SCHERER PARK

A stroll through Scherer Park leads to the other side of the tracks, then to natural portions of the Los Angeles River, and through some of the most unique neighborhoods in the city.



DISTANCE 3.3 MILES

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Begin the walk at the western end of HERMAN SCHERER PARK, following the trail east with Long Beach Boulevard behind you. This well-used park has something for everyone, including a dog park, tennis courts, playground, and a terracing water feature. The County flood control channel along the northern edge of the park masks the adjacent neighborhood, making it look like an endless forest, which you can enter via a short pedestrian bridge. After your detour from Scherer Park, the path reaches Del Amo Boulevard and the 2 FAIRFIELD YMCA, which along with the local Boys and Girls Club and the NORTH DIVISION POLICE HEADQUARTERS creates a civic node for North Long Beach. During the Spring, a walk through the Bixby Country Manor neighborhood south of Scherer Park provides a visual delight of purple jacaranda trees flanking many streets. Walk north on Long Beach Boulevard to cross at Forty-Seventh Street to visit the rustic North Long Beach eatery 3 JOHNNY REBS, voted one of the best BBQs in Southern California. West of this commercial corridor, tucked between Virginia Country Club golf course and Union Pacific Railroad, is SLEEPY HOLLOW, a little-known neighborhood that evokes rural America with its eclectic architectural styles and thick canopy of trees. At the western tip of the neighborhood you can take a trail to the man-made wetlands @ DOMINGUEZ GAP. Walk north through the wetlands, a restored California native landscape that is home to butterflies, bitterns and blackbirds. Head back via Del Amo Boulevard, then south on Oregon Avenue. At the end of the street, go east onto Forty- Eighth Street past the former 1 WILL J. REID SCOUT CAMPGROUND. Continue onto Long Beach Boulevard, then head south under the railroad bridge to complete the loop.

