



st. louis

# destination summary



Downtown St. Louis



America's Center Ballroom

## Why choose St. Louis for your next meeting or convention?

- 1 Convenient and centrally-located – it's easy to get here and get around
- 2 America's Center® convention complex – large, accommodating, and located in the heart of downtown
- 3 A bigger, better and more convenient lodging package
- 4 A multitude of restaurants to suit everyone's taste
- 5 An abundance of family-friendly attractions and unique cultural venues
- 6 Great live music and entertainment options surrounding America's Center and throughout St. Louis' neighborhoods

## Convention Center

The newly renovated America's Center can accommodate meetings of any size.

- 1.2 million square feet of total space
- 502,000 square feet of contiguous exhibit space in six halls
- More than 80 flexible meeting rooms
- 28,000 square foot ballroom
- 1,400-seat Ferrara Theatre
- 67,000-seat Edward Jones Dome
- Executive Conference Center accommodates up to 100 people

## Hotels

A multi-million dollar building boom has resulted in a host of new and renewed properties.

- Nearly 8,000 downtown hotel rooms
- More than 38,000 rooms available area-wide
- New and newly renovated properties including Four Seasons, HotelLumière, Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark, Hyatt Regency St. Louis at The Arch, St. Louis Union Station Hotel, a Doubletree by Hilton, Drury Inn & Suites Forest Park, Crowne Plaza Clayton and Moonrise Hotel
- Renaissance St. Louis Grand & Suites headquarters hotel and Embassy Suites adjacent to America's Center
- More than 20 hotels each offering at least 10,000 square feet of meeting space

## Unique Venues

Looking for an unusual place to host an event? You've come to the right place.

- Explore the unexpected at City Museum
- Host a "Zoofari" at the renowned Saint Louis Zoo
- Enjoy the ultimate garden party at Missouri Botanical Garden or the Butterfly House
- Have an over-the-moon party at the Saint Louis Science Center
- Take your group above it all with a ride to the top of the Gateway Arch or take a riverboat down the Mississippi
- Have a real "casino night" at one of six area gaming facilities
- Get your motors running at the Kemp Auto Museum or the Museum of Transportation



Westport Plaza



360 Rooftop Bar



City Museum

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## Attractions

St. Louis offers so many unique attractions, historic sites, charming neighborhoods and entertainment options, that no matter what your meeting and convention attendees are interested in, they can definitely find it here. From museums that celebrate art and culture to those that concentrate on the unusual, St. Louis moves to the beat of many different drummers. Enjoy thrill rides and water parks one day, and catch a Cardinals, Rams or Blues game the next. Discover the world of birds and other gentle creatures or explore the region's historic past – either way, you're sure to find something exciting. Visit [www.explorestlouis.com](http://www.explorestlouis.com) for a complete list of area attractions and events.

## Nightlife

There's always something going on after dark around here.

- **Washington Avenue** – the rejuvenated downtown core adjacent to America's Center features clubs, restaurants, bars and shops
- **Lumière Place and Laclède's Landing** – home to a casino, clubs, restaurants and live entertainment on the riverfront
- **Soulard** – just 5 minutes south of downtown, St. Louis' oldest neighborhood features a variety of restaurants, friendly taverns and live music
- **Central West End and The Loop** – enjoy fine and casual dining, unique shops and live music clubs
- **Grand Center Arts and Entertainment District** – live theatre, concerts, touring Broadway productions, symphony performances, cabaret and jazz
- **Concert Venues** – Verizon Wireless Amphitheater, Touhill Performing Arts Center, Scottrade Center, Chaifetz Arena, Peabody Opera House, the Pageant
- **Westport Plaza** – nightclubs, restaurants, sports bars and shops located just 20 minutes west of downtown
- **The Grove** – a diverse group of locally owned and operated coffee shops, bookstores, galleries, pubs, nightclubs and restaurants welcoming the LGBT community and visitors of all types.

## Dining

Foodies will find plenty to keep them occupied – and satisfied – in St. Louis. From downtown to West St. Louis County and all points in between, no matter what direction you go, there's an abundance of tasty options. From authentic Asian fare in South Grand to traditional Italian specialties on The Hill, there are more than 1,000 one-of-a-kind restaurants in St. Louis. No wonder St. Louisans rave about local culinary delights like gooey butter cake, toasted ravioli, thin crust pizza and “concretes,” real custard milkshakes so thick you can turn them upside-down.

Maplewood



## Neighborhoods

To get a feel for St. Louis, experience its neighborhoods as each offers its own unique comforts and traditions.

- **Carondelet** – Features an array of eclectic shops, restaurants and entertainment offerings with easy access and amazing vistas of the Mississippi
- **Cherokee Antique Row & Cherokee Street** – An interesting conglomerate of rare antiques and collectibles, authentic Mexican restaurants, independent businesses and artists
- **Clayton** – Home to office buildings, upscale restaurants, high-end condos and art galleries
- **South Grand/Tower Grove Park** – Historic park area featuring international restaurants and shopping
- **The Hill** – An array of authentic Italian restaurants, bakeries, grocery stores and cozy pubs
- **Kirkwood** – “The Queen of the Suburbs” offers small town ambiance, boutiques and restaurants
- **Lafayette Square** – An assortment of historic Victorian homes, hip restaurants and bars
- **Maplewood** – Charming main street atmosphere with stores, restaurants and live entertainment
- **The Ville** – St. Louis' most historically significant African-American neighborhood
- **Webster Groves** – Beautiful suburb featuring lovely homes, one-of-a-kind stores and restaurants

## Getting Here, Getting Around

Located at the intersection of four major interstates (I-55, 64, 70 and 44), St. Louis is easily accessible. Lambert-St. Louis International Airport services the following carriers:

<i>Air Canada</i>	<i>Delta</i>
<i>Air Choice One</i>	<i>Frontier</i>
<i>AirTran</i>	<i>Southwest</i>
<i>Alaska Airlines</i>	<i>United</i>
<i>American Airlines</i>	<i>US Airways</i>
<i>Cape Air</i>	

The MetroLink light rail system is accessible via both Terminals 1 and 2, and features stops at convenient locations, including: America's Center convention complex and throughout downtown St. Louis, the Central West End, Forest Park, The Loop, Clayton, Richmond Heights and many more.

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