

# Roundabout Series Introduction

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Roundabouts can be a great solution for chaotic and unusual intersections. They retain aesthetic quality and reduce traffic speeds without diverting traffic onto adjacent residential streets. This series includes photos of several different examples of roundabouts. While viewing these photos you may choose to consider how the following keywords apply to each photo. Then, consider how these keywords may apply to similar, present and future roundabouts within your community.

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Roundabout Definition:

A raised island that is usually landscaped and located at the intersection of two streets used to reduce traffic speeds and accidents without diverting traffic onto adjacent residential streets. (*American Planning Association*)

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Keywords:

aesthetic quality, appropriate location and street type, continues flow of traffic, decreases traffic speeds and accidents, intersections, landscaped, protects residential streets, raised island, traffic calming