

5 DAY

NEIGHBORHOOD ITINERARY

CHICAGO
WELCOME HOME

DAY 1

Start at **Millennium Park**, home to the famous **Cloud Gate** sculpture, aka, “the Bean”, then enjoy weekend brunch with a view at **Terzo Piano** or **Cindy’s Rooftop** in the historic **Chicago Athletic Association Hotel**.

Chicago Big Bus Tour and **Chicago Trolley & Double Decker** hop-on hop-off tours depart at 9:00 am daily and are a great introduction to Chicago’s downtown Neighborhoods. They stop at major downtown attractions like **The Art Institute of Chicago**, **Navy Pier**, **The Museum Campus**, and the **Willis Tower’s Skydeck**, the tallest observation deck in North America.

After a museum visit take a **Water Taxi**, or the Red or Green Line “L” trains to Chinatown for lunch. Try dim sum at **MingHin Cuisine**, a Michelin Guide Bib Gourmand restaurant, or classic Chinese noodles at **Ken Kee Restaurant Hong Kong**.

Walk around **Chinatown Square** and the **Ping Tom Memorial Park**, or visit the **Chinese-American Museum of Chicago** to discover the history of Chinese immigrants in the Midwest. You can also tour Chicago’s skyline by air, with **Chicago Helicopter Experience**, taking off from the area daily.

In the evening, return to the city center and enjoy the **Magnificent Mile** for some world-class shopping, then dine at **The Purple Pig**. Watch the sunset at **360 Chicago** observation deck on the 94th floor. The perfect end to this evening is live jazz at **Winter’s Jazz Club**, located near the Magnificent Mile.

DAY 2

Start the day with a **Chicago Food Planet** walking tour of Gold Coast and Old Town to see the original Playboy Mansion and Marshall Field row homes. Your guide will fill you in on the details of **Second City**, Chicago’s world-famous comedy club, and include a stop at **Lou Malnati’s** for Chicago Style Deep Dish Pizza.

If you prefer to go it alone, brunch at **3 Arts Club Cafe’s** indoor garden courtyard inside a historic building, now a flagship **Restoration Hardware**. After brunch head to **Lincoln Park Zoo**, one of the USA’s oldest free zoos.

Next visit the **Chicago History Museum** for an immersion in to the city’s fascinating history, including the Great Chicago Fire, rich blues legacy, and connections to historical figures like Martin Luther King and Abraham Lincoln.

Before sundown, sit back and relax at the chic **Shore Club**. This **North Avenue Beach** restaurant has a resort-like feel, with a patio and cabanas that face the shores of Lake Michigan.

Rent a bike at **Bobby’s Bike Hikes**, **Absolutely Chicago Segway**, or **Bike and Roll** and make your way down the 26-mile Lakeshore Trail to get a bit of exercise while taking in the incredible skyline.



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If you feel like splurging, make a reservation at **Alinea**, awarded three Michelin stars and known for its multisensory, immersive dining experiences. For a laid-back dinner, grab a table with a view at the **J. Parker** rooftop on the **Hotel Lincoln**.

DAY 3

Lakeview is easily accessible from the city center via the Red Line “L” train, we recommend getting off at Belmont. You can start your day with a hearty American breakfast served at **Batter & Berries**.

The Legacy Walk in Boystown honors LGBTQ+ history and is the world’s only outdoor museum walk. You can participate in a guided tour, which launches from their new visitor’s center. The lively neighborhood’s streets are lined with unique stores and boutiques for excellent shopping along the way.

A great lunch spot is **Barcocina**, serving progressive Mexican food and home to a large outdoor patio to enjoy the sun while you dine.

In spring and summer while the **Chicago Cubs** are in town, a baseball game is a must. When the team is away, go on a guided tour of historic **Wrigley Field**, one of the oldest ballparks in the country. After, grab lunch and a drink at **Dutch & Doc’s** inside the **Hotel Zachary**, overlooking the ballpark.

Also in the area, **Corridor Brewery & Provisions** or **Uncommon Ground** offer locally brewed craft beers, and are among Chicago’s many micro-breweries.

After the sun goes down take a trip back to Boystown to experience the electric nightlife party scene.

