



# Philly Survival Guide

## Travelling Around

### From the Airport

**Train:** The airport regional train line runs from every terminal at the Philadelphia International Airport; follow the signs from the baggage claim area.

The trip to Center City is 20 minutes; the fare is \$5.00 one way and leaves every 30 minutes. For the conference hotels, get off at the Market East Station. The Marriott Hotel and the Convention Center are connected to the train station; just look for the signs. Other conference hotels are within a 10 minute walk from the train station.

Other stops on the Airport Train Line are:

University City Station (Convention Ave. at South Street), located near several universities, hospitals, cultural and athletic centers—such as University of Pennsylvania, Drexel University, Museum of Archaeology & Anthropology, Franklin Field.

30th Street Station (30th and Market Streets), located directly in the Amtrak station.

Suburban Station (16th and Market Streets), located in the heart of the Central Philadelphia business and shopping district.

Market East Station (10th and Market Streets), located in the Gallery Shopping Mall with direct entrance to the Philadelphia Marriott Hotel and the Pennsylvania Convention Center.

For more information on the R1 rail line to and from the airport, see [www.septa.com/rrd/r1.htm](http://www.septa.com/rrd/r1.htm). For general information on the airport, see [www.phl.org/](http://www.phl.org/).

**Taxis:** Flat rate to Center City is \$20.00; approximate time 20 minutes depending on traffic.

**Shuttle Buses:** Shuttle service is available in the baggage claim area.

### Getting around the City

Subways, buses, regional rail lines, and trolleys are operated by SEPTA ([www.septa.com](http://www.septa.com)).

**Buses:** The Center City area has a number of bus routes going off in every direction. Main bus lines travel east-west and north-south. Detailed information on the bus lines will be available at the Hospitality Booth. For Web information, see [www.septa.com/riding/bus.html](http://www.septa.com/riding/bus.html).

**Subways:** The Market-Frankford Subway, also called the El (because part of the track is elevated), runs east-west in Center City. The Broad Street line runs north-south. See [www.septa.com/riding/subways.html](http://www.septa.com/riding/subways.html).

**Philly Phlash:** The Phlash traverses the Center City area stopping at entertainment and cultural venues. Phlash runs seven days a week, every seven minutes. There is a stop at the Convention Center. The fare is \$4.00, but a day-pass is available. For more information and a route map see [www.septa.org/riding/phlash.html](http://www.septa.org/riding/phlash.html).

**Regional Rail Service:** Trains run to many locales outside of the downtown area. For information on the regional rail lines, see [www.septa.com](http://www.septa.com).

**Feet!:** Center City Philly is a walkable city. From the Convention Center you can easily walk to the Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, The U.S. Mint, art museums, shopping, theaters, and restaurants.

*Philadelphia is a major metropolitan city. The Center City area is a mix of office buildings, stores, houses, apartments, restaurants... it can all be found in downtown Philly. But like any major city, be aware of your surroundings. Before you take off on foot, check with the AALL Hospitality Desk or the concierge at your hotel for travel suggestions. We want your stay in Philly to be fun...and safe!*

# Only in Philadelphia....

Philadelphia has many unique attractions that are worth fitting into your schedule. Everyone knows about the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall, but they are just two of the many Philly high-lights. Some are tied to Philly traditions, some hold historical value, and others are just...well, you won't find them anyplace else!

**Mario Lanza Institute**—416 Queen Street: a tribute to Lanza, who lived in this South Philly neighborhood

**Transit Museum**—13th & Market Streets, across from the Marriott): highlights the city's link to regional rail travel, including Baldwin locomotives

**Mummer's Museum**—2nd & Washington: ONLY in Philadelphia do the mummer's strut down Broad Street on New Year's Day

**Civil War Library and Museum**—1805 Pine Street: artifacts from America's great struggle

**Philadelphia Art Alliance**—251 S. 18th Street: the nation's oldest multi-discipline art center

**Rosenbach Museum and Library**—2010 Delancey Place: houses manuscripts of Joyce and Dickens, and a map charted by Ptolemy

