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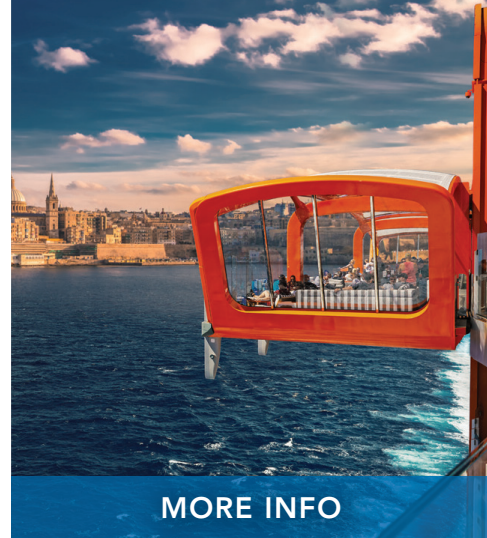
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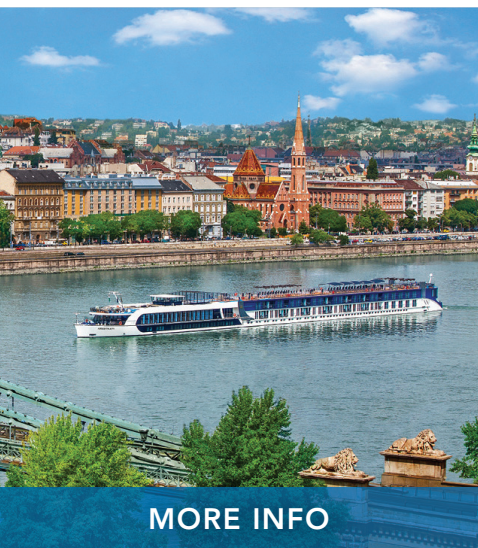
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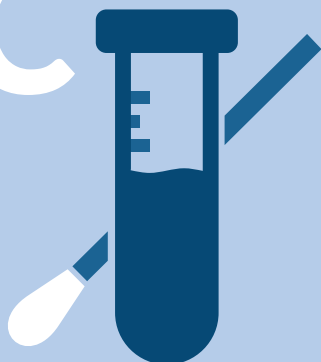


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Kentucky offers numerous natural amenities, such as scenic waters and overlooks. Meander through wooded wonderlands by car, or step out for a hike to a natural rock formation, such as the 75-foot Sky Bridge in Red River Gorge. In eastern Ohio, drive the Ohio River Scenic Byway for lots of water views, fields, hills and cliffs. The star of the route is of course the Ohio River, which marks the border between Ohio and West Virginia.



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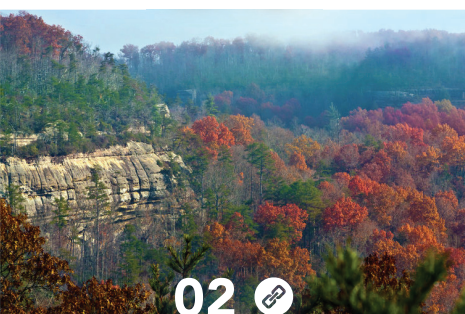
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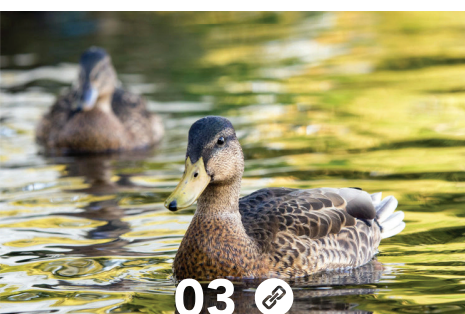
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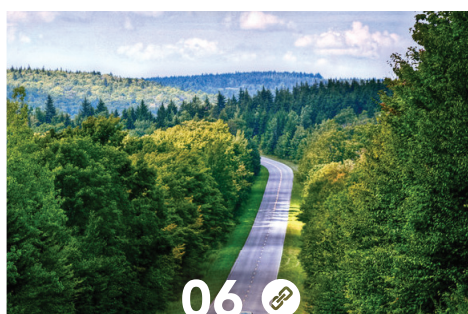
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01 IRONWORKS SCENIC ROAD, KY

18.9 miles: 0 hours, 31 minutes

Off Iron Works Pike, Kentucky Horse Park impresses with 1,200-acres to explore. This destination presents opportunities to meet, greet, learn about and enjoy many different breeds of horses.

02 KENTUCKY'S SCENIC ROUTE 90

57.9 miles: 1 hours, 5 minutes

This drive is a relaxing journey through woods, meadows and small communities, until you cross the Cumberland River, when the drive turns spectacular.

03 BARREN RIVER LAKE SCENIC DRIVE, KY

21.0 miles: 0 hours, 25 minutes

Stop in Barren River Lake State Park, a 2,187-acre resort area with a restaurant, boating, swimming, nature trails and golf.

04 PENNSYLVANIA STATE LINE TO GENEVA-ON-THE-LAKE, OH

In Ashtabula, scout for sea glass at Walnut Beach, then drive into the village, where you'll find darling brick-clad shops and bistros.

05 VERMILION TO MARBLEHEAD, OH

54.2 miles: 2 hours, 44 minutes

Quaint small-town vibes await in Vermilion and then admire Sandusky's 22 miles of coastline. Next, onto the 1821 Marblehead Lighthouse, which will delight shutterbugs.

06 WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS TO ELKINS, WV

118.5 miles: 2 hours, 53 minutes

US 219 tunnels through trees that are alive with new growth in spring, lush & green in summer, and resplendently colorful in fall.

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Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill, Harrodsburg / © iStockphoto.com / alexeys

As strains of the state song drift across the track on the first Saturday in May, the sight of mint juleps conjures visions of stately manors and acres of blue-green grass. Imagine summer evenings on a porch, watching a canopy of trees swing gently in the breeze, golden fields of tobacco swaying in the distance.

Then they're off! You're brought back by the pounding hooves and the roar of the crowd. Jockeys battle for position and the first jewel of the Triple Crown. The climactic conclusion of 2 weeks of parties and festivals takes place in a scant 2 minutes, as the winner races across the finish line and collects a blanket of roses. The Kentucky Derby is over, but your adventure is just beginning . . .

Not far from Louisville's interstates are quiet country roads that take you to legendary horse farms and underground caverns known for their surreal beauty.

Slow down the pace as you take scenic drives past white-painted fences surrounding paddocks and pastures. Small but historic towns along the way offer tours of distilleries, Civil War landmarks and the grand mansions that were Stephen Foster's inspiration.

But modern Kentucky is more than just plantations and Thoroughbred farms. Louisville and Lexington have become thriving metropolitan areas without losing a drop of their Southern charm. Their urban skylines have grown up through the bluegrass, shadowing the historic homes of the past.

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Scenic Wonders

The Appalachian mountain pass of Cumberland Gap was the first entryway settlers used to reach the nation's vast interior. During its 1775-1796 heyday, more than 200,000 men, women and children passed through, leaving behind everything familiar for a new life in a virtually unknown land. Today you can hike a 3-mile trail to the top of White Rocks, a limestone outcropping heralding the approach to the gap, and on a clear day you may even see as far as the Great Smoky Mountains.

Within Daniel Boone National Forest, the terrain takes an unusual turn. Here the steep-sided, narrow valleys are dotted with ancient, erosion-carved rock arches. The forest's Red River Gorge Geological Area boasts 80 such landmarks, including much-photographed Sky Bridge, which airily stretches 75 feet atop a lofty ridge overlooking the gorge.

Sporting whimsical names like River Styx and Grand Central Station, the unusual formations at Mammoth Cave National Park range from 192-foot-high Mammoth Dome to 105-foot-deep Bottomless Pit. Move on to the town of Horse Cave to see intricate onyx formations in Kentucky Caverns, then head to Olive Hill's Carter



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Caves in northeastern Kentucky and discover an underground waterfall tumbling down a 30-foot drop.

Portals to the Past

After you've explored Kentucky from top to bottom—that is, its hills and caves—what's left?

Imagine finding portals to a time far removed from traffic jams, computer crashes and all the other woes of modern life. These entry points to the past can be found throughout the Bluegrass State, but one of the finest examples is My Old Kentucky Home State Park in Bardstown. The park's centerpiece, an antebellum mansion named Federal Hill, so charmed Stephen Foster during an 1852 visit that he was inspired to write "My Old Kentucky Home."

While the 19th-century occupants of Federal Hill hosted lavish parties, their Shaker contemporaries in Pleasant Hill near Harrodsburg led a very different lifestyle. Today, the entire town, which includes 34 Federal and Georgian buildings, is a living-history museum where costumed interpreters and working artisans demonstrate the Shakers' minimalist way of living.

Recreation

In this state that offers nearly 500 miles of developed forest trails amid immense natural beauty, hiking might just be the preferred way to get around. You can trace the crest of eastern Kentucky's Pine Mountain on the 38-mile Little Shepherd Trail in Harlan. Or skirt rivers, lakes and narrow ridge tops on the Sheltolee Trace National Recreation Trail, within Daniel Boone National Forest.

Should you tire of hoofing it on your own two feet, what better place than Kentucky to saddle up for the real thing? Bring your horse and head off down any of many trails. Guided horseback riding trips are offered daily at Daniel Boone National Forest. At Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area, you and the horse you rode in on can take advantage of riding trails and rental stalls at Wranglers Campground. You can also rent a ride at several state resort parks that provide horses as well as trails.

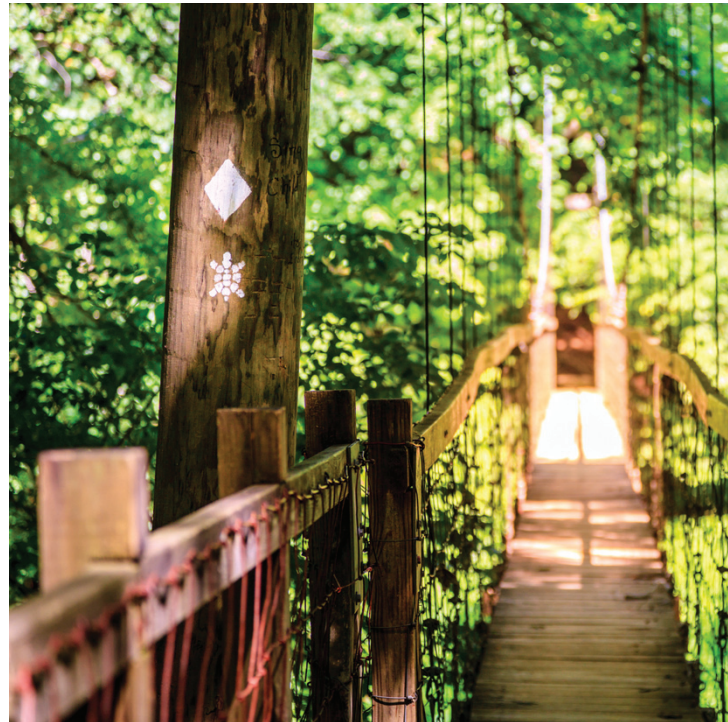
Like to bike? Welcome to heaven. Kentucky's renowned for its winding byways boasting postcard views, especially in the Bluegrass region, where gracious acres of horse farms vie with mossy stone fences for "most picturesque" honors. Kentucky Travel offers a free booklet detailing bike routes.

At Land Between the Lakes, mountain biking enthusiasts will find rentals and designated trails. Those who want to pick up the pace—and the mud—can try off-road driving at the park's Turkey Bay Off-Highway Vehicle Area. Bring binoculars; it's one of the Southeast's best sites for spotting bald eagles.

White water to wide waters, Kentucky's got swimming, boating and fishing covered. There's 160,000-acre Kentucky Lake, so big you can even go inland sailing. Adjacent Lake Barkley offers myriad bays and inlets ideal for exploring.

Plus, Kentucky has 14 major river systems, and most provide superb canoeing and kayaking, too. Adventurous night owls will want to head to Woodlands Nature Station, inside Land Between the Lakes, for guided moonlight canoe trips. Or, for a really wild ride, sample the state's wealth of white-water rafting spots. One of the best: the Cumberland River's Big South Fork, a mostly class II float through a steep-sided gorge rimmed with dense woods.

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GOOD FACTS TO KNOW

ABOUT THE STATE

POPULATION: 4,505,836.

AREA: 40,408 square miles; ranks 37th.

CAPITAL: Frankfort.

HIGHEST POINT: 4,145 ft., Black Mountain.

LOWEST POINT: 257 ft., Mississippi River.

TIME ZONE(S): Eastern/Central. DST.

REGULATIONS

TEEN DRIVING LAWS: Driving is not permitted midnight-6 a.m. One unrelated passenger under age of 20 is permitted. The minimum age for an unrestricted driver's license is 17. Phone (502) 564-1257 for more information about Kentucky driver's license regulations.

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HOLIDAYS

HOLIDAYS: New Year's Day, Jan. 1 • Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Jan. (3rd Mon.) • Good Friday, Mar. 29 • Memorial Day,

May (last Mon.) • Juneteenth, June 19 • July 4 • Labor Day, Sept. (1st Mon.) • Veterans Day, Nov. 11 • Thanksgiving, Nov. (4th Thurs.) • Christmas, Dec. 25.

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(800) 225-8747

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U.S. Forest Service
Daniel Boone National Forest
1700 Bypass Rd.
Winchester, KY 40391
(859) 474-5093
(877) 444-6777 (reservations)

FISHING AND HUNTING REGULATIONS:

Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources
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Kentucky Orientation



Recreation Areas Chart

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NATIONAL PARKS (See place listings.)

Mammoth Cave 52,830 acres 10 mi. w. of Cave City via SR 70. Scenic.

NATIONAL FORESTS (See place listings.)

Daniel Boone 708,000 acres. Eastern Kentucky.

Big Double Creek 3 mi. s. of Daniel Boone Pkwy. on SR 66, then 2 mi. following signs.

Great Meadow 6 mi. w. of Stearns on SR 92, 12 mi. s. on SR 1363, then 5 mi. s.e. via FR 137.

Laurel River Lake 5,600 acres off I-75 w. of Corbin.

Red River Gorge Geological Area off SR 15.

Rockcastle 15 acres 22 mi. s.w. of London via SR 192/3497.

Sawyer 5 mi. w. of Cumberland Falls on SR 90, then 7 mi. n. on SR 896 following signs.

Turkey Foot 3 mi. n. of McKee on SR 89, then e. on FR 4 following signs for 3 mi.

NATIONAL RECREATION AREAS

Big South Fork National River 125,000 acres. Equestrian camping, hunting, white-water rafting; horse trails.

Land Between the Lakes 170,000 acres. Horseback riding, hunting; off-road vehicle trails.

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Barren River Lake 10,000 acres 14 mi. s. of Glasgow via US 31 and SR 252. Horse trails.



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Buckhorn Lake 1,200 acres 29 mi. n.w. of Hazard via SR 15 to SR 28.													
Carr Creek Lake 32,000 acres 14 mi. e. of Hazard on SR 15.													
Cave Run Lake 8,270 acres s.w. of Morehead via US 60 and SR 801.													
Dale Hollow Lake 27,700 acres n.e. of Celina, Tenn., on SR 449 and SR 1206.													
Fishtrap Lake 15,439 acres 3 mi. s.e. of Shelbiana off US 460.													
Grayson Lake 1,500 acres 10 mi. s. of Grayson off SR 7.													
Green River Lake 8,210 acres 6 mi. s. of Campbells-ville via SR 55. Horse trails.													
Lake Barkley 57,920 acres s. of Grand Rivers.													
Lake Cumberland 50,250 acres 15 mi. s. of James-town via US 127.													
Martin's Fork Lake 340 acres 13 mi. s.e. of Harlan off US 421.													
Nolin River Lake 5,790 acres 5 mi. n. of Brownsville via SR 259 to SR 728.													
Rough River Lake 5,100 acres 15 mi. s. of Harned on SR 79. Horse trails.													
Taylorsville Lake 3,050 acres 25 mi. s.e. of Louisville via SR 155 to SR 44. Equestrian camping.													



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Barren River Lake Resort 2,187 acres 13 mi. s.w. of Glasgow on US 31E. Golf (18 holes), tennis; horse trails.														
Big Bone Lick State Historic Site 812 acres off SR 338. Historic. Miniature golf, tennis.														
Blue Licks Battlefield Resort 1,000 acres 23 mi. s.w. of Maysville on US 68. Historic. Miniature golf.														
Breaks Interstate 4,500 acres just w. of Breaks via SR 80. Scenic. Geocaching, pedal boating; water park.														
Buckhorn Lake Resort 856 acres 25 mi. w. of Hazard via SR 28 to SR 1833. Miniature golf, tennis.														
Carr Creek 29 acres 15 mi. s.e. of Hazard on SR 15. Marina.														
Carter Caves Resort 1,800 acres 8 mi. n.e. via US 60 and SR 182. Scenic. Canoeing, cave tours, golf (nine holes), miniature golf, tennis.														
Columbus-Belmont State Park 156 acres 2 blks. w. of Columbus at jct. SR 58/80/123. Historic. Miniature golf.														
Cumberland Falls Resort 1,776 acres 20 mi. s.w. of Corbin on SR 90 within Daniel Boone National Forest. Scenic. River rafting, tennis; horse rental.														
Dale Hollow Lake Resort 3,398 acres 14 mi. s.e. of Burkesville on SR1206. Golf (18 holes); horse trails.														
E.P. "Tom" Sawyer 396 acres in Louisville, n.e. on Snyder Frwy. to the W. Westport Rd. exit. Archery, tennis; dog park, playground.														



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Fort Boonesborough State Park 153 acres near Richmond on SR 388, off SR 627. Historic. Miniature golf.													
General Burnside Island 430 acres 8 mi. s. of Somerset on US 27. Golf (18 holes).													
General Butler Resort 791 acres 2 mi. s.e. of Carrollton on SR 227. Historic. Golf (nine holes), miniature golf, tennis.													
Grayson Lake 1,500 acres 15 mi. s. of Grayson on SR 7.													
Greenbo Lake Resort 3,008 acres 16 mi. w. of Ashland on SR 1. Canoeing, miniature golf, scuba diving, tennis; horse trails.													
Green River Lake 1,331 acres 5 mi. s. of Campbellsville off SR 55. Miniature golf.													
Jenny Wiley Resort 1,498 acres in Prestonsburg off US 23/460 on SR 3. Golf (nine holes), miniature golf; skylift.													
John James Audubon State Park 692 acres in Henderson on US 41N. Historic. Golf (nine holes), tennis.													
Kenlake Resort 1,795 acres 4 mi. e. of Aurora via US 68 and SR 94. Golf (nine holes), tennis.													
Kentucky Dam Village Resort 1,352 acres near Gilbertsville on US 641 and US 62. Golf (18 holes), miniature golf, tennis; airstrip, horse rental.													
Kincaid Lake 850 acres e. of Falmouth on SR 159. Golf (nine holes), miniature golf, tennis, volleyball.													



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Kingdom Come 1,727 acres near Cumberland on Old US 119. Miniature golf, paddle boats.													
Lake Barkley Resort 3,700 acres 7 mi. s.w. of Cadiz off US 68. Golf (18 holes), tennis; airstrip, horse rental.													
Lake Cumberland Resort 3,117 acres 14 mi. s.w. of Jamestown off US 127. Golf (nine holes), miniature golf, tennis; Horse rental, horse trails.													
Lake Malone 349 acres 18 mi. s. of Greenville on US 181 to SR 973.													
Levi Jackson Wilderness Road State Park 896 acres 4 mi. s. of London off I-75 exit 38. Historic. Miniature golf.													
Mineral Mound 541 acres 4 mi. s. of Eddyville on SR 93 on Lake Barkley. Golf (18 holes)													
Natural Bridge Resort 2,000 acres 2.5 mi. s.e. of Slade off Mountain Pkwy. in Daniel Boone National Forest. Scenic. Tennis; skylift. Pets allowed only on Red River Gorge Trail.													
Nolin Lake 333 acres n. of Mammoth Cave National Park off SR 1827.													
Paintsville Lake 242 acres 4 mi. w. of Paintsville via US 460 and SR 40. Pedal-boating, volleyball.													
Pennyrile Forest Resort 922 acres 7 mi. s. of Dawson Springs on SR 109N. Golf (18-hole), miniature golf, tennis; horse trails.													
Pine Mountain Resort 1,519 acres 1 mi. s. of Pineville via US 25E. Golf (nine holes), miniature golf.													



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Rough River Dam Resort 637 acres 15 mi. s. of Harned on SR 79. Golf (nine holes), miniature golf, tennis.

Taylorsville Lake 2,560 acres 3 mi. e. of Taylorsville on SR 44. Equestrian camp, horse trails.

Yatesville Lake 808 acres 6 mi. n. of Louisa on SR 3.

OTHER

Guist Creek Lake 350 acres 4 mi. e. of Shelbyville.

Herrington Lake 3,500 acres 6 mi. s. of Pleasant Hill via SR 33/342.

Jefferson Memorial Forest 6,057 acres 1.5 mi. s. of Fairdale off SR 2055. Equestrian trails; primitive camping.

Lake Shelby 5 acres 3 mi. n. of Shelbyville on Burks Branch Rd.

Pulaski 468 acres w. of Somerset off SR 80. Frisbee course.

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 **ABRAHAM LINCOLN BIRTHPLACE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK**

Three miles south of Hodgenville on US 31E and SR 61, Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park preserves the birthplace of the 16th U.S. president. Lincoln was born on Feb. 12, 1809, in a one-room log cabin at Sinking Spring Farm, where he lived for the first 2.5 years of his life.

In a granite and marble memorial is an early 19th-century Kentucky cabin which symbolizes the cabin in which Lincoln was born. The memorial building was completed in 1911. Above the six granite columns at the memorial building entrance are carved Lincoln's words, "With malice toward none, with charity for all." The memorial is reached by 56 steps, each representing a year of his life; a short, easy walk along a wooden boardwalk also leads to the memorial. The grounds of the park include 110 acres of the original Thomas Lincoln farm.

The visitor center has a re-created pioneer log cabin, exhibits about the family and the movie "Lincoln—The Kentucky Years." Nature trails and picnic facilities are

available. The park also encompasses the Abraham Lincoln Boyhood Home, 10 miles northeast on US 31E.

Allow 1 hour minimum. Daily 8-6:45, Memorial Day-Labor Day; 8-4:45, rest of year. Closed Jan. 1, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Free. Phone (270) 358-3137.

ASHLAND
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Due to the rich natural resources in the area, Ashland is a major shipping and industrial center. The town, also known as the birthplace of country music's The Judds and Billy Ray Cyrus, boasts a museum and a performing arts center. In December, visit Santa and enjoy 800,000 lights during the Winter Wonderland of Lights Festival.

Ashland Area Convention and Visitors Bureau: 1509 Winchester Ave., Ashland, KY 41101. **Phone:** (606) 329-1007 or (800) 377-6249.

Self-guiding tours: Maps for a 2-mile walking or driving historical tour are available at the convention and visitors bureau.

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Hotel. **Address:** 13131 Slone Ct 41101.


BARBOURVILLE

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Barbourville, on the Wilderness Road in the scenic Cumberland Valley, was one of the first settlements in southeastern Kentucky. The site was originally owned by

James Barbour who donated the land in 1800 with the stipulation that half the proceeds from the sale of lots be used to erect public buildings.

The first Civil War encounter in Kentucky, a Confederate victory, took place in Barbourville Sept. 19, 1861.

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Motel. **Address:** 1476 S US Hwy 25 E 40906. **Facility:** 43 units. 2 stories (no elevator), exterior corridors. **Pool:** outdoor.



BARDSTOWN

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Settled in the late 1700s, Bardstown is Kentucky's second oldest city. Its Georgian houses recall the days when Bardstown was a political and social center. A monument in Court Square marks the burial spot of steamboat inventor John Fitch.

The principal industry is distilling, due to an abundance of lime in the community's water supply; some of Kentucky's largest distilleries are in the area. Heaven Hill offers exhibits and a video presentation about the bourbon-making process, and Maker's Mark conducts tours of its complete plant (see *Loretto p. 77*).

O'Connell Hall, on the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth's campus 3 miles north of Bardstown on US 31E, has a museum devoted to the order's history and ministries; phone (502) 348-1500.

The  Kentucky Bourbon Festival, held in September or October, celebrates Bardstown's bourbon-making heritage. Among the festivities are a barrel relay, historical tours, art exhibits, food, activities and games. Phone (502) 275-8384 to confirm schedule.

Bardstown-Nelson County Tourist & Convention Commission: One Court Square, Suite 102, P.O. Box 867, Bardstown, KY 40004. **Phone:** (502) 348-4877 or (800) 638-4877.



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Self-guiding tours: Walking tour brochures of Bardstown's historic sites are available from the tourist and convention commission.

BARDSTOWN HISTORICAL MUSEUM, 114 N. 5th St. in the restored Spalding Hall Chapel, interprets more than 200 years of area history. Displays include gifts from kings Charles X and Louis Philippe of France, Native American relics, Civil War weapons, an 1838 Kentucky long rifle, a model of a covered bridge and pioneer children's toys.

Time: Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (502) 348-2999.

The Oscar Getz Museum of Whiskey History, in Spalding Hall, chronicles the history of the American whiskey industry. The collection exhibits rare documents, advertising posters and other memorabilia from pre-Colonial days through the 1960s. Also displayed are a 60-gallon copper still made in 1787 as well as whiskey bottles and containers, including an 1854 E.C. Booz bottle, the brand from which the word "booze" originated.


Time: Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (502) 348-2999.

CIVIL WAR MUSEUM OF THE WESTERN THEATER, 310 E. Broadway, has artifacts and photographs from Civil War battles fought in the western theater of Georgia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Missouri. Exhibits display rare flags, uniforms, medical instruments, maps, artillery and weapons. Galleries are devoted to the infantry, cavalry and navy. A campsite featuring a wagon used during the conflict depicts battlefield life. The complex includes the Pioneer Village, the Women's Civil War Museum, the War Memorial of Mid-America and the Wildlife Museum.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 349-0291.

HEAVEN HILL DISTILLERIES BOURBON HERITAGE CENTER is at 1311 Gilkey Run Rd. Functioning as the visitor center for Heaven Hill Distilleries, the facility provides information about the history of bourbon and how it is produced. Hosts conduct 30- and 60-minute tours, which include interactive exhibits and visits to a rickhouse

(where the bourbon is aged), the cistern room, the production plant and the bottling site. Guests over age 20 can sample the company's bourbons in a barrel-shaped tasting room.

Phone: (502) 337-1000. 

MY OLD KENTUCKY DINNER TRAIN departs from the Depot, 602 N. 3rd St., for a 2.5-hour round-trip ride through the Kentucky countryside in restored 1940s dining cars pulled by diesel electric engines. The meal prepared en route recaptures the experience of vintage American railroad dining. Murder mystery trips and special children's excursions also are available.

Phone: (502) 348-7300 or (866) 801-3463.



MY OLD KENTUCKY HOME STATE PARK is .75 mi. s.e. on US 150. The oldest part of the park's centerpiece mansion, also known as Federal Hill, was built in 1795 by Judge John Rowan, U.S. congressman and senator, state chief justice, U.S. commissioner to Mexico and cousin of Stephen Foster. Completed in 1818, the renovated home is furnished with heirlooms and old portraits. It is believed that Foster wrote "My Old Kentucky Home" here while visiting the Rowans in 1852.

In the park are a visitor center, the family cemetery, a garden and a replica of Judge Rowan's law office. Tours conducted by guides in antebellum costumes are available. An outdoor concert and drama series are presented at the park's outdoor amphitheater June through mid-August. Camping and an 18-hole golf course are available.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 348-3502 or (800) 323-7803.   



The Stephen Foster Story is presented in the park's outdoor amphitheater. The musical drama captures the spirit of Foster's works. The composer's life is portrayed through his memorable compositions, which include "Camptown Races," "Oh! Susanna" and "Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair." The J. Dan Talbott Amphitheater, in a wooded setting, seats 1,450.

Phone: (502) 348-5971 or (800) 626-1563.



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SAVE Motel. **Address:** 411 W Stephen Foster Ave 40004.

BEREA

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Berea (buh-REE-uh), the “Folk Arts and Crafts Capital of Kentucky,” is home to many professional craftspeople and artists who have working studios in the town. Visitors are welcome at these studios, where they can speak with the craftspeople and gain a better understanding of the processes involved in the creation of the artists’ works.

A mile from the Berea exits off I-75 is a liberal arts college where students receive a tuition-free education in return for work in the school’s 130 departments. Founded in 1855, Berea College only accepts students who need financial aid. Guided tours of the campus and a tour that provides an overview of the crafts program depart regularly from the Visitor Center at College Square, Center and Short streets; phone (859) 985-3018.

The Kentucky Guild of Artists and Craftsmen’s Fair is held the second weekend in October; phone (859) 986-3192 for more information. *Also see Bluegrass Country.*

Berea Welcome Center: 3 Artist Cir., Berea, KY 40403.
Phone: (859) 986-2540 or (800) 598-5263.

KENTUCKY ARTISAN CENTER is off I-75 exit 77 at 200 Artisan Way. The center is the state’s showcase for Kentucky-made arts and crafts, music, literature and foods. Inside the building constructed of Kentucky limestone, exhibits feature works by artists from across the state. Complementing these exhibits are weekly demonstrations, travel information and a café offering regional specialties. **Phone:** (859) 985-5448. 

LOG HOUSE CRAFT GALLERY is on Berea College Square at Estill (US 25) and Center sts. Part of Berea College, the gallery exhibits crafts made by students as well as those handmade by other Appalachian area artisans. Weavings, wood-crafted items, brooms, ceramics and wrought iron are among the pieces displayed.

Student-led guided tours are available Mon.-Sat. 9-5.
Phone: (859) 985-3226 or (800) 347-3892.

 COMFORT INN & SUITES **BOOK NOW** 859/985-8191



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Hotel. **Address:** 227 Paint Lick Rd 40403. **Facility:** 62 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** limited exercise equipment. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.




HISTORIC BOONE TAVERN HOTEL & RESTAURANT OF BERA
COLLEGE **BOOK NOW** 859/985-3700


Historic Hotel. **Address:** 100 Main St 40404. **Facility:** Owned and operated by the college, this 1909 hotel features lovely period detail and some custom furnishings designed and built by students. Rooms come in a variety of sizes; some are smaller. 63 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Activities:** bicycles. **Guest Services:** valet laundry.



HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS BERA **BOOK NOW** 859/985-5500

Hotel. Address: 219 Paint Lick Rd 40403.

BLUEGRASS COUNTRY

The Bluegrass Region encompasses roughly 1,600 square miles of lush farmland in north-central Kentucky. For most visitors this land epitomizes the state—quiet farmhouse communities and rolling green pastures bounded by picturesque white and black plank fences. Rock fences, some built in the 1800s by Irish immigrants, add to the pastoral surroundings.

These pastures are seeded with the long-lived perennial for which the region is named. The grass, which produces small blue flowers during its late May blooming season, is said to take on a bluish tint; however, since most fields are constantly mowed or cropped by livestock, the blue color is rarely seen.

Color and scenic value aside, the grass—fortified with calcium and phosphorous due to limestone deposits that feed the soil—is prized for its role in producing the equine blue bloods for which the region is recognized. The Bluegrass Thoroughbred horse is world-renowned for its speed, stamina and strength.

Since the first racetrack was built in 1797, the breeding, training, racing and selling of horses—American Saddlebred

horses, Standardbreds and especially Thoroughbreds—has become a lucrative industry. Some 50,000 horses are foaled each year, and many champions earn millions at big-ticket races and even more as retired studs. The wealth is apparent in the careful attention given to the construction and maintenance of horse barns. Stables, some of which resemble posh estates, feature such architectural elements as cupolas, spires and picture windows. Inside, it is not surprising to find rich woods, brass fixtures or other embellishments.

Shows and exhibitions take place year-round, and both Keeneland Race Course and The Red Mile Harness Track have spring and fall meets in Lexington. Thoroughbred racing reigns supreme, but harness races, steeplechases and horse shows also draw crowds. Thoroughbred sales take place in January, April, September and November.

Lexington (*see place listing p. 65*), one of the world's most prominent horse centers, is the region's geographic and commercial hub. Other Bluegrass Country towns listed individually are Berea, Danville, Frankfort, Georgetown, Harrodsburg, Paris, Richmond, Versailles and Winchester.



BOWLING GREEN

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At the time Bowling Green was settled, the area was known as the Barrens, an expanse of open prairie surrounded by forests. The first courthouse was erected in 1797, and the town was founded the following year on land donated by brothers Robert and George Moore.

Located between Confederate Tennessee and Unionist Kentucky, residents of Bowling Green at first refused to choose sides during the Civil War. On Sept. 18, 1861, however, rebel troops arrived and changed the town's neutral stance. Bowling Green was proclaimed the Confederate capital of Kentucky later that year. The Confederate army battled with disease rather than soldiers, and Union troops did not arrive until after the rebels evacuated the town.

The city is a cultural center for southern Kentucky and has a variety of industries, including automobile and clothing manufacturing, dairying, livestock raising and tobacco farming.

Bowling Green Area Convention and Visitors Bureau: 352 Three Springs Rd., Bowling Green, KY 42104. **Phone:** (270) 782-0800 or (800) 326-7465.

Self-guiding tours: The Bowling Green Civil War Discovery Trail Driving Tour features forts, memorials and other sites relating to the conflict.

In addition, several walking tours lead visitors to the city's historic sites, homes and buildings. Information is available for walking tours of the Upper East Main, College Hill and ShakeRag historic districts. The downtown Heritage Walk covers 18 markers. The 80-mile Duncan Hines Scenic Byway begins and ends at the Duncan Hines historical marker in front of the 1940 structure that Hines built as his home and office at 3098 Louisville Rd. (US 31W). Maps and brochures for all tours are available at the convention and visitors bureau and at the visitor center in the National Corvette Museum (*see attraction listing*).

Shopping: Belk, Dillard's, and JCPenney are among the more than 80 stores at Greenwood Mall, at I-65 exit 22.

THE HISTORIC RAILPARK AND TRAIN MUSEUM AT L & N DEPOT is at 401 Kentucky St. In its heyday, this 1925 depot saw more than 20 trains depart per day and to such destinations as Louisville, Ky. and Nashville, Tenn. Its museum's galleries offer such culturally and historically significant displays as Segregation & The North American Railroad as well as exhibits at which visitors may listen to passenger trains' sounds and interact with conductors

and engineers. The L & N Theatre presents films and vintage news reels.



Outside the museum are five restored railcars, including an E8a diesel engine, a 1911 Presidential Office Car used to transport high-ranking officials and a 1921 Railroad Post Office Car.


Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 745-7317. **GT**

KENTUCKY MUSEUM, located on the campus of Western Kentucky University at 1444 Kentucky St., relates the history of the state. Collections include furniture, paintings and decorative arts. The Civil War exhibit includes a simulated slave cabin, campsite and general store. One of Kentucky's most famous people is profiled in the Recommended by Duncan Hines exhibit. Faces and Places features more than 40 quilts and textiles, while Instruments of American Excellence exhibits a large collection of ordinary tools used by Americans. Other displays cover local genealogy, agriculture, politics and 19th-century life, including a log house on the grounds.

Guided tours are offered by appointment. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 745-2592.

LOST RIVER CAVE, jct. US 31W (Nashville Rd.) and Dishman Ln. (Cave Mill Rd.), offers a 45-minute underground boat and walking tour of a cave discovered by Native Americans 10,000 years ago. The cave, which is a constant 56°F, was a shelter for Paleo-Indians, the site of a 19th-century water-powered mill, a campsite used by both sides during the Civil War, a hiding place for outlaw Jesse James and a popular 1930s night club. A butterfly habitat can be seen in summer. Lost River Cave has 2 miles of nature trails, along which visitors can see three blue holes, sites where the underground river rises to ground level. The Nature Explore outdoor classroom includes the Nature Art Studio, Fox Hole, Thistle Theater and Busy Bee Play Area.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 393-0077.  

 **NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM** is off I-65 exit 28, across from the General Motors Bowling Green Assembly Plant. In 115,000 square feet of space, the museum showcases more than 80 'Vettes—actual models as well as concept cars—including one of the original 1953 Corvettes, the only 1983 Corvette in existence, and other rare Corvettes. Exhibits feature the cars in realistic period settings such as a 1960s Mobil station, a dealership showroom from the '60s, the legendary Route 66 and an early assembly line.



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Get a hands-on experience in the KidZone, on the Corvette Racing Simulator and with rides in vintage Corvettes (seasonally and weather permitting). A 165-seat theater offers an orientation film, while the museum's Skydome Sinkhole Experience exhibit features the sinkhole that notoriously swallowed eight Corvettes.

Guided tours of the museum are offered daily. Reserve tour tickets online. Guided tours also are offered across the street at the General Motors Bowling Green Assembly Plant

Note: Cameras, bags and open-toe shoes are not allowed on the plant tour. Visitors must be over age 13 to participate in the guided plant tours. **Phone:** (270) 781-7973. **GT** **II**

General Motors Bowling Green Assembly Plant is off I-65 exit 28 at Louisville Rd. and Corvette Dr. across from

the National Corvette Museum. Bowling Green is the only production site for the classic American sports car, the Chevrolet Corvette. Every Corvette produced since 1982 was manufactured at the Bowling Green facility. The plant offers 1-hour, mile-long guided walking tours of portions of the assembly area.


Note: Cameras, bags and open-toe shoes are not allowed on the plant tours. Visitors must be over age 13 to participate in the guided plant tour. **Phone:** (270) 745-8019. **GT**

NCM Motorsports Park is off I-65 exit 28, at 505 Grimes Rd. Get behind the wheel of a Corvette for laps around the track, a driving experience or hot lap rides with a professional driver. High speed go-karts as well as touring laps in your own car, recreational racing and high-performance driver education can be found at this facility. **Phone:** (270) 467-8846.

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 HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS **BOOK NOW** 270/843-3200



Hotel. **Address:** 165 Three Springs Rd 42104.

 HOLIDAY INN UNIVERSITY PLAZA **BOOK NOW** 270/745-0088



Hotel. **Address:** 1021 Wilkinson Trace 42103.

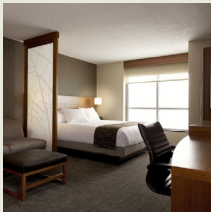
 HOME2 SUITES BY HILTON **BOOK NOW** 270/904-2219



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Hotel. **Address:** 1347 Center St 42101. **Facility:** 108 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated outdoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet laundry, area transportation.



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 TOWNEPLACE SUITES BY MARRIOTT **BOOK NOW** 270/782-4714



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 1864 Cave Mill Rd 42104.

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Hotel. **Address:** 185 Greenwood Ln 42104.

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CARROLLTON

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Carrollton, on a bend where the Ohio and Kentucky rivers meet, was established in 1794 as Port William. It was renamed in 1838 for Charles Carroll, a native of Maryland and a signer of the Declaration of Independence.

Carrollton/Carroll County Tourism and Convention Commission: 515 Highland Ave., P.O. Box 293, Carrollton, KY 41008. **Phone:** (502) 732-7036 or (800) 325-4290.

GENERAL BUTLER STATE RESORT PARK, 2 mi. s.e. to 1608 SR 227, is a multiuse, year-round recreation area. Facilities include basketball courts, a nine-hole golf course and tennis courts. A variety of water sports and a miniature golf course are available seasonally. The SR 227 entrance

features an extensive memorial to Kentucky veterans. The park is named after the state's heralded Butler family, whose members were prominent military leaders from the Revolutionary through the Civil wars; their 19th-century home, within the park, can be toured. **Phone:** (502) 732-4384 or (866) 462-8853.    

Butler-Turpin State Historic House, 2 mi. s.e. on SR 227 in General Butler State Resort Park, is the restored 1859 home of Kentucky's Butler family, which included Gen. William Orlando Butler, a hero of the Battle of New Orleans and a major general during the Mexican War, and Maj. Thomas Butler, aide-de-camp to General Andrew Jackson during the War of 1812. The Greek Revival home retains many of its original features, including woodwork, mantels and a staircase. The Butler family cemetery is located on the grounds.

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CAVE CITY

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Cave City is the center of Kentucky's cave area, which comprises 10 counties. The largest cavern is in Mammoth Cave National Park (see place listing p. 107). The area also is known for its burley tobacco and dairy and beef cattle.

Cave City Convention Center & Tourism Commission: 502 Mammoth Cave St., P.O. Box 518, Cave City, KY 42127. **Phone:** (270) 773-3131.

DINOSAUR WORLD, just w. off I-65 exit 53 at 711 Mammoth Cave Rd., is an outdoor dinosaur museum with more than 150 life-size models of dinosaurs in a forested area. An indoor museum houses a collection of dinosaur eggs and raptor claws. A video presentation in the Movie Cave offers information about dinosaurs. The park also features a dinosaur-themed playground and a fossil dig with authentic fossils which may be kept upon discovery. Visitors can unearth a life-size dinosaur skeleton in the Boneyard and meet face-to-face with a mammoth herd in Mammoth Gardens.

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CLERMONT

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BERNHEIM ARBORETUM AND RESEARCH FOREST

is 1 mi. e. of jct. I-65 and SR 245 exit 112. The nonprofit site consists of 16,000 acres of forest and a 600-acre arboretum with three lakes, more than 40 miles of hiking trails and 16 miles of paved road for biking. Isaac W. Bernheim, a German immigrant who made his fortune in the distillery business, founded the natural area in 1929 as a gift to Kentuckians.

The arboretum features more than 8,000 labeled varieties of plants and trees, including a collection of American, Japanese and deciduous hollies. The Visitor Center, known as “a building like a tree,” features a living green roof and interactive exhibits on sustainability.

More than 250 species of birds may be seen on the property, which is adorned with such nature-inspired artwork as sculptures made from metal, stone and other natural materials. Visitors may also experience life in the treetops on the Canopy Tree Walk; a nearby valley is visible from the 75-foot-high structure during winter months.

Educational programs are available. **Phone:** (502) 955-8512.

JIM BEAM'S AMERICAN STILLHOUSE, 2 mi. e. of I-65 on SR 245 at 526 Happy Hollow Rd., offers a look at the history of America's first family of bourbon. A 90-minute guided walking tour through the distillery offers hands-on activities to help visitors understand the grain-to-bottle process. Self-guiding tours of the grounds include two historic exhibits on the history of bourbon making and barrel cooperage. Adults over age 21 can sample products at the end of the tour. **Phone:** (502) 215-2295.

CORBIN

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Corbin, on the Cumberland Plateau, is where Whitley, Knox and Laurel counties meet. Laurel Lake borders the western side of the city. A scenic portion of I-75 runs south from Corbin 30 miles to Jellico, Tenn., just across the state border.

Corbin Tourism & Convention Commission: 222 Corbin Center Dr., Corbin, KY 40701. **Phone:** (606) 528-8860.



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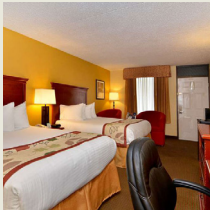
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COVINGTON

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Three bridges spanning the Ohio River connect Covington to Cincinnati. During the Civil War Covington's ties with its northern neighbor greatly divided the people's loyalty; the connection has spurred industrial ventures and trade between the two states and has made Covington a part of the Cincinnati metropolitan area.

The five- to six-block area making up MainStrasse Village is a restored 19th-century German neighborhood. Shops and restaurants are housed in renovated buildings. Of interest in the village is the Goose Girl Fountain, a life-size bronze sculpture of a German maiden carrying two geese to the market. Greek-born sculptor Eleftherios Karkadoulis destroyed the mold from which the fountain was cast, making the sculpture a unique piece.

Northern Kentucky Convention and Visitors Bureau: 50 E. RiverCenter Blvd., Suite 200, Covington, KY 41011. **Phone:** (859) 261-4677 or (800) 447-8489.

BEHRINGER-CRAWFORD MUSEUM is off I-71/75 exit 191 (Pike St./12th St.), following signs to 1600 Montague Rd. in Devou Park. The four-story museum's interactive exhibits provide a trip through Northern Kentucky's history from prehistoric mammoth fossils and ancient Indian artifacts to early settlement, the Civil War and the 21st century. Following a transportation theme in "Rivers, Roads, Rails & Runways" visitors can see a restored 1892 Kentucky

streetcar, fish in the Ohio River, sit in a 1959 Buick Electra convertible to watch a drive-in movie and push buttons to activate the trains, lights and music of a miniature, mid-century community.

The museum also houses works by prominent regional artists, including primitive painter Mary Bruce Sharon, scientist/Expressionist Wolfgang Ritschel and Harlan Hubbard, whose simple, agrarian lifestyle on the Ohio River is chronicled in his paintings and books. Devou Park provides scenic views of Covington and nearby Cincinnati. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (859) 491-4003.

MOTHER OF GOD CHURCH is at 119 W. 6th St.; use the entrance between the church and the rectory. The Italian Renaissance-style church, built 1870-71, is enhanced by stained-glass windows imported from Bavaria in 1890 and five murals created by parishioner Johann Schmitt, some of whose works are in the Vatican. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (859) 291-2288.

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF THE ASSUMPTION, 1101 Madison Ave. at 12th St., has a facade modeled after Notre Dame in Paris, France. The 1895 basilica has 82 stained-glass windows, including one of the largest stained-glass windows in the world. Four large murals on canvas painted by Covington native Frank Duveneck adorn the walls of a chapel.

Bilingual self-guiding tour brochures are available. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (859) 431-2060.

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Activities: exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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CRESTWOOD

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YEW DELL GARDENS is e. of I-71 on SR 329, then e. on SR 146 to 6220 Old LaGrange Rd. The 60-acre site includes the home, gardens and arboretum of Theodore Klein, who operated a commercial nursery in the latter part of the 20th century. Included are more than 12,000 rare trees, shrubs and flowers, display gardens, hiking trails, a state-of-the-art greenhouse and distinctive architecture. Special events and workshops are offered throughout the year.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 241-4788 for tour reservations. **GT**



CUMBERLAND GAP NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

Elevations in the park range from 1,600 ft. at the Cumberland Gap to 3,513 ft. at White Rocks. Refer to AAA maps for additional elevation information.

At the convergence of Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia, Cumberland Gap National Historical Park covers 24,000 acres of heavily forested, rugged mountains honoring the historic pass.

The gap provides a natural doorway through the mountains. It was first used by migratory animals as a seasonal thoroughfare, then by Native Americans, whose footpaths followed buffalo and deer trails. The westward movement of settlers seemed barred by the Allegheny ridge until April 1750, when Dr. Thomas Walker discovered the gap while seeking the fabled land to the west, the “Kentucke” of Native American lore.

Daniel Boone passed through with a hunting party in 1769, and in 1775 he blazed the Wilderness Road. From 1775 to 1796 the gap could only be used by those on foot or horseback, and although no wagon passed over it during this period, more than 200,000 people made their way through the gap into Kentucky and beyond.

A strategic point during the Civil War, Cumberland Gap changed hands several times without any major battles. Some of the earthwork fortifications remain.

In the 1990s, the 4,600-foot-long Cumberland Gap Highway Tunnel was built; the project also included re-routing US 25E through the tunnel and the addition of new bridges, highway interchanges and parking areas. Although the final cost of this joint effort led by the National Park Service and the Federal Highway Administration was a staggering \$265 million, the construction plan alleviated traffic problems and improved motorist safety while simultaneously restoring the historic appearance of the Cumberland Gap and the Wilderness Road.

General Information and Activities

At an elevation of 2,440 feet, Pinnacle Overlook provides a view into the gap as well as views of the mountain range and parts of three states. It is accessible via a 4-mile paved road from the visitor center. No trailers or vehicles more than 20 feet long are allowed. Shuttle service may be arranged for a small fee when staff is available; reservations are required.

Still a wild area, the park offers approximately 85 miles of hiking trails ranging from relatively easy nature trails to those requiring an overnight trek. Many park features, including Sand Cave, a multicolored sandstone overhang, and White Rocks, a prominent sandstone outcropping, can be reached only by trail. Ridge Trail, a 19-mile-long route offering panoramas of the valley, approaches five primitive campsites, all accessible by foot. The Wilderness Road Campground has 160 campsites, 41 of which have hookups.

Hensley Settlement is a reconstruction of a community that was occupied 1903-51. Reminiscent of a time much earlier than that from which it actually dates, Hensley seems like a community of the late 1700s or early 1800s. The settlement sits atop a mountain in the eastern end of the park. With more than 70 acres of land under cultivation, it has several reconstructed log houses, barns and outbuildings. The site can be reached by an all-day hike or, from mid-May through Oct. 31, via a guided tour that departs the park’s visitor center daily. Building interiors



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may be seen during the 3.5- to 4-hour trip, which includes shuttle transportation to and from the settlement. The cost is \$10; \$5 (ages 0-12 and senior citizens with an Interagency Senior Pass). Phone (606) 248-2817, ext. 1075, for the shuttle tour schedule; reservations are recommended.

It is not advisable to hike alone; overnight camping requires a permit. Trail guides and other information can be obtained at the visitor center. The visitor center also contains a museum, which chronicles the rich history of the gap. Throughout the year ranger-led programs suitable for the entire family introduce visitors to the historical, cultural and natural aspects of the park; phone for a schedule of events.

The park is open daily. Some parking areas close before dusk. The visitor center at the park entrance is open daily 8-5, Memorial Day-Labor Day; 9-4, rest of year; closed Christmas.

