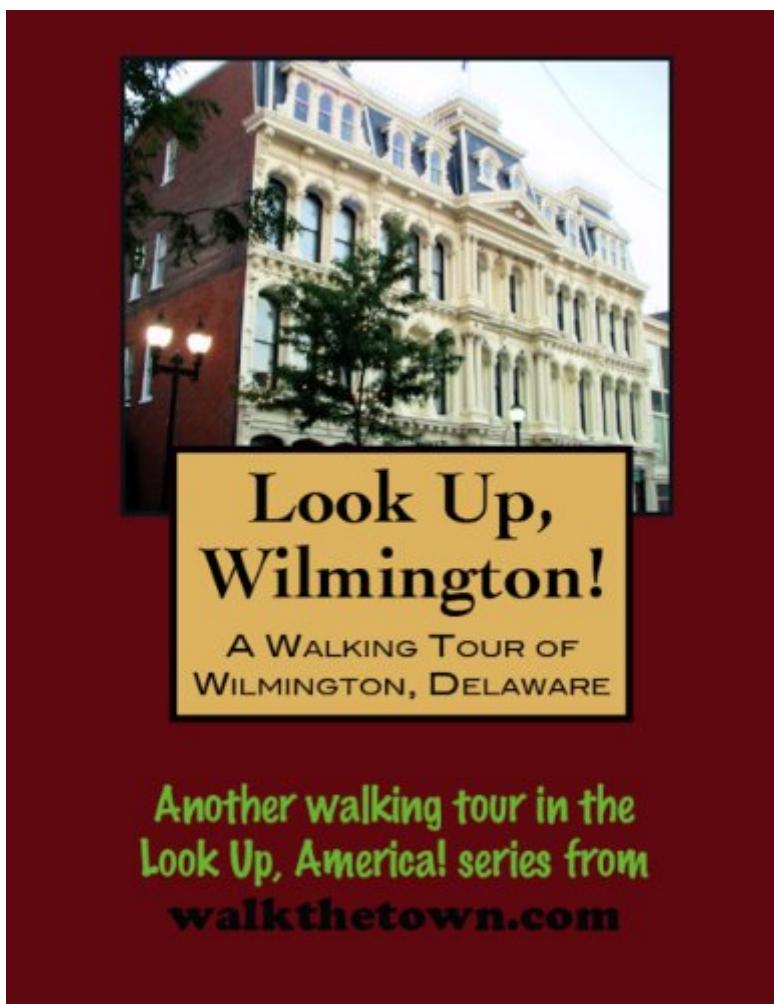


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A Walking Tour Of Wilmington, Delaware - Downtown (Look Up, America!)



Synopsis

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After periods of Swedish (1638), then Dutch (1655), then British (1664) colonization, the area stabilized under British rule (with Quaker influence) and was granted a borough charter in 1739 by the King of England which changed the name from Willington (after Thomas Willing, the first developer of the land who organized the area in a grid pattern like Philadelphia) to Wilmington, presumably after Spencer Compton, Earl of Wilmington, a favorite of the King. From the granting of the charter until the Revolution, the town developed steadily into a prosperous business and residential community.

During the Revolution, its milling industries, geographic location, key leaders and resources made Wilmington particularly strategic. Topography and soil conditions affected the residential development pattern in the City.

Wilmington lies at the fall line that separates the flat coastal plain from the hilly areas to the west. East of Market Street, and along both sides of the Christina River, the land is flat, low-lying and marshy in places. The west side of Market Street is hilly and rises to a point that marks the watershed between the Brandywine and the Christina Rivers. This watershed line runs along Delaware Avenue westward from 10th and Market Streets. The hilly and therefore healthier west side, was more attractive for the original residential areas such as Quaker Hill, developed beginning in the mid 18th century. During the Industrial Revolution era Wilmington products included ships, railroad cars, gunpowder, shoes, tents, uniforms, blankets and other war-related goods. By 1868, the city was producing more iron ships than the rest of the country combined and it rated first in the production of gunpowder and second in carriages and leather. The modern age of Wilmington began in 1905 when the DuPont Company's headquarters came downtown. As an historically conservative city, Wilmington generally adopted architectural "high styles" about a decade after the style was introduced. Nonetheless, the city has a fine collection of extant buildings, displaying popular styles from the Revolution through late 20th century.

Federal, Queen Anne, American Four Square are found in quantity; examples of Second Empire, Richardson Romanesque, Italian Villa, Greek Revival, Georgian, Art Deco and International Style punctuate the urban landscape. The vernacular row house makes up many of the stable neighborhoods,

augmented by stylistic detailing from the high styles of its period of construction.Ã Ã This walking tour will begin in the heart of the city around Rodney Square...

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If you have some time to spare in Wilmington (an hour or two), this is well worth it! I recommend downloading this to your iPhone Kindle app instead of your Kindle if possible. It's easier to carry, integrates with the iPhone's live mapping applications, and the book's photographs show up much better. But even on the Kindle this is a worthwhile title. I was able to cover the tour in around two hours, but I made several stops along the way. As promised, the tour provides a good bit of detail on the history and architecture of downtown Wilmington. Also, it's a good way to find out-of-the-way coffeeshops and restaurants. Why not 5 stars? This is a great little book, but it is fairly brief and the production quality wasn't great. But as I said in the title, this is well worth the money.

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