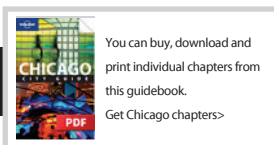


GETTING STARTED



So you've decided to visit the Windy City. Excellent choice. You'll be well entertained, given all the festivals and attractions. The top sights are conveniently plunked near downtown – and what's not in the center is easily accessible by public transportation (ie the El trains) – so you don't have to worry about having a car. And Chicago's prices won't break the bank, especially with a bit of advance planning. What are you waiting for? Let's go...

WHEN TO GO

Wicked weather slaps the city between November and March. It gets nastiest in January, with temperatures hovering around 24°F (-4°C) and blasting snow and wind added for emphasis. This is when everyone stays inside and drinks.

When the sun begins to shine again and warmth creeps through the skyscrapers, from April through October, everyone flings open their doors and makes a greedy dash for the outdoor festivals, ballparks, beaches and beer gardens. This is the best time to visit Chicago. It's no surprise that this is also the city's peak season, specifically June through August, when summer temperatures average 85°F (29°C).

FESTIVALS

Chicago stages an insane number of festivals, concerts and events. The moment the thermometer registers a single degree above freezing, you can count on some group lugging a stage and speakers to Grant Park to celebrate the good news. Between March and September alone, the city throws 200 free day-or weekend-long shindigs.

Grant Park hosts most of the outdoor biggies, like Blues Fest, Jazz Fest and Taste of Chicago. Many of the major parades take place nearby along S Columbus Dr. We've highlighted some of our favorite events here, but this is by no means a comprehensive list. For the whole enchilada, check with the [Mayor's Office of Special Events](#) (☎ live 312-744-3315, recorded 312-744-3370; [www.cityofchicago.org/specialevents](#)). Another good resource is [www.chicagofests.com](#). The Arts (p192) and Nightlife (p182) chapters contain further information on music, theater, dance, film and literary festivals.

January & February

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

☎ 877-244-2246

The city hosts events and exhibits from north to south and everywhere in between

to celebrate African American history throughout February.

CHICAGO AUTO SHOW

☎ 630-495-2282; [www.chicagoautoshow.com](#)
Detroit, Tokyo and Bavaria introduce their latest and finest vehicles to hordes of excited gear-heads in a huge, mid-February show at McCormick Place.

CHINESE NEW YEAR PARADE

☎ 312-225-0303
Loads of spectators line Wentworth Ave in Chinatown to watch dragons dance, fire-crackers burst and marching bands bang their gongs. The exact date varies according to the ancient Chinese calendar.

March

HELLENIC HERITAGE GREEK PARADE

☎ 773-775-4949; [www.chicagogreekparade.org](#)
Hellenic pride overtakes Greektown in this celebration and parade, held the last Sunday of the month. The action centers on Halsted St, from Randolph to Van Buren Sts.

POLAR PLUNGE

☎ 312-527-3743; [www.chicagopolarplunge.org](#)
Watch over 650 people experience extreme shrinkage as they jump into Lake Michigan from North Ave Beach. Held the first Sunday in March, the event is a fundraiser for the local Special Olympics.

ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

☎ 312-942-9188; [www.chicagostpatsparade.com](#)
It's a city institution: after the parade along S Columbus Dr, the local plumbers union dyes the Chicago River shamrock green (pouring in the secret, biodegradable coloring near the N Columbus Dr bridge). Then everyone drinks beer.

April

ANARCHIST FILM FESTIVAL

[home.comcast.net/~more_about_it](#)
Fight the power by checking out this two-day festival's works by and about anarchists. Topics might cover everything from revolution in Oaxaca, Mexico to national identity card usage in the UK. Screenings usually occur during a late-month weekend; check the website for locations.

ART CHICAGO

☎ 312-587-3300; [www.artchicago.com](#)
The Merchandise Mart gets all chi-chi for this late-month event showcasing contemporary and modern art. Featuring more than 3000 artists, it is a Very Big Deal in Chicago's art world. Several museums and galleries hold simultaneous events.

CHICAGO IMPROV FESTIVAL

☎ 773-935-9810; [www.chicagoimprovfestival.org](#)
You'll get some good yucks from the Improv Fest, which runs for a week in mid-to-late April at stages around the city.

