**Downtown Detroit Top 10 Attractions**

1. **The Detroit Institute of Arts**
   5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, MI 48202-4094, United States
   Official site: [http://www.dia.org/](http://www.dia.org/)

   The Detroit Institute of Arts displays a representative cross-section of man's artistic creation from the earliest cultures to the present day. Its permanent collection includes art of Africa, Oceania and the Indigenous Americas; the art and culture of the Near East and classical antiquity; collections from medieval Europe; and American art and culture. The collection includes many masterpieces of European painting, including works by Rembrandt, Van Gogh (self-portrait), Matisse, and Picasso.

2. **Detroit Historical Museum**
   Address: 5401 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, MI 48202-4097, United States

   Opposite the Institute of Arts is the Detroit Historical Museum, with reconstructions of old Detroit streets, model railways, dioramas and periodic special exhibitions on the history of the city. This is a great museum to gain a general overview of the city and the events that shaped it.
3. **Michigan Science Center**  
Address: 5020 John R St, Detroit, MI 48202  
Official Website: [http://www.mi-sci.org/](http://www.mi-sci.org/)

With live stage shows, an IMAX® Dome Theatre, a Planetarium, 250+ hands-on exhibits, lab activities, special exhibits and more, there are approximately two dozen ways to customize your MiSci visit. There’s more than you can see and do in a week! The mission of the Michigan Science Center is to inspire curious minds of all ages to discover, explore and appreciate science, technology, engineering and math in a creative, dynamic learning environment. Explore hands-on exhibits, gaze at the stars, discover new worlds in our IMAX® theatre, and take part in live stage shows. As Michigan’s STEM Hub, we inspire curious minds of all ages.

4. **Motown Museum**  
Address: 2648 West Grand Boulevard, Detroit, MI 48208-1237, United States  

The Motown Museum is a small shingle-clad building that was occupied from 1957 to 1972 by the studio where records of the "Motown sound" were produced. Visitors can see the actual recording studio where Marvin Gaye and others produced hit songs. The museum chronicles the history of the recording studio and its founder.
5. **Detroit International Riverwalk**  
   Address: Rivard St and Atwater St, Detroit, MI 48243  
   Official Website: [www.detroitriverfront.org](http://www.detroitriverfront.org)

   The Detroit International Riverfront is a tourist attraction and landmark of Detroit, Michigan extending from the Ambassador Bridge in the west to Belle Isle in the east, for a total of 5½ miles (8.8 kilometers). The International Riverfront encompasses a cruise ship passenger terminal and dock, a marina, a multitude of parks, restaurants, retail shops, skyscrapers, and high rise residential areas along with Cobo Convention/Exhibition Center and Joe Louis Arena. The Marriott at the Renaissance Center and the Robert's Riverwalk Hotel are also situated along the International Riverfront.

6. **GM Renaissance Center Tour**  
   Location: Pure Detroit Shop, Tower 400, Level 1  
   Official Website: [http://gmrencen.com/play/](http://gmrencen.com/play/)

   Free tours of the GM Renaissance Center take visitors through the automaker’s showroom, highlighting vintage, new and concept vehicles. The grand finale is a glass elevator ride to the 72nd floor of the Detroit Marriott. The free one-hour tour takes visitors through the landmark GM Renaissance Center and outlines the rich history that General Motors shares with the riverfront and city of Detroit. The complimentary public tours are offered twice daily, Monday-Friday (except holidays) at 12:00 Noon and 2:00 pm on a first-come basis. Private Group and Motor Coach tours are available; for more information and rates contact GMRENCEN Tours at 313.568.5624. Please Note: Advance reservations are required for special groups and parties of 10 or more. Questions? Contact [TourRenCen@cbre.com](mailto:TourRenCen@cbre.com).
7. Greektown
Address: The Greektown Historic District is located just east of the intersection of Gratiot Avenue and Woodward Avenue
Official Website: http://greektowndetroit.org/

Established by Greek immigrants in the 1880's, historic Greektown continues to beat as the heart of downtown Detroit as a thriving entertainment center. The mission of the Greektown Preservation Society is to promote and preserve the Victorian era commercial streetscape of the restaurants and shops. There are several restaurants such as Buffalo Wild Wings, Five Guys Burger and Fries, Wahlburgers, Redsmoke Barbeque, Pizza Papalis, just to name a few. Greektown Casino is also located in Greektown which is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

8. Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History
Address: Wayne State University, 315 E Warren Ave, Detroit, MI 48201
Official Website: http://thewright.org/

The Wright Museum has dual missions, serving as both a museum of artifacts and a place of cultural retention and growth. The Museum owns more than 30,000 artifacts and archival materials. Some of the major collections it is home to include the Blanche Coggin Underground Railroad Collection, the Harriet Tubman Museum Collection, a Coleman A. Young Collection and a collection of documents about the labor movement in Detroit called the Sheffield Collection. Also in the museum is an interactive exhibit called And Still We Rise: Our Journey through African American History and Culture, seven exhibition areas devoted to
African Americans and their lives, the Louise Lovett Wright Research Library, and the General Motors Theater, which is a 317-seat facility for film, live performances, lectures, and presentations. A terrazzo tile creation by artist Hubert Massey entitled Genealogy is in the Ford Freedom Rotunda Floor and the museum is topped by a 100 feet (30 m) by 55 feet (17 m) glass dome.

9. **Detroit Public Library**
   Address: 5201 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, MI 48202-4093, United States
   Official site: [http://www.detroit.lib.mi.us/](http://www.detroit.lib.mi.us/)

   The Detroit Public Library formally opened to the public on March 25, 1865. The initial collection included 5,000 books and was located in a room in the old Capitol High School. The library moved to its present location on March 21, 1921. There are currently 10 departments within the main library and 23 branches.

   The building itself is the main attraction and is Listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

10. **Belle Isle**
    Address: Belle Isle, Detroit, MI (Jefferson Ave and Grand Blvd.)
    Official Website: [http://www.belleisleconservancy.org/](http://www.belleisleconservancy.org/)

    Belle Isle is an island in the Detroit River. It is approximately 3 miles long and up to 1-mile-wide, laid out with beautiful parkland, hiking trails, sports facilities. One of the primary features is the Belle Isle Conservatory. Also on the island are an aquarium, Belle Isle Nature Center, Belle Isle Golf Range and the Dossin Great Lakes Museum, with numerous ship models and other exhibits illustrating the history of shipping on the Great Lakes.
Lakes. All attractions are free with park admission with parking available, unless otherwise noted. Vehicles entering the island require a recreation passport ($11 for an annual pass for all MDNR parks. Passengers, pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders do not require a passport. The park is open daily from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m.