

Neighborhood Guide: Uptown Charlotte

If you want to live right in the heart of the city than the Uptown neighborhood is where it's at! T-N-T Moving is very familiar with and fond of Uptown Charlotte- it's where the Carolina Panther's play! There's nothing like living in the urban center. If you're new to Charlotte, here are

some highlights:

Entertainment

Spectrum Center. 333 E Trade St. 704-688-9000. http://www.spectrumcentercharlotte.com/

This is where to find the hottest acts in town. Charlotte has been privileged to host great entertainers like Madonna, Chance the Rapper, Justin Timberlake and U2, to just name a few. There is always something going on. The Spectrum Center is also home of the Charlotte Hornets.

Bank of America Stadium. 800 South Mint St. www.panthers.com/stadium/index.

Home of Carolina Panthers. Enough said! This is the place to go to watch the best game in town!

The Belk Theater at Blumenthal Performing Arts Center. 130 N Tryon St. 704-372-1000. <u>https://www.blumenthalarts.org/visiting/blumenthal-performing-arts-center/belk-theater</u>

The Belk Theater hosts several Broadway plays every year as well as stand up comics, the Charlotte symphony and speakers. It is a great venue for all types of shows and cultural events.

AvidXchange Music Factory. 1000 NC Music Factory Blvd. 704-987-0612. <u>http://avidxchangemusicfactory.com/</u>

This is a great venue to see live music and get your drink on. You will find the Fillmore here, which is an intimate indoor music venue that features well-known acts like Willie Nelson, Band of Horses and The Nationals, to name a few. And there is also an outdoor amphitheater that hosts various acts in warmer weather. Bars like Butter, Wet Willies and the Charlotte Comedy Zone are great places for dining and entertainment.

Parks and Museums

Fraizer Park. 1201 West 4th St Ext. 704-432-4280.

This is one of Uptown's great park. It has basketball courts, walking trails, a community garden, playground and a fenced in dog park.

Marshall Park. 800 E. Third St. 704-432-4280.

Marshall Park has a small amphitheater on a tiered grassy slope, a beautiful view of the Charlotte skyline, and a small lake surrounded by a walking path. It's a great place for a work day break.

Discovery Place. 301 N. Tryon St. 704-372-6261. www.discoveryplace.org.

This Charlotte's premier Family Fun Science Museum. There is an IMAX theater as well as education programs. Discovery Place hosts different exhibits throughout the year and sponsors summer camps for kids of all ages.

Bechtler Museum of Modern Art. 420 S Tryon St. 704-353-9200. www.bechtler.org.

The Bechtler Museum of Modern Art has an amazing collection of modern art including works by Joan Miro, Jean Tinguely and Barbara Hepworth. It also has a theater for hosting various events.

Restaurants and Bars

RiRa's. 208 N Tryon St. 704-333-5554. www.rira.com/charlotte.

A little taste of Ireland. RiRa has been one of Uptown's premier pubs. They only serve up lunch and dinner and their shepherd's pie and sandwiches are great. Local bands and DJs play music almost every weekend. It is one of Creative Loafing's Best Bars in Uptown.

Dandelion Market. 118 W 5th St. 704-333-7989. <u>http://www.dandelionmarketcharlotte.com/</u>.

Dandelion Market is one that is essential to city life. Their focus is friends, family, and food; the essentials. It reminds their customers of simpler times, but has transitioned into a cultural landmark of Uptown. With their amazing menu including everything from a falafel to their market mac and cheese, to BBQ short ribs, you will not be disappointed.

The Capital Grille. 201 N Tryon St. 704-348-1400. www.thecapitalgrille.com.

This national restaurant serves gourmet food in the heart of Charlotte. Enjoy classic steakhouse fare or get more creative with their citrus-glazed salmon. Open for lunch and dinner.

5Church Restaurant. 127 N Tryon St. Ste 8, Corner of 5th and Church St. 704-919- 1322. http://5churchcharlotte.com/

5Church is excellent restaurant with creative food and a trendy atmosphere. Local art adds to the fashionable vibe, but the food is the real star. Try their braised beef short ribs or the decadent Duck Leg Confit.

Neighborhoods

First Ward. Where edgy urban condos and apartments meet beautiful townhomes and craftsman style houses. Easy access to the growing vibrant cultural, arts and entertainment amenities. First Ward is bordered by E. Trade Street, Tryon Street business and entertainment district, and I-277 urban loop highway. It has the beautiful gardens and parks that anchor this mixed income community of more than 1,000 residents.

Second Ward.

Second Ward is located in the southeast quadrant of uptown, bordered by E. Trade Street, the Tryon Street business and entertainment district and the I-277 urban highway loop. Second Ward is made up of elite condominium mid-rises, The Green, (an enchanting park that brings out the kid in everyone), and has future plans for towers at the EpiCenter and The Park.

Third Ward.

Known for it's canopy of trees, Third Ward is Uptown's longest surviving neighborhood. Home to long time residents, young families, empty nesters, retirees and aspiring professionals who have put down roots in restored mill houses, charming town homes and gleaming high rises. This eclectic neighborhood is bordered by lively W. Trade Street, I-77 and the Tryon Street business district and is bookended by parks and greenways.

Fourth Ward.

Historic Fourth Ward blends restored 100-plus-year-old Victorian homes, with luxury condominiums, urban apartments, parks and businesses. This collection is artful and charming meets urban contemporary. Uptown Charlotte is never boring. You can work, live and play here without ever leaving the neighborhood. Even if you don't live in Uptown, it's a great place to bring visiting friends and family or a special date night with your sweetie. Charlotte had grown so much in the last 20 years. We now have everything you'd expect from a big city. Check out Charlotte's Center City website.

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