

Virtual Travel, Free

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- 5 For parks and landmarks, add 'virtual tour' to the name to find the free official tour.
- 6 Type the web address yourself or use the official app; the real tools are always free.

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WELCOME

1. Read this first — you can see the whole world free, from your chair

Walk any street, visit the national parks, and watch live beaches and cities — all free, from a computer, tablet, or TV.

Here is the whole idea: the world is free to explore from your favorite chair. You can walk down almost any street on earth, stand before the great landmarks, wander the national parks, and watch live cameras pointed at beaches, mountains, and city squares — all for nothing, on a computer, tablet, or television. People call it 'virtual travel,' and it is one of the quiet wonders of a screen.

You do not need to be a traveler or a technology whiz. The main tool, Google Earth and its 'Street View,' is free and works like a gentle video game: you point, you move, you look around. If you have ever used the maps on a phone, you already know most of it.

I am Bill, from Bill's Home Tech here in Portage County, Ohio. For folks who loved to travel and find it harder now, or who always meant to see a place and never did, this can be a real tonic — the world brought home, free and whenever you like. This guide shows you how to set off.

TIP

Start with somewhere close to your heart — the street you grew up on, a town you honeymooned in, a place you have always dreamed of. Virtual travel is sweetest when it is personal.

THE SHORT VERSION

2. The short version

Open one free tool and you are strolling a street across the world in minutes.

If you would like the whole thing in a nutshell before we slow down, here it is.

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- 3 Drop into 'Street View' to stand on the ground and walk, turning to look around.
- 4 For live views, search for webcams of a beach, city, or park you would like to watch.

5 For the parks and landmarks, look up their official virtual tours, all free.

That is the whole routine. Everything after this page is simply detail — the different ways to travel, how to find good live cameras, and how to put it all on the big television.

GOOD TO KNOW

Street View images and live cameras are added and refreshed over time, so a place may look a little different on another visit. Half the fun is seeing what has changed.

WHY IT MATTERS

3. Why this is a small marvel

The world, free, with no airport and no sore feet.

Think of what this quietly offers. A trip to see the canals of Venice, the Grand Canyon, or the street where your grandmother grew up would cost a great deal and a long journey. From your chair, those same places open free, with no packing, no crowds, no airfare, and no aching feet at the end of the day.

For anyone who finds travel difficult — health, cost, or simply the bother of it — this is a genuine gift, a way to keep seeing the world. And for those who can still travel, it is a wonderful way to plan a trip, or to revisit a place you loved, or to show the family where you once lived.

It is also a tender thing to do. Walking down the street of your childhood, seeing the old house, is a kind of time travel. Many people find it surprisingly moving — and it costs nothing at all.

WHAT IT IS

4. What 'virtual travel' really means

A few different pleasures, all free.

'Virtual travel' covers a handful of different joys. There is the map-and-globe exploring of Google Earth, where you fly over the planet and zoom down to any spot. There is 'Street View,' where you stand on the actual ground and walk along, looking around as you go. There are live webcams, showing a place exactly as it is this very moment. And there are guided virtual tours of parks, landmarks, and wonders.

Each is a slightly different way of being somewhere else. The globe is for roaming and planning; Street View is for walking and remembering; live cameras are for the simple pleasure of watching the waves or a busy square; tours are for seeing the great sights with a bit of guidance. You can mix them as you please.

GOOD TO KNOW

You do not need to learn any of this formally. Open Google Earth, search a place you love, and start poking around — everything you need, you will pick up in a few happy minutes.

GOOGLE EARTH

5. Google Earth: the whole planet, free

Fly anywhere, then come down to the ground.

Google Earth is the grand tool, and it is free. It is a globe you can spin and zoom into, right down to individual streets and buildings. You can fly over the Alps, drift down to a village, or soar across an ocean to another continent — all with a finger on a tablet or a mouse on a computer. It works in a web browser at earth.google.com, or as a free app.

Searching is the easy way to travel: type a place — 'Paris,' 'Yellowstone,' 'the town you were born in' — and the globe swings round and settles there. Many cities now appear in three dimensions, so you can tilt the view and see the buildings standing up, almost as if you were flying past in a small plane.

