

## Sue's Guide to Chicago

### *Finding your way around Chicago:*

Streets are numbered and named east and west from State St and north and south from Madison. Each 100 is a block. Our hotel is at 633 N St Clair – between Ohio and Grand. That means we are 6 blocks north of Madison.

### *Transportation*

CTA Buses and Trains -- \$2 + \$0.25 transfer  
Closest station to the hotel is the red line at Grand. Transfer to other lines, or walk to Blue Line at Washington, Green/Orange/ Purple/Brown at State and Lake. Transfers are free between train lines. The RTA Trip Planner can get you anywhere (including using commuter rail)!!  
<http://www.rtachicago.com/>

### *Places to eat:*

Café and Great picnic stuff: Fox and Obel. (They also have a good wine selection). The cafe has good breakfasts and lunches. (7am – 9 pm)  
<http://www.fox-obel.com/index.asp>  
401 E. Illinois Street, (near Navy Pier)

Picnic stuff and quick bite: Salads, sushi and sandwiches in Marshall Field's basement. (Wine is on the first floor.) (Between State, Wabash, Madison and Randolph)  
Also Dominicks, 255 E Grand Ave (regular grocery store)  
Also White Hen Pantry 201 E. Ohio (convenience store)  
Also Walgreen's 342 E Illinois St (drug store)

Corner Bakery - Quick lunch, picnic stuff: 900 N. Michigan (Outer Drive)  
360 N. Michigan (Between Wacker and Water)  
676 N. St Clair St (at Erie St)

### Sushi:

Oysi - 888 S. Michigan (at 9th and Michigan) (312-922-1127)  
"West Loop Sushi" at 875 W. Jackson (at Halsted - Take Blue Line to UIC Halsted)

### Greek Town:

Greek Islands – 200 S. Halsted (at Adams)  
Artopolis (cafeteria style at lunch time) – 306 S. Halsted (at Jackson)  
Costas – 340 S. Halsted (at Van Buren)

Big Bowl – Asian Noodles – 50 E. Ohio St (at Rush) (312-951-18888)

Billy Goat Tavern – SNL cheezborger – 430 N Lower Michigan (at Illinois St) (no credit cards)

Heaven on Seven – Cajun-Creole – 600 N. Michigan Ave (2<sup>nd</sup> fl between Ohio and Ontario)

China Town – take the Red line to China Town – lots of choices

### Tapas

Café Iberico – 739 N. LaSalle Blvd (312-573-1510)  
Emilio's Tapas – 215 E. Ohio St (312-467-7177)

Pizza – Giordano's (a Chicago chain) -  
135 E. Lake (Upper Michigan Ave)  
730 N Rush (Superior)

### Little Italy – (Blue line to Polk)

Tuscany (1014 W. Taylor), Francescas (1400 W. Taylor), Rosbud (1500 W. Taylor, 720 N. Rush)

### A little fancier –

Randolph and Halsted area -- Red Light (820 W. Randolph), Marche (833 W. Randolph)  
Frontera Grill / Topolobomba (445 N. Clark – between Hubbard and Illinois)  
Roys (720 N. State at Superior)  
Maggiano's – 512 N. Clark (at Grand) (312-644-7700)

### Great breakfast or lunch –

Lou Mitchell's (565 W. Jackson at Jefferson)  
Manny's (1141 S. Jefferson at Roosevelt)  
Wishbone (1001 W. Washington at Morgan)  
Ann Sather – all north – [www.annsather.com](http://www.annsather.com)

### Coffee

Starbucks  
401 E. Ontario  
Chicago IL, 60611  
United States

Starbucks in Dominicks  
255 E Grand Ave  
Chicago IL, 60611  
United States

Starbucks  
670 N. Michigan Avenue  
Chicago IL, 60610  
United States

### Other

Jamba Juice - John Hancock Ctr / Chicago 875 N. Michigan Ave.  
Dunkin Donuts - 200 E OHIO ST or 401 E. ONTARIO

Things to do:

Grant Park Music Festival at the Pritzker Pavillion (Sat 7:30pm and Wed 8:00pm). You can take a picnic, a bottle of wine and sit on the grass for free!!

There will be fire works at Navy pier just about when the concert ends on Sat, so you can take the serpentine bridge over to the lake to look at the fireworks.

<http://www.millenniumpark.org/parkevents/Default.aspx>

Millenium Park -- just wander around – walk through the bean, paddle in the fountains – walk over to the Lake, walk to the Burnham Fountain.

Navy Pier and Lakefront - You can rent bikes at Navy Pier and ride along the Lake Shore path. Unless you are up early (before 10am), go south -- it is much less crowded. It is easy riding with great views over the lake. The Ferris Wheel also gives you a great view of the lake shore (remember that George Ferris did the original Ferris Wheel for the 1892 Chicago World's Fair).

Go up the Hancock tower to the Signature lounge. For the price of a beer or glass of wine you get to sit, get a free elevator ride. It is a better view than the observation deck which costs \$\$\$. (I like the Hancock Tower better than Sears Tower as you look up and down the foreshore of Lake Michigan

Museum of Contemporary Art -- it is small and ALWAYS has something weird and interesting. Within walking distance of the conference.

Museum of Science and Industry – Great Museum -- Hyde Park.

(Nice bike ride from Navy Pier if you are energetic)

(To get there:

- Take the #2 Hyde Park Express south to 57th and Stony Island and walk 1 block east to the Museum.
- Take the #6 Jackson Park Express bus south to 56th Street and walk 1 block south to the Museum.
- Take the #28 Stony Island Express south to 56th and Hyde Park Boulevard and walk 1 block south to the Museum.
- Take the #10 Museum of Science and Industry bus from Michigan Ave.)

<http://www.msichicago.org/>

Frank Lloyd Wright Studio (Oak Park). The tour is fun, but just walking around Oak Park and gawking at the houses is an experience. Take the green line to Harlem. (The Robie House in Hyde Park is also interesting)

<http://www.wrightplus.org/>

Chicago Architecture Foundation – river tour or walking tour. (Tours leave from the Michigan Ave bridge across the Chicago River at Michigan Ave and Wacker – SE corner of the bridge)

<http://www.architecture.org/tours.aspx>

Art Institute (111 South Michigan Avenue, at Adams) – free on Thursday and Friday evenings. Has almost everything famous you have ever seen.

[http://www.artic.edu/aic/visitor\\_info/index.html](http://www.artic.edu/aic/visitor_info/index.html)

Beaches -- Oak Street Beach – at the end of Michigan. Ohio State - accessible from Navy Pier. North Ave Beach (also has bike rentals)

The Second City - Comedy

<http://www.secondcity.com/index.php?id=theatres>

Baseball

White Sox – Monday/ Tues/Wed – 7:05pm vs KC (Red line to 35<sup>th</sup>/Sox - US Cingular Park)

<http://chicago.whitesox.mlb.com>

*Shopping*

Magnificent Mile – Michigan Ave from the Chicago River to Oak St. There are also several indoor malls.

Marshall Fields – Between State, Wabash, Madison and Randolph.

North and Clybourne (take the red line to Clybourne) – Crate and Barrel, Container Store, Whole Food, Gap, Best Buy, Pottery Barn etc.

