



# 50 Reasons Why You Should Move to The Whittaker

1. Alki Beach, where you can play volleyball, swim, barbeque, bike-rentals, rollerblade and so much more (<http://seattletravel.com/activities/alki-beach/>)
2. The West Seattle Blog – the place to figure out what local events are going on that is always active (<http://westseattleblog.com/>)
3. One of the best outdoor locations for Happy Hour at Marination Ma Kai on Alki with a full view of downtown Seattle. (<http://marinationmobile.com/>)
4. A bowling alley blocks away from Whittaker (<http://www.wsbowl.com/>)
5. West Seattle Summerfest every summer in the junction with live music, street foods, shopping and a kids' area. (<http://wsjunction.org/summerfest/>)
6. The RapidRide C Line to and from downtown Seattle comes every 10 minutes and it across the street from the Whittaker. (<http://kingcounty.gov/depts/transportation/metro/schedules-maps/c-line.aspx>)
7. Lincoln Park, a forested area with beach access that is perfect for picnics, barbeques, bonfires, kayaking, playing baseball, playing tennis or to walk your dog (<http://www.wta.org/go-hiking/hikes/lincoln-park>)
8. Whole Foods downstairs plus a Trader Joe's, QFC, Safeway and West Seattle Produce Stand all within walking distance
9. Camp Long, only a 15-minute walk away and was where Jim Whittaker began to climb rocks (<http://www.seattle.gov/parks/environment/camplong.htm>)
10. Westcrest Off-Leash Dog Park ([http://www.seattle.gov/parks/offleash\\_detail.asp?id=468](http://www.seattle.gov/parks/offleash_detail.asp?id=468))
11. Various swimming options either in Alki, at Coleman Pool (saltwater & outdoors), or at Southwest Community Center (indoor pool)



12. Home to the Duwamish Tribe and the Duwamish Longhouse and Cultural Center (<http://www.duwamishtribe.org/longhouse.html>)
13. EXCELLENT expanded farmer's market that takes place every Sunday right in the heart of the Alaska Junction. (<http://seattlefarmersmarkets.org/markets/west-seattle>)
14. Easy Street Records and Café (<http://easystreetonline.com/>)
15. Short bus-ride on the C-Line to the Vashon Ferry dock to Vashon Island
16. Walk up to the junction and catch the free DART shuttle to the Water Taxi that goes to downtown Seattle (<http://www.kingcounty.gov/transportation/kcdot/WaterTaxi/WSeattle.aspx>)
17. Walking distance from the West Seattle Golf Course (<http://premiergc.com/-west-seattle-golf-course>)
18. Outdoor summer movies behind Hotwire Café (<http://westseattlemovies.blogspot.com/>)
19. Annual Polar Bear Swim (<http://westseattleblog.com/2016/01/video-hundreds-launch-2016-with-a-splash-via-the-west-seattle-polar-bear-swim-at-alki-beach/>)
20. Menashe Christmas lights (<http://westseattleblog.com/2015/11/happening-now-first-night-of-menashe-family-christmas-lights-see-whats-new-for-2015/>)
21. ArtsWest local gallery with rotating exhibits & an intimate theater focusing on challenging contemporary pieces. (<http://www.artswest.org/>)
22. The Historic Admiral Theater (<http://farawayentertainment.com/location/admiral-theater/>)
23. Rat City Rollerrink (<http://ratcityrollergirls.com/>)
24. Husky Deli – one of Seattle's oldest delis and has been in the junction since 1932. They still make their own ice cream and cones. (<http://www.huskydeli.com/>)
25. Bakery Nouveau – one of the best bakeries in the city (<http://www.bakerynouveau.com/welcome/>)



26. The School District oversees ten elementary schools, two middle schools, two high schools, and one alternative school in greater West Seattle. Plus a few private elementary schools, a private middle school, and a private high school.
27. South Seattle College Campus, which now offers some 4-year degree programs and is a top culinary school in Seattle
28. Close to White Center, where you kind find various “hole-in-the-wall” ethnic restaurants
29. Seattle Chinese Garden (<http://seattlechinesegarden.org/>)
30. Six local public libraries located in Admiral, Highpoint, Southwest (near Westwood), Delridge, South Park and White Center
31. Westwood Village Shopping Center with places like Target, Barnes and Noble, Marshall’s, Bed Bath & Beyond (<http://www.westwoodvillagecenter.com/>)
32. Luna Park Café - Retro-style diner featuring memorabilia & a menu including all-day breakfasts, burgers & shakes (<http://www.lunaparkcafe.com/>)
33. Delicious seafood options whether you prefer fish & chips (Seattle Fish Company, West Seattle Spuds, Sunfish, Salty’s, Duke’s Chowder House, Marination Ma Kai) or sushi at Mashiko’s or Kamei.
34. Cupcake Royale’s vegan & gluten free cupcakes or Chaco Canyon vegan café for those with dietary restrictions
35. Easy drive to Seatac Airport on backroads (99 or 509)
36. Schmitz Park – 53 acres of never-cut forest connecting Admiral and Alki
37. JaK’s Grill – steakhouse that’s a local destination for filet, chops, seafood, brunch and the best happy hour burger (<http://www.jaksgrill.com/>)
38. 8 Community Centers with various types of outdoor activities such as baseball fields, tennis courts, basketball courts, skate parks, playgrounds, soccer fields
39. Hamilton Viewpoint Park, Belvedere Park and Rotary Viewpoint - outdoor areas with water & mountain views



40. West Seattle Beer Junction - Woodsy bar with 35+ rotating drafts plus a bottle shop with 1,300 labels & weekly brewer events (<http://www.thebeerjunction.com/>)
41. Youngstown Arts and Cultural Center- contemporary multi-arts space that incubates and inspires new arts participants, art-makers and organizations (<http://youngstownarts.org/>)
42. Walking distance from various the Junction's various locally owned restaurants and bars, whether or not you feel like American food at West 5 or Elliott Bay Brewery, Thai Food from Buddha Ruksa or Bang Bar, Chinese food from Lee's, ramen from Kizuki Ramen (coming soon), Pizza from Pizzeria Credo or just a slice from Pagliacci's (<http://wsjunction.org/>)
43. Locally owned boutique shops like Carmilia's, Click! Design That Fits, Fleurt, Menashe & Sons Jewelers, Northwest Art & Frame, Twilight Gallery, Vain, Village Woodworks, Zamboanga
44. Consignment Shops like Cherry Consignment, Funky Jane's, Many Moons Clothing
45. Walking distance to cafes like RealFine or Starbucks, or a little further away you have even more options such as Uptown Espresso, Bakery Nouveau, HotWire Café and Cupcake Royale
46. Franciscan Medical Clinic just a few blocks away and Swedish Primary Care just a 5-minute drive away
47. Lien animal clinic is a 5-minute walk
48. Most beautiful sunsets from Alki or Lincoln Park or looking west you can see the Olympic Mountains
49. Seattle's most famous shoe repair, Choi Shoe Repair, so you can keep your favorite shoes forever
50. Walking distance to Rudy's Barber Shop and the Wax Bar