

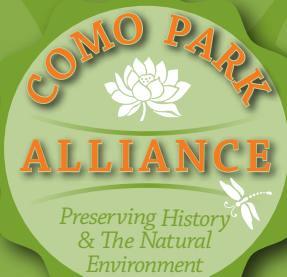
This printable companion map highlights the rich history of St. Paul's Como Park. To learn the full history of each site, with photos and other interesting park facts, download the PDF document or audio MP3 at comoparkalliance.org. Through Como Park Alliance, local citizens are working together to preserve this historic park for all to enjoy.

- 1. Streetcar Station:** The former main entrance to the park. Built in 1905.
- 2. Footbridge L-5853:** Carried pedestrians over the tracks.
- 3. Lexington Bridge #92247:** Both bridges were built in 1904.
- 4. Submariner's Memorial:** Donated in 1965 as a memorial to submarine veterans who died in WWII.
- 5. Lake Como:** Named for the famous Lake Como in the Swiss-Italian Alps by an early settler.
- 6. Boat Landing:** The first boathouse and docks were built here in 1893.
- 7. Schiffman Fountain:** The first fountain installed in the park in 1896.
- 8. Gates Ajar:** A topiary feature first planted in 1894.
- 9. Lakeside Pavilion:** The first wooden pavilion was built in 1894.
- 10. Hamm Memorial Water Falls:** Donated in 1967 as a memorial for William Hamm, Sr., former president of Hamm Brewing Co.
- 11. Picnic Grounds:** An early park feature.
- 12. Pedestrian Bridge #62599:** Constructed in 2001.
- 13. Banana Walk or Palm Avenue:** A path lined with tropical plants during the summer in the mid-1890s.
- 14. Global Harmony Labyrinth:** Donated in 2005.
- 15. Lily Pond or Aquarium:** Added in 1895. A wooden footbridge crossed over the pond filled with huge Victorian Water Platters.
- 16. Greenhouses, Park Office Building and Superintendent's Residence:** Boilers located in the residence heated the water in the Aquarium.
- 17. Mannheimer Memorial:** Erected in 1906 in memory of Robert Mannheimer. A fountain designed by architect Cass Gilbert once stood under the pergola.
- 18. Ibsen Monument:** Donated in 1912. Ibsen's works include *Peer Gynt* and *A Doll's House*.
- 19. Floral Parterre, Flower Hill or Peony Hill:** First planted in 1895, the gardens included circular walks through tropical plantings.
- 20. Cozy Lake and Como Golf Course:** The golf course occupies the basins that once held Cozy Lake and the northern arm of Lake Como.
- 21. Original Japanese Garden:** Opened in 1905 on the northern shore of Cozy Lake.
- 22. Schiller Monument:** Donated in 1907. Schiller was a German philosopher, poet and dramatist best known for his poem *Ode to Joy*.
- 23. Frog Pond or Nelumbium (Lotus) Pond and Rockery:** Completed in 1910. The granite bullfrog was added in 1929.
- 24. Marjorie McNeely Conservatory:** Opened in 1915. Added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1974.
- 25. Como Ordway Memorial Japanese Garden:** Constructed in 1979 as a memorial to Charlotte Ordway. Designed by Masami Matsuda.
- 26. Como Zoo:** Began informally in 1897 with the donation of three deer.
- 27. Cafesjian's Carousel:** A restored antique carousel installed in the park in 2000.
- 28. Formal Gardens:** Added in 1929, these rose, peony and iris gardens had a teahouse and several statues.
- 29. Dietrich Lange Memorial:** Set aside in 1941 as a bird sanctuary and arboretum in memory of Dietrich Lange.
- 30. Hamline Picnic Grounds:** Developed by Horace W. S. Cleveland, who designed St. Paul's parks and parkways in 1887.
- 31. Comfort Station:** Built in 1917 and restored in 1998.
- 32. Fire Rings:** Built by the WPA.
- 33. Streetcar Bridge:** Built in 1898, it carried streetcars over Beulah Lane.
- 34. Park Nursery:** Beginning in 1888, this nursery supplied all the city parks and streets.
- 35. Barn and Blacksmith Shop:** Added in 1900 and 1901. Horse teams were also purchased.
- 36. Como Woodland & Outdoor Classroom:** This woodland is in the process of being restored and made into an outdoor classroom.
- 37. Joyce Kilmer Memorial Fireplace:** Donated in 1936 as a memorial to poet Joyce Kilmer, best known for his poem *Trees*.
- 38. Joyce Kilmer Cascades:** A sunken pool with miniature falls, built in 1936.
- 39. McMurray Fields:** This former gravel pit became a 32-acre athletic field in 1927.
- 40. St. Paul Workhouse and Como Pool:** The workhouse was located here from 1882 to 1960. Como Pool opened in 1962.
- 41. Hodgson Field:** Dedicated in 1940 to Laurence Curran Hodgson (aka Larry Ho), former Mayor of St. Paul, journalist and poet.

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