

# Milwaukee's Great Historic Architecture

History buffs will love exploring the diverse array of historic places and unique architecture in Milwaukee. The city's commitment to preservation and revitalization means many historic buildings from mansions to churches are still in use today.



# Basilica of St. Josaphat

The crown jewel of churches in Milwaukee, this became the third church in the United States honored with the title of "basilica" in 1929 and is still the largest church in the city. Self-guided tours are available all week, or stop by after

Mass on Sunday for a formal tour.



### Frank Lloyd Wright Houses

Six of 13 known American System-Built Homes by Wisconsin-native Frank Lloyd Wright line West Burnham Street. Guided interior tours of the Model B1 are available two Saturdays each month, and architecture buffs should note that

one of the other homes is available as a vacation rental.



## Iron Block Building

Built in 1861, the Iron Block is a landmark of special architectural significance. It belongs to a vanishing breed of American structures with façades entirely composed of cast iron.



### Mackie Building

Also known as the Chamber of Commerce, the building is a Victorian landmark built in 1879 to house what was once the world's largest grain exchange.



### Milwaukee City Hall

Milwaukee City Hall is a National Historic Landmark and an excellent example of classic Flemish Renaissance architecture. Upon its completion in 1895, City Hall was the second tallest building in America, exceeded only by

the Philadelphia City Hall. Inside, an expansive atrium rises up eight stories. The bell tower stands 353 feet, inhabited by a 22,500-pound bell.



# North Point Lighthouse

Established in 1855, the North Point Lighthouse is an architectural and historic treasure. Located on a high bluff in Lake Park, one of Milwaukee's oldest public parks, the lighthouse remained operational until its

deactivation in 1994. It stands 74 feet high, and its keeper's quarters and lighthouse are open for touring.

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