GREEN APPLE FESTIVAL

[www.greenapplefestival.com](#)
This carbon-neutral event coincides with Earth Day and features musical performances at venues throughout town, including kid-friendly freebies at the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum and Lincoln Park Zoo.

SMELT SEASON

☎ 312-742-7529; [www.chicagoparkdistrict.com](#)
From April 1 to April 30, the wee fish known as smelt swarm into Chicago harbors to spawn. They're met by flocks of amateur anglers armed with nets and deep-fat fryers, who stake out piers up and down the lakefront.

May

BIKE THE DRIVE

☎ 312-427-3325, ext 251; [www.bikethedrive.org](#)
There's one day a year when you don't need to worry about cars knocking you off your bicycle. It's the Sunday before Memorial Day, when, starting at 5:30am, automobiles are banned from Lake Shore Dr and the road becomes a sea of

two-wheelers. Riding along the car-free lakefront as the sun busts out from the horizon is a thrill. It costs \$40 to participate; proceeds benefit the Chicagoland Bicycle Federation.

CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL & PARADE

☎ 773-843-9738

This annual bash celebrating the Mexican army routing the French in 1862 draws more than 350,000 people to Pilsen with food, music and rides on the first Saturday in May. The colorful parade begins at the intersection of Cermak Rd and Damen Ave, and proceeds to Douglas Park where the festival lets loose.

GREAT CHICAGO PLACES & SPACES FESTIVAL

☎ 312-744-3370; [www.greatchicagoplaces.us](#)
This festival includes boat, bike and walking tours of Chicago's major architectural treasures – including peeks into many spaces that aren't regularly open to the public. It's held on the third weekend in May.

LOOPTOPIA

☎ 312-782-9160; [www.looptopia.com](#)
Looptopia is a newcomer to the fest scene (it started in 2007), offering an all-night bash on a Friday in early May. More than 100 Loop stores, theaters, restaurants and bars stay open through the wee hours and provide special food, music and arts programming both indoors and out.

POLISH CONSTITUTION DAY PARADE

☎ 773-745-7799; [www.may3parade.org](#)
Accordion-fueled polka'ing and lots of kielbasa bring out Chicago's mighty Polish community (the world's second-largest after Warsaw). The event celebrates Europe's first democratic constitution, signed in 1791. It's held on the first Saturday in May on S Columbus Dr.

June

ANDERSONVILLE MIDSOMMARFEST

☎ 773-664-4682; [www.andersonville.org](#)
The Swedes in Andersonville gather round the maypole mid-month to sing, dance and eat lingonberries.

CHICAGO BLUES FESTIVAL

☎ 312-744-3370; www.chicagobluesfestival.us
It's the biggest free blues fest in the world, with four days of the music that made Chicago famous. More than 750,000 people unfurl blankets by the multiple stages that take over Grant Park in early June.

CHICAGO COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL

☎ 312-744-3370; www.chicagocountrymusicfestival.us
Grant Park fills up once again, this time with cowboy-boot-wearin' folks on the last weekend of the month. The music spans the gamut from slick new artists to old-school favorites like Loretta Lynn and Kenny Rogers.

CHICAGO GOSPEL FESTIVAL

☎ 312-744-3370; www.chicagogospelmusicfestival.us
Praise the lord and say hallelujah for the choirs singing their souls out on three stages in Grant Park; the fest usually takes place in early June.

GAY & LESBIAN PRIDE PARADE

☎ 773-348-8243; www.chicagopridecalendar.org
Colorful floats and risqué revelers pack Halsted St in Boys' Town on the last Sunday in June.

GRANT PARK MUSIC FESTIVAL

☎ 312-742-7638; www.grantparkmusicfestival.com
The top-notch Grant Park Orchestra plays free pop and classical concerts in Millennium Park's Pritzker Pavilion most Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from mid-June through mid-August.

PRINTERS ROW BOOK FAIR

☎ 312-222-3986; www.printersrowbookfair.org
This popular event, sponsored by the *Chicago Tribune*, features thousands of rare and not-so-rare books for sale, plus author readings. The browsable booths line the 500 to 700 blocks of S Dearborn St in early June.

