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1. **Orient Hotel** – Cnr. High & Henry Streets. Initially (1851) the site of the Emerald Isle Hotel, renamed the Club in 1888 and demolished in 1902–03. Rebuilt in its existing form in the early 1900's and undergoing 'various restoration works in the latter half of the twentieth century – most extensively in 1995 when the two-storey verandas were replaced.'
2. **Cleopatra Hotel** – High Street. 'This site was originally occupied by the Crown and Thistle Hotel (1868). The hotel was demolished in 1906 and the existing one built the following year.'
3. **P & O Hotel** – Cnr. High & Mouat Streets. On the site of an earlier small hotel. At 'one time named the Victoria Hotel, although sailors who frequented it in the 1890's called it the "Cockpit"'. A new building was commissioned and completed in 1896. Now owned by Notre Dame University, the ground floor bar remains open to the public.
4. **Fremantle Hotel** – Cnr. High & Cliff Streets. Built 1898–99 for Bacon Forrest Co. 'During the defence of the America's Cup, the hotel was the headquarters for the New Zealand team'.
5. **His Majesty's Hotel** – Cnr. Philimore and Mouat Streets (no longer operating as a hotel). 'Built in 1890 on the site of an earlier pub., His Lordship's Larder, a single-storeyed, yellow-painted building. The new hotel – more genteel in style – was obviously built to take advantage of the increased passenger liner trade.' The building was restored substantially in 1999.
6. **Terminus Hotel** – Cnr. Pakenham and Leake Streets (no longer operating as a hotel). 'This was built as the Pearl's Hotel in 1887. Nine years later it was leased to Swan Brewery Pty Ltd, which subsequently purchased it.' The name change occurred at about this time. In 1989 it was bought by the State Housing Authority and refurbished to provide budget accommodation.
7. **Commercial Hotel** – 80 High Street (no longer operating as a hotel). An 'earlier hotel, the Albert, operated on this site from 1869. The hotel was known subsequently as the Southern Cross and as the Exchange. The building was demolished in 1907 and the present building completed in 1908. Owned by the Castlemaine Brewery from 1920 and by the Swan Brewery from 1930 to 1972. It has recently been converted to backpacker accommodation'.
8. **National Hotel** – Cnr. High & Market Streets. A branch of the National Bank operated on this site from 1880 in a former shop. Six years later the bank relocated and the building was converted to a hotel, opening in 1886 as the National. The original building was demolished in 1902 and replaced with the existing building in the same year. The top floor was destroyed by fire in 1975. Renovations in 1995 saw the reconstruction of the original first-floor balconies. In March 2007, whilst under further renovations the historic building suffered considerable damage caused by raging fire. It is expected the building will be returned to its former glory with intended renovations.
9. **Newport Hotel** – Cnr. Market Street & South Terrace. Initially (1898) the Newcastle Club Hotel. Alterations were made to the building in 1946, 1967 and the 1970's. There were further renovations in 1986 with the approach of the America's Cup Defence, when it was renamed the Newport Hotel.
10. **Rosie O'Grady's** – 23 William Street. 'Was built of local stone with stucco ornament in 1887, and named the Federal Hotel.' Has operated as Rosie O'Grady's since 1985 and is its own 'little piece of Ireland' with great 'craic', and live music 4 nights of the week. Offering a selection of 22 different beers both local and imported.
11. **Sail & Anchor Hotel** – 64 South Terrace. 'Formerly known as the Freemasons Hotel and built in 1903 to replace a former hotel on the site. Being next to the Fremantle Markets it became a favourite "watering place" on market day for producers who resorted to it after the auctioning of their wares.' The hotel was owned by the Swan Brewery from 1923 until 1977 and was renamed the Sail and Anchor in 1986. One of Australia's first pub breweries and has developed an internationally renowned beer portfolio.
12. **Mad Monk** – A microbrewery in the heart of Fremantle, Mad Monk is a unique place to relax with a beer or dine on exquisite cuisine. Old railway sleepers have been used to fence the establishment, creating rustic charm in a modern environment.
13. **Norfolk Hotel** – 47 South Terrace. Originally the Oddfellows Hotel, built in 1887. The front lounge and public bars were demolished in 1985–86 to reveal the 1887 fabric.
14. **Esplanade Hotel** – 46 Marine Terrace. 'The original Esplanade Hotel (1897) is now part of a larger development. The original hotel, as it was opposite the former Trades Hall, was naturally a favourite working man's pub'.
15. **Oceanic Hotel** – Cnr. Collie & Pakenham Streets (no longer operating as a hotel). The date of the present building has not been determined. In 1886 this property comprised the Welsh Harp Inn and three cottages. In 1900 the inn was renamed the Collie Hotel and a few years later changed to the Oceanic Hotel. The building was converted to residential accommodation in 1952.
16. **Little Creatures Loft** – Fishing Boat Harbour, 42 Mews Road. Initially developed as Lombardo's in the lead up to the America's Cup defence 1986/87. Converted to the Zanzibar Nightclub in 1996 and then changed to the Harbourside in 2004. Little Creatures Brewery purchased The Harbourside building late November 2006. Little Creatures Loft operates as a bar, function centre and nightclub.
17. **Little Creatures Brewery** – Fishing Boat Harbour 40 Mews Road. A microbrewery set inside a massive converted boat shed (that once housed a crocodile farm) right on Fishing Boat Harbour. An award winning brewery, bar and restaurant.

Most of the information in this pamphlet comes from Fremantle Walks.

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That book provides much more substantial information and is available from Fremantle bookstores.

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