

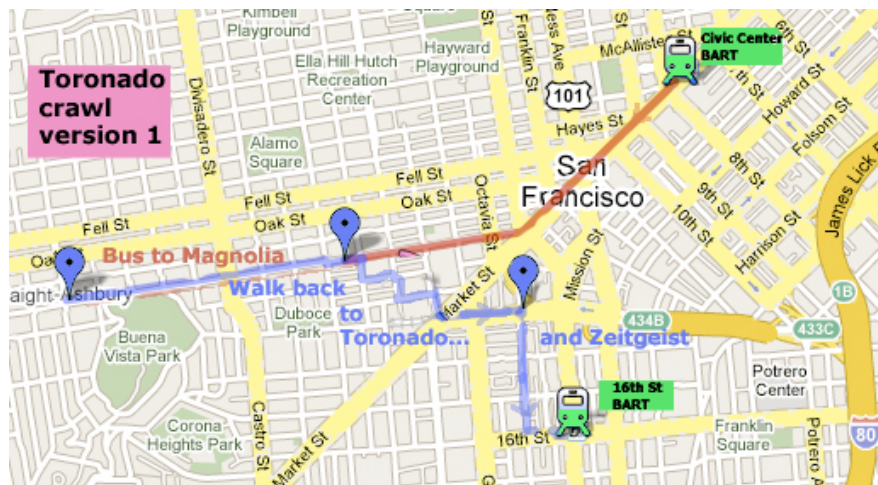


NHC 2009 Brewers' Pub Crawl Guide
 Beer without driving (or parking drama)
 from the 12th Street BART Station.
 A community service from **Beer by BART**

Overview: Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) provides an easy way to get to good beer until midnight. Happily the AHA chose a convention site that's steps away from the underground 12th Street BART station entrance at 11th Street. This set of custom crawls share that starting and end point. Look at BeerByBART.com to adapt or extend these crawls, with more beer destinations.

5. Magnolia Toronado downhill zig-zag: Swing by three very different San Francisco classics.

Enter BART at 11th and Broadway, across from the Marriott. Grab a train downstairs on the lowest platform, with a San Francisco destination, showing SFO, Daly City or Millbrae on the front of the train. Get off BART at Civic Center Station. Exit where 8th Street meets Market and Grove. You will catch a MUNI #6, #7 or #71 bus at the glass bus shelter on the island in front of the Orpheum theater. Busses take \$1.50 in coins or singles when you enter - exact change, flat rate good for any transfers for 90 minutes. You could also hail a cab here if you see one. Your bus goes up Market Street, then turns up Haight Street. Pass Toronado and continue to exit at the corner of Haight and Masonic.



Magnolia at 1398 Haight, is a beautiful and distinctive brewpub with "gastro pub" cuisine aspirations. During S.F. Beer Week they offer special strong and aged beers. Some of their beers are always offered on cask. Afterwards, walk 8 blocks downhill on Haight Street.

Toronado at 547 Haight Street is simply a beer mecca. Most evenings it is loud, crowded and happy, with about 40 taps of destination beer. You can carry food in; sausages are the traditional choice.

Add-on destination: Zeitgeist, at 199 Valencia at Duboce is an only-in-San Francisco treat, with good beer and outdoor bar-b-que and a high-energy urban bike messenger ambiance in the City's largest beer garden. You can continue down Valencia afterwards, turn left on 16th Street, and get back onto BART. You want a Richmond or Pittsburg/Baypoint bound train to 12th St. Oakland. (You could also backtrack by bus or cab to Civic Center BART.)

BART basics:

- Think "closes at midnight." The last train on each line actually gets to 12th Street at 12:30 or after. (A cab from SF costs about \$40.)
- If you want to plan it to the minute look at the posted schedule at your departure station or see www.bart.gov/schedules/
- Find links to transit info, to maps, and to the pubs' websites (often offering their current lists of beers on tap), at BeerByBART.com.
- One ticket per passenger from a vending machine in the station. (Takes credit cards, bills, coins.)
- Use it twice each leg, to get in and out. The fare gates deduct from your initial purchase.
- The shortest BART hops and the minimum ticket value to enter are both now just \$1.50 (Fare increase expected at some point.)
- If your ticket is underpaid when you want to exit, first pay up at an "AddFare" machine.