

Tour Seattle with Aaron

Outdoor Spots:

- Alki Beach:
 - I like to take the water taxi from the downtown ferry terminal, then rent a scooter to stroll the beach, but you can also bring your bike. Pay with your Orca card or a buy a ticket at the terminal. Under \$10.
- Bainbridge Island:
 - Walk the one main street and look at cute shops. Go to any number of nice restaurants for brunch, lunch, or dinner. Under \$10 for ferry.
- Rainier National Park:
 - This is a day trip and stunning hikes for the spring to late fall, [Top Hikes](#)
- Snoqualmie Falls:
 - long drive, quick stop, it is a waterfall. Everyone likes to see a waterfall but everyone also finds them a bit boring...
- Ape Caves:
 - [Link](#) - Mt St Helens lava tubes that go for almost a mile underground, it requires a Northwest Forest pass but you can buy it there for \$80 a year
- There are so many stunning hikes and adventures, far too many to list.
 - <https://www.wta.org/> can let you build a list for later

Shows: (Focus below is on non-traditional shows)

- [Can Can Seattle](#):
 - Seattle's most enjoyable burlesque for sure, I usually get the tickets that include drinks and an appetizer
- [Valtese](#):
 - Darker and more Seattle-esque, the talent is there but this is more dark dancing than theater, wear the edgiest outfit you have
- [The Pink Door](#):
 - Italian food with a great location for dinner and the show, you have to book tickets in advance, as far as possible
- [Jazz Alley](#):
 - Don't expect to dance but it is a historic spot with a great vibe
- [The Underground Tour](#):
 - I like the history and it is a fun little adventure
- [Amazon BioSpheres](#):
 - These are stunning, tours are difficult to come by but if you know an Amazon employee you can get in for free anytime they escort you, buy them lunch and eat in the spheres. They are open to tours twice a month on the first and third saturday. RESERVATIONS REQUIRED.
 - If you know an Amazon employee they can take guests during the work week

Bars: (I like unique spots, fancy spots, or cool vibes. I don't tend to drink much)

- [Rumba](#) - Inside Passage Speakeasy is stunning
- [Deep Dive](#)
 - Gorgeous, dark, expensive, velvet
- [Bathtub Gin and Co](#)

- Enter through an alley, try to avoid peak times
- [Smith Tower](#)
 - You will need \$20 tickets to go up and food on top of that but it is a historic spot with a gallery of historic photos
- [Knee-High Stocking Co](#)
 - Make a reservation
- [The Doctor's Office](#)
- [Thread and Needle](#)
 - Reservation required, limited seating to about 15 people
- [Coupe and flute](#)
 - Steller brunch, Celiac friendly, very cute and small
- [Canon](#)
 - Nationally recognized whiskey bar, if that is your thing
- [Navy Strength](#)
- [The Founders Club](#) (In the Fairmont Hotel)
 - It is hidden behind a bookcase, costs a fortune but is sexy, what is not to love?
- [Rupee bar](#)
 - Great food from Sri Lanka

Food: (There are many other great ones, these are just the ones I think are unique. I have Celiac Disease, so you will see those options here also.)

- [Razzi's Pizza](#) - gluten-free and vegan menus, celiac-friendly!
- [Eat Seattle Food Tours](#)
 - Super fun food tours in Seattle
- - il Nido
- - il bistro
- [Kedai Mekan](#)
- Il Terrazzo Carmine
 - Charming Italian place
- La Fontana Siciliana
 - Another cute Italian place, next to Bathtub Gin and Co
- [Phởcific Standard Time](#)
 - I have not been yet but heard good things
- [Foreign National](#)
- Water taxi to Marination station
- [Seleuss Chocolates](#) Chocolate tasting at Seleuss
- Chocolate tour at Theo
- Wine tasting
 - Woodenville wine district and Woodenville city but you can also find several spots in Pioneer square, I tend to bring chocolate from Seleuss or Frans
 - Chateau STE Michelle
 - Wines of Washington in Post Street Ally <https://www.winesofwashington.com/>
 - Elsom cellars
 - SODO Urbanworks
- Copperworks distillery tasting
- Cider bar for a flight of cider

Exercise:

- Bike ride along Elliott Bay trail
- Seattle Bouldering Project or Vertical World
- Kayak or Paddleboarding (Go to Bothel landing) or Alki (less beautiful but more central)
- Kayak camping
- Emerald City Circus Arts
- Rent water gear on South Lake Union

More Creative *WIP*:

- Grab Frans Chocolate, Theo Chocolate, and Seleuss Chocolate, and have a wine pairing
- Cocktail tour:
 - Make your own cocktail tour
 - One drink per bar
 - Ask for the bartender's favorite drink or a bar recommendation for your next stop
 - Try a theme: Margaritas, bartender's choice
- Self-guided photography walk in a park
- Hot air balloon ride <https://seattleballooning.com/>
- Hot tub boat on Lake Union:
 - This sounds cool but lets be honest, how long can you sit in a hot tub with no exit?