

A Walk in Beverly Hills Seen on Screen

Beverly Hills has long been a backdrop for major feature films and television shows and home to celebrities since the motion picture industry came to life in the early 1900s. Explore with us as we take you on a journey around town, giving you an up close tour of the many sites and experiences that have made this city famous.



1 Edelweiss Chocolates

In what may be the most famous and entertaining *I Love Lucy* episode ever, Lucy and Ethel are left to commandeer a conveyor belt at the chocolate factory. Hard to believe, but it was all inspired by the chocolate conveyor belt system that still runs in the back of this charming little chocolate shop. Edelweiss Chocolates, a must-see for Lucy fans and chocolate lovers alike, is beloved for its handmade chocolates and hand-dipped candies.

2 Beverly Gardens Park

Several Beverly Hills sites make an appearance in *Down and Out* in Beverly Hills, starring Nick Nolte, Bette Midler and Richard Dreyfuss, including Rodeo Collection on Rodeo Drive and two private residences. Walk several blocks through Beverly Gardens Park along Santa Monica Blvd. and see the location where Nolte's character, Jerry, lived in the film.

3 Electric Fountain

The Electric Fountain, a landmark of Beverly Hills since it was built in 1931, can be spotted in several movies and music videos. The fountain got its name because it was the first electric fountain to be built in the United States. In the 1995 teen comedy, *Clueless*, the fountain is where Cher, played by Alicia Silverstone, has the epiphany that she is in love with Josh. The members of The Go-Go's danced in the fountain in the music video for their 1981 hit song "Our Lips are Sealed."

4 The Beverly Hilton

The 2013 Best Picture Academy Award winner, *Argo*, prominently highlights The Beverly Hilton. When a CIA team holds a high-profile press event for a fake film (a cover for one of their upcoming missions), they throw it at The Beverly Hilton on the exclusive Penthouse level. In addition to movies and television shows, one of the biggest entertainment award shows, The Golden Globes, has been filmed in the hotel's International Ballroom since 1961.

5 Rodeo Drive & Two Rodeo

It's no surprise that one of the most famous and alluring streets in the world has been used in TV and film shoots for decades. In *Beverly Hills Cop*, as soon as Eddie Murphy's character arrives in town, he cruises down Rodeo, checking out legendary storefronts like Fendi and Louis Vuitton. In the 2011 comedy, *Just Go With It*, Jennifer Aniston and Adam Sandler's characters go shopping at Two Rodeo as they make her over to look like his trophy wife.

6 Beverly Wilshire, A Four Seasons Hotel

Opened in 1928, this Beverly Hills landmark is probably most recognized as THE hotel in the film *Pretty Woman* with Richard Gere and Julia Roberts. Notable celebrities have even famously called this prestigious hotel "home." Elvis Presley made it his home base while filming several movies in the late 1950s, and Warren Beatty lived here for 10 years in his bachelor days. When you arrive, be sure to see the hotel's breathtaking lobby and consider enjoying a drink at THE Blvd or sidebar.

7 Urth Caffé

Ever wish you were part of an entourage? The boys from the popular HBO series, *Entourage*, spent an episode at Urth

Caffé. Dine al fresco as you enjoy this café's certified organic coffee, tea, tempting desserts and excellent opportunities for people watching.

8 Avalon Hotel

Young starlets have long lounged by the pool at the mid-century style Avalon Beverly Hills hotel. Originally the Beverly Carlton Hotel, it was once the home of none other than Marilyn Monroe. Lucy, Ricky, Fred and Ethel also "stayed" at the hotel on their vacation to LA in a classic episode of *I Love Lucy*. Sip a refreshing cocktail in one of the poolside cabanas or dine at Oliverio as you relive the Golden Age of television.

For entertainment fans with extra time and a mode of transportation, here are two additional filming locations located just beyond walking distance:

Greystone Mansion

905 Loma Vista Drive

Greystone Mansion, a property built in 1928 by oil tycoon Edward Doheny, sits on acres of manicured grounds. The property is often selected by film crews in such varied productions as *The Big Lebowski*, *Spider-Man*, *The Witches of Eastwick*, *The Muppets* and *Austin Powers: Goldmember*. The infamous "I drink your milkshake," scene in the Coen brothers' *There Will Be Blood* was the first time the home's two-lane bowling alley was seen on screen. The interior of the mansion is not open to the public outside of special events, but admission to the grounds, including the extensive formal gardens and estate exteriors, is free.

The Beverly Hills Hotel & Bungalows

9641 Sunset Boulevard

Filmed on location at the Beverly Hills Hotel and Bungalows, *California Suite* is a 1978 comedy based on Neil Simon's play of the same name. The all-star cast includes Alan Alda, Michael Caine, Bill Cosby, Jane Fonda, Walter Matthau and Richard Pryor. Movies also filmed at the hotel include *The Way We Were* with Robert Redford & Barbara Streisand, *Shampoo* starring Warren Beatty & Goldie Hawn, and *American Gigolo* featuring Richard Gere. The Pink Palace, which the hotel is affectionately referred to, can even be seen on the cover of The Eagles' "Hotel California" album.

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- 1** Edelweiss Chocolates (444 N. Canon Drive)
- 2** Beverly Gardens Park
(Santa Monica Blvd. from N. Doheny Drive to Wilshire Blvd.)
- 3** Electric Fountain
(Corner of Santa Monica Blvd & Wilshire Blvd.)
- 4** The Beverly Hilton (9876 Wilshire Blvd.)
- 5** Rodeo Drive & Two Rodeo
(Intersection of Rodeo Drive & Wilshire Blvd.)
- 6** Beverly Wilshire, A Four Seasons Hotel
(9500 Wilshire Blvd.)
- 7** Urth Caffé (267 S. Beverly Drive)
- 8** Avalon Hotel (9400 W Olympic Blvd.)
-  Visitor Center
(9400 S. Santa Monica Blvd.)



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