ADMISSION to the park is free.

PETS must be restricted at all times, either in vehicles or by leash, and are not allowed in public buildings.

ADDRESS inquiries to the Superintendent, Cumberland Gap National Historical Park, 91 Bartlett Park Rd., Middlesboro, KY 40965; phone (606) 248-2817.

GAP CAVE is .25 mi. s. of Middlesboro, Ky., on US 25E. Two-hour guided tours of the cave, discovered in 1750, cover a 1.5-mile route and are conducted by lantern light. Rooms and walls are covered with stalactites and stalagmites. Wildlife, including bats and salamanders, can be seen, as can the names of Civil War soldiers carved on the walls.

Note: The guided tour's path includes 183 steps; visitors are advised to wear good walking shoes. No sandals or open-toed shoes are permitted. Due to the threat of white-nose syndrome to bats, visitors should not wear clothing and footwear that has been worn in other caves unless properly decontaminated.

Time: Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (606) 248-2817.

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DANIEL BOONE NATIONAL FOREST

Elevations in the forest range from 640 ft. to nearly 2,000 ft. Refer to AAA maps for additional elevation information.

Daniel Boone National Forest runs along the Cumberland Plateau in the Appalachian foothills of eastern

Kentucky. The forest encompasses more than 708,000 acres of mostly rugged terrain, including towering sandstone cliffs, steep forested ridges and narrow, low-lying ravines. Natural stone arches, waterfalls and caves are among the forest's exceptional geological features.

Visitors appreciate the recreation, scenic beauty and abundant wildlife in the forest. Popular features include Cave Run Lake, Laurel River Lake, the Red River Gorge Geological Area, Clifty Wilderness Area, Beaver Creek Wilderness and Wildlife Management Area, and the Natural Arch Scenic Area. Two state parks fall within the forest: Cumberland Falls State Resort Park (*see Recreation Areas Chart*) and Natural Bridge Resort Park near the Red River Gorge in Slade (*see Recreation Areas Chart*).

Mature pine and hardwood trees grow on lands once cleared by logging, mining and farming. This diverse forest provides a suitable habitat for wild turkeys, quails, songbirds, white-tailed deer and other mammals as well as 23 threatened and endangered species of plants and animals. The forest also fosters the growth of a variety of rare flowering plants, including the wild white fringeless orchid and the white-haired golden rod.

Some of the recreational opportunities include camping, picnicking, hiking and boating. The approximately 290-mile Sheltolee Trace National Recreation Trail bisects the length of the forest running north to south. Hikers and other trail users are rewarded with unforgettable scenery in addition to sightings of birds and other animals. More than 600 miles of trails, along with an abundance of rivers and streams, offer quiet escapes. Mountain biking, horseback riding and off-road vehicles are allowed along designated sections of trail.

Among the highlights of the Red River Gorge National Scenic Byway are the natural geologic features, including sandstone arches carved over millions of years. Trails lead to these geological landmarks and also to picturesque waterfalls. The 11-mile Zilpo National Forest Scenic Byway runs through the forest near Cave Run Lake and provides views of the native landscape and wildlife. In the southern region of the forest, sections of the Wilderness Road Heritage Highway and the Cumberland Cultural Heritage Byway transect through the national forest.

A recreation fee is required in most areas. Kentucky state boating, fishing and hunting regulations apply. For additional information contact the Forest Supervisor's Office, Daniel Boone National Forest, 1700 Bypass Rd., Winchester, KY 40391; phone (859) 745-3100. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*




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DANVILLE

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Settled in 1775, Danville was the capital of the Kentucky District of Virginia for many years and of the new Commonwealth of Kentucky for 3 days while the state's constitution was drawn up. The property of pioneer surgeon Dr. Ephraim McDowell has been preserved as McDowell House Museum, Apothecary and Gardens and depicts Kentucky's journey to statehood; phone (859) 236-2804 for more information.

Isaac Shelby, both the first and fifth governor of Kentucky, is buried in the Isaac Shelby Cemetery State Historic Site 5 miles south of Danville off US 127. Shelby was the chairman of the first Kentucky Constitutional Convention and served in both the American Revolution and the War of 1812.

Many of the state's landmark structures were built in Danville, including Kentucky's first college, school for the deaf, law school, log courthouse and brick courthouse as well as the first post office west of the Allegheny Mountains. Danville hosts the  Great American Brass Band

Festival in June. This 3-day event includes hot air balloon races, a huge picnic on the lawns of Centre College and music by brass performers from across the country. *Also see Bluegrass Country p. 30.*

Danville-Boyle County Convention & Visitors Bureau: 105 E. Walnut St., Danville, KY 40422. **Phone:** (859) 236-7794 or (859) 236-2361.

Shopping: The historic buildings in Danville's central downtown area offer specialty shops, boutiques and restaurants.

THE GREAT AMERICAN DOLLHOUSE MUSEUM is .5 mi. w. on W. Main St. (SR 34/US 127/US 150), .2 mi. n. on St. Mildred's Ct., just e. on W. Lexington Ave., then just n. to 344 Swope Ave. More than 200 furnished dollhouses and miniature buildings are arranged as historic neighborhoods. Included in the display of miniature villages are a Shaker settlement, an old Western town, a coal mining camp and a 1900s town. **Time:** Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (859) 236-1883. 



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ELIZABETHTOWN

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Elizabethtown was settled by three pioneers from Virginia in 1779. In 1797 Col. Andrew Hynes donated land for public buildings and town lots, so the settlement was named Elizabeth Town in honor of his wife. Over the years other pioneers followed, among them Thomas Lincoln, father of Abraham Lincoln. He lived in or near the town 1796-1816 and then moved to Indiana.

Costumed characters from Elizabethtown's past lead guests on a walking tour through the downtown historic district on Thursday nights June through September; phone the tourism and convention bureau for additional information about the guided tours. In December,

Freemen Lake Park is decorated with some 1 million lights.

Elizabethtown Tourism & Convention Bureau: 1030 N. Mulberry St., Elizabethtown, KY 42701. **Phone:** (270) 765-2175 or (800) 437-0092.

Self-guiding tours: Brochures outlining three self-guiding tours are available at the tourism and convention bureau. The Downtown Walking Tour covers the downtown historic district, encompassing the courthouse square and adjacent blocks. The Historic Driving Tour takes in the residential area and its many fine old homes. The Greenbelt Park Tour is made up of a series of stream-side hiking trails. Free downloadable apps are available for walking and driving tours.




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HARDIN COUNTY HISTORY MUSEUM is at 201 W. Dixie Ave. The museum features permanent and changing exhibits as well as a collection of artifacts and memorabilia relating pioneer life and the history of the county, the first recorded exploration of which occurred in 1766. Civil War relics, a replica of an early log cabin, medical

paraphernalia and tools used by a local doctor and an exhibit detailing the historical contributions of African Americans born locally are displayed.




Guided tours are offered during museum hours and also by appointment. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 763-8339.

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









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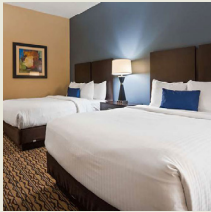
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Before becoming known as Florence, this community tried on several names, including Crossroads, Maddentown and Connersville. One of the best known local

landmarks—a water tower sporting “Florence Y’all” due to a former dispute over advertising Florence Mall— can be seen from I-75. The two-story mall offers some 80 stores, including Macy’s.

Florence Freedom, an independent minor league baseball team, plays at UC Health Stadium, 7950 Freedom Way; phone (859) 594-4487.

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FORT KNOX

Established in 1918, Camp Knox was named in honor of Revolutionary War General Henry T. Knox, who served as Chief of Artillery for the Continental Army and later was the nation's first Secretary of War. The installation's name was changed to Fort Knox in 1932. The fort has been home to the U.S. Army Armor School and Center since the inception of the Armored Forces in 1940.

Note: All visitors over age 18 must provide photo identification in order to gain admittance to Fort Knox. Valid registration and a driver's license are required of vehicles entering the premises.

 **PATTON MUSEUM**, 4554 Fayette Ave., is named for World War II general George S. Patton. Exhibits at the museum tell the story of General Patton and his career in the U.S. Army.

Armor Unit Memorial Park, adjacent to the Patton Museum, pays tribute to the units that served and protected the United States in 20th century wars. **Note:** To access the museum, visitors with no military ID card or installation entry pass must go to the Fort Knox Visitor Center, located on E. Bullion Boulevard just before the Chaffee (main) Gate, and present a valid driver's license to obtain an Automated Installation Entry pass. If your driver's license is from the states of Illinois, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico or Washington, please bring an additional form of ID. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 624-3391.

U.S. BULLION DEPOSITORY, on Gold Vault Rd., holds a large portion of the U.S. gold reserve. The 100-square-foot, 1937 treasure house is bombproof; its walls and roof are faced with huge granite blocks. At different times the vault has also held the British Crown Jewels, the Magna Carta, the Constitution of the United States and the Declaration of Independence. The depository is closed to the public. **Note:** Photography of the depository is strictly prohibited.

FRANKFORT

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Frankfort is surrounded by wooded hillsides and divided by the S-curve of the Kentucky River as it meanders through the Bluegrass Region. The city's north and south sections are separated not only by water but also by their historical backgrounds and architectural styles. The north section originated around the time of Frankfort's founding in 1786, while the south section was developed after the new capitol was built in 1910.

The state capital, Frankfort has been Kentucky's seat of government since 1792, when it was chosen as the capital in a compromise between rivals Louisville and Lexington. As an enticement, a group of local businessmen offered land for the capitol building and grounds as well as \$3,000 in gold and the nails and window glass needed for construction.



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The city's oldest residential neighborhood centers on the Corner of Celebrities, bounded by Wapping, Washington, Main and Wilkinson streets. There are more than 40 sites of historical or architectural interest in the area.

In addition to state government, the rich farmlands and bourbon distilleries are strong local industries. Scenic portions of US 60 and I-64 run east from Frankfort to Lexington. *Also see Bluegrass Country p. 30.*

Frankfort Tourist Commission: 300 St. Clair St., Suite 102, Frankfort, KY 40601. **Phone:** (502) 875-8687 or (800) 960-7200.

Self-guiding tours: A self-guiding walking/driving tour map of Frankfort is available at the tourist commission.


Shopping: Major shopping centers include Downtown Frankfort Shoppes and Old Capital Shoppes, on Broadway and St. Clair streets.

BUCKLEY WILDLIFE SANCTUARY is 10 mi. s. at 1305 Germany Rd.; from I-64 exit 58 take US 60E, following signs on SRs 1681, 1659 and 1964, then onto Germany Rd. This 374-acre facility of the National Audubon Society has a bird blind and three well-marked nature trails. A nature center building offers exhibits, educational programs and scheduled events. Trail booklets and maps also are available.

Pets are not permitted. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (859) 873-3271.

BUFFALO TRACE DISTILLERY is off I-64 exit 58, then 5 mi. n. on US 60/421 to 113 Great Buffalo Trace. A walking tour of the distillery, where bourbon has been produced continuously since 1787, begins in the visitor center. From here visitors can see displays and a video depicting the process of distillation. Also on the tour are a warehouse where the bourbon is aged in barrels and the hand bottling house. The tour concludes with a tasting.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 696-5926 or (800) 654-8471.

 **FRANKFORT CEMETERY**, downtown at 215 E. Main St., overlooks the city. A monument marks the graves of Daniel Boone and his wife, Rebecca. The cemetery also contains the graves of 17 Kentucky governors. The Kentucky War Memorial honors Kentuckians who have died defending their country from the War of 1812 through the Gulf War. Many gravestones bear quaint epitaphs. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (502) 227-2403.

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT FOR LIBRARIES AND ARCHIVES, 300 Coffee Tree Rd., houses reference materials, genealogical information about Kentuckians and

public records from the state and local government. **Phone:** (502) 564-8300.

The Kentucky Vietnam Veterans Memorial, on a hill opposite the library and archives at 365 Vernon Cooper Ln., consists of a large sundial. The shadow of the indicator shaft falls on a granite panel on which are etched the names of Kentuckians killed in the Vietnam War. Each name appears in a place the shadow touches annually on the anniversary of that soldier's death. Behind the sundial, where the shadow never falls, are the names of veterans missing in action. **Phone:** (502) 564-9203.



LIBERTY HALL HISTORIC SITE, 202-218 Wilkinson St., consists of two historic houses situated on 4 acres of formal boxwood and perennial gardens on the banks of the Kentucky River. In order to give both of his son's equal inheritance, Sen. John Brown divided the original 4-acre site into two parcels, each with a house. Tours of both houses include changing exhibits that focus on the lives of the Brown family and the early days of Kentucky's statehood. Liberty Hall Historic Site is owned by the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 227-2560. **GT**

Liberty Hall, at Liberty Hall Historic Site at 218 Wilkinson St., was begun in 1796 by John Brown, a member of the Continental Congress and one of Kentucky's first two U.S. senators. Three U.S. presidents are among the dignitaries who visited Brown and his wife Margaretta at the three-story Federalist home. Period furnishings include many original Brown family items as well as Kentucky-built furniture and other early 19th-century pieces. Gardens behind the house extend to the Kentucky River. Restoration of the house is an ongoing process. **Phone:** (502) 227-2560. **GT**

Orlando Brown House, at Liberty Hall Historic Site at 202 Wilkinson St., was designed by Gideon Shryock for the senator's second son, Orlando, for a total cost of \$5,000. Little has changed over the years; the 1835 house has a floor plan similar to that of Liberty Hall. The style of the house reflects the transition from Federal to Greek Revival. Original furniture, silver, china, brass and family portraits are displayed. **Phone:** (502) 227-2560. **GT**




SALATO WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER is off I-64 exit 53B; take US 127 1.5 mi. n. to US 60, then 1.5 mi. w. to 1 Sportsmans Ln. in the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Headquarters Complex. The center includes indoor and outdoor exhibits focusing on Kentucky's native fish and wildlife.




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Indoors, a mountain stream and native foliage are settings for butterflies, rattlesnakes, raccoons and birds in the Eastern Forest diorama, while frogs and toads occupy another area. The Living Bee Tree provides a look at honeybees busily working. Other exhibits feature venomous snakes, an aquarium with native fish and wildlife that have been successfully returned to the state.

Outdoors, paved accessible trails lead to natural exhibits housing such non-releasable animals as black bears, bobcats, bald eagles, elk, white-tail deer and buffalo. The Pea Ridge and HabiTrek trails wind through woods and fields and offer varying lengths of hikes. Fishing lakes are available onsite.

Time: Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (502) 564-7863 or (800) 858-1549. 

 **STATE CAPITOL** is 5 blks. s. on Capitol Ave. Set between two bluffs overlooking Frankfort, the capitol is considered to be one of the most beautiful in the country. The exterior is of Indiana limestone on a base of Vermont granite. The walls of the 1910 building are ornamented with 70 Ionic columns. The pediment over the north entrance is noteworthy, and there are several fine sculpture groups. A brochure outlining a walking tour of the capitol grounds is available.


The interior, finished in marble and accented with murals and paintings, is noted for its French influence. The rotunda and dome were copied from the Hotel des Invalides over Napoleon Bonaparte's tomb; the stairs resemble those in the Paris Grand Opéra House; and the State Reception Room is modeled after Marie Antoinette's

drawing room and features original hand-carved walnut furniture and infinity mirrors.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 564-3449.

Governor's Mansion is at 704 Capital Ave. Home of Kentucky's current governor, the stately residence is patterned after the Petit Trianon on the grounds of the Palace of Versailles in France. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 564-3449.

Kentucky's Floral Clock, on the capitol grounds, is surrounded by an illuminated reflecting pool. A garden contains thousands of plants and incorporates the name of the state. The clock has a raised 34-foot-diameter face and a minute hand that weighs 530 pounds and is more than 20 feet long. **Phone:** (502) 564-3449.

 **THOMAS D. CLARK CENTER FOR KENTUCKY HISTORY**, at 100 W. Broadway St., features interactive displays interpreting distinct periods in Kentucky's history. The museum's permanent exhibit, A Kentucky Journey, traces the state's chronology from prehistoric times to the present. From the first Kentuckians (dating to 10,000 B.C.) through the state's frontier and antebellum days, the Civil War and its aftermath, the beginning of the new century, the Depression era, World War II and up to the present, the exhibit depicts Kentucky's story through artifacts, technology and sounds.

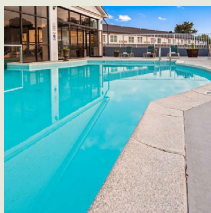
The center also houses the Martin F. Schmidt Research Library, an extensive research library housing genealogy records specific to Kentucky's families, and the interactive Hall of Governors exhibit. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 564-1792.



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Although pioneers arrived in the area as early as 1774, Georgetown's first permanent settlers, Baptist minister Elijah Craig and members of his flock, arrived in 1784 and incorporated the town of Lebanon. The territory at that time was still part of Virginia. In 1790 the Virginia legislature renamed the city George Town in honor of President George Washington.

It is believed that the first bourbon whiskey was made in Georgetown by Rev. Craig in 1789. The distillation was named for Bourbon County, Va., in which Georgetown was located. Students and faculty constructing the first building on the Georgetown College campus in 1840 reputedly put a quart of bourbon under each of the six Ionic columns that support the portico roof of this Baptist institution. Although bourbon is no longer produced in the county, the state remains the nation's largest whiskey producer.

Popular recreational activities include canoeing and bass fishing on Elkhorn Creek, walking along the Great Crossing Park Nature Trail and bicycling through the scenic countryside. Other area diversions include touring local horse farms and browsing for antiques and art in downtown, where there are many Victorian-era buildings and brick sidewalks. *Also see Bluegrass Country p. 30.*

Georgetown/Scott County Tourism Commission: 399 Outlet Center Dr., Georgetown, KY 40324. **Phone:** (502) 863-2547 or (888) 863-8600.

Self-guiding tours: Literature for a self-guiding walking tour featuring more than 200 historic buildings and homes in Georgetown is available at the tourism commission.

Shopping: Georgetown's historic downtown features boutiques and dining venues in a picturesque Victorian setting. For specialty and outlet shops such as Rue 21 and Rack Room Shoes, however, there's Factory Stores of America Outlet Center, off I-75 exit 126.

**KENTUCKY HORSE PARK**—see Lexington p. 67.

OLD FRIENDS is at 1841 Paynes Depot Rd. (US 62) at Dream Chase Farm. A living-history museum devoted to horse racing, the 236-acre horse farm provides a permanent retirement home for more than 130 former Thoroughbred racehorses. Ninety-minute guided tours, sometimes conducted by founder Michael Blowen, allow visitors close-up encounters with the horses, including Derby and Preakness winner Silver Charm as well as two-time Whitney winner Commentator and Belmont Stakes winner Touch Gold and Sarava. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 863-1775.

TOYOTA MOTOR MANUFACTURING KENTUCKY PLANT TOUR is off I-75 exit 126; take US 62 2.5 mi. e. to the visitor entrance at 1001 Cherry Blossom Way. A visitor center offers exhibits and interactive displays as well as videos and models to view. Tours of the plant, which produces the Avalon, Camry, Camry Hybrid and Venza models, last 45 minutes and begin with a short video presentation recounting the history of Toyota Motor Manufacturing in Georgetown and continue with a narrated tram tour of the stamping, body welding, plastics and assembly areas.

Note: Photo ID is required. No bags, cameras or cell-phones are permitted on the tour; they should be stored in vehicles prior to entering the plant. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 868-3027 or (800) 866-4485.



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SOUTH CENTRAL KENTUCKY CULTURAL CENTER is at 200 W. Water St. at jct. Main St. in the renovated 1928 Kentucky Pant Factory. The history of the geographic area known as the Barrens is depicted at the cultural center, also known as the Museum of the Barrens (the term “bar-

rens” refers to an expanse of open prairie surrounded by forests).

The museum relates the history of Barren County and parts of four nearby counties. Visitors can explore a pioneer family’s 19th-century log cabin, a Victorian parlor, a doctor’s office and a one-room school as well as other period rooms. Local artists are featured in the Snavelly Gallery. **Phone:** (270) 651-9792.

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Originally called Mount Pleasant, Harlan was renamed in 1917 for Maj. Silas Harlan, a Kentuckian killed in 1782 in the Revolutionary War's Battle of Blue Lick.

Despite several serious clashes between labor and management during the first 3 decades of the 20th century, Harlan has developed into the coal-producing capital of Kentucky.

Harlan County Chamber of Commerce: 201 S. Main St., Harlan, KY 40831. **Phone:** (606) 573-4717.

QUALITY INN **BOOK NOW** 606/573-3385APPROVED
INSPECTED CLEANHotel. **Address:** 2608 S Hwy 421 40831.**HARRODSBURG**

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Founded in 1774 by James Harrod, Harrodsburg was the first permanent English settlement west of the Allegheny Mountains. Several buildings date back to the 18th century. Probably the oldest existing group of row houses west of the Alleghenies is the 1807 Morgan Row, on S. Chiles Street. During the 19th century Harrodsburg was a popular gathering spot for those eager to partake of the local mineral springs and visit the spas that were known for their gala entertainment. *Also see Bluegrass Country p. 30.*

Harrodsburg/Mercer County Tourist Commission: 488 Price Ave., Harrodsburg, KY 40330. **Phone:** (859) 734-2364 or (800) 355-9192.

Self-guiding tours: Maps for a self-guiding walking and driving tour of Harrodsburg are available at the Diamond Point Welcome Center at 488 Price Ave. Among the tour's features are the 1800 Old Mud Meeting House, the first

Dutch reformed church building west of the Allegheny Mountains; antebellum homes; the Bataan War Memorial, dedicated to soldiers who died in the Philippines during World War II; and other historic structures and sites associated with the springs that made Harrodsburg the "Saratoga of the South."



SHAKER VILLAGE OF PLEASANT HILL, 7 mi. e. on US 68, is America's largest restored Shaker village. The village was founded in 1805 by the Shakers, members of a celibate, communal religious sect that began during the late 18th century in England. The village is an outdoor history museum preserving 34 original buildings on 3,000 acres with streams, forests and native prairies; more than one dozen buildings can be toured. All visitor services are provided in the original buildings. The structures, some dating to 1809, reflect Shaker standards of simplicity and utility. The stone Centre Family Dwelling has Shaker furniture and artifacts.

Costumed interpreters describe the society's distinctive way of life, and artisans demonstrate such heritage crafts





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as broom making and woodworking. Activities throughout the property include hands-on changing history displays, 40 miles of hiking and horseback riding trails, a farm experience with petting areas and chicken round-ups, organic gardens where visitors can sow seeds and wagon and hay rides. The paddle-wheel riverboat *Dixie Belle*

offers 1-hour trips on the Kentucky River. In early August, the Shaker Village Craft Fair is held, and it features hand-made Shaker reproduction crafts.

Dixie Belle riverboat rides are subject to weather and river conditions. **Time:** Allow 4 hours minimum. **Phone:** (859) 734-5411 or (800) 734-5611.  

 SHAKER VILLAGE OF PLEASANT HILL **BOOK NOW** 859/734-5411



Historic Country Inn. **Address:** 3501 Lexington Rd 40330.

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Services: coin laundry.



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AAA HAMPTON INN CINCINNATI AIRPORT NORTH BY HILTON **BOOK NOW** 859/689-1960



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 755 Petersburg Rd 41048.

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Memorials to Col. Richard Henderson and the Transylvania Co., the town's founders, are downtown. The community's location on the banks of the Ohio River attracted early industry; today Henderson is home to diverse manufacturing and service industries.

Horse racing is popular in Henderson. Ellis Park Race-track, 3 miles north on US 41, has Thoroughbred racing mid-July through Labor Day; phone (270) 826-0608.

Note: Policies concerning admittance of children to pari-mutuel betting facilities vary. Phone for information.

The W.C. Handy Blues and Barbecue Festival, held in mid-June, celebrate the Father of the Blues in Audubon Mill Park.

Henderson County Tourist Commission: 101 N. Water St., Suite B, Henderson, KY 42420. **Phone:** (270) 826-3128.

JOHN JAMES AUDUBON STATE PARK, n. on US 41, is a memorial to John James Audubon, naturalist, ornithologist



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and artist, who lived in Henderson for 9 years. It is both a nature preserve and a public park with a nine-hole golf course. Nature trails provide views of 150 varieties of wildflowers. A 28-acre lake offers fishing opportunities. See *Recreation Areas Chart*. **Phone:** (270) 826-2247.



John James Audubon Museum and Nature Center, at John James Audubon State Park, contains works and

relics of the artist's life and times. Four galleries include oils, watercolors and 435 original prints from the 1839 folio edition of "The Birds of America." The Nature Center has The Observation Room overlooking a native plant garden and a woodland pond; The Discovery Center, with hands-on activities; and The Learning Center, with a naturalist and an art educator in a classroom setting.

Time: Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (270) 827-1893.

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Historic Bed & Breakfast. **Address:** 327 N Main St 42420.

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Hotel. **Address:** 2224 US Hwy 41 N 42420.

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Agriculture and manufacturing are central to the economy of Hopkinsville. Manufacturing includes the production of automobile and truck frames, cutting tool machines, precision springs, magnetic wire, lighting fixtures and bowling balls.

Hopkinsville Community College has gained notice in academic literary circles as the home of Round Table Park. This campus feature includes a replica of a fifth-century Athenian amphitheater; a statue of Melpomene, the classical Muse of tragedy; and a full-size marble replica of the table in Winchester, England, that is alleged to be the Round Table of King Arthur.



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The route of the Trail of Tears, the forced relocation of 13,000 Cherokee Indians from their tribal lands westward to a reservation in Oklahoma during the winter of 1838-39, is remembered at Trail of Tears Commemorative Park, at US 41 and Skyline Drive. Part of the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail, the park is on a campsite used by the Native Americans during the 1,200-mile march. The graves of two Cherokee chiefs who died on the trail and a heritage center with interpretive exhibits can be seen.

Hopkinsville-Christian County Convention & Visitors Bureau: 1730 E. 9th St., Hopkinsville, KY 42240. **Phone:** (270) 887-2300 or (800) 842-9959.

Self-guiding tours: A walking tour of the downtown area reflects the community's historical and architectural character. There also is a cellphone tour of the Edgar Cayce buildings and an African American driving tour. Brochures are available at the Pennyroyal Area Museum and the convention and visitors bureau.

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Services: valet and coin laundry.




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HORSE CAVE

Horse Cave was named for the large cavern around which the town grew; the term "horse" was a colloquialism meaning "large." An underground river in the cavern was used to generate electricity in the late 1800s.

Self-guiding tours: A brochure featuring a walking tour of the historic buildings in Horse Cave's commercial district is available at the American Cave Museum and at businesses throughout town.

AMERICAN CAVE MUSEUM & HIDDEN RIVER CAVE is 2.5 mi. e. of I-65 exit 58 on SR 218 at 119 E. Main St.


Museum exhibits, which provide information about the history and science of caves, include displays about cave formations and explorations, ground water, historical artifacts, Native Americans and aquariums containing cave animals. A set of 230 stairs leads to an underground river that flows beneath the town of Horse Cave; guided cave tours are available. Adventure tours are available by reservation.

Note: Due to the threat of White-Nose syndrome to bats, visitors should not wear clothing and footwear that has been worn in other caves unless properly decontaminated. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (270) 786-1466.



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 **KENTUCKY DOWN UNDER/MAMMOTH ONYX CAVE**, off I-65 exit 58, .2 mi. s.e. on SR 218, then n. on SR 335 to 3700 L & N Turnpike Rd., is an interactive nature park that is home to both Australian wildlife and a cave filled with unusual onyx formations.

At Kentucky Down Under visitors can roam with kangaroos and other Australian animals in the Outback, hand-feed vibrant-colored birds in two walk-in aviaries, watch

border collies herd sheep, participate in aboriginal culture and take part in chores at the woolshed. A nature trail, an exotic bird garden and other exhibits also are featured.

A 45-minute guided tour through Mammoth Onyx Cave allows visitors to see colorful cave formations in a constant 60°F environment.

Time: Allow 4 hours minimum. **Phone:** (270) 786-1010 or (800) 762-2869.  

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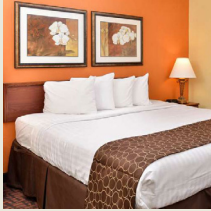
Motel. **Address:** 9330 Blairwood Rd 40222.



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Hotel. **Address:** 1241 Kentucky Mills Dr 40299. **Facility:** 70 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.


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 Hotel. **Address:** 1520 Alliant Ave 40299.



 HOLIDAY INN LOUISVILLE EAST **BOOK NOW** 502/426-2600





Hotel. **Address:** 1325 S Hurstbourne Pkwy 40222. **Facility:** 186 units. 7 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** complimentary and valet laundry, area transportation.

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RELAX INN & SUITES

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Motel. **Address:** 224 New Circle Dr 42055.

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State Eastern Star Shrine, 110 Washington St., was the home of Rob Morris, founder of the Order of the Eastern

Star. Visitors can see original furnishings, some of Morris' personal belongings and other relics. The shrine is open by appointment; phone (502) 222-0248.



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Hotel. **Address:** 1005 New Moody Ln 40031. **Facility:** 100 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** outdoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



LAND BETWEEN THE LAKES NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

Between Barkley and Kentucky lakes in western Kentucky and Tennessee, Land Between The Lakes National Recreation Area can be reached from I-24W exit 31 by taking SR 453 south to Woodlands Trace National Scenic

Byway and following signs. The 170,000-acre wooded peninsula is managed by the USDA Forest Service.

More than 200 miles of hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding trails lead to points of natural and historic interest. Dozens of elk and bison roam a 700-acre restored prairie in the Kentucky portion of the area.



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Fishing, boating, camping, picnicking and hunting are popular activities. The Turkey Bay Off Highway Vehicle Area offers 100 miles of designated trails.

The recreation area is served by three visitor centers. The North Welcome Station, near Grand Rivers, and the South Welcome Station, near Dover, Tenn., provide visitor information, including trail maps. The Golden Pond Visitor Center, centrally located at Woodlands Trace and US 68/SR 80, has visitor information and maps, interpretive displays, audiovisual orientation programs and a planetarium (see attraction listing).

The recreation area is accessible daily 24 hours. The North and South welcome stations are open daily 9-5, Apr.-Oct.; Wed.-Sun. 9-5 in Mar. and Nov. The Golden Pond Visitor Center is open daily 9-5, year-round. Closed Jan. 1, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Some activities free. For additional information phone (270) 924-2000 or (800) 525-7077. See *Recreation Areas Chart*.

ELK & BISON PRAIRIE is 1 mi. n. on Woodlands Trace National Scenic Byway from jct. US 68/SR 80. This 700-acre area re-creates the vast prairie that existed here 200 years ago. By prescribed burns and reintroducing plant and animal species that once thrived in the area, the grassland habitat is slowly being reestablished.

Bison, elk, wild turkeys, rabbits, raccoons, hawks, owls and songbirds can be seen. A 3.5-mile paved loop road allows guests to see the prairie from their car and visit interactive interpretive stops. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (270) 924-2000 or (800) 525-7077.

GOLDEN POND PLANETARIUM, in the Golden Pond Visitor Center, at the jct. of Woodlands Trace National Scenic Byway and US 68/SR 80, presents shows on a 40-foot-diameter dome screen. An observatory has telescopes available for stargazing June through August. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 924-2233 or (800) 525-7077.

THE HOMEPLACE, 15 mi. s. on Woodland Trace National Scenic Byway from jct. US 68/SR 80, re-creates the lifestyle and farming practices of a mid-1800s family living between the Cumberland and Tennessee rivers. Interpreters dressed in period clothing talk with guests and perform daily activities. Buildings include 16 restored log structures, some relocated from the surrounding area. The interpretive center has an audiovisual presentation and exhibits about farm life. Special events, programs and festivals are held throughout the season.


Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 924-2000, (270) 232-6457 or (800) 525-7077.

WOODLANDS NATURE STATION, n. on Woodlands Trace National Scenic Byway, then e. on Mulberry Flat Rd. following signs, has live animal exhibits, seasonal canoe and kayak rentals, trails and interpretive programming. The Nature Station, within the 5,000-acre Woodlands Nature Watch Area on Lake Barkley, enables visitors to observe wildlife in a natural setting. Special events, programs and festivals are offered weekends March through November, and bald eagle viewing excursions are available during the winter.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 924-2000, (270) 924-2299 or (800) 525-7077.

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FOUR ROSES DISTILLERY is 4 mi. s. on US 127 bypass, then 1 mi. w. to 1224 Bonds Mill Rd. (SR 513). Guided 45-minute tours show how Four Roses Kentucky Straight Bourbon is produced. The brand was established in 1888, and the distillery, in a Spanish Mission-style building, has been operating since 1910. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 839-3436. 



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Hotel. Address: 200 Plaza Dr 40342. **Facility:** 52 units. 2 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** outdoor. **Activities:** exercise room.



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LIMESTONE BRANCH DISTILLERY is at 1280 Veterans Memorial Hwy. This craft distillery on the Kentucky Bourbon Trail presents tours offering an up-close perspective of the creative process, from mash to fermenting

to distilling. A tasting bar is available at the facility, which uses as much organic and locally produced grain as possible. Visitors can access a gravel path leading to a lake, where complimentary paddleboats are available. Tasting and cocktail bar accessible to ages 21+. Photo ID is required. **Time:** Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (270) 699-9004.  



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Hotel. Address: 1125 Loretto Rd 40033.

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Kentucky's second largest city, Lexington is the commercial center of Bluegrass Country. The region is distinguished by a rich historical heritage that has centered on Thoroughbred horses and tobacco and, more recently, bourbon and hoops. Downtown Lexington is an urban tract amid rolling bluegrass pastures trimmed by miles of painted wooden fences and peppered with cupolas topping large barns. While picturesque, the pastoral scene commands a higher purpose: the horse, of course.

On the city's outskirts are hundreds of the world's most celebrated horse farms, where Thoroughbreds, Standardbreds, American Saddlebred horses and show champions are bred and trained.

Lexington is Thoroughbred Country. Even though the Kentucky Derby is held 80 miles away in Louisville, Lexington residents will remind you that many of the horses hail from the Bluegrass region. To celebrate the tradition, Lexington plays host to extravagant, black-tie galas celebrating the 2-minute race held under the Twin Spires.

The aristocracy of Lexington's Thoroughbred industry has reigned since horses were first brought to Kentucky from Virginia in the late 18th century. The city was founded in 1775, and the state's first impromptu races were held in Lexington in 1787. Two years later, the census noted more horses than humans.

The Lexington Jockey Club, the first in the country, was organized in 1894; still active, it preserves the history and integrity of breeding and racing by maintaining *The American Stud Book*, a database of all Thoroughbreds foaled in the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico. Dating to the late 1800s, it contains the records of nearly

2 million horses and the results of every Thoroughbred race in the country.

Nearly 20,000 horses are bred each year in and around Lexington. It can be argued that horses still outnumber people in Bluegrass Country, and equines are treated as well or perhaps better. And for good reason: A world-record sale in 1985 garnered \$13.1 million for a horse with champion bloodlines, and a successful horse can earn millions in his racing career, not to mention stud fees.

When Man o' War (considered by many to be history's greatest racehorse) died in 1947, he was embalmed and lay in state for 3 days—the casket was lined with his black and gold racing silks. Thousands attended the funeral, and a giant bronze statue in his likeness marks his grave. Man o' War Boulevard, which circles the south side of Lexington, was named for the champion, whose 28-foot stride won 20 of the 21 races he entered.

Calumet Farm, just west on SR 60/Versailles Road, is one of the most well-known Thoroughbred farms and home to two Triple Crown, eight Preakness and eight Derby winners. Established in 1924, its 800 acres are divided by 35 miles of pristine white fencing, and the buildings are edged in devil's red, the farm's racing shade. Devotion to horses is evident in the farm's luxurious horse stalls, immaculate landscaping and six-to-one ratio of employee to horse.

Major equestrian events include Thoroughbred races at Keeneland Race Course (*see attraction listing*), founded in 1936. In April and October Thoroughbreds take to the 1.16-mile track several times per day Wednesday through Sunday. Lawn jockeys outside the Kentucky limestone buildings are painted annually in the winning team's racing colors. Spectators are allowed at Keeneland's prestigious Thoroughbred auctions, which occur several times a year.



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Harness races take place July through October at The Red Mile Harness Track, said to be the country's oldest and fastest trotting track (*see attraction listing*). Steeplechases and polo matches are held at the Kentucky Horse Park.

Lexington's major crop has been tobacco, yielding one of the largest crops of burley tobacco in Kentucky. Tobacco barns, where the leaves are dried, stripped and packed, can still be seen along country roads. In addition, the city is the country's chief producer of bluegrass seed and white barley.

Lexington's business district has thrived without losing the grace or traditions of its Southern heritage. Victorian storefronts are preserved along Main Street, and restored houses line Broadway between Main and West Third streets.



Nearby is Gratz Park, fronted by such early historic properties as the three Goodlowe Houses and Hunt-Morgan House (*see attraction listing*). Brick paths, shady trees and a fountain make the park a welcome respite. The park was once the campus for nearby Transylvania University, said to be the oldest college west of the Allegheny Mountains. Morrison Hall, now home to administrative offices, was built in 1833 in the Greek Revival style by Gideon Shryock, who is said to have introduced the architectural style to Kentucky. Guided and self-guiding campus tours include the medical museum, the Morlan Art Gallery and the Mitchell Fine Arts Center; phone (859) 233-8120.

A statue at the old Fayette County Courthouse in the center of town honors John Hunt Morgan, a Confederate general adept at conducting guerrilla warfare. Despite his controversial tactics and a series of defeats, Morgan was considered a hero. The statue caused quite a local stir when unveiled in 1911—Hunt is shown astride a stallion instead of his best-known mount, the mare Black Bess.

Patrons of the arts appreciate the lavish interior of the 1887 Lexington Opera House at 401 W. Short St. It plays host to musical and theatrical performances; for ticket information phone (859) 233-3535.

Seven life-size bronze racehorses streak toward the finish line in the 2.5-acre Thoroughbred Park, on the corner of Main Street and Midland Avenue. Standing at a break in the rock wall, one can witness a "photo finish."

The local obsession with college basketball reaches a crescendo from late October through March, when the University of Kentucky Wildcats hit the hardwood. The eight-time national champions play at the 23,500-seat Rupp Arena at 430 W. Vine St.; phone the university ticket office, (859) 257-1818, for information about all collegiate sports.

Even though their themes may not be horse-related, three of Lexington's special events take place at some of the city's better-known horse-related sites. The  Blue Grass Trust Antiques & Garden Show sets up its tent in early March at Kentucky Horse Park (*see attraction listing*). The last weekend in April the park is home to the  Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event. Also known as RK3DE, this event draws top horses and riders from around the world to compete in cross-country, dressage and jumping competitions.  Southern Lights, celebrated mid-November through December 31, features a 4-mile driving tour past brilliantly lit seasonal displays. The route goes through the park and ends at the visitor center, where the holiday spirit continues indoors with a petting zoo, crafts and music.

Lexington is at the intersection of three scenic highways: I-64 and US 60 both run west to Frankfort (*see place listing p. 48*), and US 68 runs northeast to Paris (*see place listing p. 117*). Also see *Bluegrass Country p. 30*.

VisitLEX: 215 W. Main St., Suite 75, Lexington, KY 40507. **Phone:** (859) 233-7299 or (800) 845-3959.

Self-guiding tours: The Lexington Walk and the Bluegrass Country Driving Tour brochure features an approximately 2-mile-long walk that takes participants by many of Lexington's historic structures as well as a scenic driving tour past the area's famous horse farms and farmlands. The driving tour is split into three sections, varying in length from 24 to 35 miles long. Maps are provided by the convention and visitors bureau (VisitLEX).

Shopping: Two downtown areas—The Shops at Lexington Center and The Square—offer a variety of stores. Lexington Center, on W. Vine Street at Rupp Arena, has three levels of specialty shops as well as restaurants and entertainment. The Square is a block of restored 19th-century buildings on W. Main Street housing a collection of retail and specialty stores.

A variety of stores can be found at Fayette Mall, 3401 Nicholasville Rd., including Dillard's, JCPenney and Macy's. Fayette Place, an extension of the mall, features numerous eateries, shops and a cinema.



ASHLAND, THE HENRY CLAY ESTATE, 1.5 mi. s.e. at the corner of Sycamore Rd. and Richmond Rd. (E. Main St.), was the estate of "The Great Compromiser," Henry Clay, from 1806 until his death in 1852. Named for the large number of ash trees that graced the property, the stately home is surrounded by gardens and woods. The 18-room mansion is furnished with Clay family possessions.



The original house was replaced by Clay's son James in 1856 with a new structure built on the same foundation and with a similar floor plan. The interior of the two-story brick house reflects the Victorian style popular during the late 19th century. Early 19th-century outbuildings on the grounds include icehouses, a smokehouse, a dairy cellar and privy. Also on the grounds are a carriage presented to Clay by the citizens of Newark, N.J., and a formal garden. One-hour guided tours and a 12-minute video are offered.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (859) 266-8581.

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BLUE GRASS TOURS offers a guided 3-hour introduction to the Bluegrass region, highlighting renowned landmarks and historic homes of the area. Visitors explore behind the scenes at Keeneland Race Course and beyond the gates of a Thoroughbred farm in addition to viewing sites where movies such as "Secretariat," "Seabiscuit" and "Dreamer" were filmed. A Bourbon Distillery tour is among the custom offerings.

Time: Allow 3 hours minimum. **Phone:** (859) 252-5744 or (800) 755-6956.

EXPLORIUM OF LEXINGTON is at 440 W. Short St. in The Square; the entrance is at the corner of W. Short and Algonquin sts. Hands-on exhibits in this children's museum's nine discovery zones cover science, nature, history, ecology and the human body.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (859) 258-3253.

HORSE FARM TOURS INC. picks up visitors at several Lexington area lodgings. Guided tours of two or three Lexington area horse farms are offered as well as stops at Keeneland Race Course. Passengers also see sites featured in the movies "Seabiscuit," "Secretariat" and "Dreamer." Guides explain the sights and answer questions about the horse industry and Lexington. Some farms allow visitors to pet and photograph horses.

Time: Allow 3 hours minimum. **Phone:** (859) 268-2906 or (800) 976-1034.

HOPMONT, THE HUNT-MORGAN HOUSE is at 201 N. Mill St. The early 1800s Federal-style house was built by John Wesley Hunt. Prominent family members include John Hunt Morgan, the "Thunderbolt of the Confederacy," and Nobel Prize winner Thomas Hunt Morgan. The house features a fanlight doorway, a three-story cantilevered staircase, family furniture, portraits and a garden. Among the Civil War memorabilia displayed in the Alexander T. Hunt Civil War Museum, on the second floor, are documents, equipment and uniforms.

Phone: (859) 233-3290.



KENTUCKY HORSE PARK, 9 mi. n. off I-75 exit 120, at 4089 Iron Works Pike, is a 1,200-acre facility devoted to the region's equine heritage. The Man o' War Memorial, the renowned racehorse's burial site, is at the entrance to the traditionally fenced grounds. A film about the relationship between man and horses, narrated by William Shatner, serves as an introduction to the park. Self-guiding walking tours and horse-drawn trolley rides are available.

The Breeds Barn houses multiple breeds of horses; after viewing the 25-minute Breeds Barn presentation in the show ring, visitors can meet the animals and their riders. The Hall of Champions is the site of a 25-minute show featuring a group of championship horses, including Kentucky Derby winners Go for Gin (1994) and Funny Cide (2003). The International Museum of the Horse depicts the 50-million-year history of the horse; a circular ramp winds past displays, artifacts, trophies, paintings and carriages.

Horseback riding and pony rides are available. Another close-up opportunity comes with a visit to the Big Barn, home of the huge horses that pull the tour trolleys. The craft of horseshoeing can be seen during a stop at the Farrier Shop. An animated holiday light display brightens the park the Friday before Thanksgiving through December 31.

Phone: (859) 233-4303 or (800) 678-8813.

American Saddlebred Museum, jct. I-75 exit 120 and Iron Works Pkwy. on the grounds of Kentucky Horse Park, has exhibits, video presentations and a movie tracing the history and current uses of the American Saddlebred horse, the oldest registered American breed of horse. The museum also features interactive and changing exhibits.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (859) 259-2746.

The International Museum of the Horse is part of Kentucky Horse Park at 4089 Iron Works Pkwy. This large, beautifully designed museum outlines the history of the first domesticated horse, the Arabian stallion, draft horses, horse-drawn vehicles and the horse as it relates to sports. Temporary international exhibits offer glimpses of the importance of horses to different cultures.

Note: Photography and video are allowed in the permanent exhibits only. **Phone:** (859) 259-4232.

LEXINGTON CEMETERY is at 833 W. Main St. Buried here are the family of Mrs. Abraham Lincoln; Henry Clay and his wife; 19th-century author and educator James Lane Allen; Col. W.C.P. Breckinridge, the "silver-tongued Orator of Kentucky"; Confederate cavalry officer Gen. John Hunt Morgan; basketball coach Adolph F. Rupp;



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actor Jim Varney; and 500 Confederate soldiers. Well-known as an arboretum, the cemetery has seasonal floral gardens.

Federal leader Gen. Gordon Granger and “King” Solomon, vagabond hero of the cholera plague of 1833 who was immortalized by novelist James Lane Allen, also are interred here. The cemetery embraces the nearby Lexington National Cemetery. Self-guiding walking tours are available. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (859) 255-5522.



MARY TODD LINCOLN HOUSE at 578 W. Main St. is the first historic site to honor a first lady. Built 1803-06 as an inn, the building was purchased in 1832 by Robert Smith Todd, who renovated it for use by his family. The Todds lived in the house until 1849. The family’s 16 children included Mary Todd, who would become Abraham Lincoln’s wife. Mary met and married the future president after moving to Springfield, Ill. to live with her older sister; she and Lincoln visited her girlhood home several times.

Knowledgeable guides provide insight into the life of the first lady as they lead visitors through the 14-room, two-story Georgian-style brick house. The décor contains antiques interspersed with a number of Mary Todd Lincoln’s possessions as well as portraits and period furnishings. Especially noteworthy are Mrs. Lincoln’s porcelain perfume jars, a candelabra and a mourning jacket. A 19th-century-style garden out back contains plantings representative of the original plot. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (859) 233-9999.

RAVEN RUN NATURE SANCTUARY, 6 mi. s.e. on Richmond Rd., 3.5 mi. s. on US 25/421, then 5.2 mi. s. on SR 1975/Jack’s Creek Pike to 3885 Raven Run Way, is a 734-acre nature sanctuary with more than 10 miles of hiking trails that traverse meadow, forest and creek ecosystems, leading to views of the Kentucky River palisades. More than 200 bird and 600 plant species may be seen. Also on the property are a historic brick house and rock fences built by pioneer farmers. A nature center has interactive exhibits about native flora and fauna and offers pamphlets outlining the area’s history and wildlife.

Note: Pets of any kind are not permitted. All visitors must sign in at the nature center, located at the beginning of the trail system, upon arrival and departure. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (859) 272-6105.

RED MILE, 1.75 mi. s.w. on US 68 via signs at 1200 Red Mile Rd., is a 1-mile oval track for trotters and pacers with grandstand, park and clubhouse facilities. The number of world records set at this red clay track has given it the

reputation as the fastest track in the world. Races are held from late July through early October. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (859) 255-0752.

THOROUGHbred HERITAGE TOURS depart from various hotels throughout Lexington. The 3-hour, guide-narrated tours are conducted in climate-controlled vans and proceed through Bluegrass Country, offering views of Calumet Farm and other renowned bluegrass farms. Seen along the way are sites where the motion pictures “Secretariat,” “Dreamer” and “Seabiscuit” were filmed. The tour includes a walk through historic Keeneland Race Track and culminates with an up-close-and-personal encounter with thoroughbreds at a private farm.

Time: Allow 3 hours minimum. **Phone:** (859) 260-8687, or (800) 808-9533 daily 7 a.m.-9 p.m. for reservations and pick up locations. **GT**

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY is bounded by Limestone St., Euclid Ave. and Rose St. Established in 1865, the university is the largest employer in Lexington. Guided tours of the campus depart from the visitor center in the Gatton Student Center.

Time: Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (859) 257-3595. **GT**

The Arboretum, on the University of Kentucky campus near Kroger Field (formerly Commonwealth Stadium), is Kentucky’s Official State Botanical Garden. Its 100 acres contain a visitor center; a home demonstration garden; vegetable and herb gardens; fruit and nut gardens; The Kentucky Children’s Garden; and a 2-mile walk across a sampling of Kentucky’s seven physiographic landscape regions. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (859) 257-6955 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-4 to schedule a tour.

The Art Museum at the University of Kentucky is on the University of Kentucky campus in Singletary Center for the Arts at jct. Rose St. and Euclid Ave. The museum’s permanent collection of more than 3,900 objects features 19th- and 20th-century European and American works; photographs; decorative arts, including a collection of Tiffany glass; an Italian Baroque painting; contemporary and old master prints; African and pre-Columbian sculpture; and regional art.

The museum also features a variety of changing exhibitions. **Phone:** (859) 257-5716.

WINERIES

• **Talon Winery & Vineyards** is 10 mi. s. on SR 1974 to 7086 Bates Creek Rd. **Phone:** (859) 971-3214. **GT**



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 **21C MUSEUM HOTEL** **BOOK NOW** 859/899-6800



Historic Boutique Hotel. **Address:** 167 W Main St 40507. **Facility:** Built as a bank in 1914, this historic downtown high-rise contrasts with the unexpected interior which immerses visitors with contemporary art exhibits designed to tweak bourgeois sensibilities. 88 units. 15 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** valet only. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet laundry.



