

Cultures of Lancaster City Urban Hike

Welcome to the Cultures of Lancaster Urban Hike, a walking tour of 14 international restaurants and stores in downtown Lancaster, Pa. This hike is a low-tech adaptation of a multi-stage puzzle geocache. You do not need a GPS unit to participate. (If you have a recreational GPS unit and would like to use it, please refer to www.KidsAndCultures.com and click on Geocache.)

You'll discover a wealth of cultures, from Greek to South American, Italian to Korean, British to Japanese, Mediterranean to Caribbean, and lots of places in between.

The entire hike is designed to take about an hour to 75 minutes, although please allow time to stop in, meet the owners, and buy something! You do not need to enter any buildings to find the clues, so you can do this at any time. If you choose to drive, please note that there are many one-way streets and parking meters. Please note the parking meter hours (and take some quarters in case you need them).

Considering taking children along on this tour! This cache is sponsored by Kids and Cultures, an educational company that introduces children to world cultures, promoting awareness, understanding, and responsible action as world citizens. Find out more at www.KidsAndCultures.com.

Unfortunately some of the smaller establishments have a high rate of turnover. Please let us know if any of the places have gone out of business or changed their signs.

And now, to get started....

Fill in the answers to each of the 14 questions (you'll need them to claim your find).

1. Start at the intersection of North Queen and Lemon Streets in Lancaster City. Walk past the golden shears, and just beyond the safe store. What are the numbers in the street address? _____
2. Continue walking in the same direction. Count five parking meter pairs. Look across the street (and cross at the crosswalk) for your next destination. What is the phone number? _____ - _____
3. From the sidewalk in front the restaurant, you can see a blue and gold historical marker. Walk past it. What is the name of the restaurant with two trash cans in front? _____
4. Continue walking in the same direction and on the same side of the street for about a block and a half (there may be construction). After you cross over a fruit-named street, stop at the fifth set of doors. What are the numbers in the street address? _____
5. Continue walking in the same direction. Stop just before you get to the street named after a president. What are the two digits on the orange sign? _____
6. Turn onto the alley named after a president. At the second stop sign, cross the street and walk in the direction of the one-way sign of the street you crossed. Walk to the fifth lamp post (caution: one is a different style than the others). What is the name of this restaurant? _____

7. Continue walking in the same direction. Follow the brick sidewalk around the corner and stop just before the UPS drop box. What are the numbers in the street address? _____
8. Go back to the brick corner, and continue straight across the intersection towards the newspaper racks. Stop beneath the canopy with the bereted artist and look for a public house. What are the numbers in the street address? (You do not need to cross the street.) _____
9. Continue walking in the same direction. Cross five streets and alleys (do not count driveways). The next destination is just after the pizzeria. What are the numbers in the street address? _____
10. Continue walking in the same direction. Cross over one street and stop at the historical marker. What are the numbers in the street address? _____
11. Turn around and retrace your steps to the berry street. Turn left. Cross the citrus street and turn right onto the alley between childhood and the grave. Walk down the hill. When the alley runs out, cross the street and continue walking straight to the fire hydrant. What is the phone number? _____ - _____
12. From the front steps of this restaurant, turn right. At the intersection, cross twice to the one-hour shop. Your next destination is in this block, 20 sidewalk squares south, across from music. What are the numbers in the street address above the door? _____
13. Continue walking in the same direction. Turn left at the first one-way alley and follow the brick sidewalk. Just after the stop sign on your left, turn right. Hitch your horse at the eighth hitching post. What is the phone number of this cultural store? _____ - _____ - _____
14. Continue walking in the same direction and turn left following the cobblestone. The building on your left is the final destination. (Open Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, and features at least half a dozen international stands!) Look above the rest rooms. What year was this place built? _____

To return to where you started, look for the street opposite the rest rooms. Take that street four blocks north.

Congratulations!

To let us know that you've successfully completed the hike, send an e-mail to info@KidsAndCultures.com with the answers you wrote down for the 14 questions (the requested street addresses, phone numbers, and other details on the signs).

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