Chicago Summer Bucket List 2018 (Not For Tourist Edition)

Chicago summers are the best! There's nowhere else we would rather be! Here's a list of some of the best things for Chicagoans to do in Chicago during the summer months.



Watch a movie in the park (plenty of free movies all summer long!) https://goo.gl/azYoJr
Grab tickets on the GoldStar app for discounted boat happy hours
Pack a picnic and go see a concert at Ravinia https://www.ravinia.org/Calendar
Eat sushi on the rooftop at Noyane http://www.noyane.com
People watch, boat watch, and enjoy a glass of wine or two of wine at City Winery on the Riverwalk
Plan a beach day with friends have a cocktail at the new Shore Club Chicago http://shoreclubchi.com
Listen to live music at Waterfront Cafe http://waterfrontcafechicago.com
Enjoy a prosecco popsicle on the rooftop, Upstairs at the Gwen https://goo.gl/eXMSKb
Play games and have a cocktail or two at Island Party Hut on the Riverwalk
Have cocktails and enjoy one of the best views of the city at Cindy's Rooftop http://www.cindysrooftop.com
Go to a Cubs game or two and eat a Chicago hot dog
Eat at Smoke Daddy, Big Star, or enjoy a spiked milkshake at West Town Bakery at the new Zachary Hotel in Wrigley.
Enjoy a wine night in the back garden patio at La Creperie (1/2 price bottles on Tuesdays)
Have a picnic in the park and bring your dog
Or bring your dog to the dog beach at Montrose Dog Beach
Walk or bike the lakefront to or from downtown

Plan a rosè all day crawl with your girlfriends https://goo.gl/EHxJyn
Eat on the patio at Parson's Chicken & Fish, gotta have the Negroni Slushy
Grab a group of friends and go eat pizza at Happy Camper
Get tickets to Jazz night on Wednesday nights at the Shedd Aquarium
Wait in line on a hot summer day for Jeni's Ice Cream
Have lunch on the patio by the lake at the new The Lakefront Restaurant https://theateronthelake.com/restaurant
Walk around and explore Jackson Park
Take the water taxi to Chinatown and eat Tony's Chicken at Lao Sze Chaun https://goo.gl/8YsqJa
Eat at Yardhouse and go a concert at New City on Thursday Nights https://goo.gl/VzSRy3
Dine on the patio at Tavern on Rush in the Gold Coast for some great people watching
Enjoy brunch at Beatrix (they have three locations throughout the city)
Have coffee on the patio of Colectivo in Lincoln Park
Spend the day exploring the West Loop (Restaurant Row)
Enjoy amazing cocktails at The Peninsula Hotel at Shanghai Terrace or the new Z Bar
Enjoy brunch or happy hour at The Hampton Social
Drink a lychee martini on the patio at Le Colonial
Get a coffee at Ipsento and walk the 606
If you haven't done it take the Wendella architecture boat tour
Head to Malt Row and enjoy a few refreshing beers on a hot summer day https://www.maltrowchicago.com
Sign up for a free walking tour to learn more about Chicago history https://goo.gl/Ug1fY9
Find a friend with a rooftop and watch the Air & Water Show (August 18th & August 19th)
Be a tourist in your own city and enjoy the Double Decker Bus Tour https://goo.gl/REAjA4
Listen to live music at the Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park
Split a Cooler Chocolate at BomboBar with a friend
Get an Italian ice at Mario's in Little Italy
Enjoy Happy Hour throughout the city almost everyday in Chicago https://goo.gl/gZ5RDu
Go to the Lincoln Park Farmer's Market on Wednesday or Saturday morning
Explore a Chicago neighborhood you have never been to
Go to a Chicago Fire game, the stadium and energy are so fun https://goo.gl/M2VlvB
Hope that one of your friends will get a boat so you can enjoy the fireworks, hang out in the playpen, or listen to concerts from the boat.
Head to one or a few of the many neighborhood street festivals hosted every weekend throughout the city
Celebrate PRIDE weekend in Chicago (June 24th)