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Hotel. **Address:** 1810 Bryant Rd 40509.

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Hotel. **Address:** 2221 Elkhorn Rd 40505. **Facility:** 60 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



 **CANDLEWOOD SUITES LEXINGTON NORTH** **BOOK NOW** 859/967-1940



Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 603 Adcolor Dr 40511.


 **COMFORT SUITES KEENELAND** **BOOK NOW** 859/296-4446



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Hotel. **Address:** 3060 Fieldstone Way 40513. **Location:** Located in a commercial area. **Facility:** 72 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



 COUNTRY INN & SUITES BY RADISSON **BOOK NOW** 859/299-8844



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Hotel. **Address:** 2297 Executive Dr 40505. **Facility:** 53 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest**

Services: coin laundry.          / SOME UNITS 

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 Hotel. **Address:** 2601 Richmond Rd 40509.


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 Hotel. **Address:** 245 Lexington Green Cir 40503.






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Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 1935 Stanton Way 40511. **Facility:** 79 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Bath:** shower only. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.




 HAMPTON INN BY HILTON I-75, LEXINGTON/HAMBURG AREA **BOOK NOW** 859/299-2613

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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 2251 Elkhorn Rd 40505.

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AIRPORT **BOOK NOW** 859/223-0088



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 3060 Lakecrest Cir 40513.

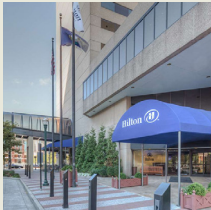
 HILTON GARDEN INN LEXINGTON/HAMBURG **BOOK NOW** 859/543-8300



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Hotel. **Address:** 1000 Export St 40504.

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Hotel. **Address:** 1976 Justice Dr 40509.

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 Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 960 Midnight Pass 40513.

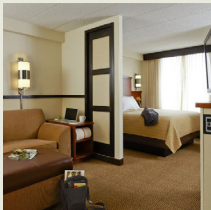
 HOMEWOOD SUITES BY HILTON LEXINGTON-HAMBURG **BOOK NOW** 859/543-0464



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 Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 2033 Bryant Rd 40509.

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Hotel. **Address:** 2001 Bryant Rd 40509. **Facility:** 127 units. 6 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room.




HYATT REGENCY LEXINGTON **BOOK NOW** 859/253-1234


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Hotel. **Address:** 401 W High St 40507. **Location:** Adjacent to Rupp Arena and Lexington Convention Center. **Facility:** 366 units. 16 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** on-site and valet. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** video games, safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet laundry.



LA QUINTA INN & SUITES LEXINGTON SOUTH/HAMBURG **BOOK NOW** 859/543-1877


Hotel. **Address:** 100 Canebrake Dr 40509.


LEXINGTON GRIFFIN GATE MARRIOTT GOLF RESORT & SPA **BOOK NOW** 859/231-5100


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SAVE Resort Hotel. **Address:** 1800 Newtown Pike 40511.


LEXINGTON MARRIOTT CITY CENTER **BOOK NOW** 859/253-1000


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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 121 W Vine St 40507.


RESIDENCE INN BY MARRIOTT LEXINGTON CITY CENTER **BOOK NOW** 859/253-3000


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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 150 W Main St 40507.


RESIDENCE INN BY MARRIOTT LEXINGTON KEENELAND/AIRPORT **BOOK NOW** 859/296-0460


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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 3110 Wall St 40513.



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PLACE **BOOK NOW** 859/263-9979



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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 2688 Pink Pigeon Pkwy 40509.

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KENTUCKY **BOOK NOW** 859/225-1500



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 863 S Broadway Rd 40504.

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Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 209 Ruccio Way 40503.

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KEENELAND/AIRPORT **BOOK NOW** 859/368-9491



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PLACE **BOOK NOW** 859/263-0018




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MARRIOTT

Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 1790 Vendor Way 40509. **Facility:** 99 units, some two bedrooms, efficiencies and kitchens. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



 TRU BY HILTON LEXINGTON UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER **BOOK NOW** 859/687-9700



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 535 Waller Ave 40504.

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In the heart of the Daniel Boone National Forest, London has been a crossroads for travelers ever since settlers first ventured through the Cumberland Gap on the Wilderness Road. It now is a regional center for trade, governmental services, industry and tourism.

You are bound to have an “egg-citing” time at the 4-day celebration known as the  World Chicken Festival, held

in London each September. The festival honors Colonel Harland Sanders, who opened his first restaurant in nearby Corbin (*see place listing p. 37*) in the 1940s. Folks come each year to see the world’s largest skillet, the Gospel Egg-stravaganza, the parade and live entertainment, volleyball tournament, midway-style rides and car show. Phone (606) 878-6900 for event information.

London-Laurel County Tourist Commission: 140 Faith Assembly Church Rd., London, KY 40741. **Phone:** (606) 878-6900 or (800) 348-0095.

 BAYMONT INN & SUITES **BOOK NOW** 606/389-4048



Motel. **Address:** 2075 Hwy 192 40741.

 COUNTRY INN & SUITES BY RADISSON **BOOK NOW** 606/878-9900



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Hotel. **Address:** 2035 Hwy 192 W 40741. **Facility:** 75 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest**

Services: coin laundry.



 FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES BY MARRIOTT LONDON **BOOK NOW** 606/389-5640



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 201 Shiloh Dr 40741.

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Hotel. **Address:** 506 Minton Dr 40741.




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 MICROTEL INN & SUITES BY WYNDHAM LONDON **BOOK NOW** 606/877-3400




Hotel. **Address:** 1895 W Hwy 192 40741.

 RED ROOF INN LONDON I-75 **BOOK NOW** 606/862-8844




Hotel. **Address:** 110 Melcon Ln 40741.


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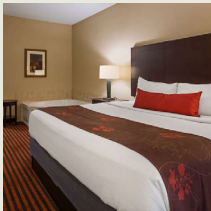
 **MAKER'S MARK DISTILLERY**, 2 mi. e. on SR 52 to Burks Spring Rd., began operations in 1805. The visitor center is the starting point for 60-minute guided tours. Highlights of the tour include the still house—the oldest part of the complex—where the

bourbon is made by hand; the fermenting room, where the sour mash ferments in deep cypress vats; one warehouse, which is more than 100 years old, where the whisky ages; and the bottling house, where each bottle is hand-dipped in the distillery's signature red wax.












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 **BEST WESTERN PLUS LOUISA** **BOOK NOW** 606/638-3418



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Hotel. **Address:** 18199 Hwy 23 41230. **Facility:** 48 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub, exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.           



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Then & Now

For 2 weeks each spring Louisville is an arena of glamour and festivity as the city anticipates and witnesses the Kentucky Oaks on the first Friday in May, where 3-year-old fillies race for a garland of lilies, and the Kentucky Derby on the first Saturday in May. The oldest continuously held horse race in the country, the Kentucky Derby pits the world's best 3-year-old Thoroughbreds in a 1.25-mile race for a purse of more than \$600,000 and a chance to become the winner of the coveted Triple Crown of racing.

Louisville is much more than a horse-racing town, however: It also is a cultural and industrial center. The city is located on a plain adjacent to the falls of the Ohio River. Named in honor of Louis XVI of France, the first permanent settlement on the site was established in 1778 by Col. George Rogers Clark, accompanied by 120 soldiers and 20 families. Fort Nelson, named after Gov. Thomas Nelson of Virginia, was completed in 1782. A plaque at the corner of 7th and Main streets commemorates the establishment of the city and the fort.

Louisville's growth was directly related to westward expansion. The Ohio River was a conveyor of both people and commerce. The portaging of goods around the falls contributed heavily to the settlement's early economy. In 1830, when the Portland Canal opened the way for river traffic from Pittsburgh to New Orleans, Louisville was catapulted from a frontier outpost into an important station of the New Orleans commercial empire.

The town attracted diverse ethnic groups, with the majority of the immigrants coming from Ireland, Germany and Scotland. Together they made Louisville an industrial center and inspired its cultural and architectural growth. Well-preserved neighborhoods reflect the impact of their heritage. Victorian houses, complete with stained-glass windows and iron fences, are found in Old Louisville. Butchertown, the German settlement and meatpacking area, exemplifies the simple lifestyles of its founders.

The city is known for producing one-third of the world's supply of bourbon. From a business standpoint Louisville's location has attracted many corporate offices,

Louisville skyline and Ohio River / © iStockphoto.com / Sean Pavone



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Destination Louisville

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ABOUT THE CITY

POP: 556,332 • **ELEV:** 540 ft.

MONEY

SALES TAX: Kentucky levies a 6 percent sales tax. The city of Louisville levies an additional 9.5 percent hospitality tax on hotel rooms.

WHOM TO CALL

EMERGENCY: 911

POLICE (non-emergency): (502) 574-7111

TIME: (502) 585-5961

TEMPERATURE: (502) 581-9283

HOSPITALS: Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's Healthcare, (502) 587-4011 • Norton Hospital, (502) 629-8000 • Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital, (502) 361-6000 • University of Louisville Hospital, (502) 562-3000.

VISITOR INFORMATION

Louisville Visitor Information Center: 301 S. 4th St., Louisville, KY 40202. **Phone:** (502) 379-6106.

Contact the convention and visitors bureau at the above address to have a Louisville information packet mailed to you.

The Louisville Visitors Center, at the entrance to Fourth Street Live! and adjacent to the Hyatt Regency Louisville and Kentucky International Convention Center, provides maps, brochures, advice and directions. It is open Mon.-Sat. 10-6, Sun. noon-5; closed Jan. 1, Easter, Thanksgiving and Dec. 24-25.

The Louisville Visitors Center, at the entrance to Fourth Street Live! and adjacent to the Hyatt Regency Louisville and Kentucky

including Brown-Forman Corp., Humana Inc., Papa John's International and YUM Brands, Inc. The city's facilities draw trade shows, conferences and conventions.

Louisville's downtown has undergone extensive redevelopment and represents diverse architectural styles. The Riverfront Plaza and Belvedere is an urban plaza and park; on one plaza wall is a one-story stained-glass window depicting 200 years of the city's history. Kentucky Center's glass walls reflect facades of buildings which have been renovated and converted into museums, theaters, shops and restaurants. East of downtown at River Road and Zorn Avenue, The Water Tower is an example of classic industrial architecture, with a Grecian temple

International Convention Center, provides maps, brochures, advice and directions. It is open Mon.-Sat. 10-6, Sun. noon-5; closed Jan. 1, Easter, Thanksgiving and Dec. 24-25.

TRANSPORTATION

AIR TRAVEL: South of the destination near the junction of I-65 and I-264, 7 miles from downtown, Louisville International Airport (SDF) welcomes domestic and international flights. Most major passenger airlines offer airline tickets and flights daily. Cab service to the downtown area averages 15 minutes and costs \$19.55. Transit Authority of River City (TARC) buses service the airport 23 times daily, 6 a.m.-11:30 p.m.; fare is \$1.75.

Many hotels and motels provide courtesy car service.

RENTAL CARS: Like most large cities, Louisville has many car rental agencies. Hertz, (502) 361-0182 or (800) 654-3080, offers discounts to AAA members.



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RAIL SERVICE: No passenger trains serve Louisville; look for cheap airline tickets, public transportation or low fares for rental cars.

BUSES: Greyhound Lines Inc., 7th Street and Muhammad Ali Boulevard, is the major bus line; phone (502) 561-2805.

TAXIS: Taxis are metered and charge \$4.70 for the first mile and \$2.25 for each additional mile. Tips range from 10 to 15 percent. Taxis must be ordered by telephone. The largest cab company is Yellow Cab, (502) 636-5511.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION: TARC operates buses and minibuses throughout the metropolitan area. *See Public Transportation for details.*

front and a great standpipe tower modeled after the Roman triumphal column. Also by River Road is the Patriots Peace Memorial, which commemorates fallen military personnel of the United States. And on Bradley Avenue near Eastern Parkway is The Grotto and Garden of Our Lady of Lourdes, a contemplative spot designed to resemble its namesake shrine in France.

As it plies the waters of the Ohio, *The Belle of Louisville* is a constant reminder of the city's river history even as it offers views of the ever-evolving metropolis. Both are definitive of the Louisville that, like the bourbon it produces, is a smooth blend—a tasteful mix of new with old, big city with small town and high-tech industry with gracious living.



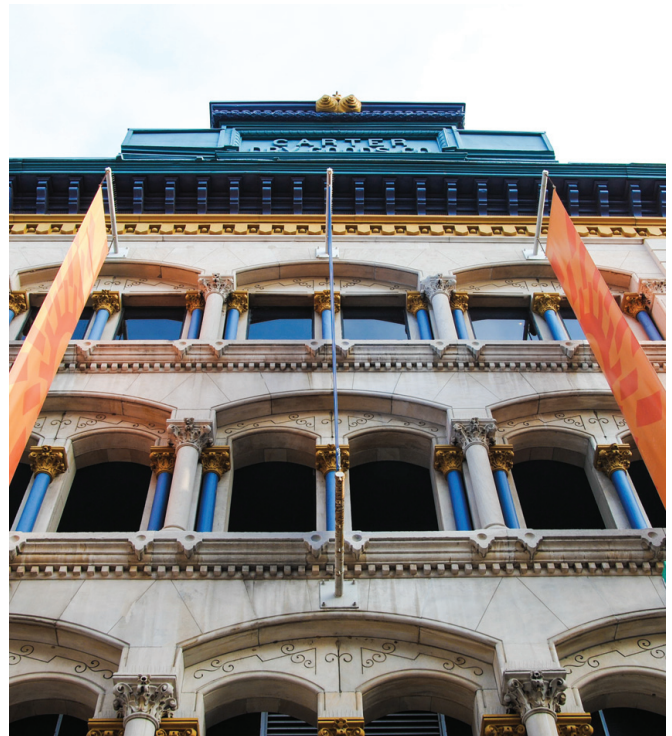
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Must Do: AAA Editor's Picks

- Do the Derby. If you can plan ahead to attend the **Kentucky Derby** on the first Saturday in May, you'll witness a thrilling horse-racing spectacular, which also happens to be quite a party. The **Kentucky Derby Festival** precedes the race, an extravaganza featuring fireworks, concerts, sports and even a Derby Ball.
- If you can't make the Kentucky Derby, then by all means visit **Churchill Downs** (700 Central Ave.) to walk the hallowed grounds during a 30-minute guided tour. This is also the site of the **Kentucky Derby Museum** (704 Central Ave.), which showcases everything from stunning Derby hats and other fashions to exhibits about the famous Thoroughbreds that have graced the track.
- Baseball fans won't want to miss the **Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory** (800 W. Main St.), where the official bat of the major league is crafted. While some might be more inclined to view the collection of memorabilia dedicated to America's pastime, others might be curious to inspect a batting cage or observe bats being created in the onsite manufacturing facility.
- Enjoy Louisville's **parks and recreation**. For a sweeping panorama of the Ohio River, try Louisville Waterfront Park (401 River Rd.), a place with a children's play area. Or head to Cherokee Park (745 Cochran Hill Rd.), with a 2.4-mile scenic loop traveling past woodlands, meadows and rolling hills. Jefferson Memorial Forest (11311 Mitchell Hill Rd.) in Fairdale—only a 15-minute drive from downtown—offers stellar hiking, fishing and camping.
- If you're in search of an outing that appeals to all ages, you can't go wrong at the **Louisville Zoo** (1100 Trevilian Way). Playful polar bears thrill the kids, who also like hand-feeding the lorikeets, watching a bear-training demonstration or attending a giraffe feeding. You can navigate the facility by foot, or take a load off and ride the zoo's tram or train.
- The **Muhammad Ali Center** (144 N. 6th St.) pays tribute to the legendary boxer in his hometown. Interactive exhibits and multimedia presentations, including a five-screen orientation film, outline Ali's life experiences and core values. A re-creation of the Champ's training camp allows participants to practice punches on a speed bag or engage in a round of shadow boxing.
- If you're up for **learning**, Louisville is the place to go. At the **Kentucky Science Center** (727 W. Main St.), you can explore math, science and technology through hands-on displays, while highlights at

Frazier Kentucky History Museum (829 W. Main St.) include such intriguing American artifacts as Daniel Boone's family Bible and President Theodore Roosevelt's "Big Stick."

- For a laid-back excursion, tour **Locust Grove** (561 Blankenbaker Ln.), a restored 1790s Georgian mansion that served as a gathering place for prominent social and political figures of the time. Just as exquisite as the home's Kentucky-crafted furniture are the meadows, gardens and woods surrounding the property, which also includes an original smokehouse and farm buildings.
- Browse for souvenirs in one of Louisville's unique shopping districts. Specialty shops and galleries dot Frankfort Avenue, also a hub for dining and entertainment. If antiques are your thing, check out the stores on East Market Street, where you'll also find artworks, home décor and upscale restaurants.
- Take a stroll through **Old Louisville**, said to be America's largest Victorian neighborhood. You can wander on your own, reserve a guided tour, or pick up a brochure for a self-guiding tour at the **Historic Old Louisville Visitors Center** (301 S. Fourth St.). Architecture buffs will delight in admiring the range of



Kentucky Science Center / Courtesy of Kentucky Science Center



styles represented by the quaint structures, which include Queen Anne, Renaissance Revival and Chateausque.

Louisville 1-day Itinerary

AAA editors suggest these activities for a great short vacation experience.

Morning

- If you'll be in Louisville on the first Saturday in May, then by all means plan to attend the Kentucky Derby, or at the very least, the Kentucky Derby Festival during the two weeks preceding the race. If you are visiting Louisville at another time, you may be able to catch another thrilling race at the legendary track, **Churchill Downs** (700 Central Ave.), which is situated in the southern portion of the city.



Churchill Downs / © AAA / Diana Wix

- Even if you don't attend a race, it's a treat to learn about the winners by taking the guided historic walking tour of Churchill Downs hosted by the adjacent **Kentucky Derby Museum** (704 Central Ave.). A behind-the-scenes tour also is available, offering sneak peeks into the press box, jockeys' quarters and millionaire's row. At the museum you can try to maintain a jockey's stance on a simulated horse, view race footage or peruse the collection of exhibits providing insight into the world of Thoroughbred racing.
- About 6 miles east of Churchill Downs (via I-65S and I-264E), the **Louisville Zoo** (1100 Trevilian Way) entertains the whole family. In addition to observing the zoo's impressive assortment of animals, there are other interesting things to do. Kids love the zoo's train while a carousel and playground delight tykes.

Afternoon

- Head to downtown Louisville, where several must-dos are within walking distance of each other on West Main Street. For stylish dishes in an artful setting, order lunch from **Proof on Main** (702 W. Main St.), which also satisfies with decadent dessert choices.
- Louisville presents first-rate facilities for those captivated by the arts and sciences. Strolling along West Main Street, you'll encounter the **Kentucky Science Center** (727 W. Main St.), enlightening guests with a vast array of interactive displays and activity centers. "The World We Create" exhibit inspires creative thinkers as it explores physical science. Just a short walk west, the **Frazier Kentucky History Museum** (829 W. Main St.) holds such fascinating pieces as swords, shields and medieval weapons. Costumed interpreters and live demonstrations illustrating various techniques of using armor lend intrigue to the experience.
- Among the cluster of attractions on West Main Street, you'll come across two that represent well-crafted items unique to Kentucky. The **KMAC Museum** (715 W. Main St.), a contemporary art museum, aims to connect people to art and creative practice. If you're a baseball fan, then you can appreciate art of a different sort at the **Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory** (800 W. Main St.); this is the place where the iconic baseball bat is constructed, and you can go on a tour to see how it's done.

Evening

- Bardstown Road, just southeast of downtown, is known as the city's Restaurant Row. **Seviche-A Latin Restaurant** (1538 Bardstown Rd.) touts Nuevo Latino cuisine prepared with flair, enhanced by inventive



cocktails and a modern yet cozy atmosphere with copper, leather and wood accents. For a down-home treat, try **Mark's Feed Store** (1514 Bardstown Rd.), where the barbecue consistently ranks high in area polls. Galleries, boutiques, pubs and nightspots dot the neighborhood as well.

- For a nautical endeavor, the historic steamboat **Belle of Louisville** and the riverboat **Spirit of Jefferson** offer dinner cruises (embarking at 401 W. River Rd.) on the Ohio River. Reserve a window seat if you are intent on catching the view, especially lovely at sunset.
- **Louisville Horse Trams** (801 Witherspoon St.) allows visitors to engage in evening sightseeing, with tours available after 6 p.m. You'll explore the downtown area in style via a handsome horse-drawn carriage.
- Those interested in the performing arts should check the box office at **The Kentucky Center** (501 W. Main St.). Home to the Kentucky Opera, Louisville Orchestra and Louisville Ballet, the venue also presents Broadway Across America.

Arriving

By Car

The major north-south route that bisects the city is I-65. From the north it comes from Indianapolis and enters the city via the JFK Memorial Bridge. From the south it passes through Nashville and skirts Louisville International Airport on its way into downtown. Numerous exits provide easy access to city streets. I-65 is closely paralleled north of the city by US 31. The four-lane George Rogers Clark Memorial Bridge, also known as the Second Street Bridge, crosses the Ohio River and carries US 31, a route which divides into US 31E and US 31W south of Louisville.

East-west traffic is best served by I-64. On the west it crosses the Ohio River from Indiana into Louisville on the Sherman Minton Bridge. It is a close neighbor of US 60 east of Louisville, bringing traffic from Frankfort and Lexington. In the city it hugs the riverfront, where it is called Riverside Parkway. Exits are at major city thoroughfares. The northeastern access is via I-71 from Cincinnati.

I-264 (the Henry Watterson Expressway and the Shawnee Expressway) bypasses downtown and loops around the western, southern and eastern portions of the city. Linking with short sections of I-64 and I-71, it provides a complete circuit of Louisville with interchanges at major cross routes. Farther out, the Gene Snyder Freeway (I-265) affords a bypass from US 42 to US 31W with interchanges at major highways.

Getting Around

Street System

Driving in Louisville is relatively easy with the help of a good city map. North-south address numbers start at Main Street; east-west numbering begins at 1st Street. Unless otherwise posted, the speed limit is 35 mph. Avoid rush hour traffic, 7:30-9 a.m. and 4-6 p.m., if possible.

Parking

Many downtown streets have metered parking, but be careful to check signs and meters for restricted times and limits. Commercial garage and lot parking is usually available. Rates are 50c-75c per hour. Visitors also can purchase a "Smart Card" (which works like a debit card) at the visitor's center.



George Rogers Clark Memorial Bridge / © iStockphoto.com / fdastudillo



Public Transportation

Transit Authority of River City (TARC) operates buses and trolleys throughout the Louisville metropolitan area. The base fare for buses is \$1.75; exact change is required. Transfers from one bus route to another are free and are valid for 2 hours; remember to ask the driver for a transfer upon boarding. TARC offers discount bus fares for senior citizens and the physically impaired. The Day Tripper pass, which allows for unlimited rides for an entire day, may be purchased for \$3 at the Louisville Visitors Center on the corner of 4th and Jefferson streets and at Union Station, 1000 W. Broadway.

The 4th Street Trolley travels on 4th Street from Theatre Square to the Galt House. The trolley's route extends further south to Breckenridge Mon.-Fri. 9-6:30. They also travel through Fourth Street Live, except during special events, when a detour route is followed. Green signs indicate stops for the 4th Street Trolley. The fare is 50 cents.

The Main Street Trolley runs a circular 3.5-mile route on Main and Market from 10th Street to Campbell Street. This trolley also provides service to Slugger Field for Louisville Bats baseball games on weeknights. Red signs indicate Main/Market Trolley stops. The fare is 50 cents.

Call the TARC Travel Center, (502) 585-1234, for information about fares, schedules and routes.

Shopping

Many of Louisville's historic buildings have been converted into shopping and dining complexes, which makes browsing for a special purchase even more interesting. Things to see by regional artists are sold at numerous galleries in **NuLu (new Louisville)**. Antique shops along **Bardstown Road** offer many choices for collectors.

Fourth Street Live!, a pedestrian mall downtown on 4th Street between Liberty Street and Muhammad Ali Boulevard, is a retail, dining and entertainment zone as well as a venue for concerts and other fun things to do. A glass ceiling over 4th Street provides protection from the elements. **SAVE** Hard Rock Cafe, **424 S. 4th St.**, offers a **collection of rock 'n' roll merchandise**.

At the intersection of Gene Snyder Freeway (I-265) and Brownsboro Road (SR 22) is **Paddock Shops**, a collection of more than 60 upscale shops and restaurants in a landscaped outdoor setting.

The Louisville area also offers three enclosed suburban malls. To the east are **Oxmoor Center** and **Mall St. Matthews**, both on Shelbyville Road. Southeast of the city is **Jefferson Mall**, at the Outer Loop east of Preston Highway. Most include major department stores, such as Dillard's, JCPenney and Old Navy.

East of the city in Shelbyville, English antiques and silver are the specialties of the **Wakefield-Searce Galleries**.

Big Events

Louisville has much to celebrate and wastes no time doing just that through various ethnic festivals, fairs, music events, art and trade shows, and of course, horse races. For current listings of events check the local newspapers.

To Louisvillians, the **Kentucky Derby**, held on the first Saturday in May, is not just a horse race but the last day of the **Kentucky Derby Festival**, a 2-week event accented by picnics, banquets and dances; music events with top-name entertainment; and bicycle, balloon and steamboat races. The whole festival is kicked off in grand style by **Thunder Over Louisville**, one of the nation's premiere air shows and fireworks displays. The city comes down with Derby fever a week before the race, and its population mushrooms with the influx of tourists, all anxious to experience one of the nation's largest celebrations.

The **National Farm Machinery Show and Championship Tractor Pull**, held at the Kentucky Exposition Center, draws crowds in mid-February. The center is also the site for the **NSRA Street Rod Nationals**, usually held late July-early August and said to be the world's largest street rod event with more than 11,000 pre-1949 vehicles.

Beatles fans flock to the **Abbey Road on the River Music Festival** on Memorial Day weekend when a tribute to Britain's fab four is presented. In July the **Forecastle Festival**, a music, art and activism event, draws more than 40 bands and some 50 environmental organizations to entertain and inform along the Ohio River.

In mid-August Louisville presents the **Kentucky State Fair and Horse Show**, also held at the Exposition Center. Besides the horse show—a prestigious event for Saddlebreds—exhibits and musical entertainment also are on the fair's schedule.

WorldFest, on Labor Day weekend, features international music, dance and food. Also in September, the **IdeaFestival** attracts highly diverse thinkers from across the globe to explore and celebrate innovation, imagination and cutting-edge ideas. Mid-September ushers in **Oktoberfest** at the German-American Club.

The fine arts are celebrated during several fairs and festivals. Shakespearean plays are performed each summer, late May to early August, during the **Kentucky Shakespeare Festival**. Performances are free. The first weekend in October, the **St. James Court Art Show** is held at St. James and Belgravia courts.



Step back in time to a Victorian era with holiday lights, vendors selling British fare and a parade during **Light Up Louisville** in late November.

Sports & Rec

Louisville has something to offer almost every sports enthusiast, whether adventure travel enthusiast, athlete or spectator. The parks of Louisville and Jefferson County, ranging in size from one-tenth of an acre to the 6,400-acre **Jefferson Memorial Forest** (see *Recreation Areas Chart*), offer opportunities for many adventurous things to do. For information about park facilities and events contact the Metro Parks Public Information Office, 1297 Trevelian Way, Louisville, KY 40213; phone (502) 456-8100.

With a 900-foot series of pools, waterfalls, water cannons and a wharf, **Waterfront Park**, downtown on the riverfront, connects Louisville to the Ohio River and is a fun thing to do with kids. The park features a playground and is a popular spot for concerts, picnicking, walking and jogging.

Bicycle trails wind through many of the parks, and several bicycle routes are designated along city streets. A booklet highlighting bicycle routes throughout Louisville and Jefferson County is available at most public library branches and at the visitor center at Fourth and Jefferson streets; for additional information phone (502) 574-6473. For a more unusual bicycling opportunity, however, there's **Louisville Mega Cavern**, which operates the world's biggest indoor bicycle park with 320,000 square feet and 45 trails; phone (877) 614-6342.

Hiking is available in most of the parks, but marked hiking trails are found in Jefferson Memorial Forest, which offers hikers more than 35 miles of trails ranging from an easy .25-mile (one-way) paved walk to a strenuous 6.2-mile (one-way) trek. The forest, part of Louisville's Metro Parks system, is 16 miles south of the city in Fairdale; phone (502) 368-5404 for additional information.

Fishing is available; people between 16 and 65 must have a state fishing license. **Charlie Vettiner, Cherokee, Chickasaw, Fishermans, Iroquois, Long Run, Tom Wallace, Watterson** and **Waverly parks** have stocked lakes, and **Chickasaw, Cox, Eva Badman, Hays Kennedy, Riverview, Shawnee, Thurman Hutchins** and **Thurston parks** provide access to the Ohio River, where carp and game fish may be caught.

Golf enthusiasts can choose from any of the nine Metro Parks golf courses: **Bobby Nichols**, 4301 E. Pages Ln., (502) 937-9051; **Charlie Vettiner**, 10207 Mary Dell Ln., (502) 267-9958; **Cherokee**, 2501 Alexander Rd., (502) 458-9450; **Crescent Hill**, 3110 Brownsboro Rd., (502) 896-9193; **Iroquois**, 1501 Rundill Rd., (502) 363-9520; **Long Run**, 1605 Flat Rock Rd., (502) 245-9015; **Seneca**,

2300 Pee Wee Reese Rd., (502) 458-9298; **Shawnee**, 460 Northwestern Pkwy., (502) 776-9389; and **Sun Valley**, 6505 Bethany Ln., (502) 937-9228.

Six of these courses—**Charlie Vettiner**, Iroquois, Long Run, Seneca, Shawnee and Sun Valley—offer 18 holes. Shawnee is particularly scenic, with five holes played parallel to the Ohio River. Each course has a clubhouse and pro shop; both pull and riding carts can be rented. All courses are open daily, 30 minutes after dawn to dusk. Daily greens fees range from \$9.25 to \$16; discounts are available for senior citizens.

Influenced by their surroundings, visitors often want to go **horseback riding** while in Louisville. Marked horse trails ranging from 3 to 10 miles long are available at **Cherokee, Forest View, Iroquois, Seneca** and **Tom Wallace parks**. Trails also are available at five state parks: **Barren River Lake Resort, Cumberland Falls**



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Resort, Dale Hollow Lake Resort, Lake Barkley Resort and Lake Cumberland Resort (see *Recreation Areas Chart*) as well as **Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area**.

For **tennis** buffs the more than 150 public outdoor courts in the area are free and are available on a first-come-first-served basis, with a 1-hour time limit.

Water sports are enjoyed in the 12 outdoor pools, open mid-June to mid-August, and three indoor public pools, open year-round, as well as in area lakes and the **Ohio River**.

Spectator sports are a fun thing to do in Louisville. The **University of Louisville Cardinals football** team plays at **Papa John's Cardinal Stadium**, phone (502) 852-2779, while the college's **basketball** team schedules their games at the KFC Yum! Center downtown, phone (502) 690-9000.

The city has a AAA minor league **baseball** team, the **Louisville Bats**—the Cincinnati Reds' principal farm team—which plays April through September at **Louisville Slugger Field** on E. Main Street; phone (502) 212-2287.

Louisville City FC, or LouCity, a competing **soccer** franchise of The United Soccer League, plays at **Lynn Family Stadium**. The stadium holds over 11,000 seats and is located near Adams and Campbell streets in the Butchertown neighborhood; phone (502) 384-8799.

Besides the renowned "Run for the Roses," **Churchill Downs** offers Thoroughbred **horse racing** from late April through early July and September through November; phone (502) 636-4400.

Note: Policies concerning admittance of children to pari-mutuel betting facilities vary. Phone for information.

Performing Arts

The Louisville Fund for the Arts, started in 1949 to provide financial assistance to theater, art, music and dance, was the first of its kind in the United States. It now supports more than 12 organizations. An example of the city's enthusiasm for the arts is evident at the **Riverfront Plaza and Belvedere**, home to **The Kentucky Center** (see *attraction listing p. 88*).

The Tony Award-winning **Actors Theatre of Louisville**, (502) 584-1205, is in a complex at 316 W. Main St. that includes three theaters: the **Victor Jory**, a converted Victorian warehouse; the **Pamela Brown**, a modern auditorium-style structure; and the 316-seat-in-the-round **Bingham Theatre**. This resident professional troupe performs September to May. Their annual Humana Festival of New American Plays draws international attention and is held late March through early April.

Kentucky Opera; Louisville Ballet; and Stage One: The Louisville Children's Theatre perform at The Kentucky Center. The opera, (502) 584-4500, presents works September through February, and the ballet, (502) 583-3150, performs September through April. Stage One presents plays for children September through May; phone (502) 589-4060. Repertory dance troupes and theatrical and musical companies from throughout the country also are drawn to the center and are fun things for couples to do.

The Little Colonel Players, (502) 241-9906, the area's oldest community theater, stages its productions in Pewee Valley, while the **Derby Dinner Playhouse**, in nearby Jeffersonville, Ind., (812) 288-8281, offers Broadway plays and a buffet dinner in a theater-in-the-round setting.

The free **Kentucky Shakespeare Festival** performances from mid-June through July are a must; phone (502) 574-9900. Enjoy a picnic in the park, then stroll over to the **Ramey Amphitheatre** at Fourth Street between



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Park and Magnolia. Other summer highlights are the musicals, movies and other things to see at the **Iroquois Amphitheater** in Iroquois Park; phone (502) 368-5865.

Though classic films are a given, **The Louisville Palace** (625 S. 4th St.) also features an assortment of live entertainment and special engagements inside the historic 1928 theater; phone (502) 583-4555.

The **Louisville Orchestra**, (502) 587-8681, performs September through May at The Kentucky Center. Louisville also invests in the musical talents of its young people through the **Louisville Youth Orchestra**, which performs at various locations; phone (502) 896-1851. The **Mercury Ballroom**, 622 S. 4th St., is a venue for concerts and shows; phone (502) 583-4555.

The **Chamber Music Society** sponsors concerts by international artists at the University of Louisville's School of Music; phone (502) 852-6907.



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21C MUSEUM, downtown and within the 21c Hotel at 700 W. Main St., features more than 9,000 square feet of permanent and changing exhibit space emphasizing contemporary art created by artists from around the world. Text Rain, an interactive exhibit in which visitors may interact with individual letters presented on a projection screen, is one of nine permanent museum installations. Private and public collections, pieces on loan from other museums as well as group and individual performances by live artists constitute the changing exhibits.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 217-6300 or (877) 217-6400.

AMERICAN PRINTING HOUSE FOR THE BLIND (APH) is .3 mi. e. of jct. I-64 and US 42/Mellwood Avenue at 1839 Frankfort Ave. Founded in 1858, APH is one of the largest and oldest non-profit organizations designing and manufacturing products for the visually impaired. It has been the main supplier of educational materials for blind or partially sighted students in the United States since 1879. Ninety-minute guided tours feature the Braille production area, the studios where audio books are made, and a visit to an interactive museum that focuses on the international history of education for those who are blind.

Time: Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (800) 223-1839 for reservations. **GT**

The Museum of the American Printing House for the Blind is in the American Printing House for the Blind at 1839 Frankfort Ave. Among the museum's interactive exhibits are early printing equipment, an operable mechanical Braille writer on which guests can write in Braille and take away a copy, computer software designed for people with blindness or low vision and an area in which visitors may compare Braille to alphabets using raised letters. A copy of the book "An Essay on the Education of the Blind," published in France in 1786 and the first to include raised letters, the Book of Psalms from Helen Keller's bible and the piano used by Stevie Wonder when he was a student at the Michigan School for the Blind are displayed.

Time: Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (800) 223-1839. **GT**

CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION, 433 S. 5th St., between Muhammad Ali Blvd. and Liberty St., is one of America's oldest cathedrals in continuous use. Built in 1852, the interior of the imposing red brick edifice features Gothic arches, ornate columns and a vaulted ceiling with more than 8,000 24-karat gold leaf stars on a blue field, as well as a fresco of cherubs surrounding the Virgin Mary.

The sanctuary is lined with oil paintings sent to Louisville in the mid-19th century by Pope Gregory XVI. Across the street from the cathedral is the Archdiocese of Louisville History Center. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (502) 582-2971. **GT**

CHURCHILL DOWNS, at 700 Central Ave., is the historic racetrack where the Kentucky Derby is run. Racing seasons are late April through early July and late October through November; Derby Day is the first Saturday in May. A 30-minute guided walking tour of Churchill Downs is available through the Kentucky Derby Museum (weather permitting). **Phone:** (502) 636-4400.




Kentucky Derby Museum, 704 Central Ave., adjacent to Gate 1 at Churchill Downs, showcases the thoroughbred industry and the Kentucky Derby. Two floors of hats, fashion, racing artifacts and interactive exhibits share the tradition and exhilaration of Derby Day. A 360-degree high-definition film of "The Greatest Race" narrates the life of a Thoroughbred, from foal to Derby champion, while owners, trainers and jockeys relive their Derby moments in "The Winner's Stable."

Other exhibits feature race footage of every Derby since 1918, trophies, commemorative Derby glasses, riding silks and a live Thoroughbred and miniature horse. Visitors may test their Derby knowledge in an interactive trivia





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game and attempt to maintain a jockey's stance for 2 minutes on a mountable simulated horse. The Barn and Backside Track Tour allows guests to visit the track's stables and infield, while the Inside the Gates Tour takes visitors through the clubhouse and non-public areas of the track.


Time: Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (502) 637-1111 or (502) 637-7097. 

THE CONRAD-CALDWELL HOUSE MUSEUM, 1402 St. James Ct., is a Victorian Romanesque Revival mansion built in the 1890s by architect Arthur Loomis for businessman Theophilus Conrad. The carved stone exterior is complemented by the interior woodwork, which includes carved paneling and parquet floors. The surrounding neighborhood, known as Old Louisville, is noted for its turn-of-the-20th-century homes.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 636-5023. 

 **FARMINGTON** is off I-264 at 3033 Bardstown Rd. Built in 1816, this 14-room Federal-style home was the center of the 550-acre hemp plantation owned by John and Lucy Speed and sustained by nearly 60 slaves. The restored house is furnished with Kentucky furniture and period antiques. A summer kitchen, springhouse, stone barn and re-created early 19th-century garden are on the 18-acre grounds.

The "Lincoln and Farmington: An Enduring Friendship" exhibit explores the friendship of Joshua Speed, one of John and Lucy's 11 children, and Abraham Lincoln, whom Joshua befriended while both young men were beginning their careers in Springfield, Ill. The two became close friends, and in 1841 Lincoln spent about 3 weeks at Farmington during a break in his relationship with Mary Todd. The exhibit's documents, letters and photographs chronicle Lincoln's visit, likely his sole experience on a slave-based plantation; an invitation to Lincoln's 1865 funeral also is displayed.

Phone: (502) 452-9920. 

FLAME RUN GLASS STUDIO & GALLERY is at 815 W. Market St. This facility displays contemporary glass art and figures created by glass-blowing, or pipe-working, which entails a pipe or tube being used to inflate molten glass into a bubble so that it may be shaped. A gallery showcases glassworks crafted by local and international artists. Demonstrations may be seen during guided studio tours, and visitors may create their own pieces in a variety of workshops offered.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 584-5353.




FRAZIER KENTUCKY HISTORY MUSEUM is at 829 W. Main St. at 9th St. The Frazier documents stories from history using exhibits, artifacts and live performances. The permanent collection highlights a wide array of historically significant artifacts of Kentucky and America, including Teddy Roosevelt's "big stick," Geronimo's bow and arrows and the arrest warrant of Mary Todd Lincoln. Other noteworthy objects include a surplus grave marker from the Battle of Little Bighorn, a first edition of *Uncle Tom's Cabin* and Bourbon history artifacts dating from pre-prohibition to today.

Cool Kentucky spotlights artists, craftsmen, scientists, chefs, musicians and other notable figures from the Bluegrass State. *The Commonwealth: Divided We Fall* depicts the lives of everyday Kentuckians from the Ice Age to the present. *The Stewart Historic Miniatures Collection* houses one of the largest collections of toy soldiers and historic miniatures on permanent public display in the world. *The Spirit of Kentucky* takes a look at America's only native spirit, while the *Lewis and Clark Experience* allows visitors to view a Sioux tipi replica and a 55-foot cut-away of Lewis and Clark's keelboat, or by trying their hands at animal tracking and exploring secret passages.

The official starting point on the *Kentucky Bourbon Trail*, the museum offers *The Spirit of Kentucky* exhibition which features an in-depth look at Bourbon whiskey. A covered bridge-style path leads visitors into the 3rd floor exhibit that starts with the state's physical features that are conducive to Bourbon making and ends in Bottle Hall where every brand of Bourbon currently produced in the state is displayed—some 500 bottles. Bourbon tastings and tours are offered in the Welcome Center on the first floor of the museum. The multimedia production *KentuckyShow!* is presented daily and takes a look at the people, sights and sounds of the state.

Time: Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (502) 753-5663 or (866) 886-7103.  

THE KENTUCKY CENTER is on Main St. between 5th and 6th sts. Home to the Louisville Ballet, The Louisville Orchestra, PNC Broadway Across America, Stage One Children's Theater and special events, the center also has an impressive collection of 20th-century art. Self-guiding audio tours focusing on the art collection are available.

Phone: (502) 584-7777 for tickets or (800) 775-7777. 

KENTUCKY CENTER FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE is at 1701 W. Muhammad Ali Blvd. Designed to be the state's pre-eminent center focusing on the cultural, social and artistic contributions of African Americans, it is on the site of a restored trolley maintenance complex. Among



the exhibits are those dedicated to York, the enslaved man who played a major part in the Lewis & Clark expedition; the Civil Rights Movement; and the role that the church has played in Black culture. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 583-4100 or (502) 583-4112.



KENTUCKY SCIENCE CENTER, 727 W. Main St., is housed in a restored, four-story, 19th-century former warehouse and features hands-on science exhibits and a four-story digital theater.


Permanent exhibits include The World Within Us, which explores the wonders of the human body; The World We Create, which celebrates how creative thinking makes scientific achievements possible; and The World Around Us, with exhibits about natural and earth sciences. Encompassing the entire first floor is the Science in Play exhibit, which is geared towards the under age 7 crowd.


Phone: (502) 561-6100 or (800) 591-2203.

Digital Theater, in the Kentucky Science Center at 727 W. Main St., seats 225 and presents a changing series of large-format movies, including Hollywood hits, on a four-story-tall screen.

Phone: (502) 561-6100.

KentuckyShow! is shown at The Kentucky Science Center at 727 W. Main St. This 32-minute multimedia presentation narrated by actress Ashley Judd is shown on a large high-definition screen and highlights the state's past and present, citizens, musical renown, sweeping landscapes and diverse regional cultures. It is the only production of its kind in the country to portray an entire state.

Phone: (502) 562-7800 or TTY (502) 562-0730. 

KMAC MUSEUM is at 715 W. Main Street in the downtown Museum Row District. The contemporary art museum works to fulfill a mission of connecting people to art and creative practice. The museum also features a gift shop and café. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 589-0102. 




LOCUST GROVE, .5 mi. w. on US 42 from jct. I-264 exit 22, then n. following signs to 561 Blankenbaker Ln., is the restored 1790 Georgian mansion of early Kentucky settlers William and Lucy Clark Croghan. Croghan was a surveying partner of frontiersman and Revolutionary War general George Rogers Clark, who also was his brother-in-law.

The farm and residence, on 55 acres, provide insights into westward expansion and the lives of the Croghans and their African American slaves. General Clark lived at Locust Grove the last 9 years of his life. The site includes outbuildings, an 18th-century-style garden and a visitor

center with exhibits. An introductory video and 45-minute tours are available.

The 1,200-square-foot gallery and permanent exhibit—A Country Worth Defending: Land & Family in Early Kentucky—focuses on the surveying work of Clark and Croghan and features a re-created 1810 log building and surveyor's office.

Phone: (502) 897-9845. 

LOUISVILLE NATURE CENTER AND BEARGRASS CREEK STATE NATURE PRESERVE is off I-264 exit 14, then following signs for the Louisville Zoo; the center is across the street from the zoo at 3745 Illinois Ave. The center offers indoor wildlife exhibits, a research library and a bird blind, a sheltered structure used to surveil the



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more than 150 species of resident and migratory birds inhabiting the adjacent 41-acre nature preserve. Butterfly, native wildflower and water gardens decorate the center's grounds.

The preserve features a boardwalk and more than 2 miles of hiking trails useful for viewing its 180 species of trees and shrubs as well as forest animals and a wide variety of butterfly species.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 458-1328.



LOUISVILLE SLUGGER MUSEUM & FACTORY is downtown at 800 W. Main St. at the corner of 8th St. The first Louisville Slugger baseball bat was made by John "Bud" Hillerich in 1884. Appropriately enough, the entrance to the museum is distinguished by a 120-foot,



Muhammad Ali Center / Courtesy of Muhammad Ali Center

68,000-pound steel version of his creation. The bat, a scale model of Babe Ruth's Louisville Slugger, rests against the wall of the famous implement's manufacturing plant and headquarters.

Visitors can view collections of baseball memorabilia before moving on to the Hillerich & Bradsby Co. manufacturing facility to see bats being produced. Visitors receive a souvenir mini-bat and are able to partake in interactive exhibits and batting cages.

Time: Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (502) 588-7228 or (877) 775-8443.



LOUISVILLE ZOO is off I-264 exit 14 following signs to 1100 Trevilian Way. More than 1,500 exotic animals are presented in naturalistic indoor and outdoor habitats arranged by geographic region within the zoo's 134 acres. Exhibits feature a rare white alligator, giraffes, lions, rhinos, zebras, African and Asian elephants, a petting zoo and playgrounds.

Gorillas and pygmy hippos can be found at the Gorilla Forest; polar and grizzly bears reside at Glacier Run; the Island Village is home to orangutans, Sumatran tigers, tapirs, siamangs, penguins, Cuban crocodiles and a Komodo dragon; and the HerpAquarium displays rare amphibians, fish and reptiles in native settings. Lorikeet Landing, in the Australian area, features the brightly colored birds in a walk-through aviary. A tram, miniature train, ropes course, splash park, camel rides and a 1919 carousel also are on the premises.

Phone: (502) 459-2181.

MARK PAYTON GLASS CENTER, downtown at jct. 9th and Market sts. at 815 W. Market St., brings fun and education together, allowing visitors to see the procedures and techniques used to produce torch work glass creations. A self-guiding tour includes a video presentation and a chance to see flameworking, glassblowing and two galleries.

Educational workshops are available. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 992-3270.



MUHAMMAD ALI CENTER, downtown at 144 N. 6th St. between Main St. and River Rd., is a cultural attraction and education center inspired by the ideals of the heavyweight boxing champion, humanitarian, international icon, peace activist, United Nations Messenger of Peace and Louisville native. The center's two-and-a-half levels feature exhibits that spotlight the core principles that Ali embraced: confidence, conviction, dedication, respect, giving and spirituality.

Visitors may train in an interactive boxing area, explore Ali's life inside the five-screen Orientation Theater, survey



the history of the Civil Rights era, discover Ali's humanitarian timeline, participate in the Generation Ali story booth and watch Ali fight footage. Two art galleries showcase changing art and photography exhibits. **Phone:** (502) 584-9254.

NSSAR GENEALOGY RESEARCH LIBRARY & NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS is at 809 W. Main St. The library contains more than 58,000 materials, including genealogies and records of the Revolutionary War and Colonial periods. **Phone:** (502) 589-1776.



RIVERSIDE, THE FARNSEY-MOREMEN LANDING is 10 mi. w. on SR 841 (Gene Snyder Frwy.) from jct. I-65 to Lower River Rd., then .1 mi. s. to 7410 Moorman Rd. This 300-acre site on the banks of the Ohio River depicts the importance of agriculture and river transportation in the nation's development. Two prosperous farm families cultivated the land and traded goods from their landing with people traveling down the river. The restored 1837 two-story red brick "I" house features a Greek Revival portico and is furnished in period with some original pieces.


The grounds include a garden, planted with vegetables, herbs and flowers similar to those the Moremen family might have grown; a reconstructed 19th-century detached kitchen; a visitors center; a sheltered pavilion; and a modern boat landing.

Time: Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (502) 935-6809.




THE SPEED ART MUSEUM, 2035 S. 3rd St., is next to the University of Louisville campus, .75 mi. w. off I-65 Eastern Pkwy. exit. Founded in 1925, the museum has works more than 6,000 years old in its collection, including art from ancient Egypt to contemporary pieces. The building, recently renovated, is considered one of the finest neoclassic structures in the South. New features include the North Building, the South Building and cinema, and the art park and piazza on the grounds.

Displays include modern and old masters paintings and sculptures, European tapestries, furniture, decorative art, American Indian objects, African cultural exhibits and contemporary works as well as a 16th-century English Renaissance room.

The Laramie L. Leatherman Art Learning Center offers hands-on exhibits. Art Sparks, the center's interactive core, contains interactive stations that educates visitors. The museum also offers special traveling exhibitions. **Phone:** (502) 634-2700. 

