

A Ten Toes Express Trip to the Gateway Arch-Mississippi River

TOTAL WALK DISTANCE: .75 - 3 miles

The Gateway Arch is known world-wide as the symbol of St Louis, commemorating the city's role as "Gateway to the West". It is part of the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial which includes the Museum of Westward Expansion underneath the Arch and the Old Courthouse at Broadway & Market (both museums are free). The original French settlement of St Louis originally occupied these grounds. Lovely river views in a park setting can be enjoyed year-round.

Directions to the Arch and Museums:

- Take MetroLink to Arch/Laclede's Landing. Exit the platform from the west end stairs or elevator to 2nd St. then turn left under the Eads Bridge.
- Cross Washington Ave. and bear right to the path alongside the parking lot. The path leads gently upward to the park grounds where tree-lined walkways take you to the north leg of the Arch .35 mile from Metro.
- Continue in front of the Arch to view the River, or to reach the south leg of the Arch, or to visit the "Old Cathedral" .65 mile from Metro.
- Turn right alongside Memorial Drive to reach Market St. and the Old Courthouse .8 mile from your starting place. (You may return to Metro from 8th & Pine Station.)

Directions to the Mississippi River:

- Exit MetroLink from the east end stairs and turn right under the Eads Bridge. Cross Washington Avenue and walk downhill. Turn right at Leonor K. Sullivan Blvd. where the statue "The Captains' Return" and a history marker honor Lewis & CLark.
- Walk alongside the Mississippi as far as the Poplar St. Bridge .8 mile from Metro.
- Continue south under the bridge to explore the Graffiti Wall.

To reach the Arch quickly:

• Climb the steps!