It is built for wandering, and there is no wrong way to use it. Spin the globe, follow a river, chase a coastline. An hour slips by very pleasantly.

TIP

In Google Earth, use the search box to jump straight to a place by name. Then tilt the view to see cities in three dimensions — it feels like flying gently past the rooftops.

STREET VIEW

6. Street View: walking the actual streets

Stand on the ground, anywhere, and stroll.

The most remarkable part is Street View. Cameras have driven and walked an astonishing share of the world's roads and paths, so you can set yourself down on the actual street and look around in every direction, then move along it step by step. You can walk past the shops of a town, up to the door of a famous building, or along a country lane.

In Google Earth or the maps app, you reach Street View by dropping a little figure onto a spot, or by zooming right down until you are at ground level. Then you use the arrows or your finger to move forward and to turn and look. It is uncannily like being there, right down to the parked cars and the shop signs.

This is the tool for visiting your own past — the house you grew up in, the church where you married, the first place you lived. People return to it again and again, and it never quite loses its magic.

GOOD TO KNOW

Street View is wonderful for revisiting your own history. Search an old address, drop into the street, and walk up to the house — a free and gentle kind of time travel.

LIVE WEBCAMS

7. Live webcams: the world, live

Watch a beach, a mountain, or a city square as it is this moment.

For a different pleasure, live webcams show a place exactly as it is at this very moment — waves rolling onto a beach, snow falling on a mountain, people crossing a famous square, animals at a watering hole. Sites that gather thousands of these cameras, such as EarthCam and others, let you drop in on the world live, free, any hour of the day or night.

There is something deeply soothing about it. A sunny beach on a grey afternoon, a bustling market across the world while you have your morning coffee, a quiet mountain pass — it asks nothing of you but to watch. Because of time differences, it may be night where you are looking and day where you are, which is part of the charm.

To find them, search for the kind of view you fancy — 'beach webcam,' 'Times Square live,' 'mountain cam' — and choose one from a reputable site. Then simply sit back and watch the world go by.

GOOD TO KNOW

Search for the exact kind of view you want — 'beach webcam,' 'harbor live cam' — and pick a result from a well-known camera site. A sunny live beach on a dull day is a small, free holiday.

NATIONAL PARKS

8. The national parks and great landmarks

America's wonders, and the world's, on a free tour.

The national parks and the world's great landmarks offer free virtual tours of their own. You can wander the Grand Canyon, Yellowstone, or the Great Smoky Mountains through official tours and Street View trails, and visit the likes of the Eiffel Tower, the pyramids, or the Great Wall the same way. Many parks and monuments host these free on their own websites.

The National Park Service and many landmarks have embraced this, partly so that everyone — including those who cannot make the trip — can still experience these places. For a nature lover or a history buff who can no longer hike the trail, it is a chance to see the view from the top after all.

To find them, search the place along with 'virtual tour,' and look for the official park or landmark website rather than an advertisement. More often than not, a free door opens onto somewhere breathtaking.

WALKING TOURS

9. Scenic 'walking tour' videos

Let someone else do the strolling while you watch.

If you would rather sit back than steer, there is a whole genre of free videos that does the walking for you. On the big video sites you will find hours of 'walking tour' films — someone strolling slowly with a camera through a European old town, along a tropical beach, or down a snowy village lane, with the natural sounds and no chatter. They are unhurried, beautiful, and free.

These are perfect for an evening when you want to be taken somewhere without lifting a finger. Put one on, settle back, and let a quiet hour in Rome or Kyoto unfold on its own. They are also lovely on the big television, where the scenery fills the room.

Search for 'walking tour' and a place you love, and you will find more than you could watch in a lifetime — a gentle, free way to travel by just pressing play.

PLANNING A TRIP

10. Using it to plan a real trip

Scout the ground before you ever leave home.

Virtual travel is not only for armchair journeys; it is a wonderful way to plan a real one. Before a trip, you can use Street View to see exactly what your hotel looks like, how far it is from the station, and whether the walk from the parking lot is an easy one. You can scout the ground so there are no surprises when you arrive.

