

SELF-GUIDED WALKING TOUR LOWER HIGHLAND (LoHi)

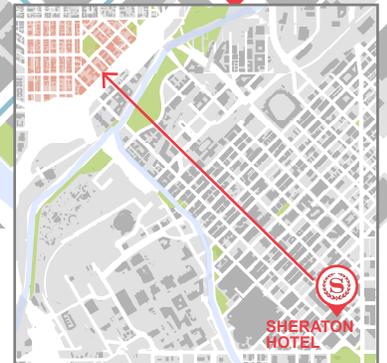
TOTAL TOUR TIME: 1 Hour 14 Minutes
TOTAL TOUR DISTANCE: 3.9 Miles

DIRECTIONS TO TOUR LOCATION:

Walk northwest on 16th Street Mall or ride the Free Mall Ride towards Denver Union Station.



- Areas of Opportunity
- Places to See/Visit
- Places for Food/Drinks
- B-Cycle Station
- New/Planned Development Site
- Bike Lanes



Victorian-era homes and buildings; lush gardens and parks; independently owned shops; art galleries; and restaurants, all make the Denver Highlands neighborhood a great destination for visitors.

A Museum of Contemporary Art

The Museum of Contemporary Art Denver (MCA Denver) explores the art and culture of our time through rotating exhibitions and public educational programs.

www.mcadenver.org

B Denver Millennium Bridge

A cable-stayed bridge connecting the 16th Street Mall to Commons Park on the west side of the railroad tracks. Completed in 2002, the mast itself rises 200 feet & the high walkway crossing is complete with elevator towers on both sides.

C McLoughlin's

Spacious pub with a standard, modern feel serves updated American bar fare & drinks, plus a patio.

D Commons Park

Flanked by the South Platte River, the park's west edge emphasizes the river's natural character with native grasses and wetlands. In contrast, on the east side, the park's features are more urban and make a connection to downtown Denver. The tree-lined promenade along Little Raven Street offers numerous seating areas and entries into the park.

E Confluence Park

Confluence Park is the hub of a revitalized urban area surrounded by residential lofts, office buildings and shops and a place where recreation thrives with runners, bikers, kayakers and tubers.



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F REI Flagship Denver

Constructed in 1901, the REI building on the South Platte River once housed the boilers used to generate electricity for the Denver Tramway Co. REI bought the building in 1998 for the redevelopment into its flagship Denver store.

www.rei.com

G Denver Beer Co

Serving only premium artisan ales and lagers, this brewery and Beer Garden utilizes fresh ingredients and embrace old world styles of beer.

H Highland Bridge

The bridge crosses the Valley Highway between Platte Street and Central Street as an extension of the 16th Street Mall.

I Little Man's Ice Cream

Little Man serves one of Denver's tastiest and freshest homemade ice cream, novelties, and other scrumptious treats from an iconic 28ft tall cream can.



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J Linger

The former site of Denver's historic Olinger Mortuary is now a new bar and restaurant called Linger. Rather than demolishing the building's history, chef/owner Justin Cucci has embraced the concept, darkening the first letter of Olinger's prominent neon sign to name his place, and changing the word "mortuaries" to "eatuaries."

K Williams & Graham

Prohibition-era speakeasy in a corner bookstore with handcrafted cocktails, small plates & desserts.

L Avanti Food & Beverage

Situated in one of Denver's most popular neighborhoods, Avanti Food & Beverage is a modern day food hall featuring an eclectic mix of affordably priced restaurants. The industrial-designed building packs seven restaurant concepts into shipping-container kitchens and two bars with a view of downtown.

M Prost Brewing Company

Brewery crafting German-style beers & pouring them in a casual setting or patio with skyline views.

★ Areas of Opportunity: New/Planned Projects

The Highlands has a rich history with a major influence from Italian and Mexican immigrants. The Highlands is experiencing a resurgence and has become one of Denver's hottest areas with new lofts and apartment homes, renovated bungalows, small local businesses, and a variety of hip, new restaurants and breweries. Large infill projects continue to sprout all over the neighborhood and since 2010, the Highlands neighborhood has added nearly 800 new multifamily residential units, not including smaller townhome projects (denverinfill.com).

★ Tejon Street

Tejon Street was once a neighborhood thriving with streetcars, commercial centers and residences. With the eventual deterioration of the streetcar, businesses began moving its location out of the neighborhood. Within the last few years, reinvestment into Tejon Street has brought businesses back into the area. Tejon Street's proximity to downtown provides the corridor with stunning views of Denver's skyline and has attracted several developers to invest and build luxury condominiums, apartments and townhouses.



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★ 32nd Street

Similar to Tejon Street, 32nd Street has also experienced a great deal of change and reinvestment over the past several years. With new residential development sprouting along the corridor, this area is quickly gaining popularity among young professionals.

Be sure to check out the historic retail strips for great local eats and drinks with patio seating!



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