PUERTO RICAN PARADE & FIESTAS PUERTORRIQUEÑAS

☎ 773-292-1414; www.pprparadechicago.com
Chicago's substantial Puerto Rican community takes to the streets downtown in

the middle of June for the parade along S Columbus Dr, followed by pork-filled eats at the festival in Humboldt Park.

SUMMERDANCE

☎ 312-742-4007; www.chicagosummerdance.org
Enjoy the music as free bands play rumba, samba and other world music preceded by fun dance lessons at the Spirit of Music Garden (601 S Michigan Ave) in Grant Park. Lessons start at 6pm Thursday to Saturday, and 4pm Sunday, from mid-June through August.

TASTE OF CHICAGO

☎ 312-744-3370; www.tasteofchicago.us
This 10-day food festival in Grant Park coincides with the Fourth of July fireworks bash. More than 70 local eateries serve some of the greasiest food you've ever tried to rub off your fingers. Bring your wallet, bring extra napkins and bring your patience for long lines and crowd-jostling. Live music also features on several stages.

July

CHICAGO FOLK & ROOTS FESTIVAL

☎ 773-728-6000; www.oldtownschool.org/festival
Mid-month, one of Chicago's coolest organizations – the Old Town School of Folk Music – throws this two-day party in northside Welles Park, featuring everything from alt-country to Zimbabwean vocalists.

CHICAGO OUTDOOR FILM FESTIVAL

☎ 312-744-3370; www.chicagoooutdoorfilmfestival.us
Running from mid-July to the end of August, this Grant Park festival is like a drive-in but without all the obnoxious cars. Screened on Tuesdays at sundown, the films are all classics, and are preceded by Chicago shorts. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs to where Monroe St meets Lake Shore Dr.

FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS

☎ 312-744-3370
The city pulls out all the stops for this spectacular concert, in which fireworks burst over Lake Michigan in a lengthy display while the Grant Park Orchestra plays a stirring rendition of Tchaikovsky's

1812 Overture. The festivities happen on July 3, the day before Independence Day. For the best view of the light show, try the embankment east of Randolph St and Lake Shore Dr.

PITCHFORK MUSIC FESTIVAL

☎ 312-744-3315; www.pitchforkmusicfestival.com
It's sort of Lollapalooza Jr, only for bespectacled indie-rock fans. Sonic Youth, the New Pornographers and other indie heroes shake up Union Park (1501 W Randolph St) on a typically sweltering weekend, Friday through Sunday, in mid-July.

VENETIAN NIGHT

☎ 312-744-3370
Yacht owners pimp their rides with lights and parade the glowing boats through Monroe Harbor to an 'ahh'ing' crowd. Fireworks follow. The event takes place late in the month.

August

AFRICAN FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

☎ 773-955-2787; www.africaninternationalhouse.org
Hip-hop music and ethnic eats bring crowds to Washington Park (5700 S Cottage Grove Dr) for this annual event, usually held over the Labor Day weekend.

BUD BILLIKEN PARADE

☎ 877-244-2246; www.budbillikenparade.com
Held on the second Saturday of the month, this huge parade (the USA's largest African-American one) features drill teams, dancers and floats; it runs along Martin Luther King Jr Dr, from 39th St to 51st St, and wraps up with a picnic in Washington Park afterwards.

CHICAGO AIR & WATER SHOW

☎ 312-744-3370; www.chicagogairandwatershow.us
On Saturday and Sunday afternoon, the third weekend in August, the latest military hardware buzzes the lakefront from Diversey Pkwy south to Oak St Beach, rattling all the buildings' windows in between. North Ave Beach is the best place for viewing.

CHICAGO JAZZ FEST

☎ 312-744-3370; www.chicagोजazzfestival.us
Chicago's longest-running music fest attracts top names on the national jazz

scene. Miles Davis, Dave Brubeck and Charlie Haden are among those who have topped the bill. It's always held over Labor Day weekend in Grant Park.

CHICAGO UNDERGROUND FILM FEST (CUFF)

www.cuff.org
Independent, experimental and documentary films from around the world screen at CUFF, the edgier, younger sibling of the Chicago International Film Festival (see p16). Venues include various small theaters and galleries; held over five days in later August.

