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Seattle Guide: Mass Transit

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★[Google Map for Mass Transit](#)

Seattle offers an array of transit options which can be confusing to visitors. Many neighborhoods or areas are only accessible by bus, while many downtown locations offer more flexibility with how you get there. Seattle has a many options for transit including: bus, ferry, water taxi, light rail and streetcar. **To curb confusion about fares and transit rules and you plan to ride more than to/from the airport, consider purchasing an ORCA card.**

ORCA Card Locations

Use the credits on your ORCA card to access Seattle's array of travel options. The card will cost you \$5 initially, and can be loaded with credits to help you get around during your visit. ORCA cards are also available for purchase at the Sea-Tac airport as well as other locations throughout the city.

King Street Center: 201 S. Jackson St., Seattle, WA 98104

206 553-3000 https://www.orcacard.com/ERG-Seattle/p2_002.do?m=42&i=kb.addValue.topicId

Metro Bus

The King County Metro Bus system is a popular and affordable option for getting around the Seattle region. Use the Trip Planner link below to help you plan how to get around to local attractions while on your visit.

King Street Center: 201 S. Jackson St., Seattle, WA 98104

206 553-3000 <http://metro.kingcounty.gov/tops/bus/>

Sound Transit-Light Link Rail

The Light Link Rail runs Northbound and Southbound routes seven days a week and connects commuters from the Sea-Tac airport to Downtown Seattle/Westlake Station. The Seattle Westin Hotel is within quick walking distance from the Westlake Station and is an affordable option for transit from the airport. There are plans to expand this service to the Capitol Hill neighborhood by March of 2016.

Westlake Station: 4th Ave & Pine St., Seattle, WA

888-889-6368 <http://www.soundtransit.org/Rider-Guide/Link-light-rail>

Seattle Streetcar

The Seattle Streetcar is a fun way to experience the vibrant downtown core and leads to great culinary experiences, entertainment options and Lake Union's 12-acre waterfront park.

King Street Center: 201 S. Jackson St., Seattle, WA 98104

206 553-3000 <http://www.seattlestreetcar.org>

Washington State Ferries

Seattle has access to an excellent ferry system which enables visitors to catch a car ferry (car optional!) to Bainbridge Island and other locations from the Colman Dock in downtown Seattle. Ferries are an affordable and picturesque way to experience the natural beauty of the Puget Sound region. Be sure to check the WSDOT link below to find information about current ferry schedules, fares and other information.

Colman Dock: 801 Alaskan Way, Seattle, WA 98121

1-888- 298-5463 <http://www.wsdot.com/ferries/vesselwatch/terminaldetail.aspx?terminalid=7>

Water Taxi

The King County Water Taxi service connects to Vashon Island, Downtown Seattle and West Seattle. Consider taking the West Seattle Water Taxi from Pier 50 to West Seattle's Alki Beach Park.

Pier 50: 801 Alaskan Way, Seattle, WA 98121

206-296-0100 <http://www.kingcounty.gov/transportation/kcdot/WaterTaxi/WSeattle.aspx>

Amtrak

Arriving by train? Seattle's recently-renovated King Street Station is where you'll pull in. From King Street Station, just walk up the stairs and across the Weller Street Bridge to the International District station of the Downtown Transit Tunnel. Then board Link Light Rail or any northbound bus for Westlake station, which is across the street from the Westin.

King Street Station: 301 S. Jackson St., Seattle (or S. Weller St. & Fourth Ave. S.)

206-296-0100

http://www.amtrak.com/servlet/ContentServer?pagename=am/am2Station/Station_Page&code=SEA

Sounder Train

The Sounder Train connects Seattle to outlying communities in Everett, Washington and Lakewood, Washington.

King Street Station: 301 S. Jackson St., Seattle (or S. Weller St. & Fourth Ave. S.)

206-625-4500 <http://www.soundtransit.org/sounder>

Greyhound

Seattle's new, compact Greyhound bus station is located south of downtown, near the Safeco Field baseball stadium. If you arrive by bus, you are just a short walk from the Stadium station of Sound Transit's Link Light Rail that heads to the airport and to the Westin.

503 S. Royal Brougham Way., Seattle, WA 98134

206-624-0618 <http://www.greyhound.com>

Pronto Cycle Share

Eager to see Seattle by bike? Consider Pronto Cycle Share which enables you to rent a bike in many places around town, including the station right outside the hotel.

Many locations throughout town, access link below to find a station near you.

1-844-6PRONTO <https://www.prontocycleshare.com/>

Seattle Transit for Visitors

Need more information about getting around Seattle? Check out the Seattle for Visitors blog which has great information and practical tips.

<http://seattletransitblog.com/seattle-for-visitors/>