**Mutter Museum**—19 S. 22nd street: located at the College of Physicians of Philadelphia; museum houses anatomical and

pathological artifacts, medical instruments and skeletons

**Atwater Kent Museum**—15 S. 7th Street: see Philadelphia history and its reach beyond the city's boundaries

**National Liberty Museum**—321 Chestnut Street: dedicated to combating violence and bigotry by celebrating freedom and achievement

**Edgar Allen Poe National Historic Site**—7th & Spring Garden Streets: only surviving Philadelphia home of Poe

**Afro-American Historical and Cultural Museum**—701 Arch Street: art and memorabilia relating to Afro-American history and culture

**American Swedish Historical Museum**—1900 Pattison Avenue: oldest Swedish museum in the country

**National museum of American Jewish History**—55 N. 5th Street: documents the American Jewish experience

**Polish American Cultural Center Museum**—308 Walnut Street: celebrates Polish culture and history

**Balch Institute for Ethnic Studies**—18 S. 7th Street: dedicated to ethnic cultures and diversity

**Elfreth's Alley**—located between 2nd & Front streets: oldest continuously residential

street in the country and national historic landmark

**Italian Market**—9th Street from Christian Street to Washington Avenue: hucksters continue to sell their wares from pushcarts and shops sell mouthwatering food, all with an Italian flair

**Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul**—18th Street & Benjamin Franklin Parkway: mid-19th century cathedral

**Christ Church**—2nd Street between Market & Arch: Episcopal church founded in 1695, frequented by George Washington and Benjamin Franklin

**Christ Church Burial Ground**—5th & Arch Streets: burial ground of many notables, including Benjamin Franklin

**Congregation Mikveh Israel**—44 N. 4th Street: dating since 1740, home to oldest congregation in city and second oldest in nation

**First Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia**—201 S. 21st Street: founded in 1698, current building dates from 1869; known for Tiffany windows and Victorian Gothic architecture

**Old St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church**—321 Willings Alley: oldest Catholic church in the city, founded in 1733



## Weather

Two words describe Philadelphia weather in mid-July: HOT and HUMID! Average high is 85 degrees, but heat waves in July are not unusual. Pack an umbrella for afternoon or evening showers.



## Eating Around

You will not be at a loss to find places to eat in the city. Restaurant information can be found on the Local Advisory Web Page ([www.aallnet.org/events/local00/](http://www.aallnet.org/events/local00/)). But if you want to eat at these “hot” places, you might want to make your reservations NOW: Le Bec Fin—French (215-567-1000), Striped Bass—Seafood (215-732-4444), Susanna Foo—

### **PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR LAWS**

The legal drinking age is 21. Most bars close at 2 am, 7 days a week. Liquor is only sold through state-run package stores Monday through Saturday. Beer is available from special distribution centers or over the counter in bars. Alcohol IS NOT sold in supermarkets.

Chinese (215-545-2666), Buddakhan—Pan Asian/Global (215-574-9440), The Fountain Restaurant (Four Seasons Hotel)—Eclectic (215-963-1500). (This is not an endorsement of these restaurants; just a “heads up” for the hot spots.)

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## Philly Media

**TV:** Locating television stations can be tricky because they show up at different locations depending on the cable supplier, but here’s some basic information:

Philly is Eastern time zone. The evening news is at 11:00 p.m.; the shows right before the news are on at 10:00 pm. For example, ER is on at 10:00 p.m.

NBC = Channel 10  
ABC = Channel 6  
CBS = Channel 3  
PBS = Channel 12  
FOX = Channel 29  
UPN = Channel 57  
WB = Channel 17

### **Radio**

NPR = WXPB 88.5  
and WHYI 90.1  
Jazz = WJJZ 106.1  
Classical = WWFM 89.1;  
WRTI 90.1  
Talk Radio = WWDB 96.5  
News = KYW 1060 AM

### **Newspapers**

*Philadelphia Inquirer* (Friday’s issue contains a weekend entertainment guide; publishes on Sunday)  
*Philadelphia Daily News*

### **Magazines**

*Philadelphia* (monthly; includes restaurant reviews, articles, events calendars)

