

The Encinitas Historical Society Historical Walking Tour

The Encinitas Historical Society offers free, guided and fun educational tours on the 3rd Saturday of every month! The tour is along varied walking paths concentrating on either the north end of historic Coast Highway or the south end. This alternating of the route ensures the distance is covered in a slow, leisurely, and personal fashion – all while imagining the Encinitas of yesteryear.

Commencing at the 1883 Schoolhouse at 390 West F Street, the tour covers the history of many places along 2nd street and Coast Highway 101. The tour may include Cottonwood Creek pathway, a historical landmark so important, it's the reason Encinitas is here today.

Or, take your own self-guided, mini walking tour using this map and QR Codes to guide you, but be sure to purchase the Historic Walking Tour guide at the Encinitas Historical Society to learn more about each map point.

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"Encinitas Child"—Sculpture created by local artist Manuelita Brown. This welcome sign for visitors was commissioned by the Encinitas 101 Mainstreet Association to celebrate their 20th anniversary.

Rupe Building (Now Herb & Sea)—Built in 1928. In the 1930s, it was home to the Coast Dispatch. During WWII it was an ammunition depot. In the 1950s, it housed both the local library and the Sheriff's sub-station.

San Dieguito American Legion Post 416—Built in 1931 on the original site by WWI veterans.

Petrie House—Built in 1931 by Mr. Petrie, who created a brick mold and cast each cement block one by one. The design is in the Tudor-Cotswold Revival style. In the chimney, Mr. Petrie spelled out "1931" with colored pebbles.

Side Trip—[1 Mile North]—**Encinitas Train Station** (Now Pannikin Coffee & Tea)—Built in 1887/88 near the Derby House and closed in 1969. In 1970, it was moved to Leucadia, and later transformed into a very popular community establishment.

The Village Rendezvous/Daley Double Saloon

The Derby House

Lumberyard Shopping Center— Built in 1982, it was the original site of the Encinitas Lumberyard Company, where the trains could drop off loads of lumber. It was also the location of our first Encinitas Mid-Winter Flower Festival, which started in 1924.

The Self Realization Fellowship Lotus Tower

Encinitas Visitor Center
535 Encinitas Blvd, Suite 116
Encinitas, CA 92024
(1/4 mile West on Encinitas Blvd)

Pacific View Arts Center

The Surfing Madonna Mosaic

La Paloma Theater

The ENCINITAS Sign

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The Moonlight Beach Dance Parlor

The 2nd Heritage Tree

1883 Schoolhouse

The Encinitas Boathouses

Noonan's Point/SRF Gardens

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