Overlooking Astoria

Situated near the mouth of the Columbia River, Astoria is named after legendary investor and America's first millionaire, John Jacob Astor. The tycoon's American Fur Company founded Fort Astoria in 1810, making the site not only the company's primary fur trading post in the Northwest, but also the first permanent American settlement west of the Rockies. Other historic figures and facts linked to Astoria include Lewis & Clark, who stayed near present-day Astoria during the winter of 1805-06, and how in 1847, the first post office west of the Rockies was established here. A look into the past is yours to enjoy as you stroll past some of the city's many restored Victorian homes and explore the revitalized 1920s era downtown. Of course, Astoria's natural beauty is as renowned as its history, with its "Little San Francisco" character set against the steep, wooded hillsides of a temperate rain forest.

Major Attractions

A. Columbia River Maritime Museum

- Displays one of the most extensive collections of nautical artifacts on the west coast.
- Hands on and interactive exhibits include a tugboat Wheeler and the National Historic Landmark, the Lightship Colombia.

B. Heritage Centre Museum

- The museum includes exhibits interpreting Clatsop County's history.
- The building contains over 10,000 cataloged historic photographs.

C. Flavel House Museum

- Built by George Flavel in 1885, a Columbia River bar pilot who was one of the area's first millionaires.
- The restored historic Queen Anne Style Victorian home offers a glimpse into life in Astoria at the turn of the century.

D. Astoria Column

- Built in 1926, standing at 125 feet (38 m), the tower overlooks the Colombia River on top of Coxcomb Hill.
- The column was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1974.

Restaurants:

5. Baked Alaska

Address: 1 12th Street

6. Silver Salmon Grille

Address: 1105 Commercial Street

7. Home Spirit

Address: 1585 Exchange Street

8. Wet Dog Cafe

Address: 144 11th Street

Note: Some of these sights are also featured in our Crystal Adventures Shore Excursions for Astoria.

Geography Information/ History

After the Pacific Fur Company failed, the Astoria Fort and the fur trade were sold to the British in 1813. By 1818 the area was restored to the US however the fur trade stayed under British rule until the mid 1840's. With the increase of American Pioneers, Astoria soon grew as a port city, becoming the first US Port Office west of the Rocky Mountains in 1947. Unfortunately in 1883 and again in 1922, downtown Astoria was devastated by fire, partly due to most of the buildings being made of wood. However Astoria continued to grow and serve as a port of entry for over a century and remains the trading centre for the lower Colombian Basin. Today the city has become a hub for tourism, especially as a port of call for many cruise ships.

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Astoria

Astoria at a Glance

City Population: 10, 045

Highest Elevation: 600 feet or 180 meters

Language: English

Currency: US Dollar ($)

Docking Location: Crystal Symphony will be docking at Pier One in Astoria.

Distance to Town: Approximately 1.5 miles

Shuttle Service: Crystal Symphony will be operating a shuttle. Please check the daily *Reflections* for the shuttle schedule.

Taxis: Taxi's are available on the pier ashore.

Crystal Port Representative:

Tel: +1 (425) 329 - 1050

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Oregon, USA
Major Attractions
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B Heritage Center Museum
C Flavel House Museum
D Astoria Column
Shops
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2 Josephson's Smokehouse
3 Finn Ware
4 Riversea Gallery
Restaurants
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Tourist Information
Museum
Bank
Post Office
Scenic Viewpoint
Church
Riverfront Trolley Stop
Hiking trail
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To Washington State
Astoria-Megler Bridge
Cannery Pier
Maritime Memorial Park
Ship's Dock
VISITOR INFORMATION
Doughboy Monument
6th St Viewing Dock
Riverfront Trolley
14th St Pier
COLUMBIA RIVER MARITIME MUSEUM
Train Depot
Aquatic Center
Shuttle Stop
14th St River Park
HERITAGE CENTER MUSEUM
DOWNTOWN
FLAVEL HOUSE MUSEUM
Liberty Theater
City Hall
Fort Astoria
Peace Lutheran
First Presbyterian
St Mary Star of the Sea
Foard House
John Warren Field
To Upper Town Fire Fighters Museum, Children's Museum
Fred Lindstrom Park
Pioneer Cemetery
Astoria Column Park
Cathedral Tree Trail
ASTORIA COLUMN
Coxcomb Hill
Shively Park
Tapiola Park
To Seaside
Marine Dr
Bond St
Commercial St
Duane St
Exchange St
Franklin
Grand Ave
Harrison St
Irving Ave
Jerome Ave
Kensington St
Lexington St
Madison Ave
Niagara St
James St
Klaskanine Ave
Clatsop Ave
McCLure Ave
Auburn Ave
Nehalem Ave
Alameda Ave
Lexinton Ave
Altadena St
Chinook St
Pleasant Ave
Glasgow Ave
Florence Ave
Erie St
Bristol St
Denver Ave
Hammond
Tapiola Pk Loop
Waldorf Cir
Vista
Dawson Ct
Hyten Ct
South St
Miller Ln
Coxcomb Dr
Williamsport Rd
Pipeline Rd
Astor St
Hume Ave
Lincoln St
Bay St
W Marine Dr
Alameda Ave
Portway SSt
Floral St
W Grand Ave
Hull Ave
Taylor Ave
Rivington
Agate
Oregon
Ridge Dr
Dry Kiln Rd
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