San José Walking Tour

Historic Barrio Amón abounds with 19th-century cafetalero (coffee grower) mansions and brightly painted tropical Victorians, many of which house hotels, cafes and boutiques.

**Start** Parque España

**Distance** 1.4km

**Duration** 2 hours

1. Start in the small but atmospheric Parque España, and admire Edificio Metálico, a striking century-old, two-story metal edifice located on the park’s western edge.

2. Stroll the grounds of Casa Amarilla at the park’s northeastern corner.

3. Opposite the Casa Amarilla, innovative eñe is part gallery and part boutique.

4. Stroll north on Calle 7 to find cutting-edge contemporary art gallery TEOR/6Tica.

5. Back on Av 7, Galería Namu has the country’s best selection of indigenous handicrafts.

6. End your tour at Parque Morazán, which is particularly lovely in the evenings.

Classic Photo of Casa Amarilla, a yellow colonial-style mansion.

Take a Break Pop into Stiefel to sample a Costa Rican microbrew.