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There's much to discover in one of the Southeast's most beautiful and diverse cities. Visit these destinations in the order listed for a comprehensive tour of Charlotte's Center City. Or plot your own course and include those locations that best suit your interests and the time allowed.

For more information on these and many other attractions, stop by Visit Charlotte at Main Street; 330 South Tryon Street, call our visitor information line at 704-331-2700 or 1-800-231-4636; or visit our website at www.visitcharlotte.com





1. **BANK OF AMERICA STADIUM** Charlotte's Center City landmark is home to the NFL Carolina Panthers. www.panthers.com
2. **THE GREEN** A 1.5-acre novella-themed park, across from the Convention Center, has a wonderful assortment of sights and sounds. Explore playful sculptures throughout, including bronze book sculptures by Greensboro artist, Jim Galucci, which are tied to the theme of reading. The Green features restaurants, retail, offices, and luxury condominiums.
3. **WACHOVIA ATRIUM & PLAZA** features a cascading fountain, designed by David Wayner. Life-size bronze figures of children playing in the water are by sculptor, Dennis Smith.
4. **LATTA ARCADE** Built in 1915 by Charlotte developer Edward Dilworth Latta, the arcade is home to a variety of shops, restaurants and offices on two levels. Be sure to step through the back entrance and back through time to experience the charm of Brevard Court.
5. **THOMAS POLK PARK** This restful spot provides a respite from the hubbub of street traffic, as well as an interesting narrative about Charlotte's founder, Thomas Polk.
6. **THE STATUES AT THE SQUARE** The four bronze statues by sculptor Raymond Kaskey represent vital facets of Charlotte; Transportation (railroad worker), Industry (textile worker), Commerce (gold miner emptying his pan over a banker) and The Future (mother holding her child).
7. **FOUNDERS HALL** The multi-story atrium features retail shops on two levels. In the adjoining lobby of the *Bank of America Corporate Center* are three Ben Long frescoes depicting the themes "making/building" "chaos/creativity" and "planning/knowledge." www.foundershall.com
8. **NC BLUMENTHAL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER** Charlotte's premier venue for the performing arts. The box office is located on the second level of Founders Hall. www.blumenthalcenter.org
9. **CHARLOTTE BOBCATS ARENA** Home of the NBA's Charlotte Bobcats and ECHL Charlotte Checkers and host to various other events in the Center City. www.charlottebobcatsarena.com
10. **MINT MUSEUM OF CRAFT + DESIGN** The Center City branch of Charlotte's Mint Museums displays a fascinating array of works by leading craft artisans. www.mintmuseums.org
11. **PUBLIC LIBRARY OF CHARLOTTE & MECKLENBURG COUNTY** The cascading fountain at Sixth and Tryon Streets is a gift from Charlotte's sister city, Arequipa, Peru. If you are interested in learning more about Charlotte's rich history, spend some time in the reference area of the library, called the Carolina Room. www.plcmc.org
12. **LEVINE MUSEUM OF THE NEW SOUTH** Charlotte's only interactive regional history museum focusing on post-Civil War southern society. www.museumofthenewsouth.org
13. **SEVENTH STREET STATION** Home to restaurants, a supermarket and parking garage, the building will chime if you touch its panels. Solve a riddle (see plaque, midway on the east side) then touch the panels in the correct sequence to get a special sound and light show.
14. **IMAGINON & CHILDREN'S THEATRE** One of a kind combination children's library/ theater that brings stories to life through extraordinary experiences that challenge, inspire, and excite young minds. www.imaginion.org
15. **MCCOLL CENTER FOR VISUAL ART** promotes the visual arts with exhibits, classes, and studio space for artists in residence. www.mccollcenter.org
16. **FOURTH WARD** One of Charlotte's original residential neighborhoods, features many restored Victorian-style homes.
17. **TRANSAMERICA SQUARE** Open air rotunda features a domed fresco by artist Ben Long.
18. **ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH** Historic church whose members have played key roles in Charlotte's development. Confederate President Jefferson Davis attended services here as the Civil War ended.
19. **DISCOVERY PLACE** One of the nation's leading hands-on science museums, Discovery Place features the IMAX Dome Theatre, a tropical rain forest, and aquarium. www.discoveryplace.org
20. **SETTLERS CEMETERY** Historic town cemetery and burial place of Charlotte founder Thomas Polk.
21. **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** Built on the site of Charlotte's original non-denominational town church, part of the present structure dates from 1857. Pass the fellowship hall to view a fresco painting by North Carolina artist, Ben Long.