WHITEHALL HOUSE AND GARDENS is off I-64 exit 8; take Grinstead Dr. .2 mi. s., then 1.2 mi. e. to 3110 Lexington Rd. Built in 1855, the house was originally a two-story, eight-room brick building. In 1909 the Middleton family remodeled and expanded the building, creating a 15-room Classical Revival mansion reminiscent of an antebellum plantation house. The 10-acre grounds feature a 2-acre formal Florentine garden.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (502) 897-2944. 

ZACHARY TAYLOR NATIONAL CEMETERY, .25 mi. w. off I-264 US 42 exit at 4701 Brownsboro Rd., contains the tomb of Zachary Taylor, hero of the Mexican War and 12th president of the United States. Though born in Virginia, Taylor spent his childhood years on a farm near Louisville. **Phone:** (502) 893-3852.

Sightseeing

Boat Tours

The authentic 1914 stern-wheel steamboat *The Belle of Louisville*, reputedly the world's only Mississippi-style steamboat, and her sister vessel *The Spirit of Jefferson*, both docked at Louisville's 4th Street wharf, offer sightseeing, sunset, lunch and dinner cruises on the Ohio River; phone (502) 574-2992 or (866) 832-0011.

Carriage Tours

Louisville Horse Trams Inc. provides downtown horse and carriage sightseeing tours in surreys after 6 p.m. Monday through Friday (weather permitting) and Saturday and Sunday beginning at 4; phone (502) 581-0100.

Walking Tours

The city's 48-block Old Louisville neighborhood is a treasure-trove of more than 1,400 Victorian homes. The Historic Old Louisville Visitors Center at 1340 S. 4th St. in Central Park has literature for self-guiding walking tours that encompass the neighborhood's mansions; phone (502) 635-5244. This center is open Tues.-Fri. 1-5.

The Louisville Visitors Center, at Jefferson and Fourth streets across from the Kentucky International Convention Center, has maps and information about other sightseeing tours. A free 1-hour guided tour detailing the downtown civic district and the architectural features of Main Street's buildings departs May through October, weather permitting. A passport for Louisville's Urban Bourbon Trail, which consists of stops at some 26 local watering holes specializing in 50 to 165 bourbon varieties, also is available at the visitors center; the office is open Mon.-Sat. 10-5, Sun. noon-5. Phone (502) 379-6109 one day in advance for civic district tour schedule and reservations. The Main



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Street Visitors Center, 627 W. Main St., offers guided walking tours as well as brochures and information about the history of Main Street and its cast iron architecture;

phone (502) 589-6008. The association is open Tues. and Fri. 11-3, Apr.-Nov., or by appointment; all tours are weather permitting.

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21C MUSEUM HOTEL **BOOK NOW** 502/217-6300



Boutique Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 700 W Main St 40202. **Facility:** This hotel offers contemporary art galore. View the rotating selections of unique works, many of which are meant to be provocative. Smartly appointed rooms have exposed brick walls and custom artwork. 91 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** valet only. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Dining:** Proof on Main, see separate listing. **Activities:** sauna, steamroom, exercise room, massage. **Guest Services:** valet laundry.



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Hotel. **Address:** 727 E Market St 40202. **Facility:** 156 units. 5 stories, interior corridors. **Bath:** shower only. **Parking:** on-site (fee). **Amenities:** safes. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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Historic Hotel. **Address:** 335 W Broadway 40202. **Facility:** Built in 1923, this restored hotel features marble floors, elaborate plaster ceilings, chandeliers and intricately carved European antique furniture. Rooms have a handsome décor. 294 units, some two bedrooms. 16 stories, interior corridors. **Bath:** shower only. **Parking:** on-site (fee) and valet. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Dining:** 2 restaurants. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet laundry, area transportation. Affiliated with Preferred Hotels & Resorts.



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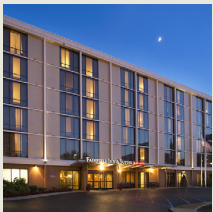

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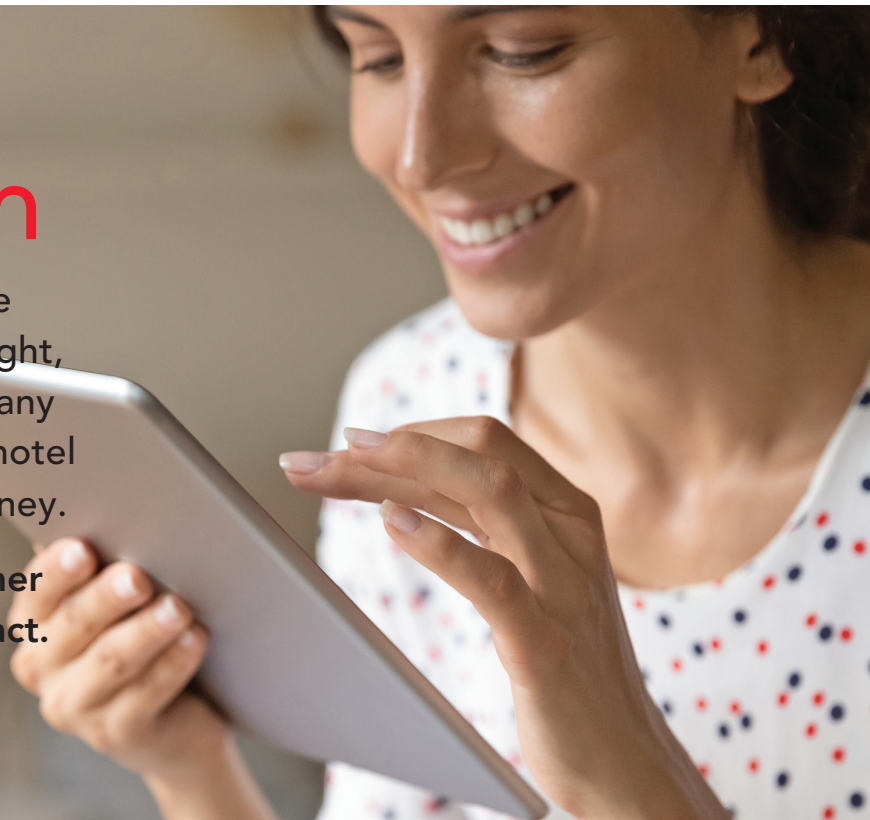
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CLARKSVILLE

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Clarksville was established in 1783 on land granted to Col. George Rogers Clark and his men, who defended the territory from British assaults 1778-79. Clark strategically positioned an outpost at the head of an unnavigable section of the Ohio River—2.5 miles of cascading rapids, or cataract falls, created by rock reefs. Though they provided a natural defense, the falls of the Ohio impeded early commerce. Goods had to be portaged around until the Portland Canal was completed at Louisville in 1830.

In 1803 Clark's brother William met up with Corps of Discovery co-commander Meriwether Lewis in Clarksville to make final preparations for the historic expedition to the Pacific Ocean. The Lewis and Clark Park, off Harrison Avenue, features interpretive panels detailing the journey; a half-scale replica of the keelboat the explorers used also is on the grounds.

Falls of the Ohio National Wildlife Conservation Area, more than 1,400 acres of river bottom between Indiana and Kentucky, contains a coral reef of great geologic importance. Overlooking the conservation area is Falls of the Ohio State Park.

Shopping: Green Tree Mall, on SR 131, is anchored by Dillard's, JCPenney and Sears.

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In 1834 James Howard launched his first steamboat, the *Hyperion*, at Jeffersonville. For nearly a century the Howard family turned out some of the finest ships on American rivers, and shipbuilding remains a major component in Jeffersonville's economy. The town promotes its river heritage through preservation of the historic commercial architecture along the scenic Ohio River.

Clark-Floyd Counties Convention and Tourism Bureau: 315 Southern Indiana Ave., Jeffersonville, IN 47130-3218. **Phone:** (812) 282-6654 or (800) 552-3842.

HOWARD STEAMBOAT MUSEUM AND MANSION is at 1101 E. Market St. Riverboat history is depicted through craft models and tools used to build boats in the Howard Shipyards (1834-1941) on Ohio River. Housed in 1894 Victorian mansion built for shipyard founder James Howard, the museum also contains original family furnishings. Highlights include paddlewheel from the Delta Queen, a three-story walnut staircase, brass chandeliers and leaded and stained glass windows.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (812) 283-3728. **GT**

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NEW ALBANY

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New Albany is across the Ohio River from Louisville. Local shipbuilders of the 19th century produced speed record-setting steamships, including the *Robert E. Lee* and the *City of Louisville*.

CARNEGIE CENTER FOR ART & HISTORY is at 201 E. Spring St. Completed in 1904 with funds from Andrew Carnegie, the now-restored neoclassical building originally served as a public library. The Ordinary People, Extraordinary Courage exhibit consists of photographs, newspaper articles and other artifacts related to the Underground Railroad, culminating in a feature-length video program. Remembered: The Life of Lucy Higgs Nichols describes the life and accomplishments of the escaped


slave who became a nurse with the 23rd Indiana Regiment during the Civil War.

The George W. Morrison Gallery features historically important Southern Indiana paintings, including many by 19th-century painter George Morrison. Educational programs and changing art exhibits are offered throughout the year. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (812) 944-7336.

CULBERTSON MANSION STATE HISTORIC SITE is 9 blks. e. at 914 E. Main St. Visitors are taken on a guided tour of this French Second Empire-style mansion, which was owned by 19th-century entrepreneur and philanthropist William S. Culbertson. Furnished in period, the 1869 house has such Victorian effects as hand-painted ceilings, Italian marble fireplaces and elaborate woodwork, including a three-story mahogany and rosewood staircase.

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MADISONVILLE

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GOVERNOR RUBY LAFFOON'S BIRTHPLACE, 107 Union St., is a restored log cabin furnished as it was when

the former governor lived there in the late 1800s. Also on the grounds is the Historical Society and Museum, which displays old photographs, Civil War items and other artifacts relating to the period. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 821-3986.

 **COMFORT INN & SUITES** **BOOK NOW** 270/825-3535



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Hotel. **Address:** 545 Powell Dr 42431. **Location:** Located near railroad tracks. **Facility:** 66 units, some two bedrooms. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** sauna, hot tub, exercise room.

Guest Services: coin laundry.




MAMMOTH CAVE NATIONAL PARK

Elevations in the park range from 450 ft. at river level to 950 ft. at Mammoth Cave Ridge.

Northeast of Bowling Green, northwest of Park City and 10 miles west of Cave City via SR 70, Mammoth Cave National Park occupies 52,830 acres. Much of the park is in its natural state, providing shelter to a large variety of birds and other wildlife.

A tributary of the Ohio River, the scenic Green River traverses this well-forested, rugged terrain for 25 miles. More than 80 miles of back-country trails, all of which can be used for hiking and some available for horseback riding and mountain biking, run along the river's bluffs, ridges and valleys. Biking trails also are available. In the northwestern section of the park is the 7-mile-long Nolin River. Several scenic driving tour routes wind through the park.

Within the park is Mammoth Cave, which has yielded archeological evidence of humans approximately 5,000 years ago. During the War of 1812 the cave furnished saltpeter used to manufacture gunpowder.

Mammoth Cave contains more than 400 miles of underground passages charted on five levels. Said to be the longest cave system known, it was hollowed out by the seepage of ground water and the flow of underground streams. The cave contains diverse passageways, some of which contain remnants of 5,000-year-old stick cane torches, woven sandals and names written on the cave walls by guides during the 19th century using candle smoke.

General Information and Activities

Informal campfire programs are held at the amphitheater nightly during the summer and as scheduled in the spring and fall. During the summer and other months of heavy visitation, park interpreters conduct nature walks. The Green and Nolin rivers provide 31 miles of fishing and canoeing waters.

Camping and picnicking facilities are near the visitor center and at Houchin Ferry. Free permits for back-country camping can be obtained at the visitor center. Food is available at the camp store.

The park and self-guiding nature trails are open year-round. The visitor center is open daily 8-6:30, June-Aug.; 8:30-4:30, rest of year. Closed Christmas. Phone (270) 758-2180 daily 9-4:15. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

ADMISSION to the park is free. Fees are charged for cave tours and camping.

PETS are permitted in the park only if leashed, crated or otherwise physically restricted at all times. No pets, with the exception of designated service animals, are allowed in the cave or visitor center; kennels are available.

ADDRESS inquiries to the Superintendent, Mammoth Cave National Park, Mammoth Cave Pkwy., P.O. Box 7, Mammoth Cave, KY 42259.

MAMMOTH CAVE, about 10 mi. w. of Cave City and 8 mi. n.w. of Park City off I-65, has more than 400 miles of known passageways with an average temperature of 54°F; bring a light jacket. Some underground rooms are as wide as 200 feet; the tallest dome is 192 feet high; the deepest pit is 105 feet. Guided cave tours, ranging from 1.25 to 6 hours, vary in degree of difficulty. Visitors should select the tour that best suits their physical abilities and dress appropriately. The cave is inhabited by creatures who have adapted to the darkness, including fish, cave crickets and eyeless crayfish. Tour schedules are available at the visitor center, from which all tours depart.

Wear sturdy shoes with good traction; some passages are wet and slippery. **Phone:** (270) 758-2180 for park information, or (877) 444-6777 for the reservation service.

MAYSVILLE

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Maysville, first known as Limestone, is on the south bank of the Ohio River; the city was renamed and incorporated in 1792. The influence of the river trade during the 1800s is evident in Maysville's architecture—the iron grill-work of the row houses along Third Street is reminiscent of New Orleans. In front of the old county courthouse is Old Tip, a cannon used in the Battle of Tippecanoe during the War of 1812.

The history of Maysville is depicted through a series of murals painted on the city's floodwall. Beginning near Limestone Landing with an illustration of a 17th-century Native American hunting party, the murals progress to show visits by the Marquis de Lafayette and Henry Clay, the Underground Railroad, mid-19th- and early 20th-century street scenes and the grandstand at an annual fair. A 2007 addition pays homage to actress and singer Rosemary Clooney, born in Maysville in 1928.

Maysville-Mason County Convention & Visitors Bureau: 216 Bridge St., Maysville, KY 41056. **Phone:** (606) 564-9419 or (888) 875-6297.

Self-guiding tours: Brochures outlining a walking tour are available from the visitors bureau.



108 MAYSVILLE — MOREHEAD, KY

KENTUCKY GATEWAY MUSEUM CENTER is at 215 Sutton St., in the downtown historic district. The museum, housed in the 1881 town library, features dioramas depicting the earliest settlement of Maysville, a map collection, slides of area scenes and architecture, exhibits about area agriculture and industry, an art gallery, a rotating exhibit gallery and a genealogical research library. The Kathleen Savage Browning Miniatures Collection is housed in 3,200 square feet of exhibit space and contains thousands of one-twelfth scale homes, mansions and vignettes. An adjacent pioneer graveyard dates to 1800.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (606) 564-5865.

NATIONAL UNDERGROUND RAILROAD MUSEUM, 38 W. 4th St., is in the Bierbower House, a mid-19th-century “safe house” where runaway slaves were concealed. Maysville was on one of the main escape routes used by fugitive slaves as they headed north to freedom. The museum features historical artifacts, records and documents depicting life on the Underground Railroad. Of note is “Sampson,” an original Parker Tobacco Press.

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Hotel. **Address:** 1260 N 12th St 40965.

MOREHEAD

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In 1911 Morehead furnished the locale for the first of Cora Wilson Stewart’s “moonlight schools.” A forerunner of modern adult education, these schools enrolled students from 18 to 86, held classes on moonlit nights, taught the basics—reading and writing—and within 2 years largely eliminated illiteracy in eastern Kentucky.

The little schoolhouse in which Stewart began her teaching career stands next to the public library on First

Street in tribute to the dynamic impact on national and international education that began in this small community.

At the northern end of Daniel Boone National Forest (*see place listing p. 41*) and close to Cave Run Lake, the Morehead area provides many recreational opportunities, including trails for hiking, bicycling and horseback riding, and a sanctuary for Canada geese.

Morehead Tourism Commission: 111 E. First St., Morehead, KY 40351. **Phone:** (606) 780-4342 or (855) 270-8733.



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Murray is the home of Murray State University, which has a wide variety of facilities open to the public. The Clara M. Eagle Gallery presents changing exhibits of fine arts and crafts in a range of styles and media. The Wrather-West Kentucky Museum contains university and Jackson Purchase memorabilia. The Curris Center on Chestnut Street serves as a student and conference center as well as a community gathering place.

The MSU Libraries house reference sources, government documents and historical materials about the area in addition to some Jesse Stuart manuscripts, first editions and items related to the Kentuckian's career as a writer

and educator. The libraries are open daily 7 a.m.-9 p.m. Also on the MSU campus is the CFSB Center, which hosts sporting events and concerts throughout the year.

One mile west of the campus on MSU's 254-acre University Farm is the Bill Cherry Agricultural Exposition Center, used for such events as rodeos, concerts, horse shows, circuses, motorcycle races and various exhibitions.

In town, Playhouse in the Park offers a variety of productions in the 1907 Freight Depot in the city park. In addition Murray is convenient to nearby Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley Park (see *Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area* p. 63).

Murray Convention & Visitors Bureau: 206 S. 4th St., P.O. Box 321, Murray, KY 42071. **Phone:** (270) 759-2199 or (800) 651-1603.



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NEWPORT

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Named after Admiral Christopher Newport, the commander of the first English settlement at Jamestown, Virginia, in 1603, Newport's location at the confluence of the Ohio and Licking rivers was a natural stopping point for pioneers heading west. Founded in 1795, Newport and its neighbor Cincinnati grew and prospered as a result of riverboat traffic along the Ohio.

The early 20th century, however, saw a change in the city's character. Coinciding with the invention of the Thompson machine gun ("Tommy Gun") by Newport native John Thompson, the city became a haven for gangsters in the 1920s. Gambling halls, glitzy nightclubs and

prostitution followed and earned Newport the nickname "Sin City" from the 1940s through the '80s.

Reform, coupled with renovation and redevelopment, has transformed the city. The East Row Historic District is graced with tree-lined streets and elegant 19th-century homes, and the riverfront has been revived with the addition of trendy shopping and entertainment areas and the Newport Aquarium (*see attraction listing*).

The city's Levee District is home to the World Peace Bell, which was the world's largest free-swinging bell 2000-2016. One of 20 worldwide, the bell within the transparent Freedom Tower, 425 York St., commemorates the 50th anniversary of the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights and rings each morning around noon and during special occasions. Guided tours are available for a fee Mon.-Fri. 10-4; phone (859) 655-7700. Also nearby



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are the Northern Kentucky Firefighters Memorial and a scaled version of the two World Trade Center towers, honoring Sept. 11, 2001, and the valor of firefighters.

Shopping: Newport on the Levee, 1 Levee Way on the banks of the Ohio River, is an entertainment district featuring shopping, dining and clubs.



NEWPORT AQUARIUM, off I-471 exit 5 (SR 8), then w. following signs to the Newport on the Levee complex, displays thousands of aquatic creatures from every continent and ocean. Canyon Falls is home to Asian small-clawed otters while Turtle Canyon features a diverse collection of more than 14 species of turtles spanning three continents—from the Galapagos tortoise, said to be the largest tortoise species in the world, to the Egyptian tortoise, reputedly the smallest tortoise species in the Northern Hemisphere. A turtle corral allows guests to touch multiple species of turtles. Surrounded by Sharks takes guests through the underwater tunnels of a 385,000-gallon tank filled with six shark species, four rare and exotic shark rays, 300 fish and Denver, a nearly 200-pound loggerhead sea turtle.

In the Frog Bog exhibit, kids can crawl through a play area designed to introduce them to more than 20 different species of frogs from around the world. The Jellyfish Gallery features walk-around tanks and interactive games as a means of learning about the various species.

Gator Alley is a swampland showcasing eight species of crocodylians from four continents, including Mighty Mike, one of the biggest American alligators outside of Florida. Other exhibits include Shark Central, a touch tank where visitors can pet a shark; Shore Gallery, with a touch pool populated by starfish, crabs and urchins; Dangerous & Deadly, inhabited by piranhas, poison dart frogs and puffer fish; and Kroger Penguin Palooza. African penguin encounters as well as the Backstage Animal Experience showing the inner workings of the aquarium are available for additional fees. A coral reef, five acrylic tunnels, murals and the Shark Ray Bay theater showcasing dive shows daily also are featured. Ring of Fire: World of the Octopus gives visitors a peek into the world of the shape-shifting, color-changing giant Pacific octopus and his underwater home of towering volcanoes along the Pacific Ring of Fire.

Time: Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (859) 261-7444 or (800) 406-3474.



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NICHOLASVILLE

CAMP NELSON HERITAGE NATIONAL MONUMENT is 6 mi. s. on US 27 at 6614 Old Danville Rd. A supply and recruitment camp during the Civil War, Camp Nelson also was home to the families of enlisted African American soldiers during that conflict. The circa 1850 white-columned Oliver Perry mansion, the only remaining building of the original 300 in the camp, was seized in 1863 and used as officers' quarters.

The 525-acre park also contains a museum, a reconstructed fort and a replica of a barracks, as well as more than 5 miles of trails. The nearby Camp Nelson National Cemetery has the graves of 1,600 of the camp's soldiers, including 600 African Americans. The Hall community, formerly called Ariel, once took part in the Underground Railroad network and features a historic church. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (859) 881-5716.




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OAK GROVE

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OWENSBORO

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The largest city in western Kentucky, Owensboro is on the banks of the Ohio River. Agriculture and industry play important roles in the economy. The agricultural basis centers on the production of corn, soybeans and tobacco. Industrial plants produce a diversity of manufactured products.


Known as Kentucky's Festival City as well as being designated a sports town, Owensboro holds more than 20 annual festivals and events. The Edge Ice Center, 1400 Hickman Ave., features ice skating, while the Diamond Lake Resort, west of town off SR 56, has 157 acres for fishing, camping and pedal-boating.

Located 4 miles west of Owensboro, Ben Hawes Park offers an archery range, nine- and 18-hole golf courses, and hiking and mountain bike trails among the recreational facilities available on its 297 acres; phone (270) 687-7134.


Owensboro-Daviess County Convention & Visitors Bureau: 215 E. 2nd St., Owensboro, KY 42303. **Phone:** (270) 926-1100 or (800) 489-1131.

Shopping: Towne Square Mall, south of the bypass at 5000 Frederica St., includes more than 60 stores. Downtown Owensboro, along 2nd and 3rd streets, includes antique, gift, coffee and candy shops as well as bistros.

BLUEGRASS MUSIC HALL OF FAME & MUSEUM is downtown at the jct. of W. 2nd and Frederica sts. at 311 W. 2nd St. The museum is home to exhibits and galleries documenting the origins and practitioners of bluegrass music, an art form dating to the 1940s. The Hall of Honor focuses on originators such as Bill Monroe, considered the father of bluegrass, as well as individuals whose efforts fostered the music's popularity. Interactive features allow visitors to compare and contrast traditional and current styles.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 926-7891 or (888) 692-2656. 

WESTERN KENTUCKY BOTANICAL GARDEN is 2 mi. w. on 2nd Street, then just n. to 2731 W. 2nd St. Located on 12 acres, 13 themed gardens showcase an extensive collection of daylilies, irises and roses as well as ornamental and perennial grasses. An early 20th-century doctor's building is adjacent to the Herb Garden, which features herbs and plants used medicinally at the time. A symbolic Japanese memorial garden is arranged with hollies, lattice fences and stone lanterns. A 21-foot stainless-steel basket sculpture which acts as a sundial and a solar smart flower which traps solar energy to use as electricity are the garden's recent additions.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 993-1234. 



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Hotel. **Address:** 1018 Goetz Dr 42301. **Facility:** 63 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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 WINGFIELD INN & SUITES **BOOK NOW** 270/685-2433



Hotel. **Address:** 3220 W Parrish Ave 42301.

PADUCAH

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Paducah (puh-DOO-ka), at the confluence of the Ohio and Tennessee rivers, was named by its founder, Gen. William Clark—of Lewis and Clark expedition fame—who named the settlement after the Padouca Indian Nation. A statue at Jefferson and 19th streets crafted by noted sculptor Lorado Taft honors the legendary and peaceful Chickasaw Indian leader Chief Paduke.

A series of colorful floodwall murals painted by internationally recognized artist Robert Dafford and the Dafford Murals Team give an account of the city's history; the murals are downtown between Kentucky Avenue and Jefferson Street.

A memorial statue of Alben W. Barkley, a native son who served as U.S. vice president under Harry Truman 1949-53, is at 28th Street and Jefferson Boulevard. Also notable is the city hall at 300 S. 5th St.; the building, a replica of the U.S. embassy in New Delhi, India, was designed by noted architect Edward Durell Stone.

Bob Noble Park, 3 miles northwest on US 60, has a medieval gate, winding driveways, a lake with a fountain, an outdoor theater, a swimming pool, picnic tables, a children's playground, a jogging trail, a skate park, disc golf

course, tennis courts and a basketball court; phone (270) 444-8508.

Quilters from around the country converge on Paducah in late April for the  American Quilter's Society Quilt Show & Contest. More than 500 quilts are displayed at the event, which also features vendor booths, a quilt making school, an auction and awards. Paintings, jewelry and other arts and crafts can be found in the colorful studios and galleries lining the streets of the 26-block Lower-Town Fine Arts District, located in one of Paducah's oldest neighborhoods. The Carson Center for the Performing Arts, 100 Kentucky Ave., offers traveling Broadway hits, theater, dance and musicals. Historic restoration in downtown Paducah is evident in the Historic Market House Square area. The Market House Theatre, 141 Kentucky Ave., hosts plays and musicals with local actors.

The Hotel Metropolitan, 724 Jackson St., was run by an African American woman, Maggie Steed, in 1909; the hotel closed in 1996. The hotel has attracted such distinguished guests as musicians Louis Armstrong, Cab Calloway, Duke Ellington and B.B. King, Major League Baseball Hall of Famers James "Cool Papa" Bell, Josh Gibson and Leroy "Satchel" Paige and U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall. The building now houses a museum with permanent exhibits focusing on



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African American heritage, area history and the hotel's prominent guests; its rooms are furnished in varying periods to depict how they may have looked during the hotel's operation. Tours are available by appointment; phone (270) 443-7918.

Paducah Convention & Visitors Bureau: 128 Broadway, Paducah, KY 42001. **Phone:** (270) 443-8783 or (800) 723-8224.

Shopping: Kentucky Oaks Mall, with more than 100 shops, including Best Buy, Dillard's, JCPenney and Old Navy, is at I-24 exit 4. The historic downtown, midtown and southside areas offer antique shopping and specialty boutiques.

PADUCAH RAILROAD MUSEUM is at 200 Washington St. The museum offers a large collection of vintage railroad artifacts including tools, photographs, maps, signals, communication and dispatching equipment, a locomotive simulator and a large model train layout. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (270) 908-6451.

RIVER DISCOVERY CENTER, 117 S. Water St., features interactive displays including a boat simulator; 24 Hours on the River; a river boat timeline; a rain table; a lock and dam; a dredge model; river habitats including turtles and other wildlife; a 16-minute river film; a Civil War exhibit; and a restored 1920s calliope. In a renovated two-story, brick, 1843 antebellum structure built to house a bank, the museum overlooks the confluence of the Ohio and Tennessee rivers.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 575-9958.



THE NATIONAL QUILT MUSEUM is at 215 Jefferson St. The museum's permanent collection of more than 600 contemporary quilts and fiber art is one of

the country's largest. Three climate-controlled galleries celebrate the fabric medium and rotate 50-60 quilts of extraordinary and pictorial design, including a selection from the award-winning collection as well as changing exhibits featuring antique and thematic quilts. Another gallery displays to-scale miniature quilts, all 24 inches or smaller in size. The museum lobby's eight stained-glass windows are highlighted with designs inspired by quilt patterns.

A self-guiding tour delves into the origins of the quilts and their creators and explores traditional quilting styles and techniques. Activities, events and workshops are offered for experienced and novice quilters.

Guided tours are available by appointment. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 442-8856.

WHITEHAVEN, jct. I-24 and US 45 exit 7, at 1845 Lone Oak Rd., is an 1860s mansion remodeled in 1903 in the Classical Revival style. Restored to late 19th-century grandeur, the house serves as a state welcome center and rest area. It contains a collection of Vice President Alben Barkley's memorabilia, including the first U.S. vice presidential flag.

Phone: (270) 554-2077.

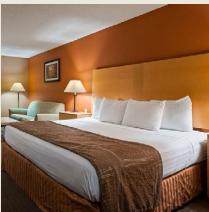
WILLIAM CLARK MARKET HOUSE MUSEUM is at 121 S. 2nd St. in the center of the 1905 Market House. The museum displays artifacts from Paducah's past, including a complete 1877 drugstore with gingerbread woodwork, Civil War artifacts including a quilt made by Mrs. Robert E. Lee, furniture used by Ulysses S. Grant and the Lincolns, and highlights from landmark businesses and notable Paducah natives including Vice President Alben W. Barkley and John T. Scopes. A short film about the 1937 flood also is available. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (270) 443-7759.



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PARIS

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Paris, seat of Bourbon County, was first settled in 1776. Both the town and the county were named in appreciation for French aid during the Revolution, one for the capital of France and the other for the French ruling house. One of Kentucky's earliest distilleries named the liquor it produced for the county. Later "bourbon" was applied to any corn whiskey made with this distillery's formula.

The Duncan Tavern, 323 High St, has been in continuous use as a tavern or boarding house since its construction in 1788, four years prior to Kentucky being admitted into the union as the fifteenth state. Frontiersmen and pioneers Daniel Boone, Simon Kenton and Michael Stoner, as well as statesman Samuel Adams, were among the prominent visitors to the three-story stone building. The attached Anne Duncan house, built in

1801, features a genealogical library. The library is open and guided tours of the tavern are offered April through mid-December; phone (859) 987-1788.

Nearby horse farms include Denali Stud, Hillcroft Farm, Indian Creek Farm and Claiborne Farm, the spot where Triple Crown winner Secretariat is buried. They can be visited by appointment only. *Also see Bluegrass Country p. 30.*

Paris-Bourbon County Chamber of Commerce: 525 High St., Paris, KY 40361. **Phone:** (859) 987-3205.

CANE RIDGE MEETING HOUSE is 9 mi. e. via US 460 to SR 537/1655 Cane Ridge Rd. Built of blue ash logs by Scots-Irish pioneers in 1791, it was the site of an 1801 revival that led to the 1804 dissolution of the Springfield Presbytery. From this act came a new movement, the precursor to several modern-day churches including the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), the Christian



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Churches and the Churches of Christ. The meeting house is encased in a limestone superstructure for preservation and unrestricted access.

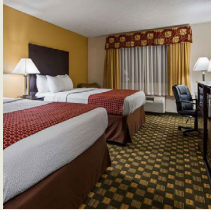
The grounds include a small museum with historical items and a pioneer cemetery. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (859) 987-5350.



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PARK CITY

HISTORIC DIAMOND CAVERNS, 1.2 mi. n. on SR 255 (Mammoth Cave Pkwy.) off I-65 exit 48, is one of the nation's oldest show caves. The caverns, with a constant temperature of 58°F, contain stalactite and stalagmite formations and drapery and flowstone deposits. One-hour, .5-mile guided tours are offered.

Note: The guided tour's paths contain more than 350 stair steps; visitors are advised to wear good walking shoes. **Phone:** (270) 749-2233.

PIKEVILLE

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Pikeville, county seat to the state's largest county, is named for Gen. Zebulon M. Pike, a U.S. Army officer and explorer who discovered Pike's Peak in Colorado. A statue dedicated to Col. James A. Garfield, Union Army officer and 20th president of the United States, can be viewed in the Pikeville City Park.

The town is home to the Pikeville Cut-Through and Scenic Overlook, purportedly the second largest earth-moving project north of the Panama Canal. It took some 14 years to physically re-route the river and the railroad system to relieve the town from flooding when it was completely underwater 1957-77.

Pike County Tourism CVB: 831 Hambley Blvd., P.O. Box 1497, Pikeville, KY 41502-1497. **Phone:** (606) 432-5063.

Self-guiding tours: A map for a self-guiding driving tour outlining the Hatfield-McCoy feud sites is available at the tourism office. The two families feuded 1863-1891, and the tour highlights some of the places where actual events took place. One of the sites along the tour is the Historic Dills Cemetery, a resting place for several of the McCoy family members as well as the first integrated cemetery in eastern Kentucky.

BIG SANDY HERITAGE CENTER MUSEUM is at 172 Division St. The museum, in Pikeville's railroad depot, has exhibits that relate the history of this eastern Kentucky area. Visitors can see an 1860s log home, Civil War artifacts, early 20th-century railroad memorabilia and a tool collection. **Phone:** (606) 766-1025.



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PRINCETON

 **ADSMORE MUSEUM**, 304 N. Jefferson St., is the former residence of four generations of the Smith-Garrett family. Purchased in the early 1900s, the family added several Federal-style touches to this 1850s brick mansion, including a columned portico. The rooms in the

manor include original furnishings and are decorated according to specific periods in the residents' lives, such as the marriage of one of the family members in 1907. Seven other decorative themes are presented during the year.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (270) 365-3114.
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RADCLIFF

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 CANDLEWOOD SUITES RADCLIFF-FORT KNOX **BOOK NOW** 270/351-3333



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Hotel. **Address:** 30 Bourbon St 40160.

RICHMOND

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Named after the capital of Virginia, Richmond was the scene of a decisive Confederate victory in Kentucky. This major Civil War battle, waged Aug. 29-30, 1862, pitted Gen. William Nelson's Union forces against Gen. Kirby Smith's Confederate troops. Although the conflict originated 6 miles south of Richmond, a sharply contested retreat through the town left many buildings scarred.

Richmond is a farming, cattle ranching and industrial center as well as the home of Eastern Kentucky University. Arnim D. Hummel Planetarium, on the university's campus, offers shows on the first Saturday of the month; phone (859) 622-1547 for information.

The downtown area includes three historic districts comprising a number of 19th-century houses. *Also see Bluegrass Country p. 30.*

Richmond Tourism and Visitors Center: 531 W. Main S., Richmond, KY 40475. **Phone:** (800) 866-3705.



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Self-guiding tours: Downtown walking tour brochures and a Civil War audio driving tour are available at the visitors center.

FORT BOONESBOROUGH STATE PARK, off SR 627 to SR 388, contains a re-creation of the fort built by Daniel Boone in 1775. Artisans demonstrate 18th-century trades and skills, April through October. Films shown in the orientation blockhouse depict the pioneers' struggle at the fort. The Kentucky Museum offers insight into the lives of the families who lived in the area in the 1900s. Riverside interpretive trails pass native plants and unusual geological sites. Picnicking, camping, fishing, swimming and a miniature golf course are available. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (859) 527-3131.



WHITE HALL STATE HISTORIC SITE is off I-75 exit 95, w. .25 mi. on SR 627 to White Hall State Shrine Rd., then following signs for 2 mi. An imposing 44-room estate house in two architectural styles, White Hall was the home of emancipationist Cassius Marcellus Clay. The site, which is near the Kentucky River, covers 13 acres.

The first section, Clermont, was built by Clay's father in 1798 in a Georgian design. During the 1860s Cassius Clay annexed an Italianate front and side addition to the house, more than doubling the home's size. White Hall was the first house in the area to have central heating and indoor plumbing. Guides conduct 1-hour tours of the home.

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ST. MATTHEWS

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 HILTON GARDEN INN LOUISVILLE MALL OF ST MATTHEWS **BOOK NOW** 502/690-3325

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SHELBYVILLE

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SHEPHERDSVILLE

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Founded in 1793, Shepherdsville is the oldest town in Bullitt County and has served as its county seat since its inception in 1796. It is named after Adam Shepherd, a Maryland native who regularly visited the area to tend to

his father’s interests, which included land grants and surveying. Shepherd built a mill and store and also designed the streets of the town, part of a 900-acre area he owned just north of the Salt River.

The salt production industry—the state’s first—was Shepherdsville’s focus in its earliest days. The area’s abundance of salt was the result of a receding shallow ocean which covered Kentucky more than 350 million

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years ago. Those who continued westward utilized the salt to preserve meats and other foods on their journeys. Mineral water from the Paroquet Springs spa, which opened in 1836, was said to have medicinal value; sufferers of a variety of ailments traveled to the town to drink and bathe in the spa's water. The iron-smelting industry also was prominent in Shepherdsville from 1830-80. The Belmont Iron Furnace, 3 miles south off SR 61, supplied much of the pig iron used during this time. It is one of the state's last remaining standing furnaces.

Shepherdsville Country Music Show, off I-65 exit 117 on SR 44, features live bluegrass and country music performed by local musicians. The bluegrass show is offered on Fridays from October through late April; the country show is held on Saturdays throughout the year. Phone (502) 543-6551 for show schedules and reservations.

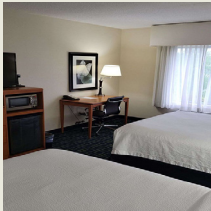
Shepherdsville/Bullitt County Tourist & Convention Commission: 142 Buffalo Run Rd., Shepherdsville, KY 40165. **Phone:** (502) 543-8687 or (800) 526-2068.



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SOMERSET

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Drawing many settlers from Somerset County, N.J., this community came together in the late 18th century. Two


Civil War battles—Mill Springs and Dutton's Hill—occurred nearby. However, due to the creation of Lake Cumberland circa 1950, the area is now best known for recreation. Tubing, fishing, camping and hiking are popular pastimes.



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STEARNS

BIG SOUTH FORK SCENIC RAILWAY, 1 mi. w. of US 27 on SR 92, offers a scenic 16-mile tour along Big South

Fork, a branch of the Cumberland River, in enclosed and open-air excursion cars. There is a stopover in Blue Heron (*see attraction listing*), an abandoned coal mine company town that has been restored by the National



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Park Service. The line originally was used by the Stearns Coal & Lumber Co. to transport logs and coal. The 90-minute Run to the Gorge excursion is offered in November.

Time: Allow 3 hours, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (606) 376-5330 or (800) 462-5664.

VERSAILLES

Established in 1792, the streets of Versailles (ver-SALES) are lined with shady trees and Victorian-style homes and buildings. The city is the county seat of Woodford County, which is known for its horse farms.

The Bluegrass Scenic Railroad & Museum, 2 miles west on US 62 in Woodford County Park, offers weekend train rides through the rolling Bluegrass Region on the old Louisville Southern Mainline. The museum is dedicated to the reconstruction, restoration and preservation of railroad arts and artifacts; phone (859) 873-2476. *Also see Bluegrass Country p. 30.*

Woodford County Chamber of Commerce: 141 N. Main St., Versailles, KY 40383. **Phone:** (859) 873-5122.

NOSTALGIA STATION TOY AND TRAIN MUSEUM, 279 Depot St., is a model train museum housed in a restored 1911 railroad station. Exhibits include a reproduction of a 1926 standard gauge Lionel store display as well as children's toys and railroad memorabilia. A late 1950s Lionel store display includes accessories authentic to the original layout. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (859) 873-2497.



WOODFORD RESERVE DISTILLERY is 6 mi. w. on US 60, s.w. on Grassy Springs Rd. (CR 3360), then w. on McCracken Pike to entrance. Guided tours of this restored 1812 facility show visitors the traditional method of making Kentucky straight bourbon whiskey. Tours through the distillery's limestone buildings, some more than a century old, include a look at the cypress fermentors, old-fashioned copper pot stills and charred-oak barrels.

A short film about the site's history is shown at the visitor center, which also has exhibits, artifacts and photographs. The distillery produces the super-premium Woodford Reserve Bourbon.

Time: Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (859) 879-1812. **GT** **FI**

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WINCHESTER

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Founded in 1793, Winchester was named after the former Virginia home of frontiersman John Baker who donated 66 acres of land for the town's creation. The town was given distinction by Henry Clay, "The Great Compromiser," when he made both his first and last Kentucky speeches in the city.

Early on, Winchester became the marketing center of the agricultural inner Bluegrass Region. Industrial enterprises and manufacturing supplement the economy. *Also see Bluegrass Country p. 30.*

Of interest off SR 1924 is the Civil War Fort at Boonesboro. Built by Union soldiers in 1863, the earthwork fortification was used to defend the ford and ferry at

Boonesboro. Today visitors can hike the scenic trail with views of the Kentucky River and see a mural depicting the history of the river. Guided tours are offered by appointment; phone (859) 744-0556. Located on 240 acres of land, the Lower Howard's Creek Nature Preserve offers guided tours of its environment of native flora and fauna; phone (859) 744-4888.

Winchester/Clark County Tourism Commission: 2 S. Maple St., Winchester, KY 40391. **Phone:** (859) 744-0556 or (800) 298-9105.

Self-guiding tours: The tourism commission offers guided tours as well as maps and brochures outlining driving and walking tours of area points of interest. One of Kentucky's first guided cellphones tours is offered; highlights include the history of downtown and the Civil War Fort at Boonesboro; phone (859) 592-9166.



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Like the proverbial coin, there are two sides to Ohio. On one side you have the “three C’s”—Cleveland, Cincinnati and Columbus. These major metropolitan areas offer big-city attractions: top-notch art museums, child-friendly science centers, world-class zoos, pro sports teams, ethnic festivals and razzle-dazzle annual events. It’s a prominent facet of the Buckeye State.

But flip the coin and you’ll discover the small towns and family-owned farms of Middle America. Here the reminders of a simpler time are evident in painstakingly restored historic villages and Amish-populated rural areas. Craft demonstrations, barn raisings and horse-drawn buggies are more characteristic of this side. Question: Which is the “real” Ohio? Answer: Both.

“Our position in the nation,” one 19th-century historian wrote of his adopted state, “is peculiarly felicitous as to soil, climate and productions, and it will be our own fault if we are not the happiest people in the Union.” And to many early settlers, success in this new frontier likely seemed guaranteed. As immigrants pushed westward along the Ohio River, river towns boomed. This wave of settlement came after the Revolutionary War, and Ohio became the first state to be carved from the Northwest Territory.

Due to an advantageous location on the Ohio River, Cincinnati became the first industrial city in what was then—before the era of westward expansion—

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considered the American West. By the late 19th century it was Cleveland’s turn to boom. Proximity to coal fields in West Virginia and Pennsylvania and iron mines in Minnesota transformed this Great Lakes port into one of America’s leading manufacturing centers. Recent decades have unfortunately not been as prosperous for this corner of the so-called “rust belt.” It does, however, offer its share of tourist-worthy fare.

The Cleveland Museum of Art has ancient Egyptian statues as well as Impressionist masterpieces, while the Cleveland Museum of Natural History has dinosaur skeletons as well as a skeleton of an Australopithecus, a prehuman hominid known as “Lucy.” And standing on the Lake Erie shoreline is the eye-popping glass-and-steel monument to a 4/4 backbeat: the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. You’ll probably find at least a few of your faves among hall of fame inductees that range from Alice Cooper to ZZ Top.

The Simple Life

On the other side of the Ohio coin are rustic locales that hark back to a time when life was less complicated



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and moved at a slower pace. Surrender to nostalgia at Roscoe Village in Coshocton, a restored 1830s canal town where costumed interpreters demonstrate skills like candle dipping and tin punching. Hale Farm and Village, near Bath, and Historic Sauder Village, in Archbold, are other places to experience living history.

These restored villages carefully re-create the past, but if it's the real thing you're after, visit Amish country. The Amish and Mennonites of eastern Ohio shun modern conveniences, continuing a farming tradition that beguiles anyone who's ever bemoaned the hurried pace of contemporary life. Note that the Amish do not like to be photographed, as their faith emphasizes modesty. Berlin is a good place to hop on a buggy, relax and get a taste of how the Amish handle their day. So flip a coin; either way you win.

Recreation

Resorts along sandy stretches of Lake Erie beach offer activities for powerboaters and fans of other personal watercraft, and charter boats embark on fishing trips and diving excursions to shipwreck sites. When temperatures drop and the water freezes, ice shanty camps set up off the west shore of Put-in-Bay between Rattlesnake and Middle Bass islands.

Mohican State Park, near Mansfield, encompasses both the meandering Clear Fork River and dramatic Clear Fork Gorge. The river teems with brown trout, creating a paradise for fishing. The lower section of the river is the most accessible; a trail that follows the magnificent gorge (more than 1,000 feet wide and 300 feet deep) passes two waterfalls, offering both spectacular scenery and easy access for anglers.

In southern Ohio, Hocking State Forest has a climbing and rappelling area that challenges daredevils and those in enviable shape with formidable cliffs and sheer rock faces; the climbs range in height from 20 to 120 feet. Less adventurous outdoor enthusiasts can head to Hocking Hills State Park, where a concrete trail—accessible to the physically impaired and suitable for young kids—snakes past sandstone cliffs, carved gorges and a 90-foot waterfall on its way to Ash Cave.

Cleveland's 100-mile chain of metropolitan parks, known as the "Emerald Necklace," offers places to **hike, boat, golf** and go **horseback riding** and **in-line skating** during warm weather. Winter activities include **tobogganing, cross-country skiing, sledding** and

ice fishing. Cleveland Metroparks' Lakefront Reservation includes Edgewater Park, which is close to downtown and has two beaches, a **fishing** pier and boat ramps; scuba divers can explore a freshwater reef created by remnants of demolished Cleveland Municipal Stadium.

Go **biking**, hiking or cross-country skiing along the Ohio and Erie Canal Towpath Trail. Running the 22-mile length of Cuyahoga Valley National Park from Cleveland to Akron, it passes locks, spillways, an aqueduct and historic homes.

If you'd rather ride in a golf cart than lace up a pair of hiking boots, head for The Golf Center at Kings Island, in Mason (right outside Cincinnati). Take your pick of two courses: the Bruin is easy on duffers, while the challenging Grizzly is a championship layout designed in part by the Golden Bear himself, Jack Nicklaus. And for those not interested in following a little white ball, Kings Island has a day's worth of theme park thrill rides, roller coasters and other family-friendly diversions.

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GOOD FACTS TO KNOW

ABOUT THE STATE

POPULATION: 11,799,448.

AREA: 44,826 square miles; ranks 34th.

CAPITAL: Columbus.

HIGHEST POINT: 1,550 ft., Campbell Hill, Bellefontaine.

LOWEST POINT: 433 ft., Ohio River.

TIME ZONE(S): Eastern. DST.

GAMBLING

MINIMUM AGE FOR GAMBLING: 18 (lottery), 21 (casino).

REGULATIONS

TEEN DRIVING LAWS: No more than one passenger permitted for drivers for the first 12 months (family exempt). Driving is not permitted 12 a.m.-6 a.m. for the first 12 months unless accompanied by a parent; and 1 a.m.-5 a.m. for over the second 12 months unless accompanied by a parent or traveling to or from work, school or religious functions. Minimum age for an unrestricted driver's license is 18. For more information about Ohio driver's license laws phone (614) 752-7600.

SEAT BELT CHILD RESTRAINT LAWS: Seat belts are required for driver and front-seat passengers ages 15 and over. Children ages 8-14 are required to be in either a child restraint or seat belt. Children ages 4-7, over 40 pounds and under 57 inches are required to be in a booster seat. Child restraints are required for children under age 4 or less than 40 lbs. AAA recommends the use of seat belts and appropriate child restraints for the driver and all passengers.

CELLPHONE RESTRICTIONS: Text messaging while driving is prohibited. Temporary instruction permit holders under age 18 and probationary license holders are prohibited from using any type of wireless device while driving. The use of handheld cellphones while driving is prohibited in several municipalities, including Beachwood, Brooklyn, Marietta, North Olmsted, North Royalton, South Euclid, Walton Hills and Woodmere.

HELMETS FOR MOTORCYCLISTS: Required for riders under age 18, all drivers during their first year of licensure and all passengers of riders required to wear a helmet.

RADAR DETECTORS: Permitted. Prohibited for use by commercial vehicles.

MOVE OVER LAW: Driver is required to slow down and vacate the lane nearest stopped police, fire, rescue and road maintenance vehicles using audible or flashing signals. The law includes recovery vehicles such as tow trucks, municipal vehicles and road maintenance vehicles.

FIREARMS LAWS: Vary by state and/or county. Contact the Ohio Highway Patrol/State Police at 1970 W. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43223; phone (614) 466-2660.

HOLIDAYS

HOLIDAYS: New Year's Day, Jan. 1 • Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Jan. (3rd Mon.) • Washington's Birthday/Presidents Day, Feb. (3rd Mon.) • Memorial Day, May (last Mon.) • Juneteenth, June 19 • July 4 • Labor Day, Sept. (1st Mon.) • Columbus Day, Oct. (2nd Mon.) • Veterans Day, Nov. 11 • Thanksgiving, Nov. (4th Thurs.) • Christmas, Dec. 25.

MONEY

TAXES: Ohio's statewide sales tax is 5.75 percent. Cities and/or counties may impose additional levies up to 2.25 percent for a maximum combined rate of 8 percent. Counties and cities also may levy Occupancy Taxes of up to 10.5 percent.

VISITOR INFORMATION

INFORMATION CENTERS: Welcome centers are off I-90 westbound 1 mile w. of the Pennsylvania line near Conneaut • I-71 north- and southbound 2 miles n. of SR 123 interchange near Lebanon • I-80 westbound 1 mile w. of the Pennsylvania line near Hubbard • I-70 westbound 5 miles w. of St. Clairsville • I-77 northbound 6 miles n. of Marietta • I-75 north- and southbound 1 mile s. of US 6 interchange near Bowling Green • I-70 eastbound 3 miles e. of the Indiana line near New Paris • I-75 northbound near Monroe • and on US 23 northbound 15 miles n. of the Kentucky line.

