SELF-GUIDED TOUR STANFORD ATHLETICS DISTRICT

Starting Location:

This walking tour begins at the Stanford Visitor Center* (295 Galvez Street, at the corner of Galvez Street and Campus Drive) and concludes at the Arrillaga Family Sports Center, just a short distance away. The route takes most people walking at a leisurely pace approximately 30 minutes to complete. * On the map below the Visitor Center is unmarked, but it is located on the corner indicated by Templeton Plaza and Koret Plaza

Visitor Parking is located adjacent to the Visitor Center in the "Track Lot" (L-95). Parking in this lot is free evenings and weekends, but requires electronic payment weekdays from 8:00am-4:00pm. (*TIP*: If driving to this parking lot, for online navigation purposes you should use the address "269 Galvez Street, Stanford CA 94305" rather than the address of the Visitor Center.)



The route for this self-guided tour, though not marked on the map above, is described in detail on the following pages, and is easy to follow. Descriptions of most of the individual facilities will follow each "leg" of directions.

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Leg 1

From the Stanford Visitor Center, walk southeast one block until you reach Sam MacDonald Mall. The Arrillaga Center for Sports & Recreation is across the street on your right. Additional facilities just beyond ACSR include Burnham Pavilion (wrestling, volleyball), Ford Center (gymnastics training center), and the new Arrillaga Hall (home to Academic Resources for Athletes).

One of two full-service gyms on campus for use by students, faculty, and staff, the Arrillaga Center for Sports and Recreation (ACSR), which opened in February 2006, is a 75,000 square foot recreation facility for students, faculty and staff. It includes an 11,000-square foot fitness room with weight machines and cardio equipment, three full length basketball courts, a climbing wall,



seven squash courts, and a 3,600-square foot studio used for yoga, Tae Kwon Do, wrestling, and other activities. A second recreational facility — the Arrillaga Outdoor Education and Recreation Center exists on the west side of campus on Santa Teresa Avenue for use by faculty, staff, students and various members of the extended Stanford community. The AOERC provides 75,000 square foot of indoor recreation space, a 50-meter outdoor pool, state-of-the-art Climbing Wall and Outdoor Education Center, classroom spaces, locker rooms and showers, fitness center, and three indoor basketball courts.

Burnham Pavilion, originally known as the "Stanford Pavilion," was built in 1921, has a seating capacity of 1,436, and is the competition site for the men's and women's gymnastics teams, the wrestling team, and the men's volleyball team.





Admission to regular season events for these sports are free. The facility also includes the **Ford Center**, which houses two full-size basketball courts, the practice area for gymnastics, and several racquetball courts, as well as the administrative offices for multiple sports.

Academic advisors for student-athletes are housed in **Arrillaga Hall,** which houses the Athletic Academic Resource Center (AARC), the primary undergraduate advising contact for varsity student-athletes. AARC advisors are full-time, professional staff within the Office of Academic Advising who partner closely with colleagues across campus to provide a comprehensive network of support that promotes a student's academic success and furthers his or her intellectual goals.



Leg 2

Turn left onto Sam MacDonald Mall, and walk past Cobb Track & Angell Field, the Taube Family Tennis Stadium, the LSJUMB (Stanford band) practice facility ("The Shak"), Chuck Taylor Grove, and Pac-12 Plaza.

Presiding at the 1941 dedication of **Sam McDonald Road**, President Ray Lyman Wilbur said, "If I ever had to run against Sam McDonald for the presidency of the University, I'd be mighty afraid of the result." The legendary Emanuel B. "Sam" McDonald joined the Stanford Farm in 1903 as a teamster hauling gravel. Through hard work and abundant leadership and interpersonal skills, he was hired in 1908 as custodian — later superintendent — of the university's athletic buildings and grounds. During 46 years at the helm, he gained special recognition for his skill building running tracks. Sam befriended countless athletes and other students during his long career, financially helping many who were working their way through Stanford.





Acclaimed by many as the most beautiful and functional facility in Northern
California, the **Taube Tennis Center** is and is home to both the Men's and Women's
Stanford Tennis Teams. Originally built in 1926, the Taube Tennis Center has undergone many renovations and additions over the years and today its two sites (the Taube Family Tennis Stadium and the

adjacent Taube South Courts) seat approximately 3,500. The Stadium has historically played host to the annual Bank of the West Classic, featuring the world's top women's tennis players.