ELVIS IS ALIVE 5K

☎ 773-305-3338; www.fleetfeetchicago.com/html/events_races_elvis.asp
Shimmy into your white jumpsuit, glue on the sideburns and energize with a peanut-butter-and-banana sandwich for this annual race through Lincoln Park, held the Saturday before Elvis' August 16th birthday. There's also a post run concert in the park.

LOLLAPALOOZA

☎ 888-512-7469; www.lollapalooza.com
Once upon a time, this mondo rock fest traveled city to city. Now its permanent home (at least through 2011) is here in Chicago. It's a raucous event, with 130 bands – including many big names – spilling off seven stages in Grant Park. It's usually held the first weekend in August.

Ticket prices vary, depending on how early you buy. In 2007 a limited batch went on sale in early March. These are the cheapest to obtain, since the band line-ups haven't been finalized and you're buying on spec. The next ticket round was in early April; you get a bit more information on who's playing at this point, so tickets cost a bit more. By show-time, a three-day pass costs about \$195; day passes are about \$75. While tickets did not sell out in '07, advance purchases can help you save significant bucks. Keep a close eye on the website for updates.

NORTH HALSTED STREET MARKET DAYS

☎ 773-883-0500; www.northalsted.com/market_days.php
More than 250,000 people, gay and straight alike, descend onto this neighborhood

street festival to check out crafty vendors and listen to live music; prepare to see some wild costumes and booths. It's held in early- to mid-August.

VIVA! CHICAGO LATIN MUSIC FESTIVAL

☎ 312-744-3370; www.vivachicago.us

The Latin Music fest, held during a late-month weekend in Grant Park, features *cumbias* (Columbian folk music), merengue, salsa and ranchero music delivered by some of the biggest names in the industry.

September

CELTIC FEST CHICAGO

☎ 312-744-3370; www.celticfestchicago.us
Bagpipers, storytellers and Celtic culture abound at this mid-month weekend festival. The 'Men in Kilts Leg Contest' on Saturday evening is a hairy good time.

DAY OF THE DEAD CELEBRATIONS

☎ 312-738-1503; www.nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org

The National Museum of Mexican Art in Pilsen puts on exciting Day of the Dead events running from late September to mid-December.

GERMAN-AMERICAN FESTIVAL

☎ 630-653-3018; www.germantday.com

This good-time Oktoberfest happens mid-month in the heart of the old German neighborhood at Lincoln Sq (4700 N Lincoln Ave). On Saturday of the weekend event, the Von Steuben Parade marches through (*Ferris Bueller's Day Off* fans will remember this as the parade Ferris joins for his float singing).

MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

☎ 773-328-8538

You'll see lots of cute kids dressed to the nines at this colorful and loud event, held in early September along Columbus Dr.

WINDY CITY WINE FESTIVAL

☎ 847-382-1480; www.windycitywinefestival.com

Vendors pour more than 250 global vinos in Daley Bicentennial Plaza – a cool \$25 gets you 10 tastings plus some free music acts. It's held the second weekend in September.

WORLD MUSIC FESTIVAL

☎ 312-742-1938; www.cityofchicago.org/worldmusic

Musicians and bands from around the world tote their bouzoukis, ouds and other exotic instruments to Chicago for a week's worth of performances late-month. Shows take place at venues throughout town, with the Chicago Cultural Center anchoring it all.

October

AROUND THE COYOTE ARTS FESTIVAL

☎ 773-342-6777; www.aroundthecoyote.org

A great introduction to the alternative world of the Wicker Park and Bucktown arts community, this series of gallery open houses and performances features hundreds of local artists in and around the Flat Iron Building at 1579 N Milwaukee Ave. It's typically held on the second weekend in October.

CHICAGO BOOK FESTIVAL

☎ 312-747-4999; www.chicagopubliclibraryfoundation.org

The Chicago Public Library organizes special readings, lectures and book events throughout the month at its citywide branches. Many festivities revolve around the 'One Book, One Chicago' program, where everyone – including Mayor Daley – reads the same book (past selections have included Elie Wiesel's *Night* and Jane Austen's *Pride & Prejudice*).

CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

☎ 312-683-0121; www.chicagofilmfestival.org

This is the city's main film event. It typically shows a few big-name flicks among the myriad not-so-big-name flicks, and brings a few big-name Hollywood stars to town to add a glamorous sheen to the proceedings. It's held during the first two weeks of the month at varying venues.