FURTHER INFORMATION FOR VISITORS:

Discover Ohio, Ohio Office of Tourism
77 S. High St.
Columbus, OH 43215
(614) 466-8844 / (800) 282-5393

NATIONAL FOREST INFORMATION:

Forest Supervisor, Wayne National Forest
13700 US 33
Nelsonville, OH 45764
(740) 753-0101 (information)
(877) 444-6777 (reservations)

FISHING AND HUNTING REGULATIONS:

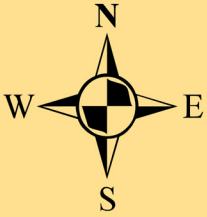
Division of Wildlife, Dept. of Natural Resources
2045 Morse Rd., Building G
Columbus, OH 43229-6693
(614) 265-6565 / (800) 945-3543

RECREATION INFORMATION:

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2045 Morse Rd., Building C
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NATIONAL PARKS (See place listings.)

Cuyahoga Valley Northeastern Ohio. 33,000 acres. Cross-country skiing, downhill skiing, golf, ice fishing, snowshoeing; horse trails.

NATIONAL FORESTS (See place listings.)

Wayne 241,000 acres. Southeastern Ohio. Hunting; horse rental.

STATE

Adams Lake 96 acres 1 mi. n.e. of West Union on SR 41. Boats with electric motors only.

Alum Creek 8,017 acres 7 mi. s.e. of Delaware off SRs 36 and 37, 1 mi. w. of jct. I-71. Cross-country skiing, disc golf, hunting, ice-skating, sledding, snowmobiling; dog park, horse trails.

A.W. Marion 454 acres 5 mi. e. of Circleville off US 22. Hunting, ice-skating, sledding. Boats with electric motors only.

Barkcamp 1,112 acres 1 mi. e. of Belmont off SR 149. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, hunting, ice-skating, sledding, snowmobiling; horse trails. Boats with electric motors only.

Beaver Creek 2,722 acres 8 mi. n. of East Liverpool off SR 7. Canoeing, hunting, sledding; wildlife education center.

Blue Rock 350 acres 12 mi. s.e. of Zanesville off SR 60 on CR 45. Ice-skating, sledding. Boats with electric motors only.

Buck Creek 4,030 acres 4 mi. e. of Springfield on SR 4. Cross-country skiing, disc golf, hunting, sledding, snowmobiling; horse trail.



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Buckeye Lake 3,557 acres 9 mi. s. of Newark off SR 13. Hunting, iceboating, ice fishing, ice-skating; beaches.														
Burr Oak 3,256 acres 6 mi. n.e. of Glouster off SR 13. Nature programs. Hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating, sledding; horse trails.														
Caesar Creek 6,571 acres on SR 73 6 mi. w. of jct. I-71. Historic. Cross-country skiing, hunting, ice fishing; horse trails, marina. Food service is seasonal.														
Catawba Island 10 acres in Catawba off SR 53.														
Cowan Lake 1,775 acres 5 mi. s. of Wilmington off US 68. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, hunting, sledding; bicycle rental, cottages. Food service is seasonal.														
Deer Creek 3,614 acres 7 mi. s. of Mount Sterling on SR 207. Nature programs. Golf (18 holes), hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating, snowmobiling; bicycle rental, horse trails.														
Delaware 3,145 acres 6 mi. n. of Delaware on US 23. Cross-country skiing, disc golf, hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating; yurt rentals.														
Dillon 3,845 acres 5 mi. n.w. of Zanesville off SR 146. Disc golf, hunting, ice-skating, sledding; archery range, cottage rentals.														
East Fork 7,030 acres 4 mi. s.e. of Amelia off SR 125. Cross-country skiing, hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating, sledding; horse trails. Food service is seasonal.														



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East Harbor 1,831 acres 8 mi. e. of Port Clinton off SR 269. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, disc golf, hunting, iceboating, ice fishing, ice-skating, snowmobiling.													
Fernwood State Forest 3,023 acres n. of SR 151 in New Philadelphia. Hunting.													
Findley 931 acres 3 mi. s. of Wellington on SR 58. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, disc golf (18 holes), hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating; bicycle, canoe, kayak and rowboat rentals. Boats with electric motors only.													
Forked Run 791 acres 3 mi. s.w. of Reedsville off SR 124. Nature programs in summer. Disc golf, hunting, sledding.													
Geneva 698 acres on the shore of Lake Erie at Geneva-on-the-Lake. Cross-country skiing, hunting, ice fishing, snowmobiling; marina.													
Grand Lake St. Marys 14,000 acres 2 mi. w. of St. Marys on SR 703. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, hunting, snowmobiling; dog park.													
Great Seal 1,864 acres 3 mi. n.e. of Chillicothe on Marietta Pike. Cross-country skiing, disc golf, hunting; horse trails.													
Guilford Lake 488 acres 6 mi. n.w. of Lisbon off SR 172. Hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating.													
Harrison Lake 247 acres 4 mi. s. of Fayette off SR 66. Cross-country skiing, ice fishing, sledding. No wake boating.													



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Headlands Beach 125 acres .3 mi. w. off SR 44 at 9601 Headlands Rd. in Mentor. Cross-country skiing, sledging.													
Hocking Hills 2,356 acres 10 mi. s.w. of US 33 on SR 664. Nature programs. Ice fishing; pool.													
Hueston Woods 3,596 acres 5 mi. n. of Oxford off SR 732. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, disc golf (36 holes), golf (18 holes), hunting, ice-skating, sledging; bicycle rental, dog park, horse trails.													
Independence Dam 525 acres 4 mi. e. of Defiance on SR 424. Cross-country skiing, ice-skating, sledging.													
Indian Lake 6,452 acres 2 mi. n. of Lakeview on SR 235. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, hunting, iceboating, ice fishing, ice-skating, snowmobiling; beach.													
Jackson Lake 334 acres 2 mi. w. of Oak Hill on SR 279. Ice fishing, ice-skating, sledging.													
Jefferson Lake 945 acres 16 mi. n.w. of Steubenville off SR 43. Cross-country skiing, hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating; horse trails.													
John Bryan 750 acres 2 mi. e. of Yellow Springs on SR 370. Cross-country skiing, disc golf, sledging.													
Kelleys Island 677 acres. Scenic. Cross-country skiing, hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating. Kayak rentals.													
Kiser Lake 927 acres 17 mi. n.w. of Urbana on SR 235. Hunting, iceboating, ice fishing, ice-skating, sledging; horse trails.													



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Lake Alma 350 acres 3 mi. n.e. of Wellston on SR 349. Cross-country skiing, hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating; dog swim area.													
Lake Hope 3,223 acres 12 mi. n.e. of McArthur on SR 278. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating; cottage rentals, horse trails.													
Lake Logan 719 acres 4 mi. w. of Logan off SR 664. Hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating, sledding. Boat speed limit 10 miles per hour or less.													
Lake Loramie 2,080 acres 3 mi. s.e. of Minster off SR 66. Cross-country skiing, hunting, iceboating, ice fishing, ice-skating, snowmobiling.													
Lake Milton 1,685 acres 1 mi. s. of I-76 off SR 534. Cross-country skiing, hunting, ice fishing, snowmobiling.													
Lake White 444 acres 2 mi. s.w. of Waverly on SR 104. Note: At press time, part of the park was closed. Phone ahead for updates.													
Little Miami 813 acres n. of Corwin. Scenic. Canoeing, cross-country skiing; horse trails.													
Madison Lake 186 acres 3 mi. e. of London off SR 665. Hunting, sailboating.													
Malabar Farm 917 acres. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, ice-skating, sledding; horse trails.													
Mary Jane Thurston 555 acres 2 mi. w. of Grand Rapids on SR 65. Cross-country skiing, ice fishing, ice-skating, sledding.													



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Maumee Bay 1,450 acres 8 mi. e. of Toledo, then 3 mi. n. off SR 2. Cross-country skiing, golf (18 holes), hunting, ice-skating, sledding; bicycle rental, cottage rental, nature center, yurt rental.														
Middle Bass Island 124 acres on Middle Bass Island. Marina.														
Mohican 1,110 acres. Nature programs. Scenic. Snowmobiling; cottage rentals, horse trails.														
Mosquito Lake 11,811 acres at 1439 SR 305 in Cortland. Hunting, iceboating, ice fishing, ice-skating, snowmobiling; dog park, horse trails, yurt rentals.														
Mount Gilead 210 acres 1 mi. e. of Mount Gilead on SR 95. Cross-country skiing, ice fishing, ice-skating, sledding; amphitheater. Note: Work is being done on the dam; the lake and hiking trails near it are currently closed.														
Muskingum River 120 acres along 80 miles of the Muskingum River extending from Devola to Ellis Locks.														
Paint Creek 10,200 acres 17 mi. e. of Hillsboro on US 50. Nature programs. Hunting, rock climbing, sledding; horse trails.														
Pike Lake 613 acres 7 mi. s.e. of Bainbridge. Nature programs. Disc golf (18 holes), hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating, sledding; cottage rentals.														
Portage Lakes 2,500 acres in Akron on SR 93. Cross-country skiing, hunting; dog park.														



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<p>Punderson 996 acres 2 mi. e. of Newbury off SR 87. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, disc golf, golf (18 holes), hunting, snowmobiling, tennis; cottage rentals.</p>													
<p>Pymatuning 17,500 acres 6 mi. s.e. of Andover off US 85. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, hunting, iceboating, ice fishing, ice-skating; cottage and yurt rentals.</p>													
<p>Quail Hollow 700 acres 2 mi. n. of Hartville on Congress Lake Rd. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, ice-skating, sledding; horse trails.</p>													
<p>Rocky Fork 3,464 acres 3 mi. e. of Hillsboro off SR 124. Disc golf, hunting, sledding.</p>													
<p>Salt Fork 20,181 acres 7 mi. n.e. of Cambridge on US 22. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, golf (18 holes), hunting, ice fishing, snowmobiling; bicycle rental, cottage rentals, horse trails.</p>													
<p>Scioto Trail 248 acres 10 mi. s. of Chillicothe off US 23. Cross-country skiing, hunting, ice fishing, ice-skating, sledding. Boats with electric motors only.</p>													
<p>Shawnee 1,168 acres 8 mi. w. of Portsmouth on SR 125. Nature programs. Golf (18 holes), hunting, miniature golf; canoe rentals, cottage rentals, horse trails, paddleboat rentals.</p>													
<p>South Bass Island 35 acres on South Bass Island by summer ferry. Ice fishing, ice-skating; cottage and kayak rentals.</p>													



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<p>Stonelick 1,258 acres 1 mi. s. of Edenton off SR 727. Cross-country skiing, hunting, iceboating, ice fishing, ice-skating, sledding; bicycle rental. Boats with electric motors only.</p>													
<p>Strouds Run 2,606 acres 8 mi. n.e. of Athens off US 50A on CR 20. Cross-country skiing, hunting, sledding; horse trails.</p>													
<p>Sycamore 2,384 acres 1 mi. w. of Trotwood on SR 49. Hunting, snowmobiling; horse trails.</p>													
<p>Tar Hollow 634 acres 10 mi. s. of Adelphi off SR 327. Hunting; bicycle rental. Boats with electric motors only.</p>													
<p>Tinker's Creek 369 acres 2 mi. w. of SR 43 on Aurora-Hudson Rd. near Portage. Cross-country skiing, ice fishing.</p>													
<p>Van Buren 296 acres 1 mi. e. of Van Buren on Township Rd. 218. Bow hunting, cross-country skiing, disc golf, ice fishing, ice-skating; horse trails.</p>													
<p>West Branch 8,002 acres 5 mi. e. of Ravenna off SR 5. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, hunting, iceboating, ice fishing, snowmobiling; horse trails.</p>													
<p>Wolf Run 1,363 acres 1 mi. e. of Belle Valley off I-77. Cross-country skiing, hunting, scuba diving, sledding.</p>													
MUSKINGUM WATERSHED CONSERVANCY DISTRICT													
<p>Atwood Lake 4,536 acres 2 mi. s.e. of New Cumberland off SR 212. Nature programs. Hunting; beach, playground.</p>													
<p>Charles Mill Lake 3,347 acres 9 mi. e. of Mansfield on SR 430. Nature programs. Hunting.</p>													



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Clendening Lake 6,550 acres 3 mi. n. of Freeport off SR 800. Hunting.													
Leesville Lake 3,625 acres 4 mi. s. of Sherrodsville off SR 212. Hunting.													
Piedmont Lake 6,642 acres 2 mi. s.e. of Smyrna off SR 800. Hunting.													
Pleasant Hill Lake 2,195 acres 3 mi. s.w. of Perrysville on SR 95. Nature programs. Hunting; horse trails.													
Seneca Lake 7,613 acres 3 mi. s.e. of Senecaville off SR 574. Nature programs. Hunting.													
Tappan Lake 7,597 acres 12 mi. n.w. of Cadiz off US 250. Nature programs. Hunting.													
OTHER													
Austin Lake Park 1,300 acres n. of Steubenville on SR 152. Dog water park.													
Carriage Hill MetroPark 944 acres just n. of SR 201 on E. Shull Rd. in Huber Heights. Bird-watching, cross-country skiing, sledding; horse trails.													
Eastwood MetroPark 437 acres 1 mi. off SR 4 on Harshman Rd. in Dayton. Bird-watching, canoeing, cross-country skiing, kayaking, water activities, wildlife viewing; playground.													
Englewood MetroPark 1,956 acres just e. of Englewood off US 40. Bird-watching, canoeing, cross-country skiing, disc golf, kayaking, sledding; horse trails.													



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Germantown MetroPark 1,665 acres just w. of SR 4 in Germantown. Bird-watching, canoeing, cross-country skiing, kayaking, sledding, wildlife viewing; backpacking trail.													
Huffman MetroPark 283 acres w. of Wright-Patterson Air Force Base off SR 4 on Lower Valley Pike. Bird-watching, canoeing, cross-country skiing, kayaking, mountain biking.													
Lake Vesuvius 200 acres 6 mi. n. of Ironton off SR 93.													
Magee Marsh Wildlife Area 2,200 acres 2 mi. w. of SR 19 on SR 2 in Oak Harbor. Bird-watching, hunting.													
Mentor Lagoons Nature Preserve & Marina 450 acres just w. off SR 283. Bird-watching.													
Miami Whitewater Forest n.w. of Cincinnati off I-74. Golf (18 holes), disc golf, wildlife viewing; bicycle rental, kayak ramp, horse trails, playground, water playground.													
Mill Creek Park 2,882 acres s. of Mahoning Ave. off Glenwood Ave. Cross-country skiing, golf, sledding, tennis; boardwalk, nature center.													
Possum Creek MetroPark 556 acres just e. of SR 4 on Frytown Rd. in Dayton. Cross-country skiing; children's activities, a farm, horse trails.													
Riverscape MetroPark 1.4 acres on Monument Ave. in Dayton. Canoeing, cross-country skiing, ice-skating, in-line skating.													
Sharon Woods n.e. of Cincinnati off I-270 Cleveland Avenue exit. Golf; bicycle rental, playground, water playground.													



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Recreation Areas Chart

Shaded columns below indicate available services and activities.



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CAMPING	PICNICKING	HIKING TRAILS	BOATING	BOAT RAMP	BOAT RENTAL	FISHING	SWIMMING	PET FRIENDLY	BICYCLE TRAILS	WINTER SPORTS	VISITOR CENTER	LODGE/CABINS	FOOD SERVICE
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Shawnee Lookout w. of Cincinnati via US 50. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, golf (18 holes), ice fishing, ice-skating, sledding; playground.													
Taylorville MetroPark 1,312 acres just n. of I-70 on US 40 in Vandalia. Bird-watching, canoeing, cross-country skiing, kayaking, sledding, wildlife viewing.													
Twin Creek MetroPark 1,000 acres off SR 4 in Germantown on Eby Rd. Historic. Bird-watching, canoeing, cross-country skiing, kayaking, wildlife viewing; horse trails.													
Wegerzyn Gardens MetroPark just off Siebenthaler Ave. Bird-watching, cross-country skiing, wildlife viewing; gardens. Pets are not permitted in the gardens.													
Wellington Reservation 550 acres at 535 Jones Rd. in Wellington. Paddleboat rental, playground.													
Wesleyan MetroPark 55 acres on Wesleyan Rd. in Dayton. Cross-country skiing, sledding, wildlife viewing; playground.													
Winton Woods n. of Cincinnati off Winton Road. Cross-country skiing, disc golf, golf (18 holes), ice fishing, ice-skating, sledding; bicycle rental, horse rental, playground, water playground.													
Woodland Mound 1,066 acres off I-275 Beechmont Ave. exit (SR 125) from Anderson Township, 2 mi. w., then s. on Nordyke Rd. Nature programs. Cross-country skiing, disc golf, golf (18 holes), ice-skating; butterfly garden, water playground.													



AKRON

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The center of global rubber empires, Akron once led the world in the manufacturing of rubber products. Although local production is now minimal, Akron is still the corporate home of Goodyear. Akron also is a merchandising center—a vital distribution gateway between the industrial East and Midwest.

From the standpoint of scientific research, Akron is perhaps the nation's fastest growing city. The Firestone and Goodyear laboratories specialize in research involving rubber and plastics. Bridgestone Americas Center for Research and Technology is one of the leading labs in the field of polymers. The original space suits worn by U.S. astronauts were made and fitted at B.F. Goodrich. The University of Akron's College of Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering has gained renown for its work in combining molecules through chemical reactions.

The Akron area offers a variety of cultural and sporting activities, including events at The University of Akron's E.J. Thomas Hall. The Akron Civic Theatre, with its opulent design and ceiling replete with blinking stars and floating clouds, is one of the few remaining "atmospheric" theaters. Guided tours are offered monthly on the third Tuesday; phone (330) 535-3179.

The 1837 Greek Revival Perkins Stone Mansion, 550 Copley Rd., was home to Simon Perkins, the son of Akron founder Gen. Simon Perkins; he lived in the house with his wife and 11 children. Perkins and John Brown (who later became the famed abolitionist) were partners in the wool company Perkins and Brown for 10 years; Brown lived across the street 1844-46. Tours of both houses are available Wed.-Sat. 1-4, Apr.- Dec.; phone (330) 535-1120.

April through September, the Akron RubberDucks, the AA minor league baseball team affiliated with the Cleveland Guardians, plays at state-of-the-art Canal Park, on the corner of S. Main and W. Exchange streets.


In July Derby Downs is home to the annual All-American Soap Box Derby championship race. August brings the Bridgestone Invitational World Series of Golf.

Goodwill Industries of Akron, 570 E. Waterloo Rd., offers tours of its rehabilitation training facility; phone (330) 724-6995.

Akron/Summit Convention and Visitors Bureau: 77 E. Mill St., Akron, OH 44308. **Phone:** (330) 374-7560 or (800) 245-4254.

Shopping: Chapel Hill Mall is at Howe and Brittain roads. Stagecoach Antiques, 449 W. Market St., has been around since the 1940s and is a nice place to go antiquing.

AKRON ART MUSEUM, One S. High St. at jct. E. Market St., occupies a late 19th-century brick Italian Renaissance Revival structure—formerly the post office—and the 2007 John S. and James L. Knight Building, which integrates part of the historic building. The museum's permanent collection presents a distinctive look at regional, national and international art from 1850 to the present, with a strong focus on paintings, sculpture and photography. Artists represented include Chuck Close, Childe Hassam and Andy Warhol. Nearly a dozen changing exhibits are presented each year.

The 1-acre Bud and Susie Rogers Garden is on the grounds. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (330) 376-9185. 

AKRON ZOO is at 505 Euclid Ave. Among the zoo's 700 animals are red pandas, Humboldt penguins, snow leopards, jaguars and three species of lemurs. The interactive Tiger Valley exhibit includes Sumatran tigers, sloth bears and lions. Grizzly Ridge features grizzly bears, bald eagles, otters, red wolves, coyotes and an aviary. Komodo dragons and Galapagos tortoises are among the favorites at Komodo Kingdom. Children may feed the animals at the Ohio Farmyard Encounter or take a train ride. The Lehner Family Zoo Gardens include more than 7,000 plants and flowers. The zoo is decked out in holiday lights during the Wild Lights event in December.

Time: Allow 3 hours minimum. **Phone:** (330) 375-2550 or (330) 375-2525.  

THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF PSYCHOLOGY is at the Drs. Nicholas and Dorothy Cummings Center for the History of Psychology, 73 S. College St., on The University of Akron campus. This museum is loaded with displays, hands-on exhibits and video clips of psychological tests, turn-of-the-century scientific instruments and visual illusions. **Phone:** (330) 972-7285.



STAN HYWET HALL & GARDENS, 714 N. Portage Path, is considered one of the finest examples of Tudor Revival architecture in the country. It was built 1912-15 for Frank A. Seiberling, co-founder of Goodyear and founder of Seiberling Rubber companies. The 65-room manor house contains art treasures from around the world. Features include an impressive music room and the three-story Great Hall. The Gate Lodge near the front gate was originally the estate superintendent's home. It was in the Gate Lodge that the first discussion of what would become Alcoholics Anonymous took place. An exhibit highlights the historic event.

Self-guiding and 1.25-hour guided tours are offered. The 1.5-hour Nooks & Crannies Manor House Tour takes visitors to additional areas of the house, including the



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domestic and service areas. The property also offers a re-stored English garden, a Japanese garden, a lagoon and scenic vistas. The 2.5-hour Grand Estate Tour includes

the house and garden. The Corbin Conservatory houses a tropical garden, "Garden Under Glass." **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (330) 836-5533.  

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 Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 897 Arlington Ridge E 44312.

ALLIANCE

The Carnation City is home to the University of Mount Union (formerly Mount Union College), a small liberal arts school. The showpiece of this beautiful campus—definitely worth driving through if you're in the area—is the five-story brick Chapman Hall. If you follow NCAA Division III football, you know about the Purple Raiders. The team holds 12 national titles, more than any other team in any division.

ARCHBOLD

In a region once known as the Great Black Swamp, Archbold is surrounded by fertile farmland. About 5 miles northwest of town is the 321-acre Goll Woods State Nature Preserve, an old-growth woods reminiscent of the Great Black Swamp; go north on SR 66 for 1.5 miles to Township Road F, then west for 3 miles to Township Road 26 and go south about a quarter-mile.

Archbold is home to one of the country's largest furniture manufacturers, Sauder Woodworking, and to ConAgra Foods, makers of such brands as La Choy, Healthy Choice and Chef Boyardee.

Archbold Area Chamber of Commerce: 300 N. Defiance St., P.O. Box 102, Archbold, OH 43502. **Phone:** (419) 445-2222.

Shopping: Defiance Street (SR 66) offers independent shops and boutiques and an old-fashioned “Main Street” atmosphere. Sauder Furniture Store & Outlet, on the grounds of Historic Sauder Village, sells the local company's line of ready-to-assemble furniture.



HISTORIC SAUDER VILLAGE is on SR 2, .5 mi. e. of SR 66. This living-history village tells the story of the early settlers of Ohio's Great Black Swamp. The village includes more than 40 historic homes and shops.

Costumed guides bring history to life in the homes, schools, barbershop, doctor's office and more.

There are cooking, farming and other period demonstrations that change with the season. Working craftspeople include a potter, glassblower, blacksmith, woodworker, spinner, weaver, cooper, broom maker and tinsmith. The village also includes a turn-of-the-20th-century homestead with a barn and animals, a Native American village, a pioneer settlement area and a museum. At Little Pioneers Homestead children can “play pioneer” in the cabin, barn and garden. Carriage and train rides are available. The village also hosts many events during the season.

Time: Allow 4 hours minimum. **Phone:** (419) 446-2541 or (800) 590-9755.  

ASHLAND

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Founded in 1815 and situated in the rolling hills of mainly agricultural Ashland County, Ashland maintains a prosperous economy thanks to light industry and its location off I-71 approximately halfway between Cleveland and Columbus. The city is home to the 6,000-student Ashland University, the Ashbrook Center and Ashland Theological Seminary.

During the summer months, a variety of free concerts are performed Thursdays and Sundays at the Guy Chase Myers Memorial Band Shell. The city also serves as a base for visitors to Charles Mill Lake and Pleasant Hill Lake recreational areas, Mohican State Park and Malabar Farm State Park, all of which lie in towns within 20 miles south of Ashland. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

Ashland Area Convention & Visitors Bureau: 211 Claremont Ave., Ashland, OH 44805. **Phone:** (419) 281-4584, ext. 101 or (877) 581-2345, ext. 101.





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ASHTABULA

Moses Cleaveland's 1796 discovery of a harbor in northeast Ohio on Lake Erie led to the settlement of Ashtabula, a major coal and iron port. In addition to its role as a manufacturing center, the city also is a waterfront resort and home to a 1,500-student regional campus of Kent State University.

Walnut Beach, on Lake Erie at Walnut Boulevard and Lake Avenue, is a municipal park with a white sand beach, tennis courts, a playground and picnic facilities; food is available. Lake Shore Park, northeast of Walnut Beach on SR 531, has a boat ramp, picnic area, playground and concessions. The parks close at dusk.

Nearby countryside offers opportunities for scenic drives visiting the county's covered bridges. In late August 2008 a dedication ceremony took place for the county's 17th bridge, which, at 613 feet, makes it the nation's longest covered bridge. The structure—Smolen-Gulf Bridge, Ashtabula County Highway 25—spans the Ashtabula River and was named for former Ashtabula County engineer and longtime covered bridge advocate John Smolen.

The 43-mile Western Reserve Greenway trail begins in Ashtabula and heads south to Warren. The trail offers opportunities for biking, hiking and horseback riding.

Self-guiding tours: Brochures outlining Ashtabula County's scenic charms—five self-guiding driving tours featuring Western Reserve architecture, 18 covered bridges, more than 60 quilt barns and nearly two dozen wineries—are available from the Ashtabula County Convention and Visitors Bureau in Austinburg. Quilt barns display colorful quilt patterns on barn exteriors for passersby

to enjoy; they celebrate the area's quilting and rural heritage.

Shopping: Historic Ashtabula Harbor District, 5 miles north of I-90 on SR 11, then 1 mile west on SR 531, features specialty shops.

HUBBARD HOUSE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD MUSEUM is at jct. Walnut Blvd. and Lake Ave. The 1840s brick house was an important stop on the Underground Railroad, the network of abolitionist-run safe houses that helped slaves escape to freedom before the Civil War. Fugitive slaves waited in the house until a ship arrived to take them to Canada. The house, furnished in period, contains exhibits relating to the Underground Railroad, the Civil War and local history.

Time: Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (440) 964-8168. **GT**

ATHENS

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Athens is best known as the home of Ohio University, which was founded in 1804. It was the first public institution for higher learning in the Northwest Territory, and there are now more than 17,000 undergraduate students enrolled. Guided tours of the university campus can be arranged by phoning the admissions office at (740) 593-4100.

Athens County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 667 E. State St., Athens, OH 45701. **Phone:** (740) 592-1819 or (800) 878-9767.



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 THE OHIO UNIVERSITY INN & CONFERENCE CENTER **BOOK NOW** 740/593-6661



Hotel. **Address:** 331 Richland Ave 45701.

AURORA

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Founded in 1799, Aurora was originally settled by Revolutionary War veteran Capt. Ebenezer Sheldon during the land grant period resulting from the Northwest Territory Ordinance of 1787. Between 1855 and 1910 Aurora established itself as the largest cheese center in the United

States. Today with its diverse economy and a growing cultural community, Aurora maintains its Western Reserve style, heritage and history.

Aurora Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau: 9 E. Garfield Rd., #101, Aurora, OH 44202. **Phone:** (330) 562-3355.

Shopping: Aurora Farms Premium Outlets, on SR 43 at 549 S. Chillicothe Rd., is comprised of 70 outlet stores and specialty and antique shops in a village setting.

 AURORA INN HOTEL AND EVENT CENTER **BOOK NOW** 330/562-0767



Boutique Hotel. **Address:** 30 Shawnee Tr 44202.

AUSTINBURG

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Ashtabula County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 1850 Austinburg Rd., Austinburg, OH 44010. **Phone:** (440) 275-3202 or (800) 337-6746.

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Hotel. **Address:** 1831 Austinburg Rd 44010.



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AUSTINTOWN

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Austintown lies about 10 miles west of Youngstown. The highlight of its park system is 206-acre Township Park,

6000 Kirk Rd., which is home to Yeager Pond, an observation deck and a variety of wildlife and habitats in addition to recreational offerings like hiking and cross-country skiing.

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Hotel. **Address:** 5555 Cerni PI 44515.

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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 5580 Patriot Blvd 44515.


 SLEEP INN **BOOK NOW** 330/544-5555



Hotel. **Address:** 5555 Patriot Blvd 44515.



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AVON

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 RESIDENCE INN BY MARRIOTT CLEVELAND AVON AT THE EMERALD EVENT CENTER **BOOK NOW** 440/937-0909



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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 33040 Just Imagine Dr 44011.

 WYNDHAM AVON **BOOK NOW** 440/695-1270



Hotel. **Address:** 35600 Detroit Rd 44011. **Facility:** 113 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry, area transportation.



BAINBRIDGE

Once the land of the Shawnee, Bainbridge was founded in 1805 by surveyor Nathaniel Massie, a wealthy landowner from Chillicothe. This rural trade center became known as the “cradle of American dentistry” after the profession’s first school was established by Dr. John Harris in 1827.

Two scenic routes to Bainbridge are US 50 from the east and SR 41 from the south. The town is in the Appalachian plateau, and nearby Pike Lake State Park (see

Recreation Areas Chart) offers a variety of recreational opportunities for summer and winter outdoor enthusiasts.

BATAVIA

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Clermont County Convention & Visitors Bureau: 410 E. Main St., P.O. Box 100, Batavia, OH 45103. **Phone:** (513) 732-3600.

 DAYS INN BY WYNDHAM BATAVIA OHIO **BOOK NOW** 513/735-4678



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Hotel. **Address:** 4501 Eastgate Blvd 45245.

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SAVE **fyi** Hotel. Pending inspection, call for details. **Address:** 856 Eastgate Dr N 45245.

BATH



HALE FARM AND VILLAGE is at 2686 Oak Hill Rd. A number of historic structures can be explored on the 90-acre farm in the Cuyahoga Valley. This working farm and restored village simulates the sights, sounds and smells of Wheatfield Village, a fictional re-creation representing bustling 19th-century Western Reserve townships. Artisans demonstrate basket making, brick making, broom making, candle making, glassblowing, spinning, weaving and other activities of the mid-1800s. Visitors can see cattle, horses, sheep, pigs and chickens.

Visitors can join in daily hands-on programs involving farm chores and historic crafts and trades. **Time:** Allow 3 hours minimum. **Phone:** (330) 666-3711 or (800) 589-9703.

BEACHWOOD

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The community is home to what's said to be the smallest national park. The David Berger National Memorial recognizes the Cleveland-born weightlifter, who was among the 11 Israeli athletes killed by Palestinian terrorists at the 1972 Munich Olympics. The sculpture by David E. Davis, which features five broken rings, is open daily

24 hours on the grounds of the Mandel Jewish Community Center of Cleveland, at 26001 S. Woodland Rd.



MALTZ MUSEUM OF JEWISH HERITAGE is off I-271 Chagrin Blvd. exit, 1 mi. w. on Chagrin Blvd., then .6 mi. n. to 2929 Richmond Rd. The structure was built with Golden Jerusalem limestone, which was mined and hand-chiseled in southern Israel. In the lobby, a time-line introduces visitors to key events in world history, but it may not always be on view. Artwork, artifacts, films, interactive exhibits, oral histories and photographs are all put to use telling stories about Cleveland history, Jewish heritage and the corrosive effects of hate and intolerance. A 7-minute orientation film is shown in a 60-seat theater.

Each of seven themed areas is dedicated to sharing a piece of the main story—from immigration to assimilation—and all the culture, religion, joys and heartaches that accompanied the process are woven throughout. An emphasis is placed on Cleveland's Jewish immigrants, the role they played in the city's history and how they were affected by the atrocities of World War II. A highlight of the facility is the Temple-Tifereth Israel Gallery, where Judaica is displayed, including textiles, sacred objects, works of art and Israeli stamps. Special exhibitions from museums around the country, as well as those created in-house, are presented year-round.

Time: Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (216) 593-0575.



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 ALOFT CLEVELAND BEACHWOOD **BOOK NOW** 216/595-0900



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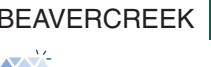






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BEAVERCREEK

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Greene County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 1221
Meadow Bridge Dr., Suite A, Beaver creek, OH 45434.
Phone: (937) 429-9100.

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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 3520 Pentagon Park Blvd 45431.
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 Hotel. **Address:** 2417 Esquire Dr 45431.
-  **HOME2 SUITES BY HILTON DAYTON BEAVERCREEK** **BOOK NOW** 937/429-9320
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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 2667 Fairfield Commons Dr 45431.
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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 2663 Fairfield Commons Dr 45431.



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BELLEVUE

Located in the corner of four counties, Bellevue was established over a vast subterranean ground waterway system that underlies this area of Ohio. The city remains an important railroad center and has a diversified manufacturing economy while continuing to flourish as an agricultural region noted for its corn, grains and soy beans.

SORROWFUL MOTHER SHRINE is 6 mi. s. of US 20/18 to 4106 SR 269 N. The shrine includes 120 acres of lawns, flower gardens and woods. A mile-long trail leads to grottoes and an outdoor Way of the Cross. **Phone:** (419) 483-3435.

BERLIN

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Berlin, in the heart of Amish country, offers visitors a chance to view a lifestyle different from their own. The Amish have maintained their simplified way of life, rejecting many modern conveniences. The area has charming country roads on which Amish families travel in horse-drawn buggies.

Shopping: Crafts, antiques and homemade foods can be bought from the Amish at roadside stands or in area shops. The Wendell August Forge is 3 miles north of

Berlin on SR 62 and then just east on CR 672; the shop features forged aluminum, bronze, pewter, copper and silver items.

AMISH HEARTLAND GROUP TOURS departs from multiple locations in and near Berlin; specific locations are provided at time of reservation. The 3-hour Amish Backroads Tour covers 28 miles of Amish backroads. The 1.5-hour Amish Organic Farm Tour offers a backroad buggy tour, while the 1-hour Amish Home Tour includes a buggy ride and homemade cookies. Visitors can also experience meals in Amish homes. **Phone:** (330) 893-3248. **GT**

A TASTE OF THE BACKROAD TOUR departs from Berlin Grande Hotel at 4787 CR 366. Passengers travel the back roads in an 11-passenger air-conditioned high-top sightseeing van. You'll learn about the Amish way of life on this 2.5-hour sightseeing tour that includes stops to visit two Amish crafters. **Phone:** (330) 340-7343. **GT**

"BEHALT" AT THE AMISH & MENNONITE HERITAGE CENTER is .75 mi. e. on SR 39, then 1 mi. n. on CR 77. This 265-foot cyclorama, by international artist Heinz Gaugel, illustrates the heritage of the Amish and Mennonite people. Also on the grounds are a one-room schoolhouse and a pioneer barn with an original Conestoga wagon. A video presentation about the local community is shown.

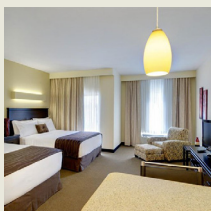
Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (330) 893-3192.



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BLUE ASH

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- Part of Cincinnati area— see map p. 169

The Blue Ash Bicentennial Veterans Memorial is downtown at Hunt and Cooper roads. Created for the town's

1991 bicentennial celebration, the memorial consists of 10 life-size statues of members of the armed forces representing America's major wars from the American Revolution to the Persian Gulf War. Behind each statue flies a U.S. flag from the corresponding era.

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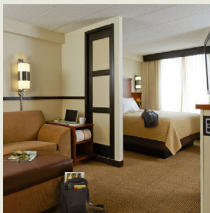
SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 5300 Cornell Rd 45242.

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Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 11401 Reed Hartman Hwy 45241. **Facility:** 118 units, some two bedrooms, efficiencies and kitchens. 2 stories (no elevator), interior/exterior corridors. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Pool:** heated outdoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.

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Hotel. **Address:** 4320 Glendale-Milford Rd 45242.

BOARDMAN

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**HOLIDAY INN YOUNGSTOWN-SOUTH (BOARDMAN)** **BOOK NOW** 330/726-1611

Hotel. **Address:** 7410 South Ave 44512.

BOWLING GREEN

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The magnificent late 19th-century Wood County Courthouse at E. Court and N. Prospect St. is a must-see if you're visiting or just passing through Bowling Green. A highlight of the structure is the 185-foot granite clock tower.

The city is probably best known as the home of Bowling Green State University, founded in 1910 and now home to more than 20,000 students on its main campus. The northwest entrance to the campus (Poe Road at N. College Dr.) features a piece of public art entitled "The

People." A team of art students created a design to depict silhouettes of the people of the area engaged in their professions and everyday activities. Bowling Green buildings and landmarks and the Great Black Swamp are represented as well.

Simpson Garden Park, 1291 Conneaut Ave., features a variety of themed gardens. It's open daily dawn-dusk.

Figure skater Scott Hamilton, who grew up in Bowling Green, frequented BGSU Ice Arena. The facility offers public skating; for schedule information phone (419) 372-2264.



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Bowling Green Convention & Visitors Bureau: 130 S. Main St., Bowling Green, OH 43402. **Phone:** (419) 353-9445 or (800) 866-0046.

Self-guiding tours: Information and brochures about themed self-guiding tours are available at the convention and visitors bureau.

SNOOK'S DREAM CARS is off I-75 exit 179, .5 mi. e. on SR 6, then just n. to 13920 County Home Rd. The museum houses more than two dozen antique and classic cars from the 1930s through 1960s. A replica of a 1940s Texaco filling station is included, as are hundreds of automobile-related collectibles. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (419) 353-8338.

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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 1630 E Wooster St 43402.



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BROOKLYN

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BURTON

Burton, the oldest settlement in the Western Reserve, was founded in 1798. The town retains its historic charm, being built around a typical New England village green, with school, church and several lovely 19th-century homes. The town is on the western edge of the fourth largest Amish community in the world, and horse-drawn buggies can be seen traveling around the square. The square is also home to the Burton Log Cabin, a working sugar house. It was built in 1931 and several additions were added through 1962. During the maple sugaring season, sap is collected from nearby trees and then boiled to make maple syrup. Maple candy is made year-round. The gift shop sells maple products made on-site.

Burton is the home of The Great Geauga County Fair, Ohio's oldest fair. The fair was founded in 1823 and is held Thursday through Monday every Labor Day

weekend. More than 2,000 exhibitors enter more than 13,000 exhibits to intrigue and delight more than 200,000 visitors. For more information phone (440) 834-1846.

CALDWELL

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NOBLE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY is at 419 West St., on the courthouse square. Guided tours are offered of this 1882 brick and stone structure that once served as the county jail and jailer's residence. Exhibits chronicle the history of the building as well as other topics of local history, including agriculture, medical practices and the oil industry. The story of the 1925 crash of the airship USS *Shenandoah* in Noble County also is featured.

A research library is included. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (740) 732-5288. **GT**



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Hotel. **Address:** 44380 W Hills Ln 43724. **Facility:** 76 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub, exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



CAMBRIDGE

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Cambridge was the boyhood home of actor William Boyd, born in nearby Hendrysburg in 1895, who became famous for his film and television role as Hopalong Cassidy.

The Guernsey County Historical Society Museum, 218 N. 8th St., is a restored early 19th-century house containing Cambridge memorabilia from the town's beginning through the present; phone (740) 439-5884.

Nearby parks, including Salt Fork, Senecaville Lake and Wolf Run offer recreational activities throughout the year. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

The holidays are particularly festive in downtown Cambridge. From November 1 to early January the Dickens


Victorian Village is set up along Wheeling Avenue. Ninety-three scenes populated by handcrafted mannequins dressed in period clothing are set up at each lamppost and bench between 6th and 11th streets; they depict Dickens-era activities and some of his literary characters, including Bob Cratchit and Tiny Tim. Downtown retailers have brochures available. For more holiday merriment, stop by the 1881 Guernsey County Courthouse on an evening from early November to early January; each night it is lit with 30,000 lights set to holiday music.

Cambridge/Guernsey County Visitors & Convention Bureau: 627 Wheeling Ave., Suite 200, Cambridge, OH 43725. **Phone:** (740) 432-2022 or (800) 933-5480.












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Hotel. **Address:** 2307 Southgate Pkwy 43725. **Facility:** 70 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** limited exercise equipment. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.

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Hotel. **Address:** 2035 Southgate Pkwy 43725.

CANAL WINCHESTER

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- Part of Columbus area— see map p. 208

SLATE RUN LIVING HISTORICAL FARM is at 1375 Winchester Southern Rd. (SR 674N). This 1880s working farm includes restored buildings and employs the

methods of the late 19th century. A self-guiding tour allows visitors to see farm routines that change with the seasons. Work may include planting or harvesting; making cider, soap or toys; and such daily chores as sewing, cooking and milking.

Time: Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (614) 833-1880. 



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Hotel. **Address:** 6323 Prentiss School Dr 43110. **Facility:** 59 units. 2 stories (no elevator), interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** heated indoor.



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Hotel. **Address:** 700 W Waterloo St 43110.

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Hotel. **Address:** 6690 Ironwood Blvd 44406.



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CANTON

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Canton derived its name from the wealthy estate near Baltimore, where Bezaleel Wells lived before settling in Ohio around 1805. Although Canton grew into a major industrial center, the city maintains an informal neatness dating from the 19th century, when immigrant Swiss and German watchmakers influenced city planning.

Canton was the home of President William McKinley. He attended the Church of the Savior United Methodist at Cleveland Avenue and W. Tuscarawas Street. Four memorial windows presented by Mrs. McKinley adorn the structure.

In 1918, after delivering a speech in Canton, one-time Socialist presidential candidate Eugene V. Debs was arrested for violating the Espionage Act of 1917.

Visit Canton/Stark County Convention & Visitors Bureau: 222 Market Ave. N., Canton, OH 44702. **Phone:** (330) 454-1439 or (800) 552-6051.

Shopping: A major shopping complex is Belden Village Mall, off I-77 Everhard Rd. exit. Its stores include Dillard's and Macy's.

THE CULTURAL CENTER FOR THE ARTS is at 1001 Market Ave. N. The center presents performances by the Players Guild Theatre and is home to the Canton Ballet and Voices of Canton. Within the center is the Canton Museum of Art (*see attraction listing*), which offers multimedia exhibitions with an emphasis on Ohio artists. **Phone:** (330) 452-4096 for the cultural center, (330) 455-7220 for ballet information, (330) 453-7617 for theater tickets, or (330) 455-1000 for Voices of Canton.

Canton Museum of Art is at 1001 Market Ave. N. in The Cultural Center for the Arts. The permanent collection's focus is on American watercolors since the 19th century as well as contemporary ceramics. Winslow Homer, Edward Hopper, Maurice Prendergast, Andy Warhol and Andrew Wyeth works are part of the collection, as are ceramics by Toshiko Takaezu, Don Reitz and Don Pilcher. The museum also presents more than 15 changing exhibits through the year.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (330) 453-7666.

FANNIE MAY & HARRY LONDON CHOCOLATE FACTORY—see North Canton p. 296.



FIRST LADIES NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE is at 205 and 331 Market Ave. S. Memorabilia and personal effects of First Lady Ida Saxton McKinley can be seen in the carefully restored Saxton McKinley House.

The Education and Research Center, at 205 Market Ave. S., contains a research library, exhibits and a small theater. Through changing exhibits, the museum highlights the roles of the First Lady—from director of social affairs to Presidential liaison, policy advocate, political reformer and keeper of “the people’s house”—and details achievements and the manner in which each interpreted and personalized her role.

Guided tours of the site, which begin at the Education and Research Center, are led by volunteer docents. Tour size is limited. **Time:** Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (330) 452-0876, ext. 320. **GT**



PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME is at 2121 George Halas Dr. N.W., at jct. I-77 and US 62. The hall presents films and memorabilia of professional football history; teams and individual stars are highlighted. The *Hall of Fame Gallery* is where you'll get to see a bronze bust of each enshrined member as well as learn about each inductee from touch-screen kiosks. The *Super Bowl Theater*, within the *Lamar Hunt Super Bowl Gallery*, features the 2020 season capped by Super Bowl LV. The gallery also contains rings from all 55 title game winners. The holographic theater, *A Game For Life*, is a multi-sensory immersive theater showcasing such legends as Joe Namath and Vince Lombardi.

The Hall of Fame Lockers, inside the interactive area, includes artifacts from the most recent elected class for the Hall of Fame. Many exciting hands on experiences include a Madden EA Sports video game suite along with items from the Black College Football Hall of Fame and the United States Football League.

An induction ceremony, parades, an exhibition football game and other events are held in early August during the Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement. An Insider's Museum Tour, a VIP Behind-the-Scenes tour and a tour of the Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium are offered. **Note:** The Hall of Fame is continually enhancing its exhibits and displays; phone ahead for updated information. **Phone:** (330) 456-8207. **GT** **TI**



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DOUBLETREE BY HILTON Hotel. **Address:** 320 Market Ave S 44702. **Facility:** 164 units. 7 stories, interior corridors. **Bath:** shower only. **Parking:** on-site (fee) and street. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet laundry.



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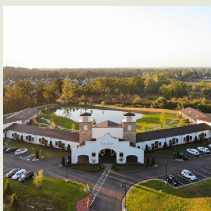
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AAA GERVASI VINEYARD **BOOK NOW** 330/497-1000



Boutique Hotel. Address: 1700 55th St NE 44721. **Facility:** This upscale hotel is Tuscan-inspired with an onsite winery featuring estate-produced wines, private winery tours that include tastings and pairings, boutique shopping and luxurious villa suites. 49 units, some two bedrooms, kitchens and houses. 1-2 stories (no elevator), interior corridors. **Bath:** shower only. **Amenities:** safes. **Dining:** The Bistro at Gervasi Vineyard, see separate listing, entertainment. **Activities:** recreation programs, lawn sports, trails, exercise room, spa. **Guest Services:** valet laundry.



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Hotel. **Address:** 5421 Whipple Ave NW 44720. **Facility:** 105 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub, exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry, area transportation.



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Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 3879 Everhard Rd NW 44709.

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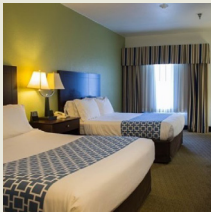
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Northern Italian Fine Dining. **Address:** 1700 55th St NE 44721.

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Hotel. **Address:** 2020 Holiday Dr 45822. **Facility:** 52 units. 2 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room.



CENTERVILLE

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 HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES DAYTON/SOUTH I-675 **BOOK NOW** 937/938-9550



Hotel. **Address:** 7701 Washington Village Dr 45459.

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 Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 5161 Cornerstone North Blvd 45440.

CHERRY GROVE

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Motel. **Address:** 4004 Williams Dr 45255. **Facility:** 96 units. 2 stories (no elevator), exterior corridors. **Pool:** outdoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



CHILLICOTHE

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Founded in 1796, Chillicothe served as capital of the Northwest Territory and was governed by Gen. Arthur St. Clair 1800-02. The city was host to the state's first constitutional convention in 1802, and Chillicothe was Ohio's first capital. Today it is an industrial center surrounded by a productive agricultural region.

Chillicothe is at the junction of two scenic highways. A picturesque portion of SR 159 runs 34 miles southwest from Lancaster, while an impressive portion of US 50 runs 19 miles northeast from Bainbridge.

At 90 W. Sixth St. you'll find the Lucy Hayes Heritage Center, which was the birthplace and childhood home of First Lady Lucy Ware Webb Hayes, who was born Aug. 28, 1831. In 1852 she married Rutherford B. Hayes, who was later elected the nation's president in 1877. The restored house has period furnishings and photos of the family, but there are no items that belonged to them. Tours are given Fri.-Sat. 1-4, Apr.-Sept.; other times by appointment. Phone (740) 775-5829.

Ross-Chillicothe Convention and Visitors Bureau: 230 N. Plaza Blvd., Chillicothe, OH 45601. **Phone:** (740) 702-7677 or (800) 413-4118.



ADENA MANSION & GARDENS is off Pleasant Valley Rd., just n.w. of jct. US 35 and SR 104 at 847 Adena Rd. Adena once belonged to Thomas Worthington, sixth governor of Ohio. Furnished in period, the Georgian stone mansion was completed in 1807. A 12,500-square-foot visitor center offers interactive exhibits about early 1800s life in Ohio; five outbuildings and formal gardens are on

the grounds. An overlook provides a view of the hills that are reproduced on the state seal. The mansion may only be seen via a guided tour.

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Then & Now

Winston Churchill called Cincinnati “the most beautiful of America’s inland cities.” Its location has much to do with its aesthetic appeal and stable business community. On the Ohio River’s north shore, the downtown section is in a basin surrounded by hills.

Cincinnati was platted in 1788 by three land speculators. In 1789 Fort Washington was built to protect the settlers from the Native Americans, but the area only became open for further settlement with the defeat of the Ohio Indians at Fallen Timbers in 1794. Cincinnati’s accessibility increased in 1811 with the arrival of the *New Orleans*, the first steamboat to reach its shores.

The construction of the Miami and Erie canals in the late 1820s provided farmers with transportation to the city where they could market their produce. Businessmen created new industries to process raw products into marketable whiskey, pork and flour. Plagued by religious and political conflicts, many Germans immigrated in the 1830s, followed in the 1840s by Irish driven from their country by the potato famine.