## How Do I Contact...

Philadelphia Marriott:  
215/625-2900;  
Fax: 215/625-6000

Courtyard by Marriott:  
215/496-3200;  
Fax: 215/496-3696

Hawthorne Suites:  
215/829-8300;  
Fax: 215/829-8104

Hilton Garden Inn:  
215/923-0100;  
Fax: 215/923-7970

Pennsylvania Convention Center: 215/418-4700;  
800/428-9000

Philadelphia International Airport: 24 Hour Flight/Gate Information (800) PHL-GATE

Amtrak: (800) USA-RAIL

Greyhound Lines:  
(800) 231-2222

Handicapped Access (for information on transportation and recreation facilities that are wheelchair accessible):  
215-686-2798

Philadelphia Visitors Center: 215-636-1666

# You Can't Leave Philly Without...

- **Seeing the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall**—a short walk from the hotels and Convention Center.
- **Eating a cheesesteak sandwich**—Cheesesteaks are available on just about every block in the city, but for a great one, check out the Reading Terminal Market, Pat's at 9th & Federal Streets, Geno's (across from Pat's) or Jim's Steaks at 4th & South Streets
- **Visiting the Reading Terminal Market**—Located right next to the Pennsylvania Convention Center, the Reading Terminal Market is regarded as the best farmer's market in America with more than 80 merchants, including Pennsylvania Dutch farmers who travel to Philly to sell their produce and baked goods.
- **Having a Philly soft pretzel with yellow mustard** (IMPORTANT: The delicious soft pretzels sold in the Reading Terminal Market ARE NOT Philly soft pretzels; these are Pennsylvania Dutch pretzels; and don't confuse those big fluffy pretzels that rotate in glass heaters as Philly pretzels) Ask the locals where to get a REAL Philly soft pretzel! The street vendors sell the real thing!
- **Having an Italian water ice**—A most welcome food on a hot summer day! NOT like the chains such as Rita's that sell a variation of Italian water ice, the real thing can be found at Italkiano's at 12th & Porter and at pop's on Oregon Avenue between 13th & Broad Streets. Authentic Italian water ice can also be bought from street vendors around the city.
- **Sampling TastyKake:** TastyKake are packaged baked goods *par excellence!* Former Philadelphia residents have them shipped worldwide. Available at any convenience store.
- **Licking Bassett's Ice Cream:** Ice cream started in Philly, so why have the best! Get it in the Reading Terminal Market.
- **Seeing the eagle in Lord & Taylor's** (formerly John Wanamaker's): A Philly landmark! Even better, "become a local" by planning to meet your friends at the eagle; and while there, look up to see the world famous organ and architecture.
- **Viewing The Clothespin:** A Claes Oldenburg sculpture located at 15th and Market Streets.
- **Seeing the LOVE sculpture:** Robert Indiana's classic sculpture located at work 15th and Kennedy Plaza.
- **Buying clothes!** No sales tax on clothing in Philadelphia (tax on other products is 7%) Check out The Gallery, conveniently attached to the Pennsylvania Convention Center; Lord & Taylor located across from the Marriott; the exclusive shops at Rittenhouse Row; the Philadelphia Marketplace at the Airport for those last minute purchases; The Shops at Liberty Place for fine shopping a short walk away; The Bourse, for shopping in an historic building; The Shops at the Bellevue for elegant shops in this landmark hotel; and Franklin Mills Mall, for the shopping experience of more than 200 outlet shops!

## General Information

Philadelphia, or Philly as it is called locally, is a city of adventure, culture, history, and fun. Philly is set out in streets running north-south and east-west. Market is the central east-west street. Broad Street traverses the city from north to south, with public transportation accessing both streets. City Hall stands majestically at the crossroads of Broad and Market Streets...literally. This quick guide will help introduce you to Philadelphia. More detailed information, such as lists of places of worship, museums, restaurants, and important phone numbers will be in your registration bags. Also, check out the Local Advisory Committee Web page ([www.aallnet.org/events/local00/](http://www.aallnet.org/events/local00/)).