"The one, the only the truly incomparable" **Leland Stanford Junior (pause) University Marching Band (LSJUMB)** is
often referred to as "the world's largest rock and roll band"
and lists as its mission "...to bring funk to the funkless, to
spread our unique brand of irreverent musical
entertainment, and to provide a vibrant community for our
members." Love them (yes!) or hate them (sheesh!...), they
have the power to make 50,000 people jump in unison at the
same time while playing "All Right Now!"



Leg 3

Continue through the "Varsity Lot" parking area. Stanford Stadium (football) is on the left, Klein Field at Sunken Diamond (baseball) is on the right, and Cagan Stadium (soccer) ahead. Turn right along the Masters Mall and continue past Masters Grove. The Stueber Rugby Stadium and Doyle Family Clubhouse is on the left (as well as lacrosse field, intramural fields, and archery area beyond). On your right is the Boyd and Jill Smith Family Stadium (softball).

Stanford Stadium has assumed a place as one of the most beautiful and fan-friendly football facilities in the country. The venue has a cozy seating capacity of 50,424, a considerable difference from the 85,000 that existed in what was previously the largest privately owned college football facility in the United States.

When Stanford took the field against Navy on Sept. 16, 2006, it signaled the culmination of 10 months of nonstop work that began minutes after the final play of the 2005 home season to reconstruct the old stadium into the new version.



The stadium was the site of the 1985 Super Bowl between the San Francisco 49ers and Miami Dolphins, numerous World Cup and Olympic soccer matches, and the 1962 USA-USSR dual meet once called "the greatest track meet of all time."

Often called the most beautiful college baseball facility in the country, **Klein Field at Sunken Diamond** is the home to Stanford Baseball, and is located just opposite Stanford Stadium. The



"Sunken Diamond" name comes from the excavation to provide fill for the earthen berm within which Stanford Stadium was built in 1921, leaving a large, sunken field. The fixed seating capacity of Klein Field at Sunken Diamond is 2,113. With the addition of disabled seating and general admission lawn seating, the total capacity of the facility is 4,000. The fixed seating in the facility is individual 20- to 22-inch wide theater-style seats.

Maloney Field at Laird Q. Cagan Stadium is

home to the Stanford men's soccer, women's soccer, and women's lacrosse programs.

Known as Maloney Field until the 2007 season, when the Cagan name was added, the facility has also been used as a practice field for the U.S. national teams, Mexico's Women's national team, several international clubs, and the San Jose Earthquakes of MLS.





With views of the Santa Cruz Mountains and the iconic Stanford Dish, **Boyd & Jill Smith Family Stadium** has been the home to Stanford softball since 1997. Since the turn of the millennium, the facility has undergone several upgrades, establishing the venue as one of the best facilities on the West Coast – and one that allows Stanford to play host to NCAA Regional games.

The facility underwent its largest renovation prior to the 2020 season, with a new covered hitting facility and bullpens along the left and right field lines. Both dugouts were remodeled, with turf carrying the Stanford word marks being installed behind home plate and along the first and third base lines. A new upgrade completed prior to the start of the 2022 season installed a state-of-the-art lighting system to the facility.

Steuber Rugby Stadium and Doyle Family

Clubhouse: Steuber Stadium is home to both the men's and women's Rugby teams. Completed in 2003,the capacity of Steuber Rugby Stadium is 660 for fixed seating. With compatibility for 16 disabled seats, the total seating becomes 676.



Leg 4:

Turn right at the softball stadium and continue ahead. After passing the Varsity Field Hockey Turf on the left you will reach a "T" intersection at Nelson Mall facing the Dan Elliott practice fields (football). A short distance on the left is the Stanford Beach Volleyball Stadium.

With a seating capacity of 500 and measuring over 111,000 square feet, the **Stanford Varsity Field Hockey Turf** is considered the premier surface in the NorPac Conference. A 2009 renovation campaign featured the addition of lights to the facility. The Varsity Turf has served five times as the host site for the NorPac



Conference Championship. The facility has also hosted exhibition matches for the U.S. Olympic Team, and the collegiate/international Sony Field Hockey Challenge.



The Stanford Beach Volleyball Stadium opened its gates on March 6, 2015, and is home to Stanford's beach volleyball program. The new stadium has four courts approximately 75-yards long. Grass berms have been put in place for seating and is outlined with 10 palm trees over 100 years old to give it a 'beach' feeling, making it one of the premier collegiate sand venues in the nation.