For anyone who worries about stairs, distances, or getting lost, this is reassuring. You can walk the route in advance, note the landmarks, and arrive feeling you have been there before. Families planning a trip together often gather round and explore the destination this way, which is half the fun.

So even if your traveling days are far from over, these free tools earn their keep — they take the anxiety out of a journey and let you savor it twice.

ON THE TV

11. Getting it onto the big television

The world looks grandest on the largest screen.

Scenery is all the more sweeping on the big screen, so it is worth getting this onto the television when you can. The walking-tour and webcam videos play through the video apps on most smart TVs and streaming boxes. Google Earth and Street View can sometimes be reached through a browser on the TV, though they are easiest to steer on a tablet.

A good arrangement is to steer on a tablet in your lap while a walking-tour video plays on the big screen — the best of both. On a Roku, Fire TV, Apple TV, or Google TV, the main video app is where you will find hours of scenic films to fill the room.

If the TV feels like too much fuss, a tablet on a stand is perfectly lovely and far easier to point and turn with your fingers.

GETTING STARTED

12. Getting started, step by step

A browser and a place in mind are all you need.

On a computer or tablet, open your web browser and type earth.google.com into the address bar, or install the free Google Earth app from your app store. When it opens, look for the search box, type a place you would like to see, and let the globe carry you there. Then zoom in and, when you are close, drop into Street View to stand on the ground.

For live cameras, type what you want to watch into a search — 'beach webcam,' say — and choose a result from a well-known camera site. For parks and landmarks, add the words 'virtual tour' to the name. None of it costs anything, and none of it needs an account to begin.

Take it gently; there is nothing to break. If you wander off somewhere and want to come back, the browser's back arrow or the search box returns you home. The whole point is to roam.

TIP

Type the web address yourself — earth.google.com — or install the official app, rather than following a link in an e-mail. That keeps you safely on the genuine tool.

CITIES

13. Cities of the world, street by street

Wander the great cities as though on foot.

Among the richest pleasures of Street View is strolling the world's great cities. The boulevards of Paris, the canals of Venice, the markets of a far-off town — you can walk them at your own pace, pausing at a shop window or looking up at a cathedral, with no crowds and no jet lag. For anyone who loves cities, it is hours of gentle exploring.

Because so much of the world is covered, you can wander almost anywhere the fancy takes you: the street of a favorite film, a city a friend has described, the town your family came from generations ago. One street leads to another, and an evening slips happily by.

Try following a route rather than hopping about — walk from a famous square down to the river, say — and the city comes alive as a place rather than a set of postcards.

NATURE DRIVES

14. Nature, parks, and scenic drives

The open road and the wild places, from your chair.

Virtual travel is not only cities. Street View has captured scenic drives, coastal roads, mountain passes, and trails in the national parks, so you can take the open road without leaving home. Coupled with the parks' own free virtual tours, it is a grand way to see the wild places, whether or not you can still hike them.

Scenic 'driving' and 'walking' videos extend this beautifully: hours of slow, quiet footage along a coast road, through a forest, or down a country lane, with the natural sounds and nothing else. Put one on the big screen and the room fills with somewhere green and peaceful.

For a nature lover who finds the trail harder than it was, this brings the view from the top within reach again — free, and whenever the mood takes you.

RETURN**15. Returning to places you have been***Walk again where your life happened.*

Perhaps the most touching use of all is returning to the places of your own life. The house you grew up in, the church where you married, the town where you raised a family, the base where you served, the street where you met someone dear — Street View lets you stand there again and look around, free, whenever you wish.

Many people find this unexpectedly moving. Places change, and seeing the old home as it is now, or finding it much as you left it, stirs memories in a way photographs do not. It is a gentle kind of time travel, and a lovely thing to do with a spouse or to share with children who never saw those places.

Search the old addresses one by one and walk them slowly. It costs nothing, and it can bring a whole chapter of life back to mind.