CHICAGOWEEN

☎ 312-744-3370

From mid-October through Halloween, the city transforms Daley Plaza into Pumpkin Plaza and sets up a Haunted Village for kids.

LASALLE BANK CHICAGO MARATHON

☎ 312-904-9800; www.chicagomarathon.com

More than 45,000 runners from all over the globe compete on the 26-mile course through the city's heart, cheered on by a million spectators. Held on a Sunday in October (when the weather can be pleasant or absolutely freezing), it's considered one of the world's top five marathons.

November

CHICAGO HUMANITIES FESTIVAL

☎ 312-661-1028; www.chfestival.org

Put on your thinking cap: for two weeks in early November, a citywide series of chint-stroking talks, panels, readings, performances, exhibits and screenings take place, all focusing on a single, academic topic (it was climate change in 2007, peace and war in 2006).

MAGNIFICENT MILE LIGHTS FESTIVAL

☎ 312-642-3570; www.themagnificentmile.com

The lighting of all 600,000 tree lights takes place mid-month, after which the little fellas continue to twinkle sweetly through January on Michigan Ave north of the river.

THANKSGIVING PARADE

☎ 312-781-5681; www.chicagofestivals.org

Around 400,000 shivering souls show up to see giant helium balloons, floats, marching bands, and local and national celebrities at the annual turkey day parade. The parade runs along State St from Congress to Randolph Sts.

TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

☎ 312-744-3370

The mayor flips the switch to light up Chicago's Christmas tree in Daley Plaza on Thanksgiving Day.

December

KWANZAA

☎ 312-744-2400

The increasingly popular African-American holiday adds new events and locations each year. It is celebrated from December 26 through January 1.

NEW YEAR'S EVE FIREWORKS AT BUCKINGHAM FOUNTAIN

☎ 312-744-3370

The city sets off a huge arsenal of fireworks at Chicago's famous fountain – it's an excellent (though chilly) way to ring in the New Year.

COSTS & MONEY

First the good news: it's possible to dine and drink very well in Chicago, without spending an arm and a leg. And thanks to the occasional (though increasingly rare) free days at local museums, coupled with the discounts offered in the *Chicago Guidebook of Special Values* coupon book (available at the Chicago Cultural Center Visitors Center; see p263), there's a good chance you'll be getting into most attractions without having to pay full price.

Now the bad news: your hotel room can cost an awful lot. The rack rates on rooms here are shocking. This is partially because of the 15.4% hotel tax levied by the city, which Chicago depends on to maintain its parks and public buildings. But the city is only partially to blame for the price tags on hotel and motel rooms. Business travelers are the other culprits. Because of the huge number of conventioners in Chicago at any given moment, hotel rooms are almost always at a premium. And unlike leisure travelers, the business travelers 1) have to come here whether they want to or not, and 2) get reimbursed for their lodging costs.

The high demand and looser purse strings of conventioners have put hotels and motels in a position where they can charge whatever

HOW MUCH?

Gallon of gas \$3.30

Liter of water \$1.50

Bottle of Old Style beer \$2.50-3

Souvenir T-shirt from the Hideout \$10

Italian beef sandwich \$5

El fare \$2

Green Mill martini \$7.50

Near North hotel room \$159 approx

Blues club cover charge \$15

Small bag of Garrett's caramel popcorn \$2.35

the market will bear. And with the city getting a substantial cut of the revenues, there's little incentive for anyone to bring down the prices.

Given the facts, there *are* things you can do to save money on lodgings in town. First and foremost, shop around as much as possible on the internet before committing to anything – sometimes the room price listed on a discount travel website can be \$100 lower than the price quoted by the hotel reservation agent (for tips on bidding for rooms, see the boxed text [p220](#)). Otherwise, start wooing those long-lost family members you have in Chicago. Aunt Bertha may be annoying, but her foldout couch is crucial to your wallet's plumpness. For additional lodging-related tips and tricks, see *Saving Strategies* ([p216](#)).

Once you conquer the accommodation issue, you're looking at a reasonably priced holiday in the Windy City. Those on dirt-cheap budgets can save further by eating at the choc-a-bloc hot dog and burger joints and *taquerias* (taco eateries). And you don't have to pay a dime for entertainment in summer, thanks to the free music and cultural festivals in Grant and Millennium parks.

