

Chicago Itinerary (2.5 Days)

Day One - Arrival & Chicago Skyline

3:00 pm – Check in at your downtown hotel (or within 4 km radius).

Tip: Activate your **Chicago CityPASS** (book attractions in advance).

4:00 pm – Stretch your legs with a **walk along the Chicago Riverwalk**. Soak in public art, café patios, and skyline reflections.

5:30 pm – Head up to Skydeck Chicago (Willis Tower) or 360 CHICAGO Observation Deck.

- Skydeck: Thrill on The Ledge (glass balcony).
- 360 CHICAGO: Stunning lakefront views + Tilt experience.

7:30 pm - Dinner

Try deep-dish pizza at Giordano's, or opt for riverside dining at RPM Italian.

Optional (after dinner): Stroll through **Millennium Park** to see the *Cloud Gate ("The Bean")* and Crown Fountain illuminated at night.

Day Two - Art, Culture & Music

8:00-9:00 am - Hotel breakfast.

10:00 am – The Art Institute of Chicago

Explore masterpieces from Seurat, Picasso, Hopper, and more. Don't miss the South Asian gallery where Swami Vivekananda's 1893 address is memorialized.

1:00 pm - Lunch

Grab lunch in the Loop or enjoy quick eats at **Revival Food Hall**.

2:30 pm – Choose one CityPASS experience:

- Architecture River Cruise: Chicago's top-rated tour through its iconic skyscrapers.
- Shedd Aquarium: Marvel at 32,000 creatures, from beluga whales to reef fish.

5:00 pm – Neighbourhood Exploration

Head to **Pilsen** for vibrant murals and Mexican flavors, or stroll **Chinatown** for tea shops and dumpling houses.

Evening – Music & Theater

- Chicago Symphony Orchestra (world-class classical music) OR
- Lyric Opera of Chicago (grand opera & theater).

7:30 pm – Dinner in Fulton Market

Trendy food scene: choose from **Girl & the Goat** (shared plates) or **Aba** (Mediterranean rooftop vibes).

Day Three - Neighbourhood Charm & Farewell

8:00 am - Breakfast

9:00 am - Hyde Park or Museum Visit

- Visit the Museum of Science & Industry (CityPASS), OR
- Explore **Hyde Park** (home to Obama, University of Chicago, Robie House by Frank Lloyd Wright).

12:00 pm – Check out (leave bags with concierge).

12:15–2:00 pm – Leisure Exploration

Depending on time, stroll **Lakeview/Wrigleyville** or browse **Magnificent Mile** for last-minute shopping.



Neighbourhood Suggestions (if extra time):

- Logan Square artsy, hipster cafes, murals.
- **Uptown** jazz clubs & global cuisine.
- Lakeview relaxed shoreline, Wrigley Field.