Welcome to Irvine Spectrum Center, one of Southern California’s most popular outdoor shopping and dining destinations. The center first opened in 1995 and is 1.2 million square feet in size. To start the Irvine Spectrum Center Property Tour, simply follow the numbers on the tour map. We hope you enjoy experiencing this unique center and all that it has to offer. The Irvine Spectrum Center Guest Services Staff is happy to answer any questions you may have.

1. Edwards Irvine Spectrum 21
Initially created as an entertainment and dining destination, Irvine Spectrum Center opened with this beautiful Edwards theater, which was among the largest in the country 10 years ago. It continues to be one of Orange County’s largest movie theaters, and has the only IMAX theater in the area. Some of Irvine Spectrum Center’s most popular restaurants are in this area of the center, from The Cheesecake Factory and FOX Sports Grill, to California Pizza Kitchen and Javier’s Cantina & Grill.

2. Gibraltar Court
Irvine Spectrum Center has more than 120 stores, restaurants and entertainment venues, including The Improv and Dave & Buster’s. The center is known for its distinctive Moroccan architecture, with unique design elements seen in everything from the fountains, to decorative tiles, hanging lamps and more. The arch over Gibraltar Court features an imprint of a hand and a key, symbols of good luck, according to Spanish legend.

3. Court of Lions
This courtyard is inspired by the Court of Lions and a similar fountain found in Alhambra Palace in Granada, Spain. Irvine Spectrum Center has many “people spaces,” where visitors can be seen dining, enjoying coffee, or simply relaxing. Performances by “street entertainers” also add excitement to Irvine Spectrum Center on weekends.

4. Dorado Court
As visitors make their way through Irvine Spectrum Center, they can feel as if they are in the historic Alhambra Palace, a series of buildings connected by magnificent courtyards, which feature an exotic blend of classic architecture, a colorful overlay of Spanish influence, and beautiful splashing fountains.

5. Court of Myrtles
This courtyard has a beautiful reflecting pool, and seating for patrons to enjoy dining or relaxing.

6. Carousel Court
The custom-designed Carousel is a popular attraction at Irvine Spectrum Center, and is surrounded by fountains that add to the wonderful outdoor ambiance.

7. Giant Wheel
Custom designed for Irvine Spectrum Center in Italy, this 108 ft. Giant Wheel features gondolas named after different cities in Spain. This courtyard also sets the stage for signature events at the center, including a Holiday Ice Rink and fashion shows. Nordstrom is adjacent to the Giant Wheel, as well as many of the center’s most popular retailers, including Anthropologie, White House/ Black Market, bebe and others.

8. Pop Jet Fountain
One of Irvine Spectrum Center’s newest fountains, the Pop Jet fountain is a favorite with children, as drops of water playfully pop up into the air.

We hope you enjoyed your tour and overview of Irvine Spectrum Center. With its unique mix of shopping, dining and entertainment, as well as its wonderful outdoor atmosphere and stunning architecture, Irvine Spectrum Center attracts nearly 11 million visitors every year. Irvine Spectrum Center was also named the “center to watch” by the Orange County Business Journal.