INTERNET RESOURCES

Chicago Reader (www.chicagoreader.com) The website for the city's free alternative newspaper has comprehensive arts, eating and entertainment listings, plus thoughtful blogs on local politics, music and media by its staff writers.

Craigslist Chicago (www.chicago.craigslist.org) Looking for a kinky date? Job in accounting? Darth Vader guitar? This all-encompassing site has you covered.

Gapers' Block (www.gapersblock.com) Hip, playful reports on the latest news, cultural happenings and political shenanigans afoot in the Windy City.

Hot Rooms (www.hotrooms.com) Peruse this Chicago-centric hotel room consolidator to save a few bucks (if nothing else, you can take the prices you find here and try to beat 'em on Hotwire or Priceline).

LTH Forum (www.lthforum.com) Foodies, this one's for you: wide-ranging talk about the local restaurant scene from a dedicated community of food lovers. More chow-related sites are listed on [p162](#).

Metromix (www.metromix.com) *Chicago Tribune*-owned website with restaurant, bar, entertainment and gym reviews.

Vegchicago (www.vegchicago.com) Guide to local vegetarian and vegan restaurants and markets; it also lists monthly meet-ups where like-minded individuals can break bread together.

SUSTAINABLE CHICAGO

You can tread gently on the earth and still have a first-class visit to the Windy City. You're spoiled for choice if you wish to avoid flying here. Chicago is an Amtrak, Megabus and Greyhound hub, so take your pick of these lower-impact modes of travel (contact details are in the *Transportation* chapter, [p249](#)). Once in town, ditch the car. Public transportation goes to most visitor-oriented places; taking the train or bus not only cuts down on emissions, but allows you to avoid

the mega-hassle of trying to find parking (and paying the absurd price for it).

Heck, if you really want to do it right, buy a recycled two-wheeler from Working Bikes Cooperative ([p206](#)) for \$40 or so. The cost will be less than a daily bike rental, plus when you're finished, you can donate it back to the group.

Meat-loving Chicago doesn't overflow with organic eateries, but there are certainly enough to keep you from starving, plus several farmers' markets; see 'Straight from the Farm' ([p140](#)) for recommended options.

The city's lodgings do the usual by asking visitors to re-use towels and sheets, and some places serve organic coffee; few go beyond

these novel ideas. See [p217](#) for the green lodging lowdown.

Good resources to check for further ideas: **Chicago Sustainable Business Alliance** (www.sustainablechicago.biz) Lists local green businesses; note that it's a self-selected group – members pay to join.

A Fresh Squeeze (www.afreshsqueeze.com) Local e-newsletter that provides tips on how to live a greener life in Chicago; it covers shopping, eating and transportation issues, among others.

Green Maps (www.artic.edu/webspaces/greenmap/) Lists sustainability hotspots by neighborhood, from parks to organic restaurants, fair-trade shops to recycling centers; also lists bad boys like water pollutant sources.

ADVANCE PLANNING

It pays – literally – to do a bit of advance planning before arriving in the Windy City. First and foremost, book your lodging ahead of time. Not only will this help avoid unpleasant surprises like the International Screwdriver Association taking up every room in town, but you'll cut costs off the outrageous rack rates. See [p216](#) for detailed advice on saving strategies.

Shopaholics should sign up ahead of time for *Chicago Magazine's* e-newsletter that tells when and where special sales are taking place each week; instructions are on [p120](#).

While you can get half-price theater tickets on the day of performances from Hot Tix (www.hottix.org), popular shows often sell out. If you have your heart set on a particular performance, keep an eye on the Hot Tix website the week before your arrival and see if your show has a pattern of available tickets. If not, book ahead.

Lollapalooza fans can save money by buying tickets in advance; see [p15](#). Those coming for this music event or any other big summer fest should definitely secure lodging in advance.

You'll save more time than money by ordering your CTA train passes ([p253](#)) in advance, but didn't someone once say 'time is money'?

Finally, folks who enjoy DIY walking tours should download the several audio excursions the city has to offer. The MP3s cover everything from Loop architecture to blues sights; see [p261](#) for a list of what's on offer.

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