

NOTE:

The Huntington's Uber/Lyft/Cab pickup and dropoff area is west of the Admissions area facing the parking lot.

OTHER NEEDS



Trader Joe's

610 S Arroyo Pkwy Pasadena 91105

Groceries

Trader Joe's:

3035 Huntington Drive Pasadena 91107

345 S. Lake Avenue

Pasadena 91101

Mail

FedEx 1735 E Colorado Blvd Suite 9 Pasadena 91106

UPS Store (includes mailboxes) 2275 Huntington Drive San Marino 91108

USPS 2960 Huntington Drive San Marino 91108

Banks

Bank of America 2180 Huntington Drive San Marino 91108

An ATM is located near the Admissions Window at The Huntington.

Shopping

Old Pasadena https://www.oldpasadena.org/

Westfield Santa Anita 400 S. Baldwin Ave. Arcadia 91007

RESTAURANTS



El Metate



Lucky Baldwin's Pub



El Portal



Smitty's Grill



Daisy Mint



Dog Haus

B-Man's \$ 3007 Huntington Drive, Pasadena (626) 568-0386 Teriyaki and burgers for a great price.

All India Cafe \$\$

Mediterranean Café \$ 273 Shoppers Lane, Pasadena (626) 793-8844 Great Middle Eastern food, family-owned, very popular.

Zankou Chicken \$ 1296 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena Lebanese and Armenian classics, delicious chicken.

39 S. Fair Oaks Avenue, Pasadena (626) 440-0309 Some superb Kashmiri, Punjabi tastes, especially if you order the spiciness to your liking.

527 S. Lake Ave., Suite 120, Pasadena (626) 396-4925 Rustic elegant dining paying homage to the extraordinary agricultural bounty of California. Menu showcases relationships with sustainable local farms.

Celestino \$\$
141 South Lake Avenue, Pasadena
(626) 795-4006
A Huntington favorite, Italian cuisine; consistently
excellent pasta, fish, organic meats.

Colonial Kitchen \$\$ 1110 Huntington Drive, San Marino (626) 289-2449 Time-warp 1950s coffee shop & long-time San Marino

Daisy Mint \$\$ 1218 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena (626) 792-2999 Thai, Asian fusion in a cute setting.

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El Cholo \$\$ 300 East Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena (626-795-5800) Mexican; Pasadena branch of an L.A. institution founded 1922.

El Portal \$\$ 695 East Green St., Pasadena (626) 795-8553 Authentic Yucatán and traditional Mexican menu.

Green Street Restaurant \$\$ 146 Shoppers' Lane, Pasadena (626) 577-7170 American cuisine, excellent salads and sandwiches.

24 West Union St., Pasadena (626) 683-9797 Upscale mini-chain Italian cuisine & bakery, pizza, pasta, rotisserie meats.

La Grande Orange \$\$
S. Raymond Ave., Pasadena
(626) 356-4444
Kid-friendly spot serving generous portions of seasonal
American chow in a restored train station.

Nick's \$\$\$ 336 South Lake Ave., Pasadena (626) 787-1444 Classic American food in a unique setting.

The Raymond Restaurant \$\$\$ 1250 S. Fair Oaks Ave., Pasadena (626) 441-4770 Formal affair with American and European cuisine. Tops Burgers \$
1792 E. Walnut St., Pasadena
(323) 866-0011
Burgers and fast food in a family-owned setting.

105 N. Hill Ave., Pasadena (626) 577-4287 Gourmet hot dogs and burgers with 80s music soundtrack.

El Metate \$
12 N Mentor Ave., Pasadena
(626) 229-0706
Authentic Mexican food in a casual setting. Fantastic tostadas.

Lemonade \$\$
146 S. Lake Ave., Pasadena
(626) 304-7700
Modern American fresh fare served cafeteria-style.

Lucky Baldwin's (Old Town) Pub/Café \$\$ 17 South Raymond, Pasadena (626) 795-0652

and its off-shoot:

Lucky Baldwin's Trappiste Pub/Café \$\$ 1770 East Colorado, Pasadena (626) 844-0447 British-style pub with wine, wide variety of beers.

The Luggage Room \$\$
260 S. Raymond Ave., Pasadena
(626) 356-4440
Colorful parlor in a former train-station luggage room, known for unique wood-fired pizzas & gelato.

