

Whittier, CA “All American Town”

AVA Number: YRE 2047

Effective: July 15, 2018

Additional Information

Length & Rating

2 Routes:

10K (6.3 miles), rated easy (1A)

5K (3.2 miles), rated easy (1A)

Surface: City streets and sidewalks. Short section on wide, level dirt path

Driving Directions To Walk Start

Palm Park, 5703 Palm Avenue, Whittier CA 90601

From I-5: Take the I-605 freeway N exit. Continue on I-605 N for 3.5 miles. Take the Whittier Blvd exit toward Whittier. RIGHT on Whittier Blvd/CA-72. LEFT on Broadway. LEFT on Palm Ave. After passing Orange Dr on the right, take the first LEFT on a driveway after the tennis courts. This is the Palm Park rec center. Park in the parking lot.

START: At the converted rails -to-trails path between the parking lot and the park.

Description

Walk the historic town of Whittier, CA, Hollywood’s idea of “small town America”. It’s the home of Richard Nixon and Whittier College. The route passes the original Whittier train station that’s still used as a transportation hub by city buses. There are four city parks on this route, including one that features a statue of Quaker guru and poet John Greenleaf. Whittier has been the backdrop for the TV series Wonder Years and movies including Father of the Bride 2, Back to the Future II and Terminator 3 to name a few.

Cautions & Misc

Restrooms along the route. Carry water. Dogs allowed on leash. Not suitable for wheelchairs or strollers due to some park trails & uncut curbs. In the summer months it can get very hot so check forecast. Walk during daylight hours only.

