



The Ultimate Day in **SEATTLE**

You have just 24 hours to spend in Seattle. Where should you go? **Sally Farhat**, a Seattle native and editor of guidebook *Northwest Best Places*, gives you her tips. Whether you're an energetic tourist, a shopping nut or an adventurer, we've got an itinerary for you.

For the tourist who wants to see it all

Where to start? Seattle's most famous landmark of course. Head to the **Space Needle** first thing in the morning—the lines will still be fairly short. (It opens at 9 a.m.) For \$14, you'll get an elevator ride to the top of the 605-foot-tall building (built in 1962 for the World's Fair) and one of the best views of the city. On a clear day, see the University of Washington, Lake Union, downtown Seattle, Puget Sound and the Olympic and Cascade mountains. Once you've returned to the ground, take a stroll around **Seattle Center**—home to KeyArena, McCaw Hall and the Center House. The latter is great for

The University of Washington



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a quick falafel sandwich, cheeseburger or a thick slice of fudge. Take it outside and eat by the large fountain. For a little carnival fun, hop onto a roller coaster or one of the other rides at the Fun Forest, including the Wild River and the Orbiter.

The next stop on the must-see list

is the historic **Pike Place Market**. Start under

the glowing neon "Public Market" sign at the main fish stand next to Rachel, the beloved copper pig. Watch staff at Pike Place Fish fling large salmon and other Sound catches to customers yelling out their orders. Then sample fresh produce from local vendors, buy a handmade scarf or necklace



and peruse the many boutiques within the depths of the market. Make sure to stop for an espresso at **Starbucks**, Seattle's home grown coffee king that began as a bulk bean seller in Pike Place Market in 1971. With coffee in hand, stroll across the street to **Victor Steudle Park**. Have a seat on the grass, and watch ferries and sailboats cross Puget Sound.

And no tour of Seattle is complete without a visit to **Pioneer Square**, the city's oldest neighborhood with buildings that boast early 20th-century architecture. Take the **Underground Tour** to learn about Seattle's colorful and scandalous history, or rent an MP3 player from the **Pioneer Square Association** for a walking tour of the area.

Want to experience Seattle's nightlife? Check out hip **Ballroom** on First Avenue, home to brand-new nightclub **Venom** and dozens of upscale lounges and jazz acts. Listen to national jazz acts at **Dimitrie's Jazz Alley** near the Westin Hotel. And young hipsters should head to **Pioneer Square's** First Avenue, which is lined with bars, live-music joints and nightclubs.

For the shopper

Fashionistas, you're in luck. Seattle boasts trendy boutiques and upscale retailers within the downtown core.

In this town, you can't do much the department stores. This is, after all, home of **Nordstrom**, the retailer that began here as a family-owned shoe store in 1901. Its large flagship store now boasts stylish couture, hundreds

of shoes (of course) as well as a personalized shopping service, spa, café and restaurant. Need more floors of selections? Visit nearby **Macy's**, originally established in 1890 as The Bon Marché.

Connected to Nordstrom by a sky bridge, **Pacific Place** is home to Tiffany & Co., MaxMara, Coach, Pottery Barn, J. Crew, Chico's, Ann Taylor, Helly Hansen and numerous others. **Westlake Center** houses Jessica McClintock, Made in Washington (great for souvenirs) and shops including Crabtree & Evelyn. The mall also hosts restaurants including P.F. Chang's and a

First Seattle's version of Fifth Avenue in the Rainier Square area, home to Coach, Barneys of New York, Luly Yang and more.

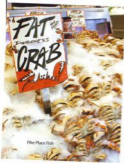
large food court on its top level.

For a West Coast version of New York's Fifth Avenue, check out the **Rainier Square** neighborhood. There, you'll find upscale purveyors of style like Louis Vuitton, Nancy Meyer Fine Linenry, Coach, Escada, local couture designer Luly Yang and a host of other high-end boutiques.

For the art connoisseur, visit some of the dozens of galleries in Pioneer Square. The shops carry artworks ranging from Native American sculpture and Victorian antiques to paintings and photographs by local and international artists. The neighborhood also houses numerous shops



TOP TO BOTTOM: COUTURE FROM LULY YANG, A PURSE FROM COACH, FRENCH GOODS FROM WATSON KENNEDY FINE HOME



Pike Place Fish