By 1850 Cincinnati was the world’s largest pork-packing center, a status that brought the nickname Porkopolis.

The South became the city’s major market. This caused residents’ loyalties to be divided with the approach of the Civil War, but the city eventually supported the Union forces. For a long time it had been a major stop on the Underground Railroad.

Following the war, Cincinnati experienced another burst of prosperity as the resumption of trade between North and South created heavy river commerce. In the 1870s Cincinnati businessmen arranged for the building of a railroad to reach their southern markets.

Modern Cincinnati attracts many companies, including many corporate headquarters and Fortune 500 companies like Kroger, Macy’s, Procter & Gamble and Convergys. Fountain Square is the hub. Centered on the historic 1871 Tyler Davidson Fountain, which tops a large underground garage, the square is surrounded by modern office buildings, hotels, shops and restaurants.

Cincinnati is also home to the 45,000-student University of Cincinnati, founded in 1819, and 7,000-student Xavier University, founded in 1831.

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Destination Cincinnati

This map shows cities in the Cincinnati vicinity where you will find attractions, hotels and restaurants. Cities are listed alphabetically in this book on the following pages.



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Blue Ash.....	154	Middletown.....	290			Hebron.....	56
Cherry Grove.....	166	Milford.....	291	Nearby Indiana		Newport.....	110
Fairfield.....	255	Monroe	292	Batesville	184	Walton.....	125
Forest Park.....	258	Norwood	298	Lawrenceburg.....	186	Wilder	125
Hamilton.....	263	Oxford.....	300	Rising Sun.....	186	Williamstown.....	126
Harrison	264	Sharonville.....	313	Nearby Kentucky			
Kenwood.....	271	Springboro.....	316	Carrollton	35		
Lebanon.....	273	Springdale	316	Covington.....	38		
Loveland.....	276	West Chester.....	329	Erlanger	44		

FAST FACTS

ABOUT THE CITY

POP: 296,943 • **ELEV:** 820 ft.

MONEY

SALES TAX: The Cincinnati area has a 7 percent sales tax. A lodging tax of 13.5 percent is applicable in Hamilton County. There is a 12 percent rental car tax with an additional 9 percent recoupment tax. The northern Kentucky lodging tax is 11.24 percent.

WHOM TO CALL

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VISITOR INFORMATION

Cincinnati USA: 50 East Rivercenter Blvd., Suite 810, Covington, KY 41011. **Phone:** (859) 581-2260, (513) 534-5877 (Visitor Center) or (800) 543-2613.

The visitor center is on Fountain Square at 511 Walnut St. and is open Thurs.-Sun. 11-5.

TRANSPORTATION

AIR TRAVEL: Major passenger airlines serve the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG).

It's not all business in Cincinnati, though. Washington Park offers abundant green space and performance areas. The riverfront is a great destination for finding fun things to do outdoors. Bicentennial Commons at Sawyer Point features playgrounds, a skating pavilion, and tennis and volleyball courts as well as two performance venues and plaques relating tidbits of Cincinnati history. Yeatman's Cove is adorned with the Serpentine Wall, which runs along the river. A 30-foot steamboat paddle wheel that blows steam and plays music is a monument acknowledging the city's riverboat heritage.

Contact your local AAA travel advisor for help finding cheap airfare.

Long-term airport parking costs \$9 per day, with free shuttle service to the terminals. The terminal garage is \$16 per day and curbside valet is \$25 per day.

The Airport Taxi Association offers cabs with fixed fares from the airport to downtown (fare is metered from downtown to the airport). The fixed fare is approximately \$34 (one to five passengers). Many hotels provide courtesy car service.

RENTAL CARS: Hertz offers discounts to AAA members; phone (859) 767-3535 or (800) 654-3080.



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RAIL SERVICE: The Amtrak station, (800) 872-7245, is at 1301 Western Ave. inside historic Union Terminal.

BUSES: Greyhound Lines Inc., (800) 231-2222, 1005 Gilbert Ave., is the major company serving the city. Megabus, (877) 462-6342, offers routes to several cities.

TAXIS: Taxis are metered and charge \$4 for a pickup and \$2 per mile. There is no charge for additional passengers. Taxis can be hailed at downtown hotels or ordered by phone. Companies include Cincinnati Taxi Inc., (513) 666-2184, and Towne Taxi, (513) 761-7700.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION: Metro operates buses throughout the metropolitan area. The base fare is \$1.75. Exact change is required, and zone and transfer charges are additional. Signs at many bus stops list the numbers of the routes that stop there.

For route and schedule information phone (513) 621-4455, Mon.-Fri. 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Information also is available at Mercantile Way Arcade, 120 E. Fourth St., Mon.-Fri. 7-5:30; phone (513) 632-7699.

The Newport Southbank Bridge, known as the Purple People Bridge thanks to a distinctive paint choice, is a pedestrian bridge linking the Cincinnati riverfront with Newport, Ky., and a nice place to watch river traffic. Smale Riverfront Park enhances the riverfront with a promenade, playground, carousel, gardens, interactive fountains, an event stage and a monument to the Black Brigade.

There are many fun places to go for indoor entertainment, too, including the complex at the Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal, a beautiful restored Art Deco-style train station. One stop offers the Cincinnati



History Museum, the Cincinnati History Library and Archives, the Duke Energy Children's Museum, the Museum of Natural History & Science and the Robert D. Lindner Family OMNIMAX Theater.

For fans of the performing arts who are looking for fun things to do, Cincinnati offers venues both large and small. Catch the Cincinnati Ballet, Broadway shows and children's theater at The Aronoff Center for the Arts downtown.

A trio of sports venues parallels the Ohio River. The Reds play baseball at Great American Ball Park, football's Bengals compete in the Paul Brown Stadium and hockey and other events take place at U.S. Bank Arena.

Must Do: AAA Editor's Picks

- Clip-clop through downtown on a **horse-drawn carriage ride** offered by one of the companies stationed near Fountain Square (Fifth and Vine sts.), Cincinnati's entertainment hub where you'll find plenty of things to do. Don't forget to snap some photos of the iconic 1871 Tyler Davidson Fountain before or after your tour.
- Pay a visit to the **Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal** (1301 Western Ave.), home to three stellar museums and a state-of-the-art theater. Learn about the Queen City's past at the **Cincinnati History Museum**, stroll through prehistoric landscapes at the **Museum of Natural History & Science**, let the kids take charge at the **The Children's Museum** and become immersed in breathtaking films at the **Robert D. Lindner Family OMNIMAX Theater**.
- Meet all sorts of fascinating creatures—from Bengal tigers to horned puffins to dart frogs—in a beautiful garden setting at the **Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden** (3400 Vine St.). Be sure to check the schedule for the always-amusing shows and feedings, and if you happen to be visiting during the holiday season, don't miss the spectacular **PNC Festival of Lights** event.
- See a Reds—the world's first pro baseball team—**ballgame** or go on **Great American Ball Park Tours** (100 Joe Nuxhall Way) guided behind-the-scenes tour of the Reds' 42,271-seat stadium.
- Reflect on Cincinnati's role in the fight for freedom at the **National Underground Railroad Freedom Center** (50 E. Freedom Way). Interactive exhibits, professional displays, special-effects films and a children's gallery portray the history of slavery in North America, focusing on the secret network followed by thousands of fugitive slaves seeking liberty.
- Shop 'til you drop, then linger over food or drinks in **Mount Adams** (just north of downtown), one of Cincinnati's most exclusive residential and business districts. Reminiscent of San Francisco, this hip, architecturally stunning hilltop community features narrow streets and an eclectic mix of places to eat, bars and specialty stores. Many restaurant decks afford panoramas of downtown, the Ohio River and parts of Kentucky.
- Explore **Eden Park** (950 Eden Park Dr.), a lovely 186-acre green space linked to Mount Adams by the Art Deco-style Ida Street Viaduct. Walk or jog along worn paths and soak up views of the lakes, gardens, memorial tree groves and other landmarks; peruse 6,000 years' worth of captivating art and artifacts at the **Cincinnati Art Museum** (953 Eden Park Dr.); enter greenhouses filled with tropical and desert plants, orchids and bonsai at **Krohn Conservatory** (1501 Eden Park Dr.); or watch a modern American or European drama at **Playhouse in the Park** (962 Mt. Adams Cir.).
- Get tickets to see a show at either the **Aronoff Center for the Arts** (650 Walnut St.) or **Music Hall** (1241 Elm St.)—stylistically different but equally lovely



Tyler Davidson Fountain / © iStockphoto.com / Kiriklis



buildings. The pair houses many of the city's music, theater and dance companies.

- Eyeball some world-class pieces at the  **Taft Museum of Art** (316 Pike St.). Displayed in an 1820 Palladian mansion that's a work of art in itself, the museum's outstanding collection includes sculpture, Chinese porcelains, old masters paintings, European decorative arts, antique watches and more.
- Brave The Beast and the Diamondback, two roller coasters guaranteed to make you scream, or perhaps the Banshee, the world's longest inverted roller coaster.  **Kings Island** in nearby Mason (6300 Kings Island Dr.) is a destination that thrills families not only with hair-raising rides but also with live stage shows, animatronic dinosaurs, a Peanuts-themed kiddie area, and a water park featuring slides, wave pools and tropical lagoons.



Findlay Market / Courtesy of Wikimedia Commons

Arriving

By Car

Cincinnati straddles I-75, one of the nation's major north-south routes, shuttling traffic from the Canadian border to the north and Florida's Gulf Coast to the south. A shorter artery, I-71, angles through the city, providing a fast route from Louisville, central Ohio and Lake Erie cities.

Both routes join in the Kentucky suburbs to cross the river via the Brent Spence Bridge. From the north they follow separate alignments to the river but are connected across Ohio suburban areas by the Norwood Lateral Expressway (SR 562) and the Ronald Reagan Cross County Highway (SR 126).

I-71 and I-75 provide good access from I-70, a major transcontinental route that bisects Ohio some 55 miles north of the city, and each interchanges with primary city streets.

US 50 and scenic US 52 funnel east-west travelers to the city from the Indiana and Ohio countrysides; these older roads accommodate mostly local traffic. US 52 offers a scenic trip along the Ohio River east of Cincinnati.

I-74 is the principal link from the west, collecting traffic from some of the nation's busiest thoroughfares, I-80 and I-70, as well as highways from the Chicago area. SR 32 (Appalachian Highway) is a good route from rural areas east of the city.

I-275 (Circle Freeway) swings in a full orbit through the Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana environs. It provides a complete bypass of the city proper and interchanges with all major intersecting routes for easy access to downtown. I-471 offers an additional spur from the Kentucky portion of this circumferential highway into downtown via the Daniel Carter Beard Bridge (colloquially known as the Big Mac Bridge).

Getting Around

Street System

With the aid of a good city map, driving in Cincinnati is relatively easy. The downtown area is laid out in a grid pattern with streets running either north-south or east-west. The numbered streets run east-west beginning with 2nd Street near the Ohio River; named north-south streets intersect them. East-west address numbers start at Vine Street.

Unless otherwise posted, the speed limit on most streets is 25 or 30 mph. Rush-hour traffic, 7-9 a.m. and 3-6 p.m., should be avoided. Right turns on red are permitted unless otherwise posted.



Parking

Metered parking is found on many downtown streets; be sure to check signs and meters for restricted times and limits. There are several commercial garages and lots, and most hotels provide parking for guests. Municipal garage rates vary but generally are \$2 for the first 2 hours, \$1 for each additional hour up to \$15 per day.

Shopping

Whether you are looking for designer fashions or clothing from grandmother's attic, it can be found in Cincinnati's array of department stores, boutiques and specialty shops. Downtown offers Brooks Brothers, Macy's, Saks Fifth Avenue and Tiffany & Co.

Trendsetters will want to plan a trip to **Mount Adams**, a San Francisco-style hillside shopping and dining destination. Novelty shops and fashion boutiques are scattered among local restaurants, nightspots and parks. Collegiate-style attire is found in **Clifton**, where many shops cater to University of Cincinnati students.

Consumer frenzy also can be satisfied at shopping malls, including **Eastgate Mall**, I-275 exit 63B; **Florence Mall**, in Florence, Ky.; **Kenwood Towne Centre**, off I-71N exit 12 or I-71S exit 11 at 7875 Montgomery Rd.; **Northgate Mall**, I-275 exit 33; and **Tri-County Mall**, I-275 exit 42. **Rookwood Commons & Pavilion**, off I-71 exit 6, houses around 45 upscale shops, and **Crestview Hills Town Center** in Crestview Hills, Ky., offers 300,000 square feet of shops and places to eat.

Bargain hunters will love the **Cincinnati Premium Outlets** only 30 miles north of downtown. Die-hard discount shoppers can travel 60 miles northeast to **Tanger Outlets** in Jeffersonville, Ohio (8000 Factory Shops Blvd.).

Findlay Market, Race and Elder streets, is an open-air marketplace that is a Cincinnati tradition. In operation since 1852, it offers a variety of ethnic foods within an old world atmosphere.

Big Events

May is a busy event month. The **Cincinnati Flying Pig Marathon**, held the first weekend of the month, draws runners of all abilities, and entertainment and events are offered, too. The **Appalachian Festival**, held at **Coney Island**, is said to be the largest craft show in the nation.

During two weekends in May, the city's renowned music community celebrates **May Festival**, the oldest continuing festival of choral and orchestral music in the United States. The tradition began in 1873; performances consist of a 150-voice chorus accompanied by the Cincinnati Symphony and joined by top-name guest conductors and opera singers.

Restaurateurs show off their talents on Memorial Day weekend during the **Taste of Cincinnati**, a sidewalk smorgasbord along **Fifth Street at Fountain Square**.

Cincinnati heralds the summer season with its **Summerfair** in early summer. More than 300 artists gather at Coney Island and display their works, while musicians perform classical, pop, country and jazz music.

Summer also offers music festivals. The 3-day **Bunbury Music Festival** in June features alternative music acts at **Sawyer Point** and **Yeatman's Cove**. The **Cincinnati Music Festival** in July offers 2 days of hip hop, R&B, jazz and soul music at **Paul Brown Stadium**. The summer draws to a close in September with Cincinnati's **Riverfest** on the Sunday of Labor Day. In honor of their river heritage, more than 500,000 people gather along the riverfront in both Ohio and Kentucky to watch water skiing, sky



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diving and air shows, and enjoy riverboat cruises. The festival climaxes with a spectacular fireworks display accompanied by a soundtrack broadcast by radio station WEBN (102.7 FM).

Another major end-of-summer event is the **Green Township Harvest Home Fair**, held the weekend following Labor Day in nearby Cheviot. A parade marks the traditional kickoff for what is dubbed “the biggest little fair in Ohio.” Fairgoers can view horse, artwork and flower shows or attend a 4-H auction, among other fun things to do. Food, drink and stage entertainment are available.

With more than half the city’s population of German ancestry, it is little wonder **Oktoberfest Zinzinnati** is celebrated with almost as much vigor as its counterpart in Munich, Germany. Attracting more than 500,000 people, it is said to be the largest such celebration in the country.



Great American Ball Park / © iStockphoto.com / Davel5957

During a mid-September weekend, six blocks of downtown around Fountain Square are transformed into a German biergarten, complete with music, dancing, singing and, of course, lots of sauerkraut and beer. Be sure to take part in one of the world’s largest chicken dances.

Coney Island celebrates autumn with its **Fall-O-Ween Festival**, held several weekends in October.

At the **PNC Festival of Lights at the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden**, more than 2 million lights bedeck the grounds from late November to early January. Visitors and locals alike enjoy ice-skating at the ice rink on Fountain Square from November through February. Another festive winter event is **Holiday Junction featuring the Duke Energy Holiday Trains** display at the **Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal**. This is one of the largest portable train models in the world with 1,000 feet of track.

Sports & Rec

Cincinnati’s city parks, Hamilton County’s 17 parks and several state parks are easily accessible to Cincinnati visitors looking for adventurous things to do. Among these choices, the sports-minded can find facilities for almost any activity. Many of the parks have **tennis** courts, **camping** sites and lakes for **boating, fishing and swimming**.

Bicycling fans can rent a bike at **Smale Riverfront Park’s** Cincinnati Bike Center (120 E. Mehring Way); phone (513) 282-4260. Red Bike has many bike rental locations throughout Cincy and northern Kentucky; phone (513) 621-2453.

Hiking trails are plentiful, especially at **Mount Airy Forest. Eden Park**, 186 acres off Gilbert Avenue between Elsinore and Morris, offers picnic facilities, lakes for **ice-skating** and an **exercise course**. An enjoyable activity is a stroll along the riverfront at **Bicentennial Commons at Sawyer Point** or **Yeatman’s Cove Park**. For information about city park facilities phone (513) 352-4080.

There are many **golf** courses in the area, including seven city-owned and seven county-owned courses. The most well-known course is **The Golf Center at Kings Island**, (513) 398-7700, with two Jack Nicklaus-designed courses.

For those more interested in spectator sports, the city has much to offer. When in the Queen City, if your favorite **baseball** team is not the **Cincinnati Reds**, it is best to keep that fact under your hat. World Series winners in 1919, 1940, 1975, 1976 and 1990 and National League division champs in 2012, the Big Red Machine has a large following. The Reds play at **Great American Ball Park**

(see attraction listing p. 178); for ticket and schedule information phone (513) 765-7000.

When all eyes turn from the diamond to the gridiron, **football's Cincinnati Bengals** become the city's stars. The team plays at **Paul Brown Stadium**, which opened in 2000. They gained a lofty status when they captured the 1981 and 1988 American Football Conference championships. For ticket and schedule information phone (513) 621-8383 or (866) 621-8383.

Hockey fans can head to **U.S. Bank Arena** October through March to root for the ECHL's two-time Kelly Cup winner **Cincinnati Cyclones**; phone (513) 421-7825 for ticket information. Tennis fans won't want to miss the **Western & Southern Open** in August in nearby Mason; phone (513) 651-0303 or (800) 745-3000 for ticket information.

Perhaps because of Cincinnati's proximity to Kentucky, **horse racing** events are popular. **Belterra Park**, (513) 232-8000, at 6301 Kellogg Ave., offers Thoroughbred racing late April through Labor Day and simulcast racing daily year-round. **Miami Valley Gaming**, about 30 miles northeast in Lebanon at 6000 SR 63, features live harness racing early January to early May and simulcast racing daily year-round; phone (513) 934-7070 or (855) 946-6847. **Turfway Park**, about 10 miles south off I-75 exit 182 at 7500 Turfway Rd. in Florence, Ky., is the scene of Thoroughbred racing September to mid-October and December through March; phone (859) 371-0200 or (800) 733-0200 for dates. The **Kentucky Speedway**, in nearby Sparta, Ky., hosts **automobile racing** June through September; phone (859) 578-2300 or (888) 652-7223 for ticket information.

Note: Policies vary concerning admittance of children to pari-mutuel betting facilities. Phone for information.

Performing Arts

The city's premier arts and entertainment destination is the **Aronoff Center for the Arts**, 650 Walnut St. between 6th and 7th streets; phone (513) 721-3344 or (513) 621-2787 for tickets. The center's three theaters present more than 10,000 exhibits and performances throughout the year, including Broadway shows and children's theater. In addition, the center is the main performance hall for the **Cincinnati Ballet**; phone (513) 621-5219 for information or (513) 621-5282 for tickets.

Other professional theaters include **Playhouse in the Park**, (513) 421-3888, with its two theaters, the **Robert S. Marx** and the **Thompson Shelterhouse**, on Mount Adams Circle in Eden Park. These stages present modern American and European plays September through June.

The **Ensemble Theatre of Cincinnati**, (513) 421-3555, downtown at 1127 Vine St., presents live theatrical shows from September through May. Performances of new plays and well-known modern works are given Tuesday through Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons.

The **Cincinnati Shakespeare Company**, at 719 Race St., performs eight to nine classic plays as well as some free traveling performances throughout the summer months; phone (513) 381-2273 for additional information.

Music Hall, 1241 Elm St., was built by philanthropic leaders in 1878 and is fondly referred to as the Grand Dame of the Queen City. The interior of the red brick building is adorned with crystal chandeliers. The hall is a fitting home to the **Cincinnati Pops Orchestra** and the **Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra**; phone (513) 381-3300. The **Cincinnati Opera**, America's second oldest opera company, also performs in Music Hall; its mid-June to late July season includes grand operas, operettas and musicals. Phone (513) 241-2742 for more information.

The **University of Cincinnati's College-Conservatory of Music** at Jefferson Avenue and Corry Boulevard makes impressive contributions to the area's music scene. A prominent music school, the 1,400-student college offers a variety of performing arts entertainment, ranging from opera and musical theater to dance and drama. If you're looking for things for couples to do, the conservatory offers more than 1,000 performances a year and many of them are free; phone (513) 556-4183 for schedule and ticket information.

Concerts by popular entertainers and groups are often held at the **Riverbend Music Center**, (513) 232-6220, the summer home of the Cincinnati Symphony and the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra. The **Cincinnati Gardens**, (513) 631-7793, and the **U.S. Bank Arena**, (513) 421-4111, also host many entertainment and sporting events.




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AMERICAN SIGN MUSEUM is at 1330 Monmouth Ave. in the Camp Washington neighborhood. This impressive collection of 19th- and 20th-century American signs features an array of themes and is very well organized. Visitors will journey through the history of signage and learn all about the types of signs that have graced walls and buildings over the years, including gold leaf on glass signs, non-illuminated painted signs, plastic signs and neon signs.


The collection also includes equipment, materials and tools as well as architectural models, archival material,






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 **CINCINNATI ART MUSEUM** is off I-71 exit 2 at 953 Eden Park Dr., following signs to Eden Park. The museum's more than 67,000 objects showcase visual arts from major civilizations over the past 6,000 years through sculpture, paintings, prints, photographs, textiles and decorative arts. Masterpieces from such artists as Claude Monet, Pablo Picasso and Vincent van Gogh are on display as well as artifacts from Ancient Egypt, Rome and Greece. Asian, African and Native American works of art also are included.


The Cincinnati Wing features more than 500 works of art by, for and about Cincinnatians from 1788 to the present. **Phone:** (513) 721-2787 or (877) 472-4226. 



 **CINCINNATI MUSEUM CENTER AT UNION TERMINAL** is off I-75 at Ezzard Charles Dr. to 1301 Western Ave. The center hosts traveling exhibitions and is home to Cincinnati History Museum; Duke Energy Children's Museum; Museum of Natural History & Science; Cincinnati Historical Society Library; and Robert D. Lindner Family OMNIMAX Theater. The restored 1933 Art Deco-style train station was a major departure point for troops during World War II. The building features several large mosaic tile murals created in the 1930s.




Note: The center is closed Tues.-Wed. **Phone:** (513) 287-7000.  

The Children's Museum is on the grounds of Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal at 1301 Western Ave. The museum's hands-on exhibit areas are designed for infants to 10-year-olds. Kids can explore a two-story tree house in The Woods; explore the power of simple machines in The Energy Zone; discover how a community works in Kids' Town; let imaginations run wild through science, play, art, creativity and exploration in the interactive KidSpace; and practice proper oral health while climbing into a giant mouth in Inside the Grin. Also included are indoor play areas for infants and toddlers.


Note: The museum is closed Tues.-Wed. **Phone:** (513) 287-7000.  


 **Cincinnati History Museum** is on the grounds of Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal at 1301 Western Ave. Exhibits relate the history of Cincinnati and include a re-creation of the 1850s Public Landing, with a 94-foot side-wheel steamboat that can be boarded; vintage automobiles; a 1920s streetcar; and an S-scale model of the city 1900-40, complete with working trains and trolleys. A research library contains local historical

items. **Note:** The museum is closed Tues.-Wed. **Phone:** (513) 287-7000.  

 **Museum of Natural History & Science** is on the grounds of Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal at 1301 Western Ave. Permanent and changing interactive exhibits include a replica of a limestone cavern with underground waterfalls and 500 feet of trails, dinosaur fossils, a hands-on discovery center for children and an Ice Age trail that re-creates a prehistoric environment. **Note:** The museum is closed Tues.-Wed. **Phone:** (513) 287-7000.  

The Nancy & David Wolf Holocaust & Humanity Center, 1301 Western Ave., is in the historic Union Terminal, the site where many Holocaust survivors arrived in Cincinnati to rebuild their lives. The Holocaust and Humanity Center aims to ensure the lessons of the past inspire action today. Through innovative storytelling, interactive experiences and genuine artifacts, visitors witness the strength and courage of the human spirit set against the backdrop of one of the darkest chapters in Human History. **Note:** The exhibit is not recommended for children under age 10. The center is closed Mon-Tues. **Phone:** (513) 487-3055.

Robert D. Lindner Family OMNIMAX Theater, on the grounds of Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal at 1301 Western Ave., features a 5-story dome screen and a digital state-of-the-art sound system. Exciting new films typically open every four months. **Phone:** (513) 287-7000.  

 **CINCINNATI ZOO AND BOTANICAL GARDEN** is reached via I-75 exit 6, following signs to 3400 Vine St. In a garden setting, the zoo houses some of the world's rarest animals, including cheetahs, elephants and manatees. Nearly two dozen areas include Manatee Springs, where the residents include manatees, alligators and crocodiles; the Jungle Trail's orangutans; Elephant Reserve; Giraffe Ridge; and Lords of the Arctic, featuring an underwater view of two polar bears.

In Night Hunters, observe the behaviors of clouded leopards, vampire bats and a Burmese python. Come face-to-face with the zoo's big cats at Cat Canyon, home to tigers, snow leopards and cougars. At Spaulding Children's Zoo kids can have close encounters with gentle creatures. Africa Habitat offers open-air views of a sprawling savanna, African painted dogs, African lions, giraffes and meerkats. Africa's newest addition is Hippo Cove, where visitors are treated to underwater views of the famous baby hippo Fiona and her mother, Bibi.

More than 3,000 varieties of plants grace the 75-acre grounds. Themed gardens include a butterfly garden, an





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African violet garden, a rain garden and an endangered plant species garden. Seasons determine the types of items you'll see; for instance, the more than 100,000 spring tulips are a highlight and in winter fruits and berries set the holiday tone. A botanical center offers interactive children's displays.

Train rides are available as well as seasonal carousel rides, Kanga Klimb climbing course and animal encounters. Brochures for themed self-guiding tours can be picked up at the Harold C. Schott Education Center. **Phone:** (513) 281-4700.

SAVE **CONEY ISLAND** is off I-275 exit 72 at 6201 Kellogg Ave. The park offers a huge range of recreational activities. Visitors can swim in Sunlite Adventure, which features Sunlite Pool, Typhoon Tower and four waterslides.



Taft Museum of Art / Courtesy of the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center

There are 26 classic rides as well as live shows and miniature golf.

Time: Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (513) 232-8230.



GREAT AMERICAN BALL PARK TOURS departs from 100 Joe Nuxhall Way at jct. Second St. Tour access includes the press box, dugout, Crosley Terrace and various seating areas. Afterward visitors can take a self-guiding tour of the Cincinnati Reds Hall of Fame.

Access areas may vary based on stadium availability. **Time:** Allow 1 hour, 45 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (513) 765-7923. **GT**

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KINGS ISLAND—see Mason p. 281.

KROHN CONSERVATORY is off I-71 Reading Rd. exit, then 1 mi. e. to 1501 Eden Park Dr., following signs. The Art Deco-styled greenhouse features six collections, including seasonal floral displays among citrus trees in the Floral House. Bromeliads and ferns as well as papaya, vanilla and guava plants tempt the senses in the Tropical House, and each week a different species of orchid blooms in the Orchid House. Palms thrive in the Palm House's tropical rain forest setting, complete with a waterfall, while the Desert House displays yuccas, agaves, cacti, and aloes.

A bonsai collection also is included. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (513) 421-4086.



NATIONAL UNDERGROUND RAILROAD FREEDOM CENTER is at 50 E. Freedom Way. Located on the banks of the Ohio River, which once marked the border between slave and free states, this 158,000-square-foot facility houses a collection that tells about slavery in America, highlighting the role of the Underground Railroad. The perseverance, courage and multicultural cooperation that led to the freedom of so many is celebrated with interactive exhibits and multimedia. The center also addresses modern abolition, connecting the past to the present.

Visitors see an actual 1830 two-story log slave pen, with wrought-iron shackles intact, which was moved from Kentucky. Professional displays and interactive, thought-provoking exhibits trace 300 years of slavery in North America. A series of five powerful short films is shown. One gallery is geared toward children. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (513) 333-7500 or (877) 648-4838.



SPRING GROVE CEMETERY & ARBORETUM is off I-75 exit 6, .3 mi. w. on Mitchell Ave., then .3 mi. s. to 4521 Spring Grove Ave. A National Historic Landmark, this 733-acre cemetery was founded in the 1840s and is the burial site of numerous notable persons, including governors, business leaders, Revolutionary War soldiers and Civil War generals. The grounds contain 15 lakes, a waterfall, 1,000 labeled trees and shrubs, and a 10-acre woodland. Historical information brochures and maps for a 33-stop self-guiding tour that highlights the history, art and architecture of the facility are available from the office. Special event tours are held throughout the year.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (513) 681-7526.



TAFT MUSEUM OF ART is at 316 Pike St. The 1820 Palladian-style mansion, once the home of art patrons Charles and Anna Taft, features landscape murals by Robert S. Duncanson, a noted 19th-century African American artist. Twelve rooms display impressive visual arts. A permanent collection boasts old masters paintings, more than 200 Chinese porcelains from the Ming and Qing dynasties, medieval and Renaissance European art, Italian Renaissance ceramics and intricate watches crafted by 17th- through 19th-century watchmakers.

The Dutch Masters collection includes works by Rembrandt, Pieter de Hooch and Jan Steen. Landscapes by Thomas Gainsborough and portraits by Joshua Reynolds and John Singer Sargent are highlights. Changing exhibitions and special events are presented. A formal garden graces the grounds.

Time: Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (513) 241-0343.



WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE is at 2038 Auburn Ave. The Greek Revival brick house is the birthplace and boyhood home of the 27th president and 10th chief justice of the United States. Four rooms are furnished to reflect the Taft's family life 1851-77. Other rooms have exhibits depicting the Taft family and the president's devotion to his public career. Tours begin in the Taft Education center next door.

Phone: (513) 684-3262.

Sightseeing

Carriage Tours

A guided tour is a good way to become familiar with the city. For those who would like to take a trip through the downtown area in 18th- and 19th-century style, horse-drawn carriage tours leave from Fountain Square (Fifth and Vine streets).

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21C MUSEUM HOTEL CINCINNATI **BOOK NOW** 513/578-6600

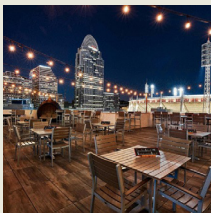


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Boutique Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 609 Walnut St 45202.



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Boutique Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 135 Joe Nuxhall Way 45202.

Facility: Guest rooms have a restrained modern décor that includes vinyl tiled flooring, open closets and 55-inch TVs. Bathrooms have inviting glass showers or tub/shower combos as well as backlit mirrors.. 171 units. 8

stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** valet only. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes.

Activities: exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet laundry.



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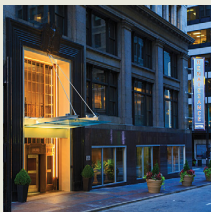


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Classic Boutique Hotel. **Address:** 311 Pike St 45202. **Location:** Opposite Lytle Park. **Facility:** Restored in recent years, this stunning property features custom artwork, lighting and furnishings influenced by history of the surrounding area. Spacious guest rooms include luxurious bed linens. 106 units. 2-6 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** valet only. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet laundry, area transportation.



AAA RENAISSANCE CINCINNATI DOWNTOWN **BOOK NOW** 513/333-0000

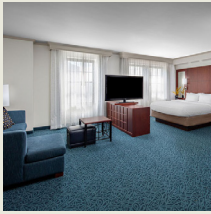


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Historic Hotel. **Address:** 36 E 4th St 45202. **Facility:** The impressive public areas in this remodeled bank building are decorated with polished brass elevator doors, fluted marble walls, and white marble floors. 323 units. 19 stories, interior corridors. **Bath:** shower only. **Parking:** valet only. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet laundry.



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Residence INN. **AAA Benefit: Members save 5% or more and earn Marriott Bonvoy™ points when booking AAA/CAA rates!**

Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 506 E 4th St 45202. **Facility:** 134 units, some two bedrooms, efficiencies and kitchens. 12 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** valet only. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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AAA NICOLA'S 513/721-6200



Italian Fine Dining. **Address:** 1420 Sycamore St 45202.



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BEST WESTERN PREMIER MARIEMONT INN **BOOK NOW** 513/271-2100



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Historic Hotel. **Address:** 6880 Wooster Pike 45227. **Facility:** This handsome Tudor-style building, constructed in the 1920's, is set in the middle of Mariemont, an upscale Cincinnati suburb. The lobby is uniquely rustic with modern touches and plenty of seating. 45 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Amenities:** safes. **Activities:** exercise room.



GRADUATE CINCINNATI **BOOK NOW** 513/487-3800



Boutique Hotel. **Address:** 151 Goodman Dr 45219.

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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 6336 Harrison Ave 45247.

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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 4605 Factory Colony Ln 45209.



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 SPRINGHILL SUITES BY MARRIOTT CINCINNATI MIDTOWN **BOOK NOW** 513/381-8300



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 610 Eden Park Dr 45202.

 THE SUMMIT HOTEL **BOOK NOW** 513/527-9900



Boutique Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 5345 Medpace Way 45227. **Facility:** This art-centric hotel offers sprawling public areas including meeting facilities appointed with reclaimed wood. Guest rooms have high quality linens, quartz-top furniture and backlit vanity mirrors. 239 units. 2-9 stories, interior corridors. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet laundry, boarding pass kiosk, area transportation. Affiliated with Preferred Hotels & Resorts. *(See ad p. 185.)*



 TOWNEPLACE SUITES BY MARRIOTT CINCINNATI DOWNTOWN **BOOK NOW** 513/562-8400



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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 106 W 7th St 45202.

Nearby Indiana

BATESVILLE

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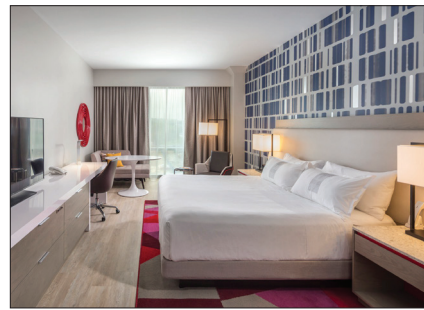
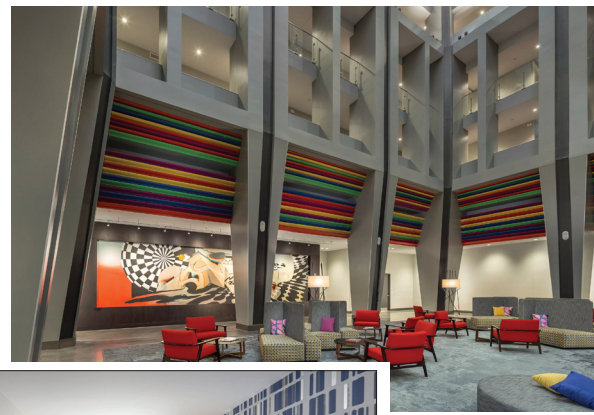


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Hotel. **Address:** 1030 SR 229 N 47006. **Facility:** 99 units. 2 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub, exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



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LAWRENCEBURG

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Lawrenceburg, founded on a bend in the Ohio River in 1803 by Capt. Samuel Vance, grew quickly after the advent of steamboat shipping. During this era the city's Gamblers' Row was notorious from Pittsburgh to New Orleans. In 1819 Lawrenceburg became the site of the

state's first "skyscraper"—The Jessie Hunt House, a three-story brick building at Walnut and High streets. Due to its location, Lawrenceburg offers many scenic views of the river as well as numerous year-round recreational activities.

Dearborn County Convention and Tourism Bureau: 320 Walnut St., Lawrenceburg, IN 47025. **Phone:** (812) 537-0814 or (800) 322-8198.

 **COMFORT INN & SUITES** **BOOK NOW** 812/539-3600



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Hotel. **Address:** 1610 Flossie Dr 47025. **Facility:** 68 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



RISING SUN

- **Part of Cincinnati area— see map p. 169**

Rising Sun is the seat of the state's smallest county, Ohio County, 88.43 square miles. The town was named in 1816 for the impressive sunrise over the Kentucky Hills. The first steel-bladed plow was invented here in 1830 at the Clore Plow Co. The 1845 courthouse is the oldest in continuous use in the state.


Rising Sun/Ohio County Convention & Tourism Bureau: 100 S. Walnut St., Rising Sun, IN 47040. **Phone:** (812) 438-4933 or (888) 776-4786.

This ends the Cincinnati section and resumes the alphabetical city listings for Ohio.



CIRCLEVILLE

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When you hear someone talking about Circleville, chances are good that the topic of the annual  Circleville Pumpkin Show will come up. This celebration of all things related to the pumpkin, which takes place downtown the third Wednesday through Saturday in October,

has been held for more than a century. Music, parades, rides, pumpkin sculpting competitions, craft demonstrations and entertainment are part of the festive fall lineup. A highlight is always the exciting weigh-in to see which pumpkin will win the award and see if any records will be broken.

Pickaway County Visitors Bureau: 325 W. Main St., Circleville, OH 43113. **Phone:** (740) 474-3636.

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Then & Now

In 1796 surveyor Moses Cleaveland picked his townsite on Lake Erie. By 1832 the Ohio and Erie Canal was completed, and Cleaveland, the northern terminus, had doubled its population. Over the next 10 years it grew by almost 500 percent. It also acquired a trimmer name when *The Cleveland Gazette and Commercial Register* had to drop a letter from its masthead.

During the 1800s Cleveland was an important stop on the Underground Railroad. The city's port provided a route to freedom across the Canadian border for slaves fleeing the South.

With the canal came Cleveland's first wave of immigrants, the backbone of its labor force. The city transformed from a bustling port to a shipping and industrial giant. The Civil War halted the city's progress, but the subsequent demand for iron spurred new growth.

From 1910-20 Cleveland was the country's second largest center for automobile production. Behind this growth were great industrialists like John D. Rockefeller, the world's first billionaire.

The Cleveland Union Terminal complex with its 52-story Terminal Tower was built in the 1920s. Tower City Center, a three-level mall, now fills the former railroad station. Key Tower on Public Square is Ohio's tallest building at 948 feet tall with 57 stories.

The city is headquarters for more than 20 major corporations—including American Greetings Corp. and The Sherwin-Williams Co.—and many smaller companies. Case Western Reserve and Cleveland State universities as well as The Cleveland Clinic, which administers some of the world's most advanced medical treatments, are other intellectual highlights.

Year-round recreation opportunities include more than 23,000 acres of metropolitan parks districts; surrounding rivers, streams and lakes; and nearby Cuyahoga Valley National Park.

For culture, there's University Circle. This neighborhood's large cluster of cultural goodies includes the Cleveland History Center, the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, and the Cleveland Museum of Art as well

Tower City Center / © iStockphoto.com / PapaBear



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Destination Cleveland

This map shows cities in the Cleveland vicinity where you will find attractions, hotels and restaurants. Cities are listed alphabetically in this book on the following pages.



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ABOUT THE CITY

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MONEY

SALES TAX: The local sales tax is 8 percent. The city lodging tax is 5.5 percent (less in suburbs).

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WHOM TO CALL

EMERGENCY: 911

POLICE (non-emergency): (216) 623-5000

TIME AND TEMPERATURE: (216) 931-1212

HOSPITALS: Cleveland Clinic, (216) 444-2200 • St. Vincent Charity Medical Center, (216) 861-6200 • University Hospitals Case Medical Center, (216) 844-8447.

VISITOR INFORMATION

Destination Cleveland Convention and Visitors Bureau: 334 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44114. **Phone:** (216) 875-6680 (visitor center) or (800) 321-1001.

TRANSPORTATION

AIR TRAVEL: Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE) is 13 miles southwest of downtown via I-71. Consult your AAA travel advisor for help with finding cheap airline flights and vacation packages.

Lakefront Lines Cleveland, (216) 267-8282 or (800) 543-9912, provides private van and minibus charter service daily 5 a.m.-11 p.m. Van service is \$55 per hour (3-hour minimum), which includes a fuel surcharge and taxes. Minibus charter fares average \$65-\$85 per hour (3-hour minimum); reservations are required. Taxi fare to downtown averages \$30-\$50. Select RTA

rapid transit trains provide service to downtown from about daily 4 a.m.-1:15 a.m.

RENTAL CARS: Hertz, which offers discounts to AAA members, has a counter at the airport and at 3663 Park East Dr., Beachwood; phone (216) 831-3836 (Beachwood), (216) 267-8900 (airport) or (800) 654-3080.



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RAIL SERVICE: The Amtrak station is at E. Ninth Street and Cleveland Memorial Shoreway; phone (800) 872-7245.

BUSES: Greyhound Lines Inc., (800) 231-2222, is at 1465 Chester Ave.

TAXIS: Cabs are available at the Public Square taxi stands or they can be ordered by phone. Rates average \$2.75 for the first one-eighth mile and 28c for each additional one-eighth mile. The average fee for waiting is \$18-\$20 an hour. A \$1 fuel surcharge also is added to the fare. Companies include Ace Taxi, (216) 361-4700 • Americab, (216) 881-1111 • and Yellow Cab, (216) 623-1500.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION: The Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (RTA) offers bus and train service. Rail service runs from Cleveland Hopkins International Airport to the Tower City Rapid Transit Station on Public Square and continues to the Louis Stokes Station at Windermere in East Cleveland as well as from Tower City Center to points in Shaker Heights. The Waterfront Line transports visitors to popular attractions Mon.-Fri. 6:30 a.m.-midnight; weekends and holidays 9 a.m.-midnight.

There are more than 60 connecting bus routes, including free downtown trolleys operating Mon.-Fri. 7-7 (the C-Line Trolley runs Mon.-Fri. 7 a.m.-11 p.m. and Sat.-Sun. 11-11).

The HealthLine is a Bus Rapid Transit system running along Euclid Avenue and beyond from Public Square to Louis Stokes Station at Windermere. One-way train or bus fare is \$2.50; \$1.25 (senior citizens and disabled passengers). An all-day pass costs \$5.50. Passes can be purchased at fare machines at train stations. For details phone the RTA AnswerLine: (216) 621-9500 (Mon.-Fri. 7-6, Sat. 8-4:30) or TTY (216) 781-4271.

as the Cleveland Orchestra, which plays at the exquisite historic Severance Hall.

Visit some of Cleveland's neighborhoods. The Historic Warehouse District offers dining and entertainment with a backdrop of 19th-century architecture. Little Italy is a charming area with places to eat, bakeries and art galleries. The Flats East Bank, a riverfront area once known

for heavy industry, is now a mixed-use district with office, dining, entertainment and residential space along with a public park and an extensive riverfront boardwalk.

Progressive Field, occasionally called "the Jake" after the original name of Jacobs Field, and the adjacent Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse, homes of the Cleveland Guardians and Cleveland Cavaliers, opened in 1994. The









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Cleveland Browns moved to Baltimore in the late 1990s but returned in 1999 to play at the Cleveland Browns Stadium (now FirstEnergy Stadium), reenergizing the city's dedicated fans.

Last but not least, remember that Cleveland rocks! Rock stars of the past and present are immortalized in The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, which resides in a modern I.M. Pei-designed building on the shore of Lake Erie.

Must Do: AAA Editor's Picks

- If you remember the theme song to “The Drew Carey Show,” then you already know that “Cleveland rocks.” But see for yourself at the  **Rock and Roll Hall of Fame** (751 Erieside Ave.). The massive collection of stage outfits, concert posters, instruments, handwritten lyrics and personal items tells the always interesting and often juicy history of rock and roll. When you need a little break from wandering galleries, have a seat in the theater where a trio of screens continually plays clips and music of each inductee.
- Cleveland rocks in more ways than one, and you don't have to go far to see how. Right next door is the  **Great Lakes Science Center** (601 Erieside Ave.), where you can explore hundreds of science exhibits as well as the NASA Glenn Visitor Center, chock full of space history. The center is right on Lake Erie; head outside to tour the **Steamship William G. Mather**.
- Visit  **The RainForest** at **Cleveland Metroparks Zoo** (3900 Wildlife Way). The re-creation of tropical rain forests is a visual and aural delight with a waterfall and simulated thunderstorms in addition to the 600-plus animals in residence. Once you experience this environment, you'll better understand the importance of saving the world's rain forests, which is the goal of this exhibit.
- If you're a fan of “A Christmas Story” and looking for things to do in Cleveland, you'll have a blast at **A Christmas Story House & Museum** (3159 W. 11th St.). Tour the house, where some scenes were filmed, and check out the movie props and memorabilia.
- Spend some time in **University Circle** (4 miles east of downtown). In addition to medical and education facilities (including the Cleveland Clinic, Case Western Reserve University and the Cleveland Institute of Art), University Circle is a renowned destination for its many cultural sites, including the next four on the list.
- The  **Cleveland Museum of Art** (11150 East Blvd.) has a collection that is amazing in quantity, quality and diversity. A highlight is the European arms and armor collection.

- Explore the  **Cleveland Museum of Natural History** (1 Wade Oval Dr.) galleries for a jam-packed crash course in archeology, astronomy, ecology, geology, human evolution and prehistoric life as well as Ohio's native plants and animals.
- Spend some time relaxing at the  **Cleveland Botanical Garden** (11030 East Blvd.), where each season brings its own reason for visiting. Many of the individual gardens, like the Japanese and restorative gardens, are designed with serenity in mind, but one is intended to promote activity: the Hershey Children's Garden, which features a maze and tree house.
- Local history is front and center at **The Cleveland History Center** (10825 East Blvd.). One of the center's highlights is the Crawford Auto Aviation Museum. Temporary exhibits of clothing and textiles are always on view as well.
- Experience the area's beautiful natural scenery and recreation opportunities at one of the 18 reservations making up Cleveland Metroparks.
- Admire the city's architecture and public art either on a self-guiding tour (pick up a brochure at Cleveland Visitors Center, 334 Euclid Ave.) or a guided **Trolley Tours of Cleveland** (2000 Sycamore St.) tour.



Rock and Roll Hall of Fame / © iStockphoto.com / Davel5957



- Mingle with Clevelanders at the **West Side Market's** (1979 W. 25th St.) more than 100 vendor stalls.
- Theater in Cleveland is a pretty big deal. Not counting New York's venues, **PlayhouseSquare** (1501 Euclid Ave.) is the country's largest performing arts center. Plan to spend a night at the theater during your time in the city; it's a great option for those interested in things for couples to do.

Cleveland 1-day Itinerary

AAA editors suggest these activities for a great short vacation experience.

Morning

- Museums don't open first thing, so start at West Side Market (1979 W. 25th St.) in the Ohio City neighborhood. The building, which opened in 1912,



Cleveland Botanical Garden / © iStockphoto.com / Christine_Bariana

features a vaulted Guastavino tile ceiling and a 137-foot clock tower. More than 100 vendors sell baked goods, produce, meat, seafood, dairy items, flowers and other specialty products.

- The **Rock and Roll Hall of Fame** (751 Erieside Ave.) is a must-see. Its massive permanent collection showcases everything you'd want to know about rock and roll, and temporary exhibits enhance the already impressive experience. The story of rock unfolds in creatively themed exhibit areas—highlighting musical giants like Elvis, the Beatles, the Rolling Stones all the way down to one-hit wonders. Memorabilia, films, interactive exhibits and video and audio clips fill the galleries of I.M. Pei's dramatic building on the shore of Lake Erie.
- You could easily spend the whole day here, and why not if you are a big-time music fan? But if you want to see what else the city offers, save the afternoon for something else.

Afternoon

- Head to University Circle, a square mile jam-packed with cultural, educational and health institutions; Wade Oval and Wade Lagoon are beautiful spaces to enjoy the scenic area. You can't go wrong with any of the AAA GEM attractions: **Cleveland Botanical Garden** (11030 East Blvd.), **Cleveland Museum of Art** (11150 East Blvd.), **Cleveland Museum of Natural History** (1 Wade Oval Dr.) and **The Cleveland History Center** (10825 East Blvd.). Our pick: the art museum. The beautiful 1916 building, home to one of the country's best collections, has recently undergone a major expansion.
- The art spans 6,000 years. Major artists represented among the more than 45,000 works include Mary Cassatt, Claude Monet, Pablo Picasso, Jackson Pollock, Nicholas Poussin, Andy Warhol and a variety of Hudson River School artists. African, Ancient Egyptian, Ancient Near East/Greek/Roman, Chinese, Indian and Southeast Asian, Islamic, Japanese and Korean works of art also are displayed. The medieval collection contains coins, glass, jewelry, manuscripts, metalwork, paintings and sculpture among other objects. The highlight is an extensive arms and armor collection. It features body armor, helmets, crossbows, daggers, knives, swords and shields.
- Have lunch at the museum or head to Little Italy, adjacent to University Circle. The neighborhood offers restaurants, bakeries and art galleries.

Evening

- Cleveland has quite the theater scene. PlayhouseSquare, the country's largest performing



arts center outside of New York's offerings, features several resident companies, including Cleveland Play House (the country's first regional theater), and also brings in touring productions. Many restaurants are nearby; consider exploring the East 4th Street district, where there's a good nightlife scene.