Maestro \$\$ 110 Union St., Pasadena (626) 787-1512

Modern Mexican cooking & mezcal cocktails in a rustic yet refined setting lined with banquettes.

Malbec \$\$ 1001 E. Green Street, Pasadena (626) 683-0550 Argentinian cuisine. Homemade salads, pastas and fish.

Mijares Mexican Restaurant \$\$ 145 Palmetto Drive, Pasadena (626) 792-2763

The Mijares family has owned/run this restaurant here since 1921.

Mi Piace \$\$ 25 E. Colorado Blvd. Pasadena (626) 795-7131 Fresh authentic Italian cuisine.

Saladang \$\$
363 S. Fair Oaks Ave., Pasadena
(626) 793-8123
Contemporary & traditional Thai food served in high-style, modern concrete setting.

Smitty's Grill \$\$ 110 South Lake Avenue, Pasadena (626) 792-9999 Upscale, higher-end American comfort food.

Suriya Thai Restaurant \$\$ 123 W. California Ave., Pasadena (626) 584-0066 Reasonable and delicious fare in a small store front.

Parkway Grill \$\$\$ 510 South Arroyo Parkway, Pasadena

(626) 795-1001 Popular, trendy Pasadena standard, American regional cuisine with French technique.

HIKES



Gabrielino Trail

Arroyo Seco

http://www.arroyoseco.org/HikingAS.htm Different trails, see maps on the website.

Eaton Canyon Natural Area http://www.ecnca.org Various hikes of different lengths.

Griffith Park

https://modernhiker.com/park/griffith-park/ Several trails that leave from the Observatory. Echo Mountain

https://www.hikespeak.com/trails/sam-merrill-trail-echo-

Hike up the mountain to the ruins of the former Echo Mountain House, great views.

Gabrielino Trail

https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/california/gabrielino-trail Long, but rewarding hike.

ATTRACTIONS



The Getty Museum

Santa Monica Pier

The Arboretum http://www.arboretum.org Peaceful, expansive gardens with lots of peacocks.

Descanso Gardens https://www.descansogardens.org Lovely botanical garden.

Norton Simon Museum http://www.nortonsimon.org/ Pasadena art museum with wide variety of art, can easily be seen in one day.

Japanese American Cultural and Community Center https://www.jaccc.org/ Weaves Japanese and Japanese American arts and

The Getty Museum http://www.getty.edu/museum/ One part of the Getty art collections, Middle Ages to the present.

The Getty Villa

http://www.getty.edu/visit/villa/

culture into the fabric of communities.

The other part of the Getty art collections, Greek and Roman in a recreation of an ancient Roman home.

Chinese American Museum https://camla.org/

Shares the history, cultural legacy, and contributions of Chinese Americans.

http://www.jpl.nasa.gov/events/tours/views/ Reserve a free tour of this internationally-known facility.

Gamble House

http://gamblehouse.org/

Great example of American Arts and Crafts architecture.

Rose Bowl

https://www.rosebowlstadium.com/ 3.3 mile paved recreation loop. Massive flea market 2nd Sunday of every month.

La Plaza de Cultura y Artes https://lapca.org/

Recognizes the enduring cultural influence of Mexicans, Mexican Americans and all Latinas/Latinos in Los Angeles.

Griffith Observatory http://griffithobservatory.org/ Beautiful monument to astronomy with a fantastic view of the city.

Olvera Street

http://www.calleolvera.com/

Oldest part of downtown L.A. Fun shopping.

Los Angeles County Museum of Art

http://www.lacma.org/

The largest art museum in the western United States.

Venice Beach

http://www.venicebeach.com/the-venice-beach-

boardwalk/

Visit the boardwalk for anything from mimes to musicians, from odd shops to fun eateries.

Santa Monica Pier

http://santamonicapier.org/

Eateries, a carnival atmosphere, and the ocean breeze.

The Broad Museum

http://www.thebroad.org/

Contemporary art, the newest major museum in Los Angeles.

California African American Museum

https://caamuseum.org/

Contemporary art museum with a rich heritage.

Dodger Stadium

http://losangeles.dodgers.mlb.com/la/ballpark/ Buy a Dodger dog and take in a baseball game.

