AN EXPLORER’S GUIDE TO HOUSTON

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The Red Line stretches almost 13 miles north and south across the city, connecting the Northside, downtown, midtown, the Museum District, the Texas Medical Center and NRG Park (formerly Reliant Park). Along the way, you’ll find these destinations and hundreds of mom-and-pop businesses.

**NORTHLINE COMMONS**
This open-air village features more than 50 stores, restaurants and service providers in the heart of Houston’s vibrant Northside community.

**HOUSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE - NORTHEAST**
See more than 10,000 students improving their lives on the five campuses of HCC’s Northeast Houston location.

**CANINO PRODUCE COMPANY**
Fresh fruits and vegetables fill the inside and taco trucks idle outside of one of Houston’s original farmers markets.

**MONTIE BEACH PARK**
This Northside park features a hike-and-bike trail, tennis courts, sports field and a full-service community center that hosts a number of fun programs.
MOODY PARK
This historic park in Houston’s Near Northside features open spaces, a community center, sports facilities and artwork, all under the watchful eye of Luis Jimenez’s *El Vaquero*.

CARNEGIE NEIGHBORHOOD LIBRARY
Explore a world of books, movies, events and activities in one of the first Houston Public Library branches in the city.

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON - DOWNTOWN
Nearly 14,000 students attend classes in five colleges here at one of the most ethnically diverse liberal arts institutions in the southwest.
MARKET SQUARE
Houston's original city center, this historic area is rich with restaurants, clubs and special events. It's also the launching point for several tours along Buffalo Bayou.

THEATER DISTRICT
See Houston's renowned theater, opera, ballet and symphony companies perform, or grab dinner and a movie at Bayou Place.

TRANQUILLITY PARK
Cool down among the futuristic waterfalls and walkways of the downtown park that commemorates man's landing on the moon.

TOYOTA CENTER
Catch a Rockets game or a full schedule of concerts and events in this 19,000-seat arena.
CENTRAL LIBRARY
Relax with a good book in the Jesse Jones and Julia Ideson buildings. And don’t forget to ask each librarian about the Dewey Decimal System. They love that.

HERITAGE SOCIETY
The museum gallery and historic houses of the Heritage Society and Sam Houston Park provide an in-depth look into Houston’s rich history.

HOUSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE - CENTRAL
Seven state-recognized career and technology programs, including award-winning fashion design and fine arts programs, make up HCC’s Central Campus.
**MUSEUM DISTRICT**
Explore art, photography, nature and wildlife at 19 museums, all within a three-mile radius of the station.

**HERMANN PARK**
Enjoy the Houston Zoo, Miller Outdoor Theater, the Museum of Natural Science, a historic golf course, McGovern Lake and the classic Hermann Park Railroad.

**RICE UNIVERSITY**
Tree-lined streets and 295 wooded acres inspire students at this Tier One private research university.
**RICE VILLAGE**
An eclectic mix of more than 300 stores, boutiques, restaurants and coffee shops gives this 16-block shopping area its unique appeal.

**TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER**
The largest medical center in the world boasts 54 medicine-related facilities, including 21 hospitals. See if you can spot all 12,000 volunteers working here.

**NRG PARK (FORMERLY RELIANT PARK)**
Catch a Texans game, the world’s largest rodeo, hundreds of exhibitions and events, or simply ponder what should become of the famed Astrodome.
The 3.3-mile Green Line connects downtown and the city’s historic East End. Transfers at the EaDo/Stadium and the Central Station stops on Main open up the rest of the city. Along the way, you’ll find scores of local businesses.

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**MINUTE MAID PARK**
Catch a game or a tour at the Houston Astros’ ballpark. They’re always happy to have your support.
GEORGE R. BROWN CONVENTION CENTER
Seven exhibition halls, 100 meeting rooms and 2 million square feet help make the GRB one of the 10 largest convention centers in the country.

TOYOTA CENTER
Join the sea of red for a Rockets game or catch one of hundreds of concerts and events in this 19,000-seat arena.

BBVA COMPASS STADIUM
Enjoy great soccer and concerts, and find out how you really feel about the color orange at the home of the Houston Dynamo.

HOUSTON B-CYCLE
If you want to get around town on your own power for a while, grab a bike from one of dozens of B-Cycle bike-sharing stations around town.

DISCOVERY GREEN
Kayak, do yoga, take in a concert or visit the Houston Public Library Express in this 12-acre green space in the heart of downtown.
**EASTWOOD PARK**
This 10.8-acre gem of a park features a baseball field, swimming pool, tennis courts, jogging trail and picnic tables, for when you’re tired of all that activity.

**BOX 13 ARTSPACE**
Discover emerging and established Houston artists as they display and present work and performances you won’t see anywhere else in town.

**STANAKER NEIGHBORHOOD LIBRARY**
Bright colors, recycled Coke bottle computer chairs and great events welcome you into this recently renovated branch of the Houston Public Library.

**FLORES NEIGHBORHOOD LIBRARY**
Culture, information and art by local artists all come together in this community-focused branch of the Houston Public Library.
The Purple Line travels 6.6 miles between downtown and Southeast Houston. It passes through one of Houston’s oldest African American communities. Riders can connect to other lines downtown and to scores of local mom-and-pop businesses.

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**EMANCIPATION PARK AND COMMUNITY CENTER**

Enjoy the tennis courts, basketball courts, sports fields, swimming pool and community center, but don’t miss the rich history that defines this Houston park.

**PROJECT ROW HOUSES**

This unique community of renovated shotgun houses celebrates African American art, history, culture and determination.

**SMITH NEIGHBORHOOD LIBRARY**

Computer classes, craft workshops and video gaming make this Third Ward branch of the Houston Public Library a popular stop.

**UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON**

Explore the flagship institution of the University of Houston System, the state’s third-largest university and one of only three Tier One public research universities in Texas.
This beautiful 83-acre park spreads out along Brays Bayou and includes picnic areas, sports facilities and a recently unveiled statue of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

**THE ORANGE SHOW MONUMENT**

This hand-built, hand-painted folk art environment is one man’s life’s work. Wagon wheels, tractor seats and found objects make this one of the most unique destinations in Houston.

**NEW METRO GOING PLACES**

**TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY**

One of the largest historically black universities in the country, TSU ranks fourth in the nation in doctoral and professional degrees conferred to African Americans.

**YOUNG NEIGHBORHOOD LIBRARY**

This branch of the Houston Public Library features craft workshops, movies, gaming and other fun learning activities.
There’s a whole world beyond these major destinations. Now it’s time for you to find where light rail can take you. Discover a new favorite taco stand. Walk the bayou trails. Or just sit back and enjoy the tour. This is your light rail. Go have some fun.