FOOD & MARKETS**16. Markets, food, and everyday life abroad***The small, human side of other places.*

Travel is not only monuments; it is the ordinary life of a place — the markets, the cafes, the little streets. Street View and the walking-tour videos capture plenty of this, so you can amble through a morning market in another country, past the food stalls and the shopfronts, soaking up how people live. It is the human, everyday side of travel, free from your chair.

Food and travel videos add flavor to this, following a cook through a foreign market or a stroller down a street of restaurants. For the armchair traveler who loves the feel of a place more than its famous sights, this is where the real pleasure lies.

It is a fine way, too, to prepare for a real trip, or to revisit the atmosphere of somewhere you loved long ago.

MAPS APP

17. The maps app you may already have

Street View lives in the ordinary maps app, too.

You may not need a separate program at all. The maps app that came with your phone or tablet — the one you use for directions — has Street View built right in. Search a place, drop the little figure onto a street, and you are walking it, exactly as in Google Earth. So the tool for revisiting your old neighborhood may already be in your pocket.

Google Earth is the richer tool for flying over the globe and seeing cities in three dimensions, but for a quick walk down a particular street, the maps app is often the fastest way in. Both use the same Street View imagery, so you lose nothing by starting with whichever you find easier.

If the full Google Earth feels like a lot, begin in the familiar maps app. Once you are comfortable walking a street there, the grander globe will feel like second nature.

GOOD TO KNOW

The maps app already on your phone has Street View built in. For a quick walk down one particular street, it is often the simplest way — no new app to install.

SACRED PLACES

18. Sacred and historic places

Cathedrals, temples, and the sites of history, free.

Among the most moving places to visit virtually are the sacred and historic ones: great cathedrals, temples, mosques, and the sites where history was made. Many offer free virtual tours, and Street View often reaches inside them, so you can stand beneath a soaring ceiling or walk an ancient nave in quiet. For the faithful and the history-minded alike, it is a dignified pleasure.

This can mean a great deal to someone unable to make a pilgrimage or a long-dreamed-of visit. To walk, even on a screen, through a place of deep meaning — a cathedral, the Holy Land, a historic church — is a gentle gift. Search the place along with 'virtual tour,' and seek the official site.

It is a lovely thing to share with others of like mind, too: a quiet walk through a sacred place together, over the phone or side by side on the sofa.

AN EVENING

19. Making an evening of it

Turn a few clicks into a proper journey.

Virtual travel is sweetest when you give it a little ceremony rather than a hurried glance. Choose a destination, pour a cup of something, and make an evening of it: fly there on the globe, land and walk the main street, step inside a landmark, then put on a slow walking-tour video and simply watch the place unfold. It becomes a real outing of the imagination.

Some people keep a loose list of places to 'visit,' one an evening — a city a week, say, working slowly around the world. Others return again and again to a single beloved spot. There is no right way and no hurry; the whole world is waiting and it is not going anywhere.

Going slowly is the secret. These places reward lingering, even on a screen, just as a real journey does.

SHARE IT

20. Sharing the journey

Take someone along, near or far.

Half the joy of travel is sharing it, and virtual travel is no different. You can send a loved one a link to a place — the street you both remember, a beach you dream of — or explore together over a video call, taking turns steering. For families spread across the miles, wandering a shared place on their screens at once is a warm way to feel close.

It is especially lovely with grandchildren: let a child steer down a street in a far-off country, or pick a landmark to 'visit' together. It turns a geography lesson into an adventure, free and wholesome, with the whole world as the playground.

A place seen together, even on a screen, becomes a shared memory. That is a fine thing to make from an ordinary evening at home.

COMFORT

21. Comfortable viewing and finding your way

A few small knacks make the journeys easy.

A couple of gentle knacks make virtual travel more comfortable. On a tablet, you move by dragging a finger and zoom by pinching; on a computer, you click and drag to look around and use the mouse wheel to zoom. Take it slowly — small movements go a long way, and there is no need to rush down the street.

If the moving view makes you the least bit dizzy, as it does some people at first, move in small steps and pause often; it settles quickly with a little practice. Enlarge the whole page on a computer with the Ctrl and plus keys if the labels are small, and lean toward a tablet or the television if a computer screen is a strain.