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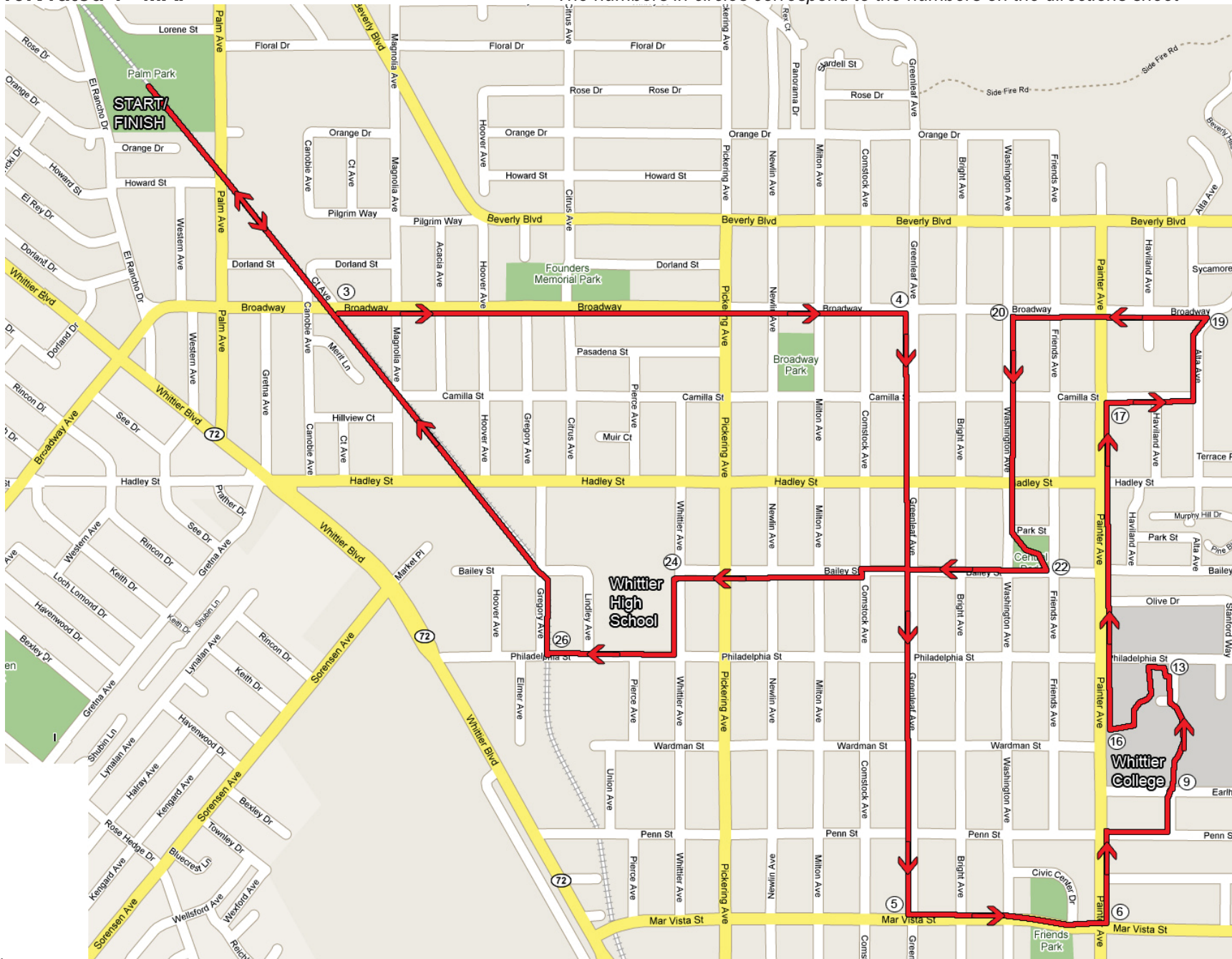
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<p>Parking: Start in the parking lot of the Palm Park rec center</p> <p>1. Go to the paved multi-use trail that runs between the parking lot and the park. Turn LEFT on the trail.</p> <p>2. Cross Palm Ave and continue on the paved trail.</p> <p>3. At Broadway, cross Broadway and turn LEFT. (1K at Broadway & Hoover)</p> <p>4. RIGHT on Greenleaf Ave. (3K at Greenleaf & Wardman). <u>The historic uptown area has been used in films including Father of the Bride II and Hocus Pocus. A parade scene was shot on on this street for the TV show The Wonder Years.</u></p> <p>5. LEFT on Mar Vista St. <u>Note the historic train station at Greenleaf & Mar Vista. The library is at Mar Vista & Washington. The courthouse is at Mar Vista & Painter.</u></p> <p>6. At Painter Ave, cross Painter and LEFT on Painter.</p>	<p>14. Pause at the black stone monument. <u>This marker commemorates Nixon's graduation from Whittier College in 1934.</u></p> <p>15. RIGHT on the sidewalk after the Nixon memorial, veering LEFT of the orange sculpture. Continue to the green quad. RIGHT before the palm trees to walk to the street and the Whittier College sign.</p> <p>16. RIGHT on street (Painter Ave). 5K at Painter & Philadelphia.</p> <p>17. RIGHT on Camilla St. <u>At 13421 Camilla is the Bailey House aka the Old Ranch House. It was built by the first settlers in 1887.</u></p> <p>18. LEFT on Alta Ave. (5.9K)</p> <p>19. LEFT on Broadway.</p> <p>20. LEFT on Washington Ave. (7K at Washington & Hadley)</p>
<p>7. RIGHT on Penn St.</p> <p>8. LEFT on Guilford Ave. (4K)</p> <p>9. At Earlham Dr. cross street and continue straight ahead up the steps on the left of the science building. <u>This is Whittier College. Richard Nixon graduated from this school.</u></p> <p>10. At the top of the steps go RIGHT up one set of steps and LEFT before the next set of steps to enter the quad.</p> <p>11. Continue straight ahead on the path on the left of the quad. Pass between the library and Platner Hall. <u>Restrooms in library.</u></p> <p>12. Continue straight ahead to the third set of steps. LEFT down steps.</p> <p>13. RIGHT at the bottom of steps. LEFT at the street. <u>Across the street is the chapel and performance center.</u> LEFT at the next sidewalk, heading back toward the library.</p>	<p>21. At Washington & Park St cross Park and enter Central Park. Cross the park diagonally to the corner of Friends Av & Bailey St. <u>Restrooms at park. Stop to visit the statue of Whittier, a civic leader, author and poet.</u></p> <p>22. Cross Bailey St and go RIGHT on Bailey.</p> <p>23. At the end of Bailey is Whittier High School. <u>This all-American school was used in the filming of Back to the Future 2. (8.1K)</u></p> <p>24. LEFT at the school on Whittier Ave.</p> <p>25. RIGHT on Philadelphia St.</p> <p>26. At Gregory Ave turn RIGHT on to the paved multi-use trail (8.6K). At Bailey the trail continues kitty corner. Continue on trail past several more streets back to Palm Park and your car. (10.3K)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For more walk routes visit www.cva4u.org</p>

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The numbers in circles correspond to the numbers on the directions sheet



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