



Colonial Explorer Walking Tour

Wander the fine Parque Central and nearby streets, taking in the best of Granada's colonial architecture and enjoying the pleasantly shaded park's mango and malinche trees.

Start Parque Central

Distance 1.5km

Duration Two hours



3 Head north to **Plaza de la Independencia**. The obelisk is dedicated to the heroes of the 1821 struggle for independence.

4 Proceed to the **Fundación Casa de los Tres Mundos**, which hosts art exhibitions, poetry readings and other cultural events.

Take a Break: Grab a street-food snack in **Parque Central**.

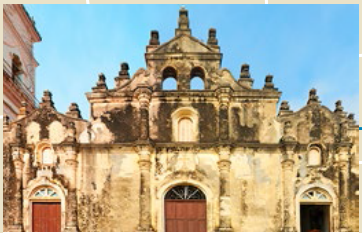
Classic Photo: Convento y Museo San Francisco



5 Check out the awesome facade of **Convento y Museo San Francisco**, best captured on film close to sunset.

2 On the park's southeastern corner, the beautifully restored **Hotel Gran Francia** (Av Guzmán) was formerly the home of American mercenary William Walker.

1 The **Catedral de Granada**, on the eastern side of the Parque Central, was originally built in 1583.



6 Head back to Parque Central, then four blocks west to **Iglesia La Merced**, considered the most beautiful of Granada's churches.



7 The old indigenous neighborhood is marked by **Iglesia de Xalteva**, a 19th-century church housing La Virgen de la Asunción.