GOOD TO KNOW

Move in small, slow steps rather than racing along. Street View is gentler on the eyes, and easier to steer, when you take it a few paces at a time.

IF STUCK

22. If a street is missing or a view won't load

There is almost always a way around it.

Most of the world is covered, but not quite every lane. If a particular spot has no Street View, try a nearby main road and walk toward it, or zoom out to the map and look for the blue lines that mark where the camera has been. More often than not, you can get close even if the exact driveway is not there.

If a view will not load, it is usually just the detailed images taking a moment on a slower connection — wait a breath and they sharpen. If a page seems stuck, the browser's back arrow or a fresh start on the search box sets things right. Nothing you do can break anything, so explore with a free hand.

And if the place you most want is not well covered, the walking-tour videos often fill the gap — someone has very likely strolled it with a camera and shared the journey free.

TWO WAYS IN

23. Two ways people come to this — and both are fine

An armchair journey, or scouting a real one.

People come to virtual travel for two different reasons, and both are grand. Knowing yours helps you get the most from it.

If you are traveling from your armchair

You would like to see the world, or revisit it, without leaving home.

- Use Street View to walk the streets of your own past and the places you dreamed of.
- Keep a soothing live beach or city cam running while you potter about.
- Put a scenic walking-tour video on the big TV of an evening and simply watch.

If you are planning a real trip

You have a journey ahead and want to scout it in advance.

- Walk your hotel's street in Street View so you know the lay of the land.
- Check distances, stairs, and landmarks before you go, to travel with less worry.
- Explore the destination with the family so everyone arrives knowing the place.

GOOD TO KNOW

Whether you are staying put or setting off, these free tools bring the world closer — and ask nothing of you but your curiosity.

HELPING A RELATIVE

24. Setting it up for a parent

The world brought home for someone who can no longer roam it.

For a parent whose traveling days have narrowed, this can be one of the kindest things on a tablet. Install the Google Earth app or set a bookmark to it, and show them just two things: how to search for a place, and how to drop into Street View to walk. Begin with somewhere that matters to them — their hometown, a place they honeymooned, the old family farm.

Keep it simple and personal. One or two beloved places, and the knack of walking down a street, are plenty to start. A soothing live beach cam saved as a favorite is a gentle companion for a quiet afternoon. Write down any logins on a slip of paper kept at home.

Watching a parent walk up to their childhood home again, even on a screen, can be a deeply moving thing to share. It is a small setup that opens a very large window.

TIP

Begin a parent with one place that means the world to them — their old street or hometown — in Street View. The personal journey is what makes virtual travel land, far more than famous sights.

STAYING SAFE

25. Keeping it safe and free

The real tools are free; beware anything that demands payment.

The genuine tools here — Google Earth, Street View, and the official park and landmark tours — are free. You reach them safely by installing the real app from your phone's official app store, or by typing the web address yourself. Choose live-camera sites that are well known, and go to the official website of any park or landmark rather than an advertisement.

Be wary of any site promising 'exclusive virtual tours' or 'live cameras' that then asks for a credit card or a sign-up through its own link, and of pop-ups claiming you have won a trip. The genuine tools do not charge you to look and do not hand out prizes through pop-ups. If a page asks for payment to show you the world, close it and use the real tool instead.

WATCH OUT

No genuine virtual-travel tool needs your credit card to let you look around. If a 'tour' or 'webcam' site demands payment or odd personal details, back out and use the official app or address.

COMMON MISTAKES

26. Common mistakes

Avoid these and every journey is a pleasure.

The few snags people meet are small and simple to sidestep.

- Expecting every tiny lane to have Street View — most roads do, but not quite all; try a nearby street if one is missing.
- Forgetting you can turn and look around, not only move forward — drag with your finger to look up, down, and behind.

- Following a link from an e-mail instead of typing earth.google.com yourself.
- Paying for a 'premium tour' when the official free tour shows the same place.
- Giving up on a dark live cam — it may simply be night where the camera is pointing.