- For a more casual outing, head to Ohio City. Bars and breweries offer plentiful nightlife. Tour the **Great Lakes Brewing Co.** (2516 Market Ave.) and then enjoy some of its creations. You'll feel like a Clevelander yourself after sampling the beers with fun, creative names related to all things Cleveland. Another option is McNulty's Bier Markt, serving more than 100 American and Belgian craft beers. Have dinner at the attached **Bar Cento** (1948 25th St.), where the European-inspired menu changes seasonally so the chefs can always use local ingredients. If you're in the mood for a pizza, this is a great place to order one.
- Not ready to call it a night? **Jack Cleveland Casino** (100 Public Sq.) is open 24 hours. You'll be focused on winning big, but take a minute to look around. The building was once the Higbee Co., one of Cleveland's many beautiful—but long gone—department stores.

Arriving

By Car

Cleveland sits in the middle of a "Y" formed by two of the nation's major transcontinental routes: I-90 and I-80. I-90 passes through the heart of the city, bringing traffic along the lakeshore from the east; I-80 channels motorists from the interior through the southern suburbs. From the west, these routes combine over the Ohio Turnpike, with the "Y" beginning at neighboring Elyria.

Both highway systems interchange with important intersecting routes for easy access to the suburbs, and I-90 links conveniently to important city streets. Other supplemental east-west roads are SR 2, US 6 and US 20. These routes primarily serve local traffic, but also follow some of the major city arteries.

Downtown Cleveland is the northern terminus of I-71 and I-77, which bring traffic from the southwest and the south, respectively. I-490, south of the city, provides a connector for I-71 and I-77. SR 176 also channels traffic from the south connecting to I-480 and I-71. Approaching the city, each interchanges frequently with other routes, including I-80 (toll), before joining I-90 near the city's center.

Other routes from the south include SR 8, SR 21 and US 42, which are used chiefly by local traffic. Upon entering Cleveland, these roads constitute some of the principal thoroughfares.

I-271, forming an irregular arc between I-71 and I-90, provides a bypass around Cleveland's east side. I-80 (the Ohio Turnpike), I-480 and I-271 that bypass the city to the east and south, provide connections for I-90 corridor traffic.

Getting Around

Street System

Cleveland's streets are in a grid pattern that centers on Public Square, from which all major avenues radiate. Euclid Avenue is the major business thoroughfare, running from the square through downtown to the eastern suburbs. Ontario Street, running north-south through Public Square, divides the city into east and west. North-south routes are numbered streets, while the majority of east-west thoroughfares are named avenues, roads or boulevards. Right turns on red are permitted unless otherwise posted.



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Parking

On-street metered parking is available. Meters operate Monday through Friday from a minimum of 20 minutes to a maximum of 4 hours from 7 a.m. or 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. The cost to park at a meter ranges from 50c to \$1 per hour. Parking is available in the municipal parking lot on the Memorial Shoreway (SR 2) just east of the 9th Street exit; this affords easy access to the Waterfront Rapid Transit Train serving Tower City Center, The Flats and other Cleveland attractions. Parking lot and garage charges can vary from \$2 to \$10 daily, and up to \$25 for special events. Park and ride lots are at some RTA stations.

Shopping

Tower City Center, 230 W. Huron Rd., is a shopping, dining and entertainment complex surrounding a modernized



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commuter rail station. Skylights, light and water shows, marble staircases, historic brass storefronts and a glass dome accent the three levels of retail stores and places to eat. **The Arcade**, 401 Euclid Ave., was one of the first indoor malls in the country. This 1890 landmark has been renovated to include a hotel but continues to offer a variety of shops and boutiques. **Galleria at Erieview**, 1301 E. 9th St. at St. Clair St., offers a small collection of shops and galleries.

Antique Row, Lorain Avenue from W. 25th to W. 117th streets, and Detroit Avenue from Westwood Avenue to W. Clifton Boulevard, are popular with antiques hunters. The **Little Italy** neighborhood offers shops and galleries along Murray Hill and Mayfield roads.

Some of the Victorian houses in **Ohio City** serve as boutiques and antique shops. On select Saturdays from June through October, the district hosts music and an urban art market in Market Square.

The **West Side Market** at W. 25th Street and Lorain Avenue sells fresh fruit, vegetables, meats, fish, poultry, cheese and ethnic foods Mon. and Wed. 7-4, Fri.-Sat. 7-6 and Sun. 10-4. **Coit Road Farmers Market** is at Coit Avenue and Woodworth Street and offers Ohio produce and products. It is open Sat. year-round 8-1 as well as Wed. 10-1 and 4-7, June-Oct.

Shaker Square, at the junction of Van Aken Boulevard, Shaker Boulevard and E. 130th Street, offers shops, food and entertainment.

Take a trip down memory lane at **b. a. Sweetie Candy Co. Inc.** at 6770 Brookpark Rd. The candy warehouse has a huge inventory, including nostalgic brands.

In the surrounding suburbs are shopping centers and malls offering such department stores as Dillard's, Macy's, Neiman Marcus, Nordstrom and Saks Fifth Avenue as well as many smaller shops. Among the more popular malls are **Beachwood Place**, 26300 Cedar Rd. at Richmond Road in Beachwood; **Great Lakes Mall**, 7850 Mentor Ave. in Mentor; **The Shoppes at Parma**, 7899 W. Ridgewood Dr. in Parma; **Great Northern Mall**, 4954 Great Northern Mall at I-480 in North Olmsted; and **SouthPark Mall**, 500 Southpark Center in Strongsville. The site of the former Westgate Mall in Fairview Park is now the home of **Westgate**, an open-air shopping center at the intersection of W. 210 Street and Center Ridge Road/US 20.

The local vicinity also offers further shopping opportunities to add to your travel plans. **Legacy Village Shopping Center** is in Lyndhurst, 1 mile west of I-271 Cedar Road exit at 25333 Cedar Rd. The village features a main street reminiscent of a 1950s-era small town and includes Crate & Barrel and Restoration Hardware among its many stores and local restaurants. There are more than 80

shops in the outdoor shopping area of **Crocker Park**, a quarter-mile south of I-90 Crocker Road exit in Westlake. At Coventry Road in **Cleveland Heights** between Mayfield and Euclid Heights roads, colorful shops and boutiques offer offbeat clothing, artworks and crafts.

In Rocky River, **Beachcliff Market Square**, 19300 Detroit Rd., offers upscale retailers and eateries. Also in Rocky River is **Old River**, on Old Detroit and Wooster roads, where shops specialize in gifts, antiques, spa services, gourmet food, wines and specialty clothing.

Big Events

One of Cleveland's most popular traditions is the **St. Patrick's Day parade** on March 17. The **Geauga County Maple Festival** in nearby Chardon features crafts, parades, carnival rides, contests and the Sap Run marathon in late April.

In May the **Tremont Greek Fest**, near downtown Cleveland, offers a variety of Mediterranean cuisine and fun things to do with friends.

Parade the Circle Celebration is an art parade that takes place in June in **University Circle**, the heart of the culture area of Cleveland. Also in June, the **Tri-C Jazz Fest** showcases local and regional jazz artists at PlayhouseSquare.

In late June, the **Star-Spangled Spectacular** features performances by the Cleveland Orchestra and a fireworks display. Nearby Cleveland Heights offers music and art during mid-July's **Cain Park Arts Festival**.

In mid-August the **Feast of the Assumption** is held in the **Little Italy** section of Cleveland (also known as Murray Hill). Also in August is the **Cuyahoga County Fair**, one of the largest fairs in the state, at the fairgrounds in nearby Berea. On Labor Day weekend the **Cleveland National Air Show** takes place at **Burke Lakefront Airport**. Throughout the downtown area in late September, **Ingenuity Fest** mixes performing and visual artists with inventive high-tech creations. Little Italy residents and visitors celebrate Columbus Day with the annual **Columbus Day Parade** in October.

The Christmas season is welcomed by **Winterfest**, a holiday lighting program at PlayhouseSquare and fireworks display held the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

Sports & Rec

The more than 23,000 acres of **Cleveland Metroparks** constitute one of the largest concentrations of parkland per capita in the nation. The 100-mile chain of metropolitan parks known as the "Emerald Necklace" is one of the largest park districts in the country. The 18 reservations offer opportunities for **biking, boating, fishing, geocaching, golfing, hiking, horseback riding, picnicking,**

skating, swimming, water sports and many **winter sports**. The more than 60 miles of all-purpose trails are designed for walking/hiking, running, biking, horseback riding and skating. There are wildlife management areas, waterfowl sanctuaries and seven outdoor education facilities. Some of the reservations fall within the boundaries of **Cuyahoga Valley National Park**. Phone (216) 635-3200.

Biking is a great way to scoot around town whether for recreational enjoyment or as a means to get from one point of interest to another. Bicycles can be rented from **Bike Rack** at 2148 E. 4th St. The facility is open Mon.-Fri. 6:30-6:30. and Sat.-Sun. noon-6, Mar.-Oct.; phone (216) 771-7120.

The **Cleveland Velodrome**, 5033 Broadway Ave., is open Mon.-Fri. 5-8 and Sat.-Sun. 11-6, May-Oct.



Brandywine Falls in Cuyahoga Valley National Park / © iStockphoto.com / fdastudillo



Golf enthusiasts can try their skill at any one of the many public courses, including the following Cleveland Metroparks courses: **Big Met**, 4811 Valley Pkwy., (440) 331-1070; **Little Met**, 18599 Old Lorain Rd., (216) 941-9672; **Manakiki**, 35501 Eddy Rd., (440) 942-2500; **Mastick Woods**, 19900 Puritas Rd., (216) 267-5626; **Seneca**, 975 Valley Parkway, (440) 526-0043; **Shawnee Hills**, 18753 Egbert Rd., (440) 232-7184; **Sleepy Hollow**, 9445 Brecksville Rd., (440) 526-4285; and **Washington Golf Learning Center**, 3841 Washington Park Blvd., (216) 641-1864.

Stables offering horseback riding lessons and boarding are at **Rocky River Stables**, (216) 267-2525, and **Brecksville Stables**, (440) 526-6767. **Swimming** can be enjoyed at the sandy Lake Erie beaches, such as the ones found in Cleveland Metroparks Lakefront Reservation (Edgewater Park) and at the Cleveland Metroparks



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Huntington Reservation in Bay Village as well as **Headlands Beach State Park** (see *Recreation Areas Chart*). Swimming also is available at **Ledge Pool and Recreation Area** in Hinckley.

Fishing and boating are among the popular things to do on **Lake Erie**. Public boat rentals and ramps are at the Cleveland Metroparks **Rocky River and Hinckley reservations**, and fishing piers are at Huntington. Great Lakes Watersports, 1148 Main Ave., offers boat, Jet Ski and kayak rentals by the hour; phone (216) 771-4386. Trident Marine Corp. offers fishing charters; phone (216) 771-2628. **Wildwood Marina** offers public and private fishing excursions; phone (216) 481-5771. The Cleveland Visitors Center can provide additional fishing charter companies if you're interested in taking a fishing trip; phone (216) 875-6680 or (800) 321-1001.

Skiing, snowboarding and tubing are popular at several nearby sites. Peninsula offers **Boston Mills Ski Resort**, Sagamore Hills has **Brandywine Ski Resort** and **Polar Blast** snow tubing park, and Chesterland has **Alpine Valley**. Several Cleveland Metroparks offer **cross-country skiing and sledding**.

The outdoor **Rink at Wade Oval** in University Circle has a polymer surface and is open for **ice-skating** Fri. noon-9, Sat. noon-7, Sun. noon-5, late Nov. to mid-Feb.; closed Jan. 1, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Skate rental is \$3; phone (216) 791-3900.

Various recreational opportunities also are found at the Cuyahoga Valley National Park, just southeast of the city (see *place listing p. 241 and Recreation Areas Chart*).

Because Cleveland is home to several professional sports teams, spectator sports enthusiasts can choose from a variety of activities and fun places to go. At **Progressive Field** (see *attraction listing p. 199*), Carnegie Avenue between Ontario Avenue and E. 9th Street, the **Cleveland Guardians** play **baseball** in the spring, summer and early fall. Guided stadium tours are offered late April through early September; for tour information or game tickets phone (216) 420-4487. The **Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse**, hosts **basketball** and **hockey** October through April with both the NBA's **Cavaliers** and the AHL's **Lake Erie Monsters**. **Arena football's Cleveland Gladiators** also play at Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse late March to mid-July. For Cavaliers, Lake Erie Monsters or Gladiator tickets phone (216) 420-2200 or (800) 332-2287.

Cleveland Browns football fans head to **FirstEnergy Stadium** at 1085 W. 3rd St. near the North Coast Harbor to watch their team in action; phone (440) 824-3434 or (800) 745-3000.

Thoroughbred racing is held throughout the year at the **Thistledown Racing Club**, 21501 Emery Rd. in North



Randall, (216) 662-8600. **Harness races** are featured year-round at **Northfield Park**, 10705 Northfield Rd. in Northfield; phone (330) 467-4101.

Note: Policies vary concerning admittance of children to pari-mutuel betting facilities. Phone for information.

Performing Arts

Those looking for music, theater, opera and other performances will find plenty of options and things to do in Cleveland. The world-renowned **Cleveland Orchestra** performs mid-September through early June in historic **Severance Hall**, opened in 1931, in the University Circle area and at the open-air **Blossom Music Center** in Cuyahoga Falls (*see place listing p. 240*) early July through Labor Day weekend; phone (216) 231-1111 or (800) 686-1141 for tickets. Food is available at both facilities, and the patrons of Blossom Music Center can opt to bring a picnic.

The **Cleveland Chamber Music Society** performs at the Plymouth Church October through May. The **Cleveland Contemporary Players**, performing in the **Music and Communications Building of Cleveland State University**, gives concerts of contemporary music; phone (216) 802-3054 for scheduled programs.

Musical events are presented regularly at various sites across the city, including **The Cleveland Music School Settlement**, **Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse**, the **Wolstein Center** at Cleveland State University and the civic auditorium at Lakewood High School.

The students and faculty of the **Cleveland Institute of Music** as well as visiting artists perform a variety of musical types—including chamber, orchestra and opera—throughout the year on campus (11021 East Blvd. in University Circle) and at other locations in the city; phone (216) 791-5000 for schedule information.

PlayhouseSquare, on Euclid Avenue between E. 14th and E. 17th streets, is a performing arts destination that began in the 1920s with five theater, vaudeville and movie venues: **Ohio Theatre**, **State Theatre**, **Allen Theatre**, **Connor Palace Theatre** and **Hanna Theatre**. In the 1970s these theaters were saved from demolition by the community. Today the complex boasts nine performing spaces, including the Westfield Insurance Studio Theatre inside the Idea Center at PlayhouseSquare. Among the types of performances offered are Broadway shows, opera, concerts, comedy, family shows and dance programs. PlayhouseSquare is home to resident companies **DANCECleveland**, **Opera Cleveland**, **Great Lakes Theater Festival** and **Tri-C**. For ticket information phone (216) 241-6000, or (800) 766-6048 outside the Cleveland area.

PlayhouseSquare recently jazzed up its neighborhood with the outdoor GE Chandelier, which suspends 44 feet above the E. 14th Street and Euclid Avenue intersection. As you can imagine, this 20-foot-tall beauty is a must-see at night.

The **Cleveland Play House** was established in 1915 as America's first permanent regional theater company. The original facility at 8500 Euclid Ave. was built in 1927 and housed two theaters. A 1983 expansion was designed by internationally acclaimed architect Philip Johnson and made it the country's largest regional theater complex. In 2011 the company kicked off the season at a new facility located at PlayhouseSquare's Allen Theatre Complex at 1407 Euclid Ave. The season runs September through May, with productions ranging from the classics to new plays and from comedies to musicals; phone (216) 241-6000.

Also established in 1915 was **Karamu House**. The company offers multicultural performances and programs at 2355 E. 89th St.; phone (216) 795-7070.

The **Gordon Square Arts District** is an emerging arts scene on Cleveland's West Side; it is home to **Cleveland Public Theatre**, (216) 631-2727, at 6415 Detroit Ave. **Near West Theatre**, (216) 961-9750, performs community theater at 6702 Detroit Ave. The 1921 **Capitol Theatre** has been restored and now shows independent, foreign and documentary films on three screens.


Cleveland Shakespeare Festival puts on about a dozen performances of free outdoor plays from mid-June to early August in Cleveland and several surrounding cities; the Cleveland venues include Lincoln Park.



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CLEVELAND BOTANICAL GARDEN is at 11030 East Blvd. in University Circle. Ten acres of beautifully landscaped grounds include the Japanese, herb, theme, natural woodland and rose gardens as well as the popular Hershey Children's Garden. The Eleanor Armstrong Smith Glasshouse is an 18,000-square-foot crystalline conservatory that houses two re-created ecosystems: the Madagascar desert and the butterfly-filled Costa Rican cloud forest.

Stone slab walkways meander through the site, which also features a gardening library, gallery space and seasonal exhibits. Gardening lectures, classes and public programs are offered. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (216) 721-1600. 




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CLEVELAND METROPARKS ZOO is at 3900 Wildlife Way. The zoo is home to thousands of mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians and fish in naturalistic habitats. Giraffes, lions, ostriches and zebras are in the African Savanna; Wolf Wilderness features a pack of Mexican gray wolves and a beaver lodge; and Australian Adventure is home to kangaroos, koalas and wallabies. African Elephant Crossing is a five-acre elephant habitat and education village. In addition to a herd of five elephants the exhibit features meerkats, naked mole rats, an African rock python and an aviary of African birds. The Asian Highlands exhibit gives guests the opportunity to get nose-to-nose with snow leopards and red pandas.

Phone: (216) 661-6500 or TTY (216) 661-1090.




 **The RainForest** is just outside the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo entrance at 3900 Wildlife Way. The RainForest features more than 600 animals and 10,000 plants, trees and shrubs from around the jungles of Africa, Asia and the Americas. The elaborate 2-acre, bi-level recreation of a tropical habitat includes a 25-foot waterfall and a simulated thunderstorm every 15 minutes.

The depiction of the rain forests of Africa, Asia and the Americas reveals their importance as well as our responsibility to protect them. Exhibits showcase a variety of wildlife, including orangutans, capybaras, giant anteaters, ocelots, fishing cats and sloths. An insectarium and an aviary also are included.


In the zoo, picnicking is permitted and food is available.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (216) 661-6500 or TTY (216) 661-1090. 

 **CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART** is at 11150 East Blvd. in University Circle. This renowned museum's collection encompasses 6,000 years of history with more than 45,000 works of art. Some of the thousands of artists represented in the more than 40 galleries include Caravaggio, Edgar Degas, El Greco, Childe Hassam, Hans Holbein, Michelangelo, Raphael, Rembrandt, Pierre Auguste Renoir and Benjamin West.

The second floor of the neoclassical 1916 building includes 17th- through 19th-century European art and 18th- and 19th-century American art as well as the Armor Court, a collection of European arms and armor from the 15th- through 18th centuries. The Ancient Egyptian and Ancient Near East, Classical Greek and Roman, Early Christian and Byzantine, Medieval, Sub-Saharan African, prints and drawings collections also are on view in the historical building. The East Wing includes additional European art as well as photography, contemporary art, Cleveland art and American modern art.

The North Wing houses art of the Americas, textiles and Japanese and Korean art. The West Wing features Chinese, Indian and Southeast Asian art. The Ancient Egyptian and Ancient Near East, Classical Greek and Roman, Early Christian and Byzantine, Medieval, Sub-Saharan African, prints and drawings collections also are on view. Ingalls Library has a noncirculating art research collection. The Atrium serves as the centerpiece of the museum with a large courtyard and soaring glass canopy.


Note: Non-flash photography is permitted except for works in special exhibitions, art on loan, and works from 1900 to the present. **Phone:** (216) 421-7350 or (877) 262-4748. 



CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY is at 1 Wade Oval Dr. in University Circle. The museum makes science relatable with such exhibits as *Amazing Insects*, *Audubon's Birds of America* and *The Kirtland Hall of Prehistoric Life* (temporarily off exhibit for reconstruction) where a *Haplocanthosaurus delfsi*, *T. rex* and triceratops dinosaurs reside..

The *Andy Warhol Endangered Species* exhibit is in the reopened Corning Gallery and serves as a new home for rotating exhibits that highlight the intersection of art and nature. The *Ralph Perkins II Wildlife Center and Woods Garden—Presented by KeyBank* includes flora and fauna indigenous to Ohio, including oak and maple trees, bald eagles, bobcats, owls and river otters plus innovative overhead animal trailways. Other exhibits showcase Ohio archeology, birds, dinosaurs and cultural artifacts from seven continents.

The *Shafan Planetarium* features more than 5,000 stars, nebulae, galaxies and planets; the Muller Observatory contains a 10.5-inch refracting telescope which provides an excellent vantage point for visitors to observe astronomical events. The hands-on learning *Smead Discovery Center*, *Birdly* flight simulators, 3-D movies and live animal shows also are offered.

Note: The museum is undergoing a major renovation and expansion that is expected to be completed in 2024; the museum intends to stay open throughout the project. Please purchase admission tickets to the museum ahead of visit online. **Phone:** (216) 231-4600. 

GREATER CLEVELAND AQUARIUM is at 2000 Sycamore St., in the lower levels of the Powerhouse on the west bank of The Flats. More than 50 exhibits feature themed sections: Ohio Lakes & Rivers, Lakes and Rivers of the World, Rainforest Discovery Zone, Indo-Pacific, Coastal Boardwalk, Tropical Reef, Shark SeaTube (with three species of sharks), Shark-Cam and Imagiqarium



Coastal. At the Coastal Touch Pool visitors can pet sting-rays and invertebrates. Themed tours and experiences are offered for additional fees. **Time:** Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (216) 862-8803 or (855) 602-3040. **GT**

GEM GREAT LAKES SCIENCE CENTER is at 601 Erieside Ave., between the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and FirstEnergy Stadium. Through hundreds of interactive exhibits, daily science demonstrations, traveling exhibits and educational programs, the center lets visitors explore aeronautics and space exploration, biomedical technology, renewable energy and the Great Lakes.

The NASA Glenn Visitor Center, which focuses on space exploration and the resulting scientific discoveries, features more than 50 exhibits, including a moon rock and the Apollo command module from its 1973 Skylab 3 mission. The center also incorporates the six-story giant-screen Cleveland Clinic Dome Theater. People can make parachutes, a race car and a rocket in the Cleveland Creates Zone maker space and kids under age 8 can play and learn in the Polymer Funhouse. The Steamship *William G. Mather* (see attraction listing) is on the grounds as well.

Time: Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (216) 694-2000.



Steamship *William G. Mather* is docked at Great Lakes Science Center at 601 Erieside Ave. The restored 1925 Great Lakes freighter has been preserved as a floating museum ship. Visitors can explore the historic cargo holds, four-story engine room, elegant dining rooms, galley, and the brass and oak pilothouse of this 618-foot vessel. Exhibits and introductory videos focus on the Great Lakes and the history of the Great Lakes shipping industry.

Note: Visitors should wear flat, rubber-soled shoes. Tickets can be purchased on the ship or at Great Lakes Science Center. Parking is available in the Great Lakes Science Center garage. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (216) 694-2000. **GT**

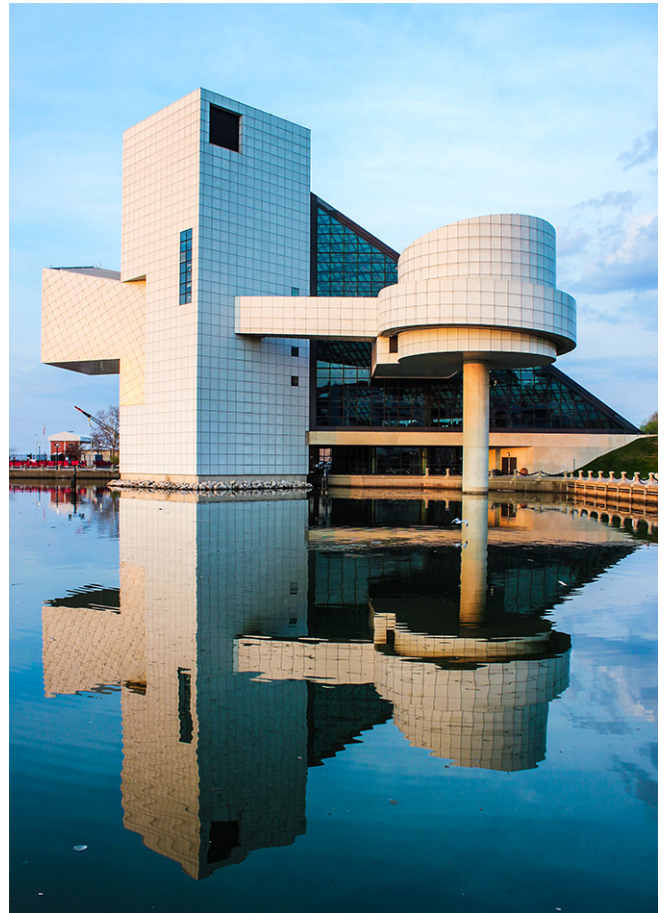
PROGRESSIVE FIELD TOURS departs from the Progressive Field Team Shop at 2401 Ontario St. Guided 60-minute tours stop at the indoor batting cages, bullpen, dugout, visitors' clubhouse, press box, club lounge and party suite. The tour also takes visitors to Heritage Park, an area behind center field housing the Indians Hall of Fame and exhibits about the franchise's history. Heritage Park also is open before, during and after home games.

Areas covered on the tour may change based on availability. **Phone:** (216) 420-4487. **GT**



ROCK AND ROLL HALL OF FAME is at 751 Erieside Ave. at jct. E. 9th St. The giant 150,000-square-foot space is dedicated to the living legacy of music, from Delta blues, early rock and roll and soul to classic rock, hip-hop and alternative styles. A large collection of images, artifacts and instruments from current performers, Hall of Fame inductees and other legends is imaginatively presented.

Visitors can listen to the songs that shaped rock and roll, a sample of the most popular and influential recordings in the history of the genre. Inside the Hall of Fame gallery, in addition to an exhibit featuring the current class of inductees, visitors will also find The Power of Rock Experience featuring induction performance clips using moving screens, concert lighting and shaking seats. To help achieve its mission to engage, teach and inspire




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through the power of rock and roll, the museum offers live concert events, community festivals and educational programs.

Time: Allow 3 hours minimum. **Phone:** (216) 781-7625 or (888) 764-7625. 



WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, 10825 East Blvd. in University Circle, encompasses The Cleveland History Center—home to the Crawford Auto Aviation Museum and other exhibits as well as the Bingham-Hanna and Hay-McKinney mansions—and The Research Library. **Phone:** (216) 721-5722.

The Cleveland History Center is at 10825 East Blvd., part of the Western Reserve Historical Society in University Circle. The property includes a variety of places to explore the story of Northeast Ohio—the Frederick C. and Kathleen S. Crawford Auto Aviation Museum, the Chisholm Halle Costume Wing, Euclid Beach Park Grand Carousel, Community History & Entrepreneur Galleries, and the historic Bingham-Hanna and Hay-McKinney mansions.

Photography is permitted in most areas. **Phone:** (216) 721-5722.

The Research Library, 10825 East Blvd. at the Western Reserve Historical Society in University Circle, features substantial archives, photographs, published materials and objects relating to the history of life in Cleveland and other northeast Ohio towns. Family history research materials, local newspapers, magazines and government documents also are available. **Phone:** (216) 721-5722.

Sightseeing

The Terminal Tower, at 230 W. Huron Rd. and surrounded by Tower City Center, was built 1927-30 and is considered the showpiece of Cleveland's lakefront. The remodeled concourse of this 52-story city landmark contains restaurants, shops, movie theaters and two hotels. The observation deck is open Sat. noon-5 and Sun. noon-4, mid-Apr. to late Dec. Guests can purchase tickets the day of the tour (if available) from the Guest Services desk on the first level.

Boat Tours


GOODTIME CRUISE LINES departs from 825 E. 9th St. Pier at the North Coast Harbor. The 2-hour narrated

Lake/River tour takes passengers on a cruise of the Cuyahoga River and the Cleveland lakefront aboard the 1,000-passenger *Goodtime III*. Additional cruises also are offered.

Phone: (216) 861-5110 or (888) 916-7447. 

Industrial Tours

GREAT LAKES BREWING CO. is at 2516 Market Ave. across from the West Side Market; tours begin in the adjacent gift shop. Purportedly the first microbrew in the state, this family-owned company, which opened in 1988 by brothers Patrick and Daniel Conway, uses all-natural ingredients—some from local vendors. Tours include overviews of production stages and equipment and include the brewhouse, tank farm, bottling and packaging line, beer cooler and quality assurance labs. Samples are offered to visitors who are 21 or older.

Note: The tour includes stairwells; some are steep and narrow. Closed-toe shoes are recommended. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (216) 771-4404. 

Trolley and Train Tours

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (*see attraction listing p. 268*) offers train excursions through Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Trips include scenic tours of the valley and round-trip travel to Akron destinations.

Walking Tours

Stop by the visitor center at 334 Euclid Avenue for a “Walk Cleveland” brochure. It contains a map with details for a self-guiding tour of Cleveland's architecture, public art and other top things to see.

Self-guiding walking or driving tours are good ways to experience the restoration of Ohio City on Cleveland's west side. A separate municipality that was later annexed, Ohio City is a neighborhood of old Victorian houses, many of which now house boutiques, restaurants and antique shops. Most Saturdays in June, July and August, the district hosts music and an urban art market in Market Square. Many of the neighborhood's restored homes open their doors to the public during the annual “Evening in Ohio City” celebration held the second or third Saturday in May. Brochures about the area are provided by Ohio City Inc., 2525 Market Ave., Suite A, Cleveland, OH 44113; phone (216) 781-3222.



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Services: valet laundry.

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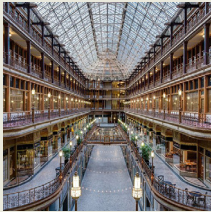
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Historic Hotel. **Address:** 420 Superior Ave E 44114. **Facility:** Built in 1890, this hotel's four-story atrium is a Victorian marvel of architecture, with scrolling iron railings, mosaic tile floors and a massive glass ceiling. 293 units. 9 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** valet only. **Amenities:** safes. **Activities:** exercise room, spa. **Guest Services:** valet laundry.



 KIMPTON SCHOFIELD HOTEL **BOOK NOW** 216/357-3250



Historic Boutique Hotel. **Address:** 2000 E 9th St 44115. **Facility:** This beautifully restored, 1902 landmark building features whimsical artwork and clever designs. Rooms vary in size, but all feature luxe bedding and brightly lit bathrooms, many with walk-in showers. 128 units, some two bedrooms and kitchens. 8 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** on-site and valet. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Activities:** bicycles, exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet laundry.



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This hotel features glamorous décor that is thoroughly modern and just a bit saucy. Guest rooms have plush seating and luxurious bedding. Bathrooms, with frosted glass showers, have a sensual appeal. 156 units. 14 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** valet only. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Activities:** health club, massage.

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Historic Boutique Hotel. **Address:** 1901 Ford Dr 44106. **Location:** Located in University Circle. **Facility:** The lobby, breakfast area and suites of the charming hotel are housed in a historic mansion built in 1910. Additional rooms are located in a modern annex, featuring soft bedding and plush easy chairs. 60 units. 3 stories, interior corridors.

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Hotel. **Address:** 8650 Euclid Ave 44106. **Facility:** 276 units. 9 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** valet only. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** sauna, exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry, area transportation.



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Then & Now

Author James Thurber said of his birthplace, “Columbus is a town in which almost anything is likely to happen and in which almost everything has.”

Yet Columbus is a city that almost wasn't. When Ohio gained statehood in 1803, it hadn't yet chosen a permanent capital. Political maneuvering almost landed the state government in Zanesville and Chillicothe. In 1812, however, the residents of Franklinton, a county seat in the heart of Ohio along the Scioto River, tempted the state with 1,200 acres of land and a commitment to spend \$50,000 to construct a capitol building and a penitentiary. Within a matter of days the general assembly accepted the offer, and Columbus was born on the opposite bank of the river.

The Civil War initiated a wave of unprecedented growth; the population soared and manufacturing and government became the city's primary industries.

The opening in 1873 of Ohio Agriculture and Mechanical College, later renamed The Ohio State University, spawned a new outlook for the city. Education was thrust to the forefront, and the intellectual atmosphere helped contribute to the forerunner of the computer, the development of the xerography process and numerous advancements in the medical treatment of the physically impaired.

Today the phrase “state of the art” is synonymous with Columbus, which ranks with Silicon Valley as a center for scientific and technological information. Ohio's capital built its solid reputation over several decades; it was one of the first cities in the country to offer citywide cable television and introduced such technology as the 24-hour banking machine, interactive cable television and the electronic newspaper. Thousands of high-tech companies, including Battelle Memorial Institute, Mettler-Toledo International and Vertiv, now call Columbus home.

Besides its well-deserved reputation in the high-tech world, the city houses the headquarters of several Fortune 1000 companies, including Aflac, Big Lots, Express, L Brands and Nationwide Insurance. Columbus also is

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ABOUT THE CITY

POP: 787,033 • **ELEV:** 777 ft.

MONEY

SALES TAX: Columbus has a sales tax of 7.5 percent and a lodging tax of 10 percent. There is an 11 percent concession fee on rental cars picked up at Port Columbus International Airport.

WHOM TO CALL

EMERGENCY: 911

POLICE (non-emergency): (614) 645-4545

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VISITOR INFORMATION

Experience Columbus: 277 W. Nationwide Blvd., Suite 125, Columbus, OH 43215. **Phone:** (614) 221-6623, (614) 221-2489, (866) 397-2657 or (800) 354-2657.

The Nationwide Blvd. headquarters is open Mon.-Fri. 8-5. A walk-in visitor information office also is in Easton Town Center, off I-270 exit 33. The walk-in center is open Mon.-Sat. 10-9, Sun.

known for retail banking, insurance and real estate, and has emerged as a leading convention city.

Modern-day Columbus continually earns top accolades from highly regarded sources. In 2013 Forbes magazine ranked Columbus as a Top Place for Business and in 2011 as one of the Top 15 Most Affordable Cities to Live; CIO Magazine named it one of the Top 7 Cities for Finding IT Jobs; and Bloomberg Businessweek awarded it the title of Economically Strongest Metro.

The state of the city's visual arts deserves equally high praise. Ohio's capital offers an assortment of art-centered attractions, including the Billy Ireland Cartoon Library & Museum and the Columbus Museum of Art. The Franklin

noon-6; closed Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Phone ahead to confirm schedule.

TRANSPORTATION

AIR TRAVEL: Port Columbus International Airport (CMH), 7 miles east of downtown inside the beltway off Stelzer Road, is served by major carriers. A free shuttle bus runs to the terminal from remote parking areas. Taxi service is offered to downtown, with average fares between \$25 and \$28.

RENTAL CARS: Hertz offers discounts to AAA members; phone (614) 239-1084 or (800) 654-3080.



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BUSES: Greyhound Lines Inc., (614) 228-2266 or (800) 231-2222, 111 E. Town St. between S. 3rd and S. 4th streets, serves Columbus.

TAXIS: Yellow Cab, (614) 444-4444, is the largest cab company. Fixed fares are \$3 base rate, \$4.50 for the first mile, 45c for each additional 2/9 mile and \$2.25 for each mile outside Franklin County. A \$3 surcharge is added for fares originating at the airport.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION: Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) provides bus transportation throughout the city and suburbs Mon.-Fri. 5:30 a.m.-11:45 p.m., Sat. 6 a.m.-10 p.m., Sun. 8-7. The basic fare is \$2, express fare is \$2.75 and transfers are free. Multiday passes and reduced rates for children and senior citizens are available. Passengers must have exact change.

For details about routes and timetables, contact the COTA Pass Sales Office, 33 N. High St.; phone (614) 228-1776.

Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens cleverly displays thousands of otherworldly glass pieces by artist Dale Chihuly in artfully presented gardens. And the Topiary Park in Old Deaf School Park interprets the 1884 oil painting "A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte" by Georges Seurat with larger-than-life topiary bushes snipped into the shapes of Parisians at leisure near the Seine River.

In addition, colorful murals clothe many of the city's brick walls. A majority of these are in the thriving SoHo-like Short North Arts District, a once-blighted area now filled with independently owned boutiques, many local places to eat and pubs that owes its present-day popularity to citywide revitalization projects begun in the 1980s.



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The same efforts resulted in the urban renewal of downtown's Arena District, transformed from its former neglected state to an area brimming with restaurants, shops and nightspots as well as Nationwide Arena, home to the NHL's Columbus Blue Jackets.

The city's proud residents have lovingly preserved a host of 19th-century homes in Victorian Village and German Village. More examples of Columbus's exquisite architecture include the Greek Revival Ohio Statehouse along with an array of churches, office buildings and homes in Art Deco, Gothic, Italianate and Queen Anne styles.

Must Do: AAA Editor's Picks

- Hear the Victory Bell ring at a football game at The Ohio State University. Weighing 2,420 pounds, the bell sounds at **Ohio Stadium** (411 Woody Hayes Dr.) after every Buckeye win. Get into the spirit of things by donning scarlet and gray, OSU's official school colors.
- Visit the "Umbrella Girl" in **German Village** (588 S. 3rd St.), one of the city's oldest neighborhoods. In the 1950s, this bronze statue mysteriously disappeared from Schiller Park. The village dedicated a new version of the young girl, garbed in traditional Bavarian dress and carrying an umbrella, in 1996.
- Taste such Mediterranean staples as tabbouleh and baklava, inhale pungent spices, bite into a juicy locally-grown tomato and snap up some snapdragons at the **North Market** (59 Spruce St.), one of the area's best places to eat. This public farmers market on Spruce Street is the last of its kind in central Ohio.
- Take a tour of a tropical rain forest, the Himalayan Mountains or an arid desert at **Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens** (1777 E. Broad St.), which also features the Palm House, a 12,500-square-foot glass structure built in the style of the Glass Palace at Chicago's World Fair and Columbian Exposition in 1893.
- While in German Village, get some sweets for you and your sweetie pie at **Pistacia Vera** (541 S. Third St.), where glass cases are filled with delicate creations like melt-in-your-mouth macarons and cookies, tantalizing tarts and tortes, and buttery croissants and brioche.
- Lift a car all by yourself at **COSI Columbus** (333 W. Broad St.), a science center boasting a mix of education and fun. At COSI's outdoor Big Science Park, the Big Giant Lever exhibit lets you raise a 2,437-pound automobile. Or ride a unicycle on a tightrope several stories high in the center's atrium—yes, you *can* do it!
- Coo at koalas at the **Columbus Zoo and Aquarium** (4850 W. Powell Rd.), one of the few U.S. zoos permanently housing the marsupials. Like the kangaroo, the koala carries its newborn, which is only about the size of a jelly bean, in a pouch. You can also go on a walkabout with gallivanting kangaroos, ogle polar bears swimming in icy waters and giggle at manatees and penguins cavorting in the aquarium.
- Watch a newsreel from the 1920s while exploring the 271,000-square-foot **Ohio History Center** (800 E. 17th Ave.). The expansive collection includes animal and plant specimens (including the extinct ivory-billed woodpecker), prehistoric Native American art, Civil War artifacts and classic cars. A gigantic mastodon skeleton greets visitors at the entrance.
- Unearth a few gems in the **Short North Arts District**. This urban neighborhood on North High Street embraces an eclectic array of art galleries, restaurants, antique shops, coffee bars and hip boutiques selling everything from Indonesian baskets and Native American jewelry to vintage clothing and designer fashions.



Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens / Courtesy of Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens



- Dip a spoon into a cup of **Graeter's Ice Cream** (2555 Bethel Rd.). Heralded as the best ice cream around, the creamy dessert is a lasting tradition in the Midwest. Try Graeter's best seller, Black Raspberry Chip, or Oprah Winfrey's personal favorite, Butter Pecan. Another sweet favorite is **Jeni's Splendid Ice Creams** (714 N. High St.). Flavors include salty caramel and Riesling poached pear sorbet as well as such seasonal offerings as sweet corn and black raspberries.
- Pose among the figures sculpted from shrubbery at **The Topiary Park** (480 E. Town St.) in Old Deaf School Park; it's one of many fun things to do with friends in Columbus. You'll feel like you're actually inside the painting "A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte" by post-impressionist artist Georges Seurat. The park's beautiful landscaping



Columbus Zoo and Aquarium / © AAA / Inspector 76

lends itself nicely to a relaxing picnic and some Frisbee-tossing.

Columbus 1-day Itinerary

AAA editors suggest these activities for a great short vacation experience. Those staying in the area for a longer visit can access a 3-day itinerary at AAA.com/TripCanvas.

Morning

- One of the country's top-rated zoos, **Columbus Zoo and Aquarium** (4850 W. Powell Rd.), in nearby Powell is a must-see. It's preferable to spend a day here, but even a few hours will give you a good sampling of the zoo's top exhibits. Arrive early as there's a lot to see. If time only allows an abbreviated tour, don't miss the kangaroos; dozens of these bouncy marsupials hop about freely on the grass or lounge under trees in a fenced-in area. A roped-off path is all that separates you from the roos. Be sure to also see the polar bear and the koala; for the rest of your tour, choose your favorites from a cornucopia of wild beasts, birds, and reptiles, including moose, gorillas, bison, a variety of wild cats, African lions, Asian elephants, Arctic foxes, sharks, manatees, penguins and flamingos.

Afternoon

- Head back to the Short North Arts District for lunch and stimulate your taste buds with Asian fusion dishes at **Lemongrass Fusion Bistro** (641 N High St.) (think sushi, lemongrass soup and pad thai).
- While away the afternoon with a stroll on **North High Street**. Wander in and out of independently owned shops in this bohemian district; you'll find merchandise ranging from affordable antiques to trendy and expensive designer denim.
- The **North Market** (59 Spruce St.) is a mostly-indoor farmers market that will delight foodies. Marked by a huge neon sign, the bustling market holds local vendors hawking everything from farm-fresh produce to spices to bakery treats.
- If time allows, drive over to **German Village** (588 S. 3rd St.) for a little taste of old Europe. The charming brick homes and shops complete with flower-filled window boxes are a visual treat; just watch your step as you tread along the village's equally charming yet uneven cobblestone sidewalks. Stop in at **Kittie's Hand-Crafted Cakes** (495 S. 3rd St.) for a coffee-and-cupcake break, then wend your way through 32 rooms at block-long **The Book Loft** (631 S. 3rd St.), a literature-lover's delight.

parents on Kiddieland rides. See agriculture and creative arts exhibits, witness livestock competitions, ride a few of the more than 70 thrilling midway rides and work up an appetite for some of the hundreds of fair foods, including 30 types of food on a stick.

Teens

- Teens will be thrilled zipping around town on a Segway tour while learning about many of the city's popular sites. Guides at **SegAway Tours of Columbus** (400 N. High St.) provide instructional/practice sessions before leading a guided tour.
- **Easton Town Center** (160 Easton Station) is an open-air shopping mall with nearly 200 dining, shopping and entertainment venues, including a 30-screen AMC & IMAX theater. After shopping at favorites like American Eagle, Hollister and PacSun,

nosh on a burger and fries at **Flip Side** (3945 Easton Station.).

- Have a couple hours? Try one of the several zipline experiences offered at **ZipZone Canopy Tours** (7925 N. High St.). You'll soar above 20 acres of central Ohio's forests.
- **Graeter's Ice Cream** (2555 Bethel Rd.) boasts that it has the world's best ice cream; fussy foodies and persnickety teens will agree. The craft ice cream and gelato will tempt your taste buds. This dense ice cream is created in spinning French Pot freezers.
- Can't wait for St. Patrick's Day? Teens can don green garb and head to Dublin for the **Dublin Irish Festival** (5200 Emerald Pkwy.) held in August; it offers more than 20 activities, games and inflatables as well as Highland sports competitions and energetic Celtic dancing and music. Fun contests include the most freckles, greenest eyes and reddest hair.

All Ages

- Demonstrations, exhibits, movies, a planetarium and live shows at **COSI Columbus** (333 W. Broad St.) teach science concepts and take the mystery out of technological advancements. Build a bridge, control waves in a tank, dissect computers, lift a car using a lever, maneuver a rover on a Mars-like landscape and split a laser beam. Daredevils can ride a unicycle on a wire suspended 17 feet above ground.
- **German Village** (588 S. 3rd St.) has enough small-town charm to captivate the entire family. Take a self-guiding tour past parks, residences, restaurants and shops along the red-brick paved, tree-lined streets and you might glimpse fossils in the limestone stoops and foundations. Dine on hearty German fare at **Schmidt's Sausage Haus** (240 E. Kossuth St.).

Arriving

By Car

The intersection of two interstate highways and a number of lesser routes makes Columbus accessible from all directions. The primary east-west highway is I-70, which spans about two-thirds of the nation and connects such cities as Baltimore, Md., Wheeling, W.Va. and Indianapolis, Ind.; I-70 passes through downtown Columbus, with convenient interchanges at major streets.

Closely paralleling the freeway is old US 40, which serves local traffic and provides a link to other downtown avenues. US 62 approaches Columbus from the northeast and southwest to bring the city a steady flow of in-state traffic, as does SR 16, combining with US 40 coming in from the northeastern suburbs.



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Mainly an intrastate interstate, I-71 links Cleveland to the north and Cincinnati to the south, passing through Columbus and continuing southward to Louisville.

Running north-south through the city is US 23, which collects traffic from northern Ohio and Michigan as well as from southern Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia. US 33, leading directly downtown, connects towns northwest and southeast of Columbus.

I-270 is a circumferential freeway that swings in a wide path around Columbus and, with interchanges with all major highways, provides a bypass of the city. I-670 combines with I-70 and I-71 to form a tight rectangle around downtown Columbus, offering the usual convenient interchanges.

Getting Around

Street System

Despite Columbus' growth to big-city status, driving in and around the city is not as hectic as in many metropolitan areas. Driving from one end of downtown to the opposite end averages 25 minutes, and few suburban commutes take more than 45 minutes at non-peak traffic hours. Right turns on red are permitted unless otherwise posted.

Streets are organized on a grid system, with addresses beginning at 1 at the corner of Broad and High streets in the center of downtown and increasing as routes go out of the city. Numbered streets, running north-south, are divided by Broad Street; numbered avenues, running east-west, are divided by High Street.

Parking

Parking lots and garages are plentiful downtown, with rates ranging from \$2 to \$10 Monday through Friday and generally decreasing on the weekends. Higher rates may apply during special events. On-street metered parking, costing 50c to \$1 per hour, can be found along most downtown streets; parking is restricted to 3 hours or less at most meters. Park and Ride lots are at many suburban shopping centers. Credit and debit cards can be used at many of the lots and at parking meters. The city's ParkColumbus app allows visitors to use smartphones to pay for parking on meters that display the ParkColumbus sticker.

Shopping

Columbus is a natural for discovering bargains and hard-to-find items. If you like the time-saving convenience of shopping at malls, choose from these: **Easton Town Center**, off I-270 exit 33 at Easton Way; **The Mall at Tuttle Crossing**, off I-270 and Tuttle Crossing Blvd. (in

Dublin); and **Polaris Fashion Place**, off I-71 and Polaris Parkway.

The sprawling Easton Town Center, off I-270 exit 33 at Easton Way, is a shopper's delight. Set up as an old-fashioned open-air village market, the upscale center has more than 200 retailers and restaurants, including Banana Republic, Barnes & Noble, Burberry, Chico's, Coach, The Container Store, Crate & Barrel, Gap, H & M, Macy's and Nordstrom. Quaint, British-style red phone booths and fountains sprinkled throughout the center add panache to this already chic center. Five free parking garages allow for plentiful parking.

If you'd rather ferret out more unique merchandise, explore the city's shopping districts and specialty shops. Local bakers, butchers, chocolatiers, fishmongers, florists, farmers and ice cream makers sell their wares at the **North Market**, 59 Spruce St. On Saturdays during



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growing season (May-October), more than 20 farmers set up shop. Saturdays also feature live music, and festivals are held throughout the year. In operation since 1876, the indoor market is open Tues.-Sat. 9-7 and Sun.-Mon. 10-5.

Step into the brick-fronted shops in the restored 19th-century **German Village**, south of I-70/I-7 on 3rd Street, where shopkeepers will give you a warm “Wilkommen” as you sort through their delightful collections of books, home decor and even baked goods. Wandering through the 32 rooms of books in the labyrinthine **The Book Loft**, 631 S. 3rd St., might make you feel like a mouse in a maze. Instead of finding cheese, though, you’ll find countless numbers of books, many with a discounted price. Be forewarned: Some staircases are narrow and you may have to step aside to let another customer pass.

The relaxing scent of French lavender bath products infuses the air on the first floor of **Caterina Ltd., European Housewares, Art & Gifts**, 571 S. 3rd St., where armoires and tables are stacked with vibrantly colored Italian ceramics, Polish pottery, and French and German linens; the shop also showcases local artists in galleries on the second and third floors. **Pistacia Vera**, 541 S. 3rd St., is a modern French patisserie; try melt-in-your-mouth pastel macarons in flavors like lavender honey and black raspberry hibiscus, flourless passion fruit Chambord and chocolate bombe tortes, and pastries such as pain au chocolat and orange brioche.

The **Short North Arts District**, along N. High Street from Poplar Street to Smith Place, offers boutiques, antique shops, restaurants and eclectic art galleries behind restored 1930s facades. **Posh Pets Boutique**, 743 N. High St. treats pet lovers to irresistible items like pearl-studded kitty collars, dog T-shirts with cute sayings like “favorite grandchild,” fruit-shaped crocheted toys and The Ohio State University pet beds and hooded sweatshirts.