Leg 5:

Turn right at Nelson Mall, walk a short distance and then turn right at the Avery Mall. The Avery Aquatics Center (swimming, diving, water polo, artistic swimming) is on the right. Continuing straight, Maples Pavilion (basketball, some gymnastics and most volleyball competitions) is on the left. On the right is the Arrillaga Family Sport Center — home of DAPER (the Department of Athletics, Physical Education, and Recreation), as well as the "Home of Champions" (modern, interactive commemorative space), and Jimmy V's Sports Café.

If Stanford Athletics is recognized as "Home of Champions," then one can argue that the most prolific room in the house is the **Avery Aquatic Center**. Since opening in its current form in 2001, the magnificent facility has been home to dozens of conference, NCAA and U.S. Collegiate team champions, hundreds of conference, NCAA and U.S. collegiate



individual champions, and numerous Stanford Olympians in the sports of men's and women's water polo, men's and women's swimming and diving and synchronized (now called "artistic") swimming.



Avery Aquatic Center features four separate pools: the Avery Competition Pool, the Maas Diving Center, the Belardi Pool and the Baker Pool. The main attraction is the Competition Pool, which can hold up to 2,530 fans and hosts all of Stanford's collegiate swimming events. The Competition Pool is 37 meters long and 20 meters wide, tapers from 11 to 14 feet deep and features dual one-meter and three-meter springboards.

Avery Aquatic Center also houses the Maas Diving Center, which stands as the finest outdoor diving facility in the country. Stanford student-athletes, along with divers from around the world, are treated to a concrete dive tower with platforms at 1, 3, 5, 7.5 and 10 meters. The dive tower is flanked on each side by dual one-meter and three-meter springboards.

Complementing the two world-class competition areas are a pair of top-rate training pools which offer student-athletes and coaches tremendous flexibility when designing training programs.



The Arrillaga Family Sports Center, which opened in January of 1994, is home to Stanford's Department of Athletics, Physical Education, and Recreation (DAPER). This state-of-the-art facility includes the Athletics Department Administrative and Coaching offices, the Home of Champions, a football locker room, a recreation locker room, the Weintz Wrestling and Martial Arts Room, a 16,000 square foot weight training facility, Jimmy V's Sports Café, a conference center and other ancillary facilities.



More than a museum or a hall of fame, Home of Champions is a living, constantly-evolving space designed to celebrate more than a century of excellence and innovation in Stanford Athletics. From the Heisman Trophy to the Honda Cup, from the Wow Boys to the women of the 2016 Summer Olympics, we pay tribute to the

contributions and successes from the many trailblazers, scholars, coaches and champions who have called Stanford home.

Additional Locations:

Other facilities not in this area include the Arrillaga Outdoor Education & Recreation Center (AOERC), the Siebel Varsity Golf Training Complex (off Stock Farm Road), the Stanford Golf Course (Links Rd.), and the Arrillaga Family Rowing & Sailing Center (shores of Redwood City).

Located in west campus, the Arrillaga
Outdoor Education & Recreation Center
(AOERC — often referred to as "Far-rillaga" to
differentiate it from its similarly-named and
more centrally located counterpart) includes a
state-of-the-art Climbing Wall & Outdoor
Education Center, outdoor pool, indoor
basketball courts, and fitness center.



Stanford Golf Course: Located in the foothills above the Stanford University campus, the Stanford University Golf Course is consistently rated one of the nation's finest courses. Originally opening on January 1, 1930, the elegant course is now home to the Men's and Women's Golf



programs, as well as home Cross Country events.
Playing privileges are available to students,
faculty/staff, and alumni with current identification
cards. The Stanford Golf Course has produced many
influential golfers, including former USGA
presidents Sandy Tatum and Grant Spaeth, and
PGA Tour professionals Tom Watson, Tiger Woods,
and Notah Begay III.

Siebel Varsity Golf Training Complex: The scenic, oak tree-lined 20-acre site is adjacent to the second hole at Stanford Golf Course The complex features bent grass hitting areas for men's and women's varsity golfers, and donors, five custom green complexes that include bunkers and chipping and pitching areas able to accommodate full to half wedges, and a 20,000-square foot putting green situated in front of the Varsity Golf Clubhouse.

Arrillaga Family Rowing and Sailing Center:

The Arrillaga Family Rowing and Sailing
Center serves as the home to Men's and
Women's Rowing, Women's Lightweight
Rowing, and Stanford Sailing. The Cardinal
crews now take advantage of the facility
everyday. The two-story complex has five boat



bays, over 16,000 square feet of space, locker rooms, a conference room/banquet hall/training room area, a laundry room, a history room, and a kitchen area.