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TOUR DE FORK

Pike Place Market in Seattle is a must on any foodie traveler's to-see list. But for market newbies, combing through nine acres of food stalls can be a daunting endeavor. For this reason Angela Shen started the Savor Seattle Food Tours, a daily two-hour exploration of Pike Place's finest. Every day, rain or shine, participants meet at Seattle Coffee Works and mingle over hot doughnuts. The tour guide distributes high-tech earpieces, so no matter how far attendees stray from the group, they won't miss a beat. The group then navigates through the bustling marketplace, sampling seasonal goodies and learning about the market's history. The tour's end is celebrated over glasses of wine—a much-needed digestif after all that grazing. The cost is \$39. (800-838-3006; savorseattletours.com)

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