Hollywood Bowl

http://www.hollywoodbowl.com/

Great concerts and picnicking under the stars.

California Science Center

http://californiasciencecenter.org/

See the space shuttle Endeavor.

Pacific Asia Museum

https://pacificasiamuseum.usc.edu/

Dedicated to the arts of Asia and the Pacific Islands.

The Last Bookstore

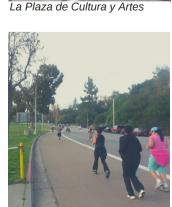
http://lastbookstorela.com/

Massive collection of new and used books.

Monrovia Historical Museum

https://www.monroviahistoricalmuseum.org/

Exhibits on a historic local town.



Rose Bowl

HEALTH



Caltech Gym

Pasadena Childrens Medical Group 1145 E. Green Street, Pasadena (626) 796-9913

Huntington Plaza Pediatric Group 800 Fairmount Ave #110, Pasadena (626) 795-7051

Optum Fair Oaks Urgent Care Center 401 S. Fair Oaks Ave., Pasadena (626) 795-2244 24 hours Dr. Kent Wilson (Dentist) 1941 Huntington Dr. #B, South Pasadena (626) 441-1167

Caltech Gym 1200 E. California Blvd., Pasadena (626) 395-6146

Offer's special rate to Huntington long-term fellows, standard gym equipment, track, pools, racquetball, classes.

Yoga House http://www.yogahouse.com/ Classes of all levels in a peaceful setting.

PETS



The Best Little Cat House

VCA Mission Animal Hospital 25 W. Mission Road, Alhambra Nice staff, clean environment.

Pet sitters and Dog Walkers http://waggin-tails.net/

Vet Villa https://www.vetvilla.com/ 2140 Huntington Dr, South Pasadena, CA 91030, USA

SALONS AND SPAS



Supercuts

Burke Williams Day Spa \$\$\$ 39 Mills Place, Pasadena (626) 440-1222 Luxury, relaxing, great massages.

East 1212 \$\$ 2320 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena (626) 395-9900 Trendy atmosphere, great cuts. Salon Vero \$\$ 940 Huntington Drive, Pasadena (626) 300-8804 Cute and clean. Ask for April.

Supercuts \$
1141 Fair Oaks Ave., South Pasadena
(626) 799-9135
Basic cuts, many Huntington staff members go here.

LIBRARIES



Caltech Library

Crowell Public Library 1890 Huntington Dr., San Marino Very close to The Huntington.

The Getty Research Institute 1200 Getty Center Dr. #1100, Los Angeles Extensive collection of art-related materials.

BICYCLES



Pasadena Cyclery

Pasadena Cyclery 1670 E. Walnut St., Pasadena Repair and sales.

VELO Pasadena Inc. 2562 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena Repair and sales. Incycle Bicycles 175 S. Fair Oaks Ave., Pasadena Rentals, sales, repair.

Target 777 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena 3121 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena Inexpensive bikes.

COMPUTERS



DI-NO Computers

Micro Trends 2000 Las Lunas Street, Pasadena www.micro-trends.com

Hi-Tech Computer Rental 172 W. Verdugo Rd., Burbank www.htcr.net DI-NO Computers, Inc. 268 S. Rosemead Blvd., Pasadena www.di-no.com

CHILDCARE & PROGRAMS



Huntington Explorers

Child Educational Center www.ceconline.org (818) 354-3418

Children's Center at Caltech http://ccc.caltech.edu/ (626) 395-6860

Huntington Nannies http://www.huntingtonnannies.com/ (626) 799-1300 Kids Klub Pasadena www.kidsklubcdc.com (626) 795-2501

Tom Sawyer Summer Day Camp www.tomsawyercamps.com (626) 794-1156

Meredith & Co. https://www.meredithandcompany.com/ (310) 498-8965

CAR RENTALS



Hertz Local Edition

Enterprise Rent-A-Car 1890 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena (626) 405-0900

Hertz Local Edition 2070 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena (626) 578-0443

Budget 570 N. Lake Ave., Pasadena (626) 578-1287 NOTE: Other major national rental agencies usually have offices at both the Los Angeles and Burbank airports. Readers should call their toll-free numbers for more information.