12th Street to A-B Brewery Neighborhood on the Ten Toe Express

TOTAL WALK DISTANCE: 1-2 miles
A walk on 12th Street near the Anheuser-Busch Brewery showcases imaginatively restored buildings in the historic Soulard neighborhood. This area was once home to several breweries because the caves under your feet would keep beer cold in the days before refrigeration.

Directions:

• Take MetroLink to Civic Center, then transfer to Metrobus #30 southbound. Exit the bus on Arsenal south of I-55. (If you do not know where the stop is, ask your driver to please tell you and to point out your return stop.)
• Walk north on 13th St alongside the brewery, watching for Clydesdales behind the fence on your right.
• Bear right on 12th St to Lynch St. The walkway to the Tour Center is on your right. The Mad Art Gallery, a former police station, is on your left.

Brewery tours are free; however, a large group should make a reservation. Allow 1 hour 15 minutes for a complete walking tour, with extra time to sample two beers. A short tour of the Clydesdale stables, with tasting, takes only about half an hour.

Info: 800-342-5283

• Walk north on 12th St to Victor. The unusual mansion on your right (stone lions guard the door) was once home to Max Feuerbacher, whose Green Tree Brewery was nearby. This completes .5 mile. Continue on 12th five blocks to Russell completing .9 mile. McGurk’s Pub is on your left. (In good weather, enjoy food and drink in the New Orleans-style courtyard.)

To Increase Your Steps:

• Walk one block west to 13th or east to 11th, then walk south to return to Lynch St.
• From Lynch St. keep the brewery on your left to return to Arsenal.

Decrease Your Steps:

• Take #40 Broadway south from Civic Center to Lynch & 12th. Re-board the bus on the other side of the street.
• Use MetroBus #73 between Civic Center and Lynch St. via 12th St.