TIP

In Street View, remember you can look in every direction, not just ahead. Drag with your finger or mouse to turn around, tilt up at a building, or look back the way you came.

COMMON QUESTIONS

27. Common questions

The questions I hear most about virtual travel.

Here are the ones that come up most often when I show someone this for the first time.

If yours is not here, it is likely a quick answer — ask at the library, or give me a call, and we will sort it.

QUESTIONS

28. Is it really free?

Yes — the main tools and tours cost nothing.

Yes. Google Earth and Street View are free, and so are the official virtual tours of the national parks and major landmarks. Reputable live-camera sites are free to watch as well. There is no admission and no credit card; an optional free account only saves your favorites.

QUESTIONS

29. Do I need a fast computer or internet?

An ordinary tablet or computer and home internet will do.

Any reasonably recent computer, tablet, or smartphone with a web browser works, on ordinary home internet. The three-dimensional views and high-detail images sharpen a moment after they load on a slower connection, but they still arrive. A tablet is especially pleasant because moving and looking is a simple swipe of the finger.

QUESTIONS

30. Can I really see the street I grew up on?

Very likely yes, through Street View.

In most cases, yes. Search your old address in Google Earth or the maps app and drop into Street View, and you can usually stand right in front of the house and look around. Not every remote lane is covered, but the great majority of streets are, and it is one of the most touching things these tools offer.

QUESTIONS

31. What are live webcams, exactly?

Cameras showing a place as it is this very moment.

A live webcam is a camera left running in a public place — a beach, a city square, a mountain — streaming its view to the internet live. You watch the real place live, free. Because of time zones it may be night there while it is day for you, which is part of the gentle charm of it.

QUESTIONS

32. Can I watch this on my television?

Often yes, especially the videos.

The walking-tour and webcam videos play through the video apps on most smart TVs and streaming boxes. Google Earth is easiest to steer on a tablet, but you can enjoy scenic films on the big screen while steering the map in your lap. A tablet on a stand is a fine alternative if the TV feels fiddly.

QUICK RECAP

33. The quick recap

The whole guide in one glance.

- The whole world is free to explore from your chair — no airport, no cost.
- Google Earth (earth.google.com or the free app) lets you fly anywhere and zoom down to any spot.
- Street View sets you on the actual ground to walk and look around — wonderful for revisiting your own past.
- Live webcams show beaches, cities, and parks exactly as they are this moment.
- The national parks and great landmarks offer free official virtual tours; add 'virtual tour' to a search.
- Type the address yourself or use the official app; the real tools never charge you to look.

GOOD TO KNOW

The street you grew up on, a sunny beach on a grey day, the Grand Canyon from your sofa — the world brought home, free, whenever you like.

BILL'S HERE TO HELP

34. You do not have to do this alone

You just have to remember that a friendly, patient person is one call away.

I hope this guide made seeing the world from home feel a little less daunting and a lot more doable. Keep it in a drawer with your other home papers, come back to a page whenever you need it, and do not worry for a moment about memorizing anything.

When you would rather have a hand, that is exactly what I do. I come to your home, work at your pace, and never make you feel rushed or silly for asking. A first visit is a flat \$99, and for the parts that do not need me on-site I can often help right on your screen for \$49. Every visit comes with a 30-day, come-back-free guarantee. I am a patient tech helper, so for getting Google Earth or the scenic videos onto your tablet or television I will happily sit with you until it is working.

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AT A GLANCE

A Picture to Follow Along

Four Ways to Travel Free

The main free ways to see the world from home

	Best for	Where
Google Earth	Fly, zoom, explore	earth.google.com
Street View	Walk the streets	Inside Google Earth/Maps
Live webcams	Watch a place now	Well-known cam sites
Park tours	Parks, landmarks	Official websites

All free -- type the address yourself, and no tool charges you to look.

AT A GLANCE

A Second Look

From Browser to Abroad

Four easy steps



No airport, no cost -- just your curiosity and a place in mind.

BEFORE YOU GO

A Note From Bill

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GOOD TO KNOW

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