

5-Day LA Itinerary for First-Time Travelers

DAY 1: Exploring Downtown LA's Bunker Hill & Rooftop Dining

Morning:

- Start your day at The Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA), home to an impressive collection of post-1940s art.
- Walk over to The Broad, featuring contemporary works, including Yayoi Kusama's Infinity Mirror Rooms.

Afternoon:

- Head to The Music Center's Walt Disney Concert Hall, an architectural marvel designed by Frank Gehry. If time allows, take a self-guided audio tour.
- Enjoy lunch at Grand Central Market, offering diverse food from tacos to ramen.

Evening:

- Witness the breathtaking DTLA sunset at one of these stunning rooftop spots:
 - Cara Cara for panoramic views and craft cocktails.
 - La Lo La Rooftop for Spanish-inspired tapas.
 - Perch LA for a French bistro experience.
 - Golden Hour for a chic ambiance with skyline views.

DAY 2: Walking Tours, Culture & Brewery Experience

Morning:

- Choose an immersive walking tour:
 - LA Walking Tours for historical insights.
 - LA Conservancy Walking Tours for architectural gems.
 - Six Taste Food Tours for a culinary adventure.
- Stroll through Olvera Street, LA's oldest street, with Mexican heritage shops and street performances.

Afternoon:

- Explore Downtown LA's Arts District, known for vibrant murals and trendy cafes.
- Stop by Angel City Brewery for craft beer tasting in an industrial-chic setting.

Evening:

 Enjoy a relaxed dinner in Downtown LA at your choice of restaurant, offering a mix of international cuisines.

DAY 3: Museums, Hollywood Icons & Beverly Hills

Mid-Day Exploration:

- Visit the Academy Museum of Motion Pictures, celebrating cinematic history.
- Head to the Petersen Automotive Museum to see iconic cars and Hollywood vehicles.
- Stop by Urban Light at LACMA for an Instagram-worthy photo. (Optional)
- Have lunch at The Original Farmers Market, known for diverse food vendors and fresh produce.

Afternoon:

- Explore Beverly Hills & Rodeo Drive for high-end shopping and celebrity spotting.
- Walk along the Hollywood Walk of Fame, featuring over 2,600 stars.
- Visit the TCL Chinese Theatre and step into history with celebrity handprints.
- Experience Madame Tussauds Hollywood for fun celebrity wax figures. (Optional)
- Shop for souvenirs at Hollywood Boulevard's many specialty stores.

Evening:

- Enjoy dinner at:
 - Grandmaster Recorders (modern Italian and rooftop vibes)
 - Ka'teen (Tulum-inspired Mexican cuisine)
 - Sugar Taco (vegan Mexican delights)

DAY 4: Santa Monica, Venice & Marina del Rey

Morning:

- Explore 3rd Street Promenade in Santa Monica, a bustling shopping and entertainment district.
- Walk to Santa Monica Pier for ocean views, amusement rides, and street performances.

Afternoon:

- Enjoy lunch at:
 - Belles Beach House for Hawaiian-style seafood and tropical cocktails.
 - Fig Tree for fresh, organic dishes with beachfront views.
- Stroll through the serene *Venice Canals*, a hidden gem with charming bridges and waterfront homes.

Evening:

• Experience a City Cruises Marina del Rey Dinner with a gourmet meal and sunset views.

DAY 5: Theme Parks, Wine & Shopping

Morning:

- Option 1: Theme Park Adventure
 - Spend the full day at Universal Studios Hollywood[™], exploring thrilling rides, The Wizarding World of Harry Potter, and studio backlot tours.
- Option 2: Malibu Wine Tasting or Catalina Island
 - Head to Malibu for a scenic wine-tasting tour at local vineyards. (Optional)
 - Alternatively, take a Catalina Island Tour for breathtaking coastal views and outdoor activities.

Late Afternoon:

• Take the Warner Bros. Studio Tour Hollywood for behind-the-scenes access to iconic film sets.

Evening:

• End your trip with a shopping spree at Citadel Outlets, offering great deals on designer brands.