

WALKING TOUR, HISTORIC DOWNTOWN YAKIMA

1. Naches Court Apts, ca. 1923, originally a single family home, the wings were added to convert it to apartments in the 1920s.
2. The Seasons (1st Church of Christ Scientist) 1918, built in Italian Renaissance style (like its Mother Church in Boston). A Performing Arts Center, renowned for its acoustics, the building retains all its original features.
3. Le Chateau *† (YWCA), 1934. Dedicated as YWCA in May 1935 to serve as a social center for women, it now houses businesses and can be rented for events.
4. First Baptist Church, 1908, built at a cost of \$15,000, now celebrating its Diamond Anniversary.
5. St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 1889, one of the oldest buildings in Yakima. Basalt for the structure was mined from Garretson's Grade.
6. Chestnut Manor (Fashion Stables/Monterrey Apts), ca. 1899. A stable for 19 horses & a livery stable, by 1910 the upper floor was apartments and by 1920 the lower floor was converted to apartments. Spanish Monterrey style, today it provides affordable housing.
7. JEM Building† (Great Western Bldg, Masonic Temple), 1911, 2nd Temple built in USA with a replica of Solomon's Temple. Temple is on fifth floor.
8. Grand Hotel (Commercial Hotel), ca. 1911. Initially advertised "200 modern rooms" at \$1.00/night. Restored with federal & state tax credits as apts for senior citizens.
9. George Wilson Bldg, 1902. Has housed a number of commercial businesses & currently houses a tuxedo shop.
10. Capitol Theater *† (Mercy Theater, Lowe's Theater), ca. 1920, Roman-Renaissance style, designed by Marcus Priteca. Murals & ceiling painted by Tony Heinsbergen. An important landmark, when gutted by fire in 1975, it was restored using original plans and the murals re-painted by Heinsbergen at age 83.
11. Federal Courthouse† (old US Post Office), ca. 1911. Re-named Justice William O. Douglas Bldg in 1980 in honor of the Supreme Court Justice.



- 23 Commercial Building, ca. 1910. Currently vacant, the vernacular building has housed a variety of businesses.
- 24 Schreiner Title Company, ca 1910. Vernacular building that has historically housed real estate businesses.
- 25 Thai Orchid Restaurant (Shaw Billiards in 1920s), ca. 1910.
- 26 S. O. Hawkes & Son (Guaranty Trust Co.), ca. 1910, Beaux Arts style. Housed a variety of businesses, and currently serves as an insurance office.
- 27 Larson Bldg, † ca. 1931. Art Deco style, it was built at a cost of \$750,000. On opening day, 10,000 people attended.
- 28. Sport's Center (Columbia Hotel) ca. 1900. 1st floor used for retail with housing on the second. Its iconic neon sign was installed in 1968.
- 29. Ross Bldg, 1930, built by building contractor Leo Ross in Art Deco style.
- 30. Commercial bldg, ca. 1930, a vernacular commercial building that today houses Perfect Fit Boutique and Sig's Office Machines.
- 31. Churchill's (Piston Service Inc.), ca. 1935. Has housed a variety of businesses.
- 32. Pacific Hotel, ca. 1907. Had retail on first floor and upper floors served as housing. Run by an Asian family (ca. 1920 – 1941). It will be rehabilitated in the next year.
- 33. Santiago's Restaurant (Coffin Bros) ca. 1909. Interior has many of the original features.
- 34. Vita Rug Gallery (Yakima Valley Bank), ca. 1923. Metal siding on front recently removed to show terra-cotta detailing. Interior still has many of the original bank's features, including marble floors.



Women's Century Club (#21 on the tour), once a private residence, is 100 years old and considered the finest Prairie Craftsman style structure in the Northwest. Interior features and furniture made at Boise Cascade Lumber Co.



The Capitol Theater is a cultural icon in Yakima, and dates to ca. 1920

- 35 Barrel House Restaurant, ca. 1915.
- 36 Rosa Apartments (Cascade Hotel) ca. 1910.
- 37 Savoy Hotel (Senator Hotel) ca. 1905, now boarded up, the hotel served train passengers.
- 38 Keg & Cork (City Hall) 1889. Construction began on the old City Hall in 1887.
- 39 Old Fire Station, 1889. Construction of the Fire Station took place at the same time the City Hall was being constructed.
- 40 Café Melange (Long Branch Building), ca. 1920. The building served as an office building and as the home of the Yakima Valley Distribution Company.
- 41 Gilbert Winery † (Lund Bldg), 1899, constructed of local basalt rocks. Originally a saloon, ca 1910, the building became the Chicago Clothing Company and was recently revived as a winery.
- 42 Union Pacific Freight Bldg *†, 1924. One of the buildings constructed when the Union Pacific's business had expanded dramatically from its beginning in 1911.
- 43 Union Pacific Passenger Bldg, 1909. The structure is the third depot built in North Yakima; the first dated to 1885. Today, it houses the Depot Restaurant; much of the remainder is open for viewing of the intact marble floors, high ceilings, and brass rails.

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