

Walking Tour Of Charleston

The oldest section of Charleston was laid out in 1680 and along with its 18th century annexations, has the feel of a medieval European city, but with a tropical flair. This tour will send you through several of Charleston's memorable streets, as well as its nicest "not to be missed" alleys, lanes, and hidden paths. By no means is the tour inclusive. A leisurely pace will probably take 1.5 to 2 hours.

Recommended to have map in hand as navigational aid.

Begin at the corner Queen Street and Church Street.

Head east on Queen Street towards State Street.

Halfway down the block there will be a red house on the Left.

Just after this red house on the Left will be Philadelphia Alley.

Stroll up and back down Philadelphia Alley.

Continue east on Queen Street, Right on State Street.

Walk half a block and turn Left down Unity Alley.

Left on East Bay.

One full block, Right on Vendue Range heading toward the Cooper River and large fountain.

Pass fountain and take a Right onto path along water's edge.

Path will intersect with Concord Street. Walk along Concord and take a right on Exchange Street.

Two blocks then Left on East Bay Street.

The colorful collection of town homes on the right for the next two blocks comprise "Rainbow Row".

Right on Tradd Street.

Left on Church Street. Walk about 100 feet.

Left on Longitude Lane (A narrow pedestrian lane – don't miss it)

Right on East Bay Street.

Right on Stoll's Alley (A narrow pedestrian lane – don't miss it)

Left on Church Street.

Left on Water Street.

Cross East Bay and walk up stairs going right on sidewalk adjacent to waterfront (“the Battery”)

Walk around the point of the Battery to Murray Boulevard.

Cross Murray Boulevard heading to the Gazebo in “White Point Garden”.

Walk around gazebo and take a left onto South Battery Street.

Right on King Street.

Left on Lamboll Street.

Right on Legare (pronounced “Legree”) Street.

Right on Tradd.

Two blocks, Right on Meeting Street.

Left on South Battery.

Left on Church Street.

Two blocks, lag to the Right, continue on Church Street.

Two blocks, Left on St. Michael’s Alley.

Right on Meeting to Broad (this intersection is known as the Four Corners of Law: Federal Courthouse, Charleston City Hall, Post Office, St. Michael’s Church.

Note: there are public rest rooms on the ground floor of City Hall.

Right on Broad.

Cross Broad Street and go left through Washington Park.

Right on Chalmers Street.

Left onto Church Street. In front of you will be large church that juts out into street (St. Phillip’s)

One block back to your starting point