

ALAMITOS BEACH HOUSING

This stroll through one of Long Beach's densest residential neighborhoods include a number of local eateries and some of the finest examples of courtyard housing in Southern California.



DISTANCE 2.25 MILES

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Head north on Junipero Avenue from Broadway to pass **JAVA JUNCTION**, a staple of Long Beach coffee shops & take a right on **1 LOWENA DRIVE** to find a half dozen Chateau-style townhouse structures arranged along an L-shaped street. Go east on 3rd Street toward a cluster of Spanish-revival style cottages flanking a similar L-shaped pedestrian lane. Turn north into **2 CARROLL PARK**, a rich potpourri of vintage homes before reaching a narrow lane of duplexes toward the north-eastern edge of the neighborhood. Walk west, until heading south on Junipero to 3rd Street which passes a pair of Craftsman style homes designed by the noted Greene brothers. Turn right on 3rd Street and pass great examples of courtyard style apartment buildings including **CASA NIDO, THE ALVARADO, EL CORDOVA APARTMENTS/ROSE TOWERS** and **HENLEY COURT**. Between Cherry & Hermosa Avenues is the **3 ALAMITOS BEACH LIBRARY**, a quaint neighborhood institution. Head south on Falcon Avenue past local favorite **PIZZA PLACE** until going left on 1st Street. To the left is **4 EDISON PLACE**, an intimate lane of historic duplexes built as model homes of the future, wired for electricity and lighting as well as built-in appliances like stoves and refrigerators. Continue toward **THE BARCELONA**, a courtyard housing project reminiscent of El Cordova but with slightly different updates over the past century. Head South on Cherry Avenue, passing the more recent Spanish-Revival courtyard housing complex **PARK REGENCY**. Go northeast through **5 BIXBY PARK**, one of the oldest parks in Long Beach and host to everything from a historic band shell to the skateboarding plaza, a landmark of Southern California skate culture, until coming full-circle on this walk.