DAY 4

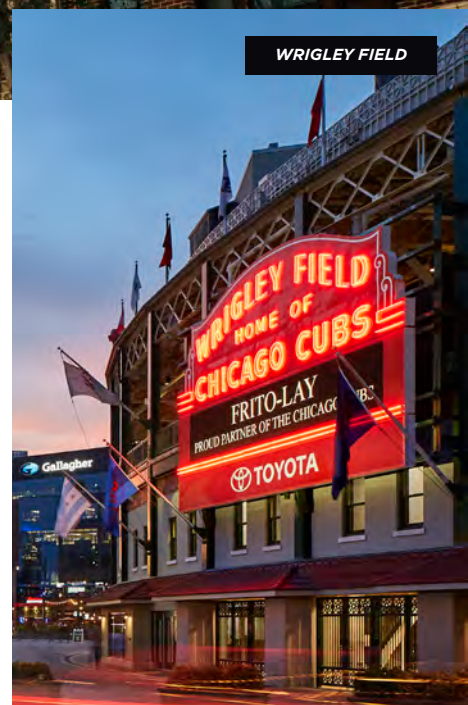
A quick ride on the Blue Line to the Damen stop will take you to Wicker Park. This neighborhood is known for great boutique shopping, gritty nightlife, excellent cocktail bars, and small local music venues like **Subterranean & Nick’s Beer Garden**.

Join **Chicago DeTours** for a walking tour where you’ll enjoy five food tastings at popular neighborhood eateries. The area’s European immigrants created a diverse culinary landscape, and ornately decorated European inspired homes are dotted across the area.

In neighboring Bucktown, get inspired by visiting some of Chicago’s art galleries. The contemporary **Corbett vs. Dempsey** and **LVL3 galleries** are highly respected among art lovers. Stay on the lookout for many of Chicago’s famous street art and murals along the way.

Sit down for dinner at **The Bristol**, a long-time local favorite that serves up New American gastropub cuisine. You can also enjoy dinner at **Café Robey** inside **The Hotel Robey**, which is a great place to stay or enjoy a rooftop cocktail.

WRIGLEY FIELD



THE LEGACY WALK



THE BRISTOL



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Hyde Park is known for its incredible cultural diversity. The neighborhood was the site of the 1893 World's Fair, which still leaves a giant footprint along the famous "Midway" park space.

Sign up for a 2 hour walking tour with the **Chicago Architecture Center** to see some of Frank Lloyd Wright's works and the picturesque **University of Chicago** campus.

Follow up your tour with lunch at **Porkchop Hyde Park** or **La Petite Folie**. After lunch head over to the "**Obama Kissing Rock**" just across from the **Sophy Hyde Park Hotel**, the adorable location commemorates the couple's first kiss.

The Museum of Science and Industry is the largest science museum in the Western Hemisphere and housed in a spectacular building constructed for the World's Fair in 1893.

Take a walk in the **Garden of Phoenix** in Jackson Park to immerse yourself in a gorgeous Japanese landscape. A gift to Chicago from Japan during the World's Fair of 1893.

Before you depart, head to West Loop for a world class culinary treat. A converted industrial area, West Loop is now home to many of Chicago's most famous restaurants. Try **Girl and The Goat**, **Publican**, or **Au Cheval**, all critically acclaimed restaurants located near "Restaurant Row". End the night with a social gaming experience at **Emporium Arcade Bar** or **Punch Bowl Social**.

RESTAURANTS, SHOPPING & HOTELS 3 Arts Club Cafe, Alinea, Batter & Berries, Uncommon Ground, Cindy's Rooftop, Corridor Brewery & Provisions, Ken Kee Restaurant Hong Kong, La Petite Folie, MingHins Cuisine, Porkchop Hyde Park, Shore Club, Signature Lounge, Terzo Piano, The Bristol, Twin Anchors Restaurant & Tavern, Hotel Lincoln, J. Parker, Hotel Zachary, Dutch & Docs, Robey Hotel, Café Robe, Sophy Hyde Park Hotel, The Chicago Athletic Association Hotel, Barcocina, Girl & the Goat, Publican, Emporium Arcade Bar, Punch Bowl Social, Au Cheval **THEATER & MUSIC** Winter's Jazz, The Second City **ATTRACTIONS & MUSEUMS** Chicago Cubs, Chicago History Museum, Chinese-American Museum of Chicago, Corbett vs. Dempsey, Hyde Park, Hyde Park Art Center, LVL3 galleries, Museum of Science and Industry, Wrigley Field, Art Institute of Chicago, Skydeck, 360 Chicago **FREE ATTRACTIONS, PARKS & FESTIVALS** Chinatown Square, Garden of Phoenix, Ping Tom Memorial Park, Millennium Park, The Legacy Walk, University of Chicago, Navy Pier **TOURS** Bike and Roll, Bobby's Bike Hikes, Chicago Big Bus Tour, Chicago DeTours, Chicago Architecture Center, Chicago Food Planet, Chicago Trolley & Double Decker, Chicago Helicopter Experience

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