

# Arroyo Seco Historic Parkway - Route 110

The Arroyo Seco Parkway connects Los Angeles and Pasadena through the historic Arts and Crafts landscape of the Arroyo Seco. Conceived in the parkway tradition with gentle curves, lush landscaping, and scenic vistas, the byway incorporated the modern elements that would lay the groundwork for the California freeway system.



Length: 9.45 miles / 15.1 km

Time     Take twenty minutes to  
to         drive or one hour to see the

Allow:   entire byway.

## Local Information

**Scenic Arroyo Seco c/o Mountains  
Recreation and Conservation**

### Authority

323-221-9944 x117

## Visitor Services



### Bicycle/Pedestrian Facilities

Bicycles and pedestrians are not permitted on the byway. However, several recreational hiking, bicycling and equestrian trails already exist within the naturalized areas of the corridor.



### Food

There are places to buy food along this byway.



### Gasoline

Gasoline is available.



### Information

There is an authoritative information center along this byway.



### Lodging

There is overnight lodging along this byway.



### Phone

Public phones are available along this byway.



### **Restrooms**

There are toilet facilities along this byway.



### **Retail**

There are places to shop along this byway.

## **Special Considerations**

The Los Angeles River and Arroyo Seco Flood Control Channels are closed to the public for hiking and bicycling during high water periods.

The Arroyo Seco Parkway experiences typical Los Angeles area commuter congestion during major drive times in the early morning and later afternoon. Baseball games at Dodger Stadium and the Rose Parade on New Year's Day are other seasonal activities resulting in predictable congestion.

## **Restrictions**

Over-sized vehicles, like trucks and buses, are prohibited on the byway due to the tight-turning radii on several on and off ramps.

Instead of continuous shoulders, the highway has intermittent "turn-out pockets" for disabled vehicles. Several of the ramps have posted speed limits of five mph due to their tight geometrics.

## **Seasons**

### **Best Time to Drive**

The Arroyo Seco Parkway is open and beautiful year round.

### **Winter**

Recreation in the greater arroyo may be hampered by seasonal rains from November to March, when high water levels and saturated soils make hiking and fishing in the San Gabriel Mountains difficult.

# Map and Directions



## Legend:

Point of Interest	Campground	Featured Byway	Water	State Border
Park	Picnic/Rest Area	America's Byways	Wildlife Refuge	Urban Area
Mountain	Interstate	Other Byway	Wilderness Area	Tribal Nation
City	U.S. Highway	Other Road	Other Federal Lands	Military Base
Capital	State Highway	Trail	Other State Lands	

## Driving Directions

- Begin at the Four Level, the intersection of US 101 and SR 110 (The Pasadena Freeway) in downtown Los Angeles.

- Continue northbound on the Arroyo Seco Parkway (State Hwy 110).
- Continue following the Parkway through Los Angeles to Pasadena.
- End on Colorado Boulevard in the heart of historic Old Town Pasadena.

### Getting to the Byway



#### Nearby airports

**Los Angeles International Airport, CA** (19 miles / 30.58 km, 20 minutes)

**Start:**



1 World Way, Los Angeles, CA 90045  
N 33.944° W 118.408° [?]

**Directions:**

- Head south on World Way to W Way and merge onto CA-1/S Sepulveda Blvd.
- Take the ramp onto I-105 E.
- Exit onto I-110 N towards Los Angeles.
- Stay in the left lane to avoid the 4-level interchange, where the byway begins.

**Junction with byway:**

\* CA-110 as it becomes Pasadena Fwy., Los Angeles, CA  
N 34.063° W 118.249° [?]



## Road Trip: Arroyo Seco Historic Parkway Itinerary

**Departure:** Grand Avenue Promenade, California

**Destination:** Old Town Pasadena, California

**Time to allow:** 2 days

This itinerary follows the parkway from L.A. to Pasadena, stopping at the major must-see city destinations.

### Day 1

- **Start: Grand Avenue Promenade**

**Suggested time at this stop:** 3 hours

The cultural acropolis to downtown Los Angeles, the Grand Avenue promenade is a new pedestrian spine for the city's glittering cultural life.

- **Stop 2: Chinatown**

**From previous stop:** 5 minutes / 1 mi (1.6 km)

**Directions:** Travel the Byway (Highway 110) north to Interstate 10. Take Interstate 10 east for about one half of a mile.

**Suggested time at this stop:** 2 hours

The Los Angeles Chinese community moved to its current location during the 1930s, when their original neighborhood became the site of Union Station. Chinatown houses several excellent restaurants, ethnic markets, import shops and unique Asian services.

- **Stop 3: Dodger Stadium**

**From previous stop:** 5 minutes / 1.5 mi (2.4 km)

**Directions:** Take Interstate 10 west a half mile to the Byway (Highway 110). Turn north (right) onto Highway 110 about 1 mile to the stadium.

**Suggested time at this stop:** 30 minutes

An integral part of the culture of the Arroyo, Dodger Stadium is an icon of America's favorite pastime. Take in an afternoon ball game with the family, or just take a look around the stadium which has become such an important icon to Los Angeles.

- **Stop 4: Elysian Park**

**From previous stop:** 2 minutes / 1 mi (1.6 km)

**Directions:** Drive north on the Byway (Highway 110) for about one mile.

**Suggested time at this stop:** 1 hour

Elysian Park is the oldest public park in the city of Los Angeles. The Park provides scenic vistas, numerous hiking trails and picnic grounds, as well as being the home of Dodger Stadium, where the Los Angeles baseball team plays.

- **End: Old Town Pasadena**

**From previous stop:** 10 minutes / 5 mi (8.0 km)

**Directions:** Take the Byway (Highway 110) north about 5 miles.

**Suggested time at this stop:** 5 hours

Old Town is the historic core of Pasadena. Founded in 1876 as the Indiana Colony by Midwestern pioneers, Pasadena quickly became a sparkling jewel of culture and sophistication in Southern California. You will want to spend most of a day here.

### Totals for Day 1

**Total Distance Traveled:** 8.5 miles / 13.6 km

**Total Travel Time:** 22 minutes

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**Total Stopping Time:** 11 hours 30 minutes