Tigertree, 787 N. High St., deals in trendsetting apparel for 20- and 30-something women and men by Fred Perry and Ben Sherman as well as newer labels like Dear Creatures and Ace & Jig. Sweet floral dresses and cute tops for the gals, and plaid shirts and casual pants for the guys are mixed in with pendants, backpacks, vases and pillows. **Rowe Boutique**, 718 N. High St., carries a well-edited collection of contemporary fashions by lines such as Lauren Moffatt and Foley & Corinna, curated by former PR director Maren Roth, who earned her stripes in New York City handling accounts for fashion designers.

One man’s trash is another’s treasure at **Rag-O-Rama**, 3301 N. High St., a consignment shop where you can also find patent leather go-go boots, candy-colored Afro wigs and a sea of racks filled with gently used vintage and modern clothes, most contributed by college students.

Among some recent findings: Paige Denim jeans, an Odile top and Chloe sunglasses.

It’s practically a rule that college towns have to have a used record store, and Columbus is no different. **Used Kids Records**, 2500 Summit St., fills the bill with a collection ranging from Nat King Cole to Florence + the Machine. Vinyl geeks can excavate for quasi-buried treasure to stock their collection, quite cheaply in fact; most used records and CDs sell for under \$10. Used Kids’ well-informed clerks are not the pretentious music snobs you might expect and will gladly help you in your search for hard-to-find discs. The go-to shops for avid Buckeye boosters are **College Traditions**, 286 W. Lane Ave., and **Conrads College Gifts**, 316 W. Lane Ave., which carry everything from sweatshirts to dog collars to football-shaped soap dishes with The Ohio State University logo.

Behold beautiful objects from decades and centuries past at Columbus-area antique malls. Try **Eclectiques Antique Mall**, 3265 N. High St.; **Grandview Mercantile**, 873 N. High St., in the Short North District; **Greater Columbus Antique Mall**, 1045 S. High St., and **Heritage Square Antique Mall**, 1865 Brice Rd.

Nightlife

You might think that Columbus would be hard-pressed to satisfy the entertainment needs of its diverse populace of college students, entrepreneurs and suit-and-tie business types, but guess again. Whether you’re a mellowed-out jazz aficionado, a fist-pumping rock fan or you just want to dance until you drop, you’ll find a night spot in Columbus that suits your fancy.

Sometimes the best place to experience a city’s music scene and feel its flavor is a local “dive” bar. You can hear live jazz almost every night of the week at the saloon-like **Ruby Tuesday** (not affiliated with the national chain restaurant), 1978 Summit St. This long-lived local haunt has been open since 1973 and yes, it was named after that song. Phone (614) 291-8313.

Dick’s Den, 2417 N. High St., also fits right in to the “dive” category and is a favorite with the college crowd since it’s on The Ohio State University campus. Rough-hewn wood and an old jukebox mark the décor of this fairly nondescript hangout. It’s not a rock and roll bar as you might expect of the usual college juke joint; instead, blues, soul and jazz bands play Wednesday through Monday and there are bluegrass jams on Tuesday. Phone (614) 268-9573. Also on the OSU campus is the **Wexner Center for the Arts**, High Street and 15th Avenue, where you can catch underground acts like indie songstress St. Vincent, or enjoy screenings of alternative and foreign films; phone (614) 292-3535.



The **Short North Arts District** has its fair share of evening entertainment and is easy to spot, especially at night, with colorfully lit high arches that stretch over North High Street from one side to the other, luring lounge lizards and barflies like moths to a flame.

If it's cold outside, baby, **Barrel**, 1120 N. High St., has just the thing to warm you up. Have the barkeep mix you a hot toddy from its more than 80 varieties of whiskey, or, if the weather calls for something on the rocks, go for an Old-Fashioned or a Rusty Nail (just like Dad used to drink). This whiskey bar and restaurant is located in a building that was a speakeasy and brothel more than 100 years ago, which adds to its mystique. Phone (614) 564-9058.

Restaurant by day, nightclub by night (and they make a darn good hamburger), **Skully's Music & Diner**, 1151 N. High St., hosts one of the most popular theme nights in town: Thursday's Ladies' 80s. A large, 1950's-style sign grabs your attention outside; inside, leopard print and the color red highlight the décor. Crowds of revelers gather on the large dance floor to groove to alternative, indie and reggae bands; phone (614) 291-8856.

Going downtown? The Arena District has a small but diverse mix of entertainment choices. Conveniently, three of them reside within just a few steps of each other. **The Basement**, 391 Neil Ave., is the place to go to see the coolest underground acts, both locally and nationally known (at least to those "in the know"), including acts like Fall Out Boy and The Whigs. The dark, intimate space comes complete with thrift-store sofas and graffiti-covered walls. **EXPRESS LIVE!** (formerly LC Pavilion), 405 Neil Ave., is a concert venue where bands that are too famous to play at the Basement perform. Arctic Monkeys, Buddy Guy, Indigo Girls, Insane Clown Posse and The Killers are just a few current acts that have played here. The walls at **A & R Music Bar**, 391 Neil Ave., are plastered with 30 years' worth of concert posters and photos of well-known performers. Live bands don't play here, but it's a popular pre- or postgame gathering spot convenient to nearby Huntington Park or Nationwide Arena, as well as a perfect place to stop in for a cocktail after a concert at EXPRESS LIVE!, right next door. Phone (614) 461-5483 for all three Neil Avenue venues.

For something completely different, make your way to **The Big Bang Dueling Piano Bar**, 401 N. Front St. Despite its name, it's not just a couple of pianists having a faceoff. The show, which mixes music and comedy (and alcohol if you so choose), almost always requires audience participation, so be prepared to take part in a sing-along or even go on stage, all in the name of a good time. Phone (614) 233-9999.

R Bar Arena, 413 N. Front St. is not your usual sports bar. Yes, it has pool tables, sports memorabilia everywhere you look, beer-drinking sports fans and flat-screen TVs, but take a closer look. This bar is devoted to the sport of ice hockey and the memorabilia (jerseys, hockey sticks, pucks, framed autographs) are covered with the logo of the Columbus Blue Jackets, who play at Nationwide Arena. R Bar is within walking distance of the arena, so it's a natural gathering spot for hockey fans. Phone (614) 221-4950.

Big Events

The **Ohio State University Jazz Festival** in March features college and high school bands. Origami, kite-making, cultural displays, martial arts performances, cooking demonstrations and an open market selling exotic Asian goods are on tap at the **Asian Festival**, held Memorial Day weekend in Franklin Park.



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The Memorial Tournament in late May and early June epitomizes the rich history and traditions of golf. Started in 1976 by Columbus native Jack Nicklaus, the PGA Tour event takes place at Muirfield Village Golf Club in nearby **Dublin**. A portion of the proceeds benefits Ohio charities.

In June the **Columbus Arts Festival** features music, dance and theater performances, arts, crafts and food. On the last Sunday in June a walking tour of the renovated homes of **German Village** is offered in the **Haus und Garten Tour**. Festivities include gardening demonstrations and a watercolor competition. The city celebrates our nation's independence with **Red, White and Boom** in July.

If there's one don't-miss festival in town, it's the Columbus **Jazz and Rib Fest** in July. Some 400,000 people bring their bibs to this event, which boasts performances by premier jazz artists and local bands—plus 50 tons of

barbecued ribs. After sampling the award-winning food, relax to mellow tunes.

In late July to early August, Columbus is the home of the **Ohio State Fair**, probably the biggest shindig in the state and one of the largest fairs in the nation. Held at the **Ohio Expo Center** off I-71 between 11th and 17th avenues, the 12-day event, which is attended by more than 800,000, has livestock displays, exhibits, midway rides, entertainment and food. The fair has been held since 1850.

Early August's **Festival Latino** attracts growing crowds with Latin American music and food as well as educational workshops and cultural performances. Traditional and modern music and dance are highlights of the 3-day **Dublin Irish Festival** in August. Cultural draws include Irish storytelling and English Civil War reenactments. Also in August, Reynoldsburg residents celebrate the birth of the commercially sold tomato at the **Reynoldsburg Tomato Festival**.

In September private residences are opened during the **Short North Tour of Homes & Gardens**. Polka bands, bratwurst, beer and thousands of people combine at the **Ohio Expo Center** in September to give Columbus one of its grandest celebrations: **Columbus Oktoberfest**. The month closes out with entertainment, food and music at the **Columbus International Festival** at Franklin Park Adventure Center.

The **Columbus Italian Festival** takes place Columbus Day weekend and revolves around **St. John the Baptist Catholic Church**. The convening of the **All American Quarter Horse Congress** also in October, brings one of the world's largest quarter horse shows to the city. It attracts more than 650,000 people to the Ohio Expo Center and includes horse-judging contests and educational lectures.

Stand on the sidelines to cheer thousands of runners in the **Columbus Marathon** in October. Ranked as one of the top U.S. marathons, the course is mostly flat with a clover-leaf design, looping through downtown and the surrounding suburbs.

In mid-October, head to Circleville for the **Circleville Pumpkin Show**, which hosts fall exhibits and activities centered around pumpkins.

Wildlights, held mid-November through New Year's in Powell, includes musical performances, animal exhibits at the **Columbus Zoo and Aquarium**, an ice-skating rink and a display of holiday lights. The year ends with **First Night Columbus**, a community-wide event featuring dancing, music and fun in downtown.

Sports & Rec

Columbus does not lack sports enthusiasts. **The Ohio State University football** commands the attention of the



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city on autumn Saturdays; tailgate parties, Buckeye banners and 100,000 fervent fans color horseshoe-shaped **Ohio Stadium** scarlet and gray with excitement. Ohio State also fields competitive **basketball** and **ice hockey** teams. For information contact the OSU ticket office in the Jerome Schottenstein Center at 555 Borror Dr.; phone (614) 292-2624 or (800) 462-8257.

The **Columbus Blue Jackets**, (614) 246-7825, play NHL **hockey** at the **Nationwide Arena** at 200 W. Nationwide Blvd. Two hours before each match, 250 \$10 tickets are released to the public at the box office.

The **Columbus Crew**, (614) 447-2739, plays major league **soccer** at the **MAPFRE Stadium** at the Ohio State Expo Center. The **Ohio Machine** plays major league lacrosse at **Panther Stadium** at Ohio Dominican University.

Baseball is also a popular spectator sport in Columbus. The **Columbus Clippers**, the Cleveland Guardians Triple A minor league affiliate, is part of the International League. Games are held downtown at **Huntington Park**; phone (614) 462-5250 or (614) 462-2757 for ticket information.

Horse racing fans have a variety of tracks and styles from which to choose. Harness racing is held May to mid-September at **Eldorado Scioto Downs**, (614) 295-4700, 6000 S. High St. The biggest pacing event of the year, the **Little Brown Jug**, is held the third Thursday after Labor Day at the **Delaware County Fairgrounds**.

Note: Policies vary concerning admittance of children to pari-mutuel betting facilities. Phone for information.

For racing fans who demand more horsepower, **stock car racing** is held Saturday nights at 7 p.m. during the summer at the **Columbus Motor Speedway**, (614) 491-1047, at 1845 Williams Rd. **Drag racing** excitement revs engines May through October at **National Trail Raceway**, 2650 National Rd. S.W. in nearby Hebron; phone (740) 928-5706.

Columbus offers an abundance of public **golf** courses, including **Blacklick Woods**, (614) 861-3193, 7309 E. Livingston Ave. in Reynoldsburg; **Raymond Memorial**, (614) 645-3276, 3860 Trabue Rd.; and **Thorn Apple Country Club**, (614) 878-7703, 1051 Alton Darby Creek Rd. in Galloway.

The Memorial Tournament, a 4-day professional golf competition, is held at the end of May or early June at **Muirfield Village**, a course in Dublin designed by Columbus native Jack Nicklaus; phone (614) 889-6712.

Columbus operates an extensive park system with miles of trails for **bicyclists** and **joggers**. One of the most scenic routes takes bicyclists 8 miles along the Olentangy

River. Columbus hosts the Columbus Marathon in October and other long-distance running events throughout the year.

The **Scioto Mile**, running along the riverfront between the Arena District and the Whittier Peninsula, offers more than 145 acres of park space. Visitors can walk along the promenade for great views. There also are fountains, gardens, swings and benches.

Tennis courts are abundant in Columbus, with more than 140 run by the city and numerous others at local colleges and high schools. Phone Columbus' Department of Recreation and Parks at (614) 645-3300 for details.

Despite its moderate climate, Columbus is within about an hour's drive of several popular **skiing** areas. **Snow Trails**, (419) 774-9818, is 60 miles northeast near Mansfield and is considered to be Ohio's first ski area. **Mad River Mountain**, (937) 599-1015, or (800) 231-7669 outside Ohio, about 40 miles northwest in Zanesfield, is a large resort with night skiing. *See individual place listings.*

Performing Arts

The **Columbus Association for the Performing Arts**, (614) 469-1045, brings to the area productions that include well-known musical performers and plays. Professional theater and Broadway shows visit area stages on a regular basis; **PNC Broadway in Columbus** performs at the **Ohio Theatre** and **Palace Theatre**; phone (800) 294-1892.

Jazz is prevalent in Columbus, with the **Jazz Arts Group's Columbus Jazz Orchestra** playing the familiar Big Band sounds of Count Basie, Louis Armstrong and Woody Herman; phone (614) 294-5200. The 17-piece big band plays a subscription series at the **Southern Theatre**, 21 E. Main St.; phone (614) 469-0939 for tickets. The **ProMusica Chamber Orchestra** also offers concert series at the Southern Theatre; phone (614) 464-0066. Aspiring musicians comprise **The Ohio State University Jazz Ensemble**, which performs on campus.

The **Columbus Symphony Orchestra** plays a regular 9-month concert season in the opulent Ohio Theatre, directly across from the Ohio Statehouse (*see attraction listing p. 222*). The venue is decorated with plaster ceilings, brocaded paneling, gold leaf trim and a chandelier in the grand foyer; phone (614) 469-0939. The symphony also presents pops and chamber music concerts as well as youth concerts. Popular in the summer is Picnic with the Pops, an outdoor concert at the Columbus Commons downtown.

Opera Columbus presents several major opera productions throughout the year; phone (614) 461-8101 for



information or (614) 469-0939 for tickets. **BalletMet**, (614) 229-4848, produces classical and contemporary works.

Community groups also provide a full schedule. **Gallery Players** at the **Jewish Community Center** offers productions, including musicals; phone (614) 231-2731 for tickets. **Contemporary American Theater Company (CATCo)** performs in the **Riffe Center**, 77 S. High St.; phone (614) 469-0939 for tickets. Grove City's **Little Theatre Off Broadway** performs comedies, dramas and musicals; phone (614) 875-3919. **Short North Stage** performs in the **1920 Garden Theater**, 1187 N. High St.; phone (614) 725-4042. **Available Light Theatre** is at 77 S. High St.; phone (614) 558-7408.

Shadowbox Live, 503 S. Front St., presents a schedule of performances blending seemingly unrelated forms of entertainment like sketch comedy, live rock and roll and new media; phone (614) 416-7625.



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BILLY IRELAND CARTOON LIBRARY & MUSEUM is at 1813 N. High St. in Sullivant Hall on The Ohio State University campus. The museum features changing exhibits of artwork and artifacts related to the field of comics and cartoons, and the library contains newspapers, comic strips, cartoons, books and serials. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (614) 292-0538.

COLUMBUS MUSEUM OF ART, 480 E. Broad St., houses art that speaks to diverse interests and styles. The collection includes late 19th- and early 20th-century American and European modern art. The museum also features extraordinary photography and regional collections, where local artists George Bellows, Elijah Pierce and Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson are represented. In addition, you will see contemporary art, folk art and glass. The new Margaret M. Walter Wing presents traveling exhibitions, and the Patricia M. Jurgensen Sculpture Garden is on the grounds.

Phone: (614) 221-6801.  



COLUMBUS ZOO AND AQUARIUM—See Powell p. 306.



COSI COLUMBUS is off I-70W exit 100B, or I-70E exit 97, following signs to 333 W. Broad St. The dynamic hands-on science center features more than 300 interactive exhibits, and live shows are presented

throughout the themed exhibition areas. Exhibits are designed to teach science to all age levels through play. Some of the science concepts covered include the ocean, outer space, energy, engineering and health.

Daring types will want to ride the high-wire unicycle several stories aboveground across the atrium, a gravity-defying feat that provides a thrill for all visitors. Future doctors may unravel the mysteries of the human body in the Life exhibit, which covers such subjects as exercise, diseases and bones. At Labs in Life, visitors may see researchers using state-of-the-art diagnostic equipment to conduct various studies.

In the Progress exhibit, stroll down the same street as it appeared in 1898 and then in 1962 and see how everyday life changed drastically due to technological advancements. In 1898, exhibits include farm implements, telegraph equipment and a horse-drawn buggy. In 1962, faux storefronts display toys and drugstore products; behind another window, a deejay plays vinyl records at a radio station; and a gas station highlights a gleaming vintage automobile.

Submerge yourself into the world of underwater technology such as sonar and submarines in the Ocean exhibit. Little ones can enter a submersible for a glimpse of underwater life. Explore the concepts of water flow and water bells, and control waves in a tank filled with 1,000 pounds of H₂O. In the Space exhibit, aspiring astronauts may control a robot on Mars using a robotic rover, pilot a space capsule and learn about gravity and the laws of motion.

In the Gadgets Café, future engineers and scientists can discover the inner workings of machinery through dissecting computers and CD drives, or try their hand at splitting a laser beam or building a bridge. At Big Science Park, kids will feel like superheroes as they lift a car using a lever or move a 2.5-ton granite sphere. There also is a special area for babies up to youngsters in first grade.

Movies are shown on a digital screen in the National Geographic Giant Screen Theater. Live shows include Chemistry LIVE!, Gadgets LIVE!, rat basketball and an electrostatic generator show. The COSI Planetarium features state-of-the-art digital technology that offers a glimpse of the universe through several different experience options.

Courtesy strollers and wheelchairs are available. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (614) 228-2674, (888) 819-2674 or TTY (614) 228-1445. 



FRANKLIN PARK CONSERVATORY AND BOTANICAL GARDENS is in Franklin Park at 1777 E. Broad St. The site includes the John F. Wolfe Palm



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House, built in 1895 and designed in the style of the Glass Palace at Chicago's World Fair and Columbian Exposition in 1893. Several modern glasshouses are interconnected. Visitors can view more than 400 plant varieties as they travel through simulated habitats of the world, including a tropical rain forest, the Himalayan Mountains, an arid desert and a Pacific Island water garden.

The conservatory also has a bonsai collection, a bride's garden, a 4-acre community garden campus, a 1-mile walking loop and sculptures.

The John F. Wolfe Palm House holds more than 40 species of palms (some are endangered species) and tropical flowers. Light artist James Turrell has dressed up the Palm House with his permanent installation of 7,000 LED bulbs that glow through a changing program each evening from sunset until dawn. Visitors can watch the free show from the Grand Mallway, a large outdoor botanical garden to the west of the Palm House.

Multiple installations from the conservatory's signature collection of Dale Chihuly glass artwork are on long-term display; it's reputedly the only botanical garden in the world to own such a large collection—about 3,000 pieces—by the artist. His glassworks are creatively placed in unexpected places throughout the gardens. Some pieces, tall and spear-shaped in brilliant reds, purples and greens, are interspersed in the foliage and look like they sprouted from the ground.


During the Blooms & Butterflies exhibition, held early March to mid-September, visitors can observe as newly hatched butterflies are released daily, adding splashes of color to the emerald foliage of the Pacific Island Water Garden. The conservatory's holiday exhibition, Merry & Bright, is held from mid-November through early January. Orchids are displayed from mid-January to early March. Glassblowing demonstrations are offered April through December.

Courtesy wheelchairs are available. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (614) 715-8000 or (800) 214-7275.



JACK NICKLAUS MUSEUM is on The Ohio State University campus between Ackerman Rd. and Lane Ave. at 2355 Olentangy River Rd. The facility includes three theaters, vintage media footage and memorabilia tracing the life and career of the Columbus-born golfer. Among the more than 2,000 pieces on display are his six Masters trophies. Artifacts detail the history of golf from the 1400s to the present. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (614) 247-5959.

KELTON HOUSE MUSEUM & GARDEN, 586 E. Town St., is a restored 19th-century brick house that reflects Greek Revival and Italianate architectural styles. Most of the furnishings are original and offer insight into the prominent upper-class family who lived here. The house also was a station on the Underground Railroad where escaped slaves from the South were sheltered on their journeys to Canada; an exhibit in the basement offers details about this part of the house's history. The Victorian garden features statuary.

Time: Allow 1 hour, 15 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (614) 464-2022 or (614) 464-2045. 



OHIO HISTORY CENTER, off I-71 exit 111 at 800 E. 17th Ave., houses the Ohio History Connection's administrative offices, the state history museum, a historical research library and the state archives. Exhibits at the 271,000-square-foot museum include items related to Ohio's archeological, agricultural, industrial, social and natural history. Galleries feature the state's plants, animals, geology, geography and climate plus a history timeline stretching from the Ice Age through modern times. Touring exhibits also are featured.

Open since 1970, the center is designed in the mid-20th-century-modern Brutalist style and resembles a huge, concrete box floating in the air. As visitors enter the museum, a massive, life-size skeleton of the Conway mastodon welcomes them.

A large portion of the museum chronicles Ohio's role in wars in which the United States took part, from the War of 1812 through World War II, with an emphasis on the Civil War. Displays contain weapons, medical equipment, and uniforms and civilian clothing worn by men, women and children. Restored but well-worn Civil War battle flags are paired with narratives written by soldiers who survived the war. This 15,000-square-foot gallery also provides details about Ohio's progress in agriculture and industry with a collection of more than 5,000 artifacts, including newsreels from the 1920s and vintage 20th-century automobiles.

Ohio's Ancient Past delves into the history of the First Ohioans through displays of arrowheads, pottery, beads and animal effigy pipes. Visitors are invited to handle some of the pieces used regularly by the Native Americans.

Kids can fire up their imaginations through the museum's hands-on activities, such as using computers to learn about Ohio's natural history. A replica of a log cabin with a pioneer kitchen allows children to play dress-up with pioneer clothes and make yarn on a spinning wheel.



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Ohio's natural history is preserved through a display of mounted animals which includes such specimens as a bear, wolf, cougar, bison, ivory-billed woodpecker and the world's last documented passenger pigeon. Other exhibits devoted to natural history explore Ohio's plant life, geology, geography and climate.

Time: Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (614) 297-2300 for the museum or (800) 686-6124.

OHIO STATEHOUSE is at Broad and High sts. at 1 Capitol Square; tours depart from the Map Room on the ground floor. Considered to be one of the best examples of Greek Revival architecture in the United States, the 1861 building contains historical documents, portraits and other works commemorating Ohio's noted governors and

U.S. presidents. A stained-glass Great Seal of Ohio is in the center of the rotunda dome.

The Ohio Statehouse Museum on the ground floor features a variety of interactive exhibits related to state government and history. The Ohio Holocaust and Liberators Memorial stands on the grounds. **Phone:** (614) 752-9777 or (888) 644-6123. **GT**

ZOOMBEZI BAY—see Powell p. 307.

Sightseeing

An excellent vantage point from which to view the city is the 40th-floor observation deck of the Rhodes State Office Tower. The building, Columbus' tallest structure, also can be toured. Phone (614) 466-7361 for more information.

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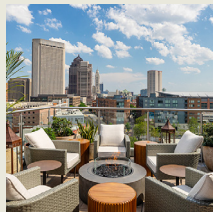
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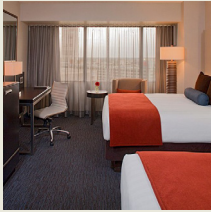


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Boutique Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 810 N High St 43215. **Facility:** If you favor Harris tweed suits, you're probably not going to like this hotel. It offers a self-consciously modern lodging concept including small rooms with a minimalist décor and limited seating. 116 units, some two bedrooms. 5 stories, interior corridors. **Bath:** shower only. **Parking:** street only. **Activities:** exercise room.

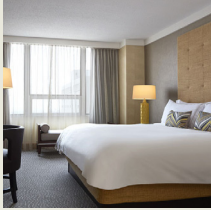


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Historic Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 36 E Gay St 43215. **Facility:** The hotel, set in a former bank building built in 1927, has a massive lobby with marble floor and soaring coffered ceiling. The lobby also has a bourbon bar. The breakfast bar is inside the old vault. 126 units, some two bedrooms, efficiencies and kitchens. 15 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** valet only. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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SAVE Classic Historic Hotel. **Address:** 310 S High St 43215.

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 Hotel. **Address:** 9100 Lyra Dr 43240. **Location:** Located near Cabela's.
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 Hotel. **Address:** 8400 Lyra Dr 43240. **Location:** Opposite Polaris Fashion Place Mall. **Facility:** 93 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room.
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Hotel. **Address:** 8805 Orion PI 43240.



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Hotel. Address: 2886 Airport Dr 43219. **Facility:** 198 units. 7 stories, interior corridors. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub, exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry, area transportation.



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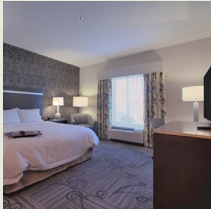


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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 5625 Trabue Rd 43228.



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Hotel. **Address:** 4280 International Gateway 43219. **Facility:** 129 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Pool:** heated outdoor.

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Hotel. **Address:** 4265 Sawyer Rd 43219. **Facility:** 156 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 633 W 5th Ave 43201. **Facility:** 152 units, some efficiencies. 5 stories, interior corridors. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** bicycles, trails, exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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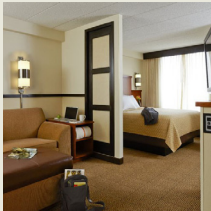


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Hotel. **Address:** 2006 Polaris Pkwy 43240. **Facility:** 112 units. 5 stories, interior corridors. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



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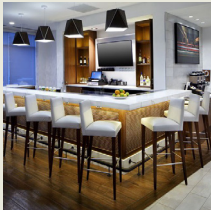


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The first survey party of the Western Reserve Region reached Conneaut Harbor on July 4, 1796. As settlers arrived, the town adopted the name the Native Americans had given to the nearby river, Conneaut. The word is believed to have come from the Seneca Indians, but there have been several translations and it remains a name of disputed meaning. The body of water is now known as Conneaut Creek State Wild And Scenic River and is a good location for steelhead trout fishing.

The development of industry along Lake Erie's harbor made the town a busy port, with shipments running into millions of tons annually. Visitors can look down and watch the dock activities from the viewing area on Day Street, near Harbor Street.

To see the more recreational side of the lake as well as a good view of the lighthouse, follow Broad Street north to the Conneaut Port Authority. You can drive around the


marina and stroll along the walkways; there is ample parking. Boat ramps are open daily May through October. Fishing right off the public dock might yield perch and walleye catches, and ice fishing is possible during winter. Nature trails and a bird observatory have been added to the sandbar that has developed.

Another good spot for lake and lighthouse viewing is nearby Conneaut Township Park, at the junction of Lake Road (SR 531) and Grove Street—both from the bluffs and on the public beach. Stairs lead from the bluff area down to the beach, which is about a half-mile long. There are no lifeguards; use extreme caution in the water due to known undertows. Other park amenities include picnic tables; grills; exercise walkways; boardwalks providing access to the water's edge; and various sports fields and courts, including two bocce courts. Each Thursday night during summer (6-9 p.m., generally the third week in May through September) an antique car show is held here. The number of cars varies, but occasionally it has



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reached upwards of 100. The park is also the site of the annual  D-Day Conneaut, usually held in mid- or late August. History buffs meet to re-create the Allied troops' June 6, 1944, amphibious landing during World War II in Normandy, France.

Other amenities include summer cottages and a golf course as well as covered bridges on Creek, Middle and State roads. The Conneaut Area Historical Society features local history displays and is open Fri.-Sun. noon to 5 from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Just across the railroad tracks is the Conneaut Historical Railroad Museum.

The Conneaut Arts Center—just above the harbor at 1025 Buffalo St.—offers monthly art exhibits and special events throughout the year, including free concerts on the lawn Wednesday evenings in July. Lake Erie can be seen in the distance. The building was originally known as Kilpi Hall, built in 1899 as a Finnish meeting hall; phone (440) 593-5888.

Conneaut Area Chamber of Commerce: 235 Main St., Conneaut, OH 44030. **Phone:** (440) 593-2402.

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Coshocton County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 432 N. Whitewoman St., Coshocton, OH 43812. **Phone:** (740) 622-4877 or (800) 338-4724.



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CUMBERLAND






THE WILDS entrance is s. off SR 146 between Chandlersville and Cumberland at 14000 International Rd. Situated on nearly 10,000 acres, this wildlife conservation center provides habitat for rare and endangered species from around the world. Interpretive guides offer narrated safari rides through the open range; they describe the animals and the conservation work the staff is performing here. Animal sightings often include camels, cheetahs, giraffes and rhinos as well as a variety of indigenous species like trumpeter swans and bison.

The grounds include a bird-watching station and a walking trail through a 10-acre butterfly habitat. Sunset




ROSCOE VILLAGE is at 600 N. Whitewoman St. The restored 1830s Ohio & Erie Canal town has living-history buildings, a museum, restaurants and quaint shops. The Living History Tour features costumed interpreters. Adjacent to the property are the mile-long foot and bicycle Towpath trail and Lake Park, a recreational complex. Horse-drawn canal boat rides are offered at the Canal Boat Landing.

The visitor center includes a lock model and a gristmill model as well as dioramas depicting the construction of the canal. The center's theater shows the 15-minute "Ditches of Destiny" video. Annual festivals and special events are held throughout the year.

Phone: (740) 622-7644 or (800) 877-1830.   

Johnson-Humrickhouse Museum is at 300 N. Whitewoman St. at Roscoe Village. Displays contain Native American, European and Asian art as well as changing exhibits. Basketry, pottery, prehistoric tools, lacquerware, Samurai swords, weaponry, early American tools and firearms, Coshocton advertising art and the controversial Newark Holy Stones also are included. **Phone:** (740) 622-8710.

Monticello III is .5 mi. n. of Roscoe Village on SR 83. Visitors are taken on 40-minute horse-drawn canal boat rides. **Phone:** (740) 622-7528. 

safari rides, zipline tours, horseback riding and fishing safaris also are available by reservation.

Time: Allow 2 hours, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (740) 638-5030.   


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Blossom Music Center, within the boundaries of Cuyahoga Valley National Park (*see place attraction listing p. 241*), is at 1145 W. Steels Corner Rd. and is the summer home of the Cleveland Orchestra. In July Blossom Music



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Center hosts  A Salute to America, featuring orchestral concerts of patriotic music, cannons and fireworks. The pavilion, in an 800-acre woodland, has perfect acoustics and unobstructed views. It seats more than 6,000 people under cover and an additional 13,500 on the lawns. Performers range from symphony orchestras to rock groups. Concerts take place May through September; phone (330)

920-8040. For Cleveland Orchestra information phone the Severance Hall ticket office at (216) 231-1111 or (800) 686-1141.

Blossom Music Center is also home to Porthouse Theatre, which is affiliated with Kent State University. Professional summer theater takes place within the 500-seat outdoor covered pavilion; phone (330) 672-3884.

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CUYAHOGA VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

Between Cleveland and Akron, Cuyahoga Valley National Park encompasses 33,000 acres of valley along a 22-mile section of the Cuyahoga River. The area is characterized by a river flood plain, streams, creeks, forested valleys and upland plateaus. It offers picnicking, hiking, bicycle trails, horse trails, winter sports, ranger-guided programs and an excursion railroad. Special events are held throughout the year.

The reconstructed Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail runs the length of the park and parallels remnants of the Ohio & Erie Canal and the twisting Cuyahoga River. Many historical structures, canal locks and wayside exhibits highlighting the history of the Cuyahoga Valley can be seen along the trail.

The 65-foot Brandywine Falls, on Brandywine Road in Sagamore Hills, is set amid red maple trees and is one of many spectacular natural features in the park. This popular site has a boardwalk leading into the waterfall's gorge, allowing for close-up looks. Tinkers Creek Gorge and the Ritchie Ledges are additional natural features where there are overlooks for sightseeing. A beautiful man-made structure can be found in the Everett Road Covered Bridge in Peninsula. This 1980s reconstruction of the late 19th-century one that used to occupy the site is about a half-mile west of Riverview Road.

Beaver Marsh, on Riverview Road in Cuyahoga Falls, is a good destination for wildlife viewing. You can park at Ira Trailhead and walk the Towpath Trail north to the boardwalk, where you might see beavers, otters, birds, frogs, muskrats and turtles.

The national park has one main visitor center and one canal-themed attraction (*see attraction listings*). The

Boston Store Visitor Center is at 1550 Boston Mills Rd., east of Riverview Road, in Peninsula. It offers a comprehensive overview of the national park and offers park planning. The Canal Exploration Center is in the northern tip of the park at 7104 Canal Rd. at jct. Hillside Road in Valley View. It features interactive and in-depth exhibits focused on canal history.

The Winter Sports Center, located within Kendall Lake Shelter on Truxell/Kendall Park Rd. between Akron Cleveland and Akron Peninsula roads in Peninsula, offers ski and snowshoe instruction programs and cross-country ski and snowshoe rentals on a first-come, first-served basis (weather permitting). Boston Mills Ski Resort in Peninsula as well as Brandywine Ski Resort and Polar Blast snow tubing park in Sagamore Hills offer additional winter fun. Special events, including lectures and concerts, are held at Happy Days Lodge, 1 mile west of SR 8 at 500 W. Streetsboro Rd. (SR 303) in Peninsula.

The park and Towpath Trail are open daily 24 hours except for Brandywine Falls, the Ledges, the Octagon shelter, Kendall Lake, the Kendall Hill area on Quick Road and the Happy Days south parking area, which are open dawn-dusk. Hours vary at Kendall Lake Winter Sports Center; phone ahead. Flooding after heavy rains may cause some sections of the park to close. Some areas may be closed part of the year to protect nesting bald eagles. Phone Boston Store Visitor Center at (330) 657-2752 to confirm hours of operations for park facilities.

ADMISSION to the park is free.

PETS must be restricted at all times, either in vehicles or by leash (no longer than 6 feet), and are not allowed in public buildings or on the train. Pet owners must clean up and dispose of pet waste and should not leave pets unattended in vehicles. Service animals are permitted in all areas of the park.



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ADDRESS inquiries to the Superintendent, Cuyahoga Valley National Park, 15610 Vaughn Rd., Brecksville, OH 44141; phone (330) 657-2752 for information. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

BOSTON STORE VISITOR CENTER is just e. of River-view Rd. at 1550 Boston Mills Rd. in Peninsula. The circa 1836 Boston Store is the main visitor center for Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Interactive canal boatbuilding exhibits occupy the space that once served as a warehouse, a post office and the Boston Land and Manufacturing Company Store. The building features canal maps, tools, photographs, building diagrams and a cross-section of a canal boat made by a Hale Farm woodworker. **Phone:** (330) 657-2752.

CANAL EXPLORATION CENTER is 1.5 mi. s. of Rock-side Rd. at 7104 Canal Rd. at jct. Hillside Rd. in Valley View. Once used as a tavern, a general store and a residence, it now is a newly revised center offering exhibits, some of which are interactive, about the Ohio & Erie Canal. The exhibits connect topics relating to progress in the canal era that are relevant today: immigration, transportation and a free market economy. The general store sells a selection of goods reminiscent of the canal era.

Phone: (216) 524-1497.

CUYAHOGA VALLEY SCENIC RAILROAD—see Independence p. 268.



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Dayton is at the confluence of three rivers and two creeks that drain the upper portion of the rich Miami Valley. The site was first surveyed in November 1795, and the following spring three small groups of settlers named the new settlement in honor of Gen. Jonathan Dayton. Today Dayton is home to more than 830 high-technology companies.

Many original buildings still stand in one of the city's first communities, now known as the Oregon Historic District. This 12-block area is bordered by E. 5th Street, Wayne Avenue, US 35 and S. Patterson Boulevard.

Dayton was the home of the Wright brothers. Both are buried at Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum, 118 Woodland Ave.

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base (*see Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park attraction listings*), contiguous to Dayton and Fairborn, is headquarters of the Air

Force Material Command, the acquisition, procurement, maintenance, transportation and supply agency for the U.S. Air Force. It also is the home of the Air Force Institute of Technology, the service's graduate school for engineers.

Courthouse Square, at 3rd and Main streets, is the center of downtown and the site of many events such as concerts and impromptu entertainment. At 130 Riverside Dr. is the Ohio Korean War Memorial and Veterans Walkway.

Dayton is the home of 17,000-student Wright State University as well as the University of Dayton. The Cincinnati Reds' Class A minor league team, the Dayton Dragons, play at Fifth Third Field.

Downtown Dayton features RiverScape MetroPark, an attractively landscaped park with gardens and reflecting pools. A host of activities such as free summer concerts, fitness programs, community festivals and family walks take place in the park. Bicycles and kayaks can be rented as well. In winter visitors can skate on an outdoor ice-skating rink, enjoy festive light displays and partake in other family activities.

Additional opportunities in the area include bicycling and hiking on the more than 330 paved miles of Miami Valley Bikeways. For information about local parks contact Five Rivers MetroParks at (937) 275-7275. *See Recreation Areas Chart for more details about RiverScape and other Dayton parks.*

Dayton and Montgomery County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 1 Chamber Plaza, Suite A, Dayton, OH 45402-2400. **Phone:** (937) 226-8211 or (800) 221-8235.

The visitor center is in the Dayton Convention Center at jct. 5th and Main sts.

Shopping: At the intersection of E. Second and Webster streets is the National City 2nd Street Market, which operates out of an early 20th-century building that once was a railroad freight warehouse. Vendors sell a large variety of items, including baked goods, produce, meat, flowers and handmade and imported goods. The market is open Thurs.-Fri. 11-3 and Sat. 8-3; closed Jan. 1, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

SAVE BOONSHOFT MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY is off I-75 exit 57B, w. on Wagner Ford Rd., .2 mi. n. on N. Dixie Dr., .5 mi. w. on E. Siebenthaler Ave. then .7 mi. s. to 2600 DeWeese Pkwy., following signs. Permanent and changing interactive exhibits as well as science shows explore the processes of the natural world and of physical science. Inspiring curiosity and wonder are hands-on labs and fiery demonstrations in Science Central and dynamic images of the Earth and space in Science on a Sphere




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and the Hall of the Universe. Search the stars in the Caryl D. Philips Space Theater and meet live animals in the Discovery Zoo.

Time: Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (937) 275-7431.

CARRIAGE HILL METROPARK—see Huber Heights p. 267.


 **THE CITIZENS MOTORCAR CO., AMERICA'S PACKARD MUSEUM** is at 420 S. Ludlow St. The museum is housed in the original Packard dealership building built for Dayton in 1917. Approximately 50 Packard automobiles dating 1903-58 are displayed. Other exhibits include Packard marine and aircraft engines, items from the Detroit Packard factory, and dealership and salesman memorabilia.



Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (937) 226-1710.

 **DAYTON ART INSTITUTE** is at 456 Belmonte Park N. African, American, Ancient, Asian, European, Native American, Oceanic and Pre-Columbian art galleries as well as a glass gallery are housed in a 1930 Italian Renaissance building. Works include paintings, prints, drawings and photography; the collection also features furniture and decorative art. Several outdoor sculptures are on the grounds. The Experientcenter, a participatory family center, presents thematic shows and exhibits.



Temporary exhibits and special events are held throughout the year. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (937) 223-4278.  

DAYTON AVIATION HERITAGE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK contains five geographically separate sites. The park was established to honor Wilbur and Orville Wright and Paul Laurence Dunbar. The five sites to visit are Carillon Historical Park, Huffman Prairie Flying Field and Interpretive Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base (also the site of the Wright Brothers Memorial), Paul Laurence Dunbar House, and The Wright Cycle Co. Complex (see *attraction listings*). Tours of Hawthorn Hill, home to Orville Wright for nearly 35 years, are available by appointment.

Phone: (937) 225-7705, (937) 425-0008, or (937) 293-2841 for Hawthorn Hill appointments. 

  **Carillon Historical Park**, at 1000 Carillon Blvd., is part of the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park. The 30 structures on the 65-acre campus relate America's development over the past 2 centuries, with emphasis on the contributions made by Dayton's heritage of creativity and invention in transportation. A presentation features animatronic figures representing the Wright brothers, Charles Kettering and two


other Dayton industrialists sharing the story of how Dayton changed the world.

The John W. Berry, Sr. Wright Brothers National Museum displays the original 1905 *Wright Flyer III*, the first practical airplane. Other displays include a 1930s print shop, vintage bicycles, antique automobiles and a 1903 Barney & Smith parlor car. The attraction is also home to the Deeds Carillon, a carousel, a restored canal lock and a 1796 log tavern, purportedly the oldest building in Dayton. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (937) 293-2841.  


Huffman Prairie Flying Field and Interpretive Center is 5 mi. n. on SR 4 to SR 444, then e. on Kauffman Rd. to 2380 Memorial Rd., adjacent to Gate 16B on Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. The flying field, part of the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park, was used by the Wright brothers for test flying and crafting their airplanes and piloting skills. Tests were conducted in 1904-05, and in 1910 the brothers established a school of flight on the site. The Interpretive Center contains exhibits about the Air Force Base and the brothers' perfection of flight.

Adjacent to the interpretive center is the Wright Brothers Memorial, erected in 1940. The 27-acre site overlooks Huffman Prairie Flying Field. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (937) 425-0008.

Paul Laurence Dunbar House is at 219 N. Paul Laurence Dunbar St. and is part of the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park. The restored former home of the poet, novelist and civil rights advocate contains many of his personal belongings dating from the late 19th- and early 20th centuries.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (937) 224-7061 or (937) 225-7705. 

The Wright Cycle Co. Complex is at 16 S. Williams St. and is part of the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park. The complex consists of The Wright Cycle Co. building and the Wright-Dunbar Interpretive Center. At the original bicycle shop, their fourth of five shops in the area, exhibits provide information about the Wright Brothers' business, while the interpretive center details the history of bicycles and the Wright brothers' invention of the airplane. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (937) 225-7705.

 **NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE** is off Springfield Pike at Wright Field on Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Said to be the oldest and largest military aviation museum in the world, it features more than 400 aerospace vehicles and missiles





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along with thousands of personal artifacts, photographs and documents. The museum showcases the early days of military flight to today's war on terrorism.

The collection includes the B-29 Bockscar that dropped the atomic bomb on Nagasaki, Japan, during World War II; Air Force One used by all presidents from Kennedy through Clinton; a B-2 stealth bomber; and NASA's first Crew Compartment Trainer, which aided in astronaut


training. Visitors will find out how astronauts trained for their missions and get a detailed look at what their living quarters were like aboard the shuttle. Movies are shown in a digital 3-D theater, and special events are held throughout the year.

Time: Allow 4 hours minimum. **Phone:** (937) 255-3286, or (937) 253-4629 for the theater.  

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


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Gen. Anthony Wayne chose a location in the Maumee Valley for Fort Defiance, which he built in 1794. The site of the fort is marked by plaques and stones in the Defiance city park. Old earthworks are visible. Other marked historic sites in Defiance include Fort Winchester, built in 1812 by

Gen. William Henry Harrison; the 1650 French Mission in Kingsbury Park; the 1811-28 Johnny Appleseed Nursery; and the birthplace of Ottawa Indian Chief Pontiac.

Defiance Development and Visitors Bureau: 325 Clinton St., Defiance, OH 43512. **Phone:** (419) 782-0739.

Shopping: Northtowne Mall, at 1500 N. Clinton St., features Marshalls.



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DELAWARE

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Founded in 1808, Delaware is the birthplace of President Rutherford B. Hayes. Born in 1822, he served as governor of Ohio three times and was a member of the House of Representatives before being elected president in 1877.

Delaware County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 34 S. Sandusky St., Delaware, OH 43015. **Phone:** (740) 368-4748 or (888) 335-6446.

Self-guiding tours: Brochures describing notable downtown structures are available from the visitors bureau and the Delaware County Historical Society, 157 E. William St.; phone (740) 369-3831.

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Motel. **Address:** 259 S Sandusky St 43015.

DENNISON



DENNISON RAILROAD DEPOT MUSEUM is at 400 Center St. This 1873 railroad depot was a popular stop for servicemen during World War II who nicknamed it “Dreamsville” because of the exemplary service they received. Volunteers and the Salvation Army gave free food and comfort to more than 1.5 million soldiers passing through the depot.

Five railroad cars are on the grounds, including a World War II hospital car. Railroad memorabilia, uniforms, photographs and World War II relics are displayed. A theater presents a film about the depot’s role from 1941-45, and an interactive children’s railroad car is available.

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THE ERNEST WARTHER MUSEUM & GARDENS, .5 mi. e. of I-77 exit 83 at 331 Karl Ave., showcases 64 ebony, ivory and walnut train carvings created by “world master carver” Ernest “Mooney” Warther. A highlight is the Tree of Pliers—more than 500 interconnecting pairs of working pliers carved out of a solid piece

of walnut. Also included are carvings depicting Abraham Lincoln’s life and death and an arrowhead collection.

Visitors can stroll through Mrs. Warther’s Swiss-style gardens in the 8-acre park surrounding the original home. Her button collection, numbering more than 73,000 pieces, is also displayed. **Time:** Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (330) 505-6003. **GT**



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DUBLIN

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The bonny city of Dublin was originally settled by a German family in 1801, who were assisted in surveying the town by Irishman John Shields. To show their appreciation, they allowed Shields to name the area. In accepting, he said: “If I have the honor conferred upon me to name your village, with the brightness of the morn, and the beaming of the sun on the hills and dales surrounding this beautiful valley, it would give me great pleasure to name your new town after my birthplace, Dublin, Ireland.”


The settlement began to flourish in 1833, when the National Road reached Columbus and canals were completed. However, when the Columbus, Piqua and Indiana Railroad bypassed Dublin its heydays ended and it became just a trade center for the nearby farmers. Prosperity once more came in 1970 when the I-70 bypass, I-270, linked Dublin with Columbus, and the transformation from a village of 861 residents into a city began.

Today, low limestone fences form a border between emerald-green lawns and local roads in this quaint Columbus suburb. Historic Dublin, on North and South High Street and South Riverview Street roughly between Bridge Street and Waterford Drive/Short Street, contains examples of 19th-century architecture on a streetscape as well-scrubbed as a Hollywood movie set. Fronted by brick sidewalks, the same 19th-century buildings now house lovely shops, galleries, pubs and cafés. Have the barkeep pour you an Irish whiskey or choose from a list of more than 60 imports, crafts and microbrews at Brazenhead Irish Pub, 56 N. High St.; the pub is named after Ireland’s oldest pub, established in 1198, and its owners have faithfully created a near-perfect Irish pub experience, down to the drawing room fireplace and the bar itself. At Ha’Penny

Bridge Imports, 75 S. High St., experience shopping in Ireland without the expensive airfare and peruse the historic home’s collection of Galway Irish crystal, fine jewelry, wool sweaters, and other fine imported goods from the motherland.

Have fun outdoors courtesy of the city’s 1,500 acres of parkland and the town’s proximity to the Scioto River. Ninety-six miles of bike trails connect 56 parks that feature hardwood forests and wetlands. Area parks feature playgrounds, basketball and tennis courts, and fishing ponds. Check out the fishing pier and pond, sensory garden and restored log cabin at the M.L. Red Trabue Nature Reserve, 6500 Post Rd. Test your disc-tossing skills at a 9-hole disc golf course across from Balgriffin Park, 5715 Norn St. Phone (614) 410-4400 for further park information.

Dublin’s parks also are home to outdoor art installations. A 12-foot-tall sculpture of Wyandot Native American “Chief Leatherlips,” made of stacks of native limestone, resides at Scioto Park; in the whimsical “Field of Corn (with Osage Orange Trees),” 109 gigantic ears of corn stand at attention in Sam and Eulalia Frantz Park.

Although their ancestry may not be entirely Irish, Dublin townspeople embrace the folklore of its namesake city. That includes hosting several Celtic-themed events each year. The 3-day  Dublin Irish Festival is held in late July or early August at Coffman Park and has drawn more than 100,000 guests. The celebration showcases Irish culture with an assortment of entertainment and activities, including Irish storytelling, sporting events, musical performances, professional genealogy services and craft workshops; even the town’s fire hydrants are painted green.

Do the jig, do a jog at the annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade in mid-March. The event features an Irish breakfast,



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a 5K run through town and a 90-minute parade with Irish dancers and marching bands playing traditional Irish music. The Blarney Bash, featuring live music, food trucks, beer and Irish dancers, begins immediately after the parade and continues into the evening. Venues throughout town also celebrate the day with Irish step dancing, classic Irish cuisine, music by bagpipe and drum corps, activities for wee ones and a pot of gold relay.

The Abbey Theater of Dublin, located in the Dublin Community Recreation Center, 5600 Post Rd., presents children's theater and holiday programs such as "A Christmas Carol." Phone (614) 410-4550 for schedules.

Native Dubliner and pro golfer Jack Nicklaus created The Memorial Tournament, an annual stop on the PGA

tour held in late May or early June at the Nicklaus-designed course at Muirfield Village Golf Club. Tickets are available for practice rounds; phone (614) 889-6712.

Dublin Convention & Visitors Bureau: 9 S. High St., Dublin, OH 43017. **Phone:** (614) 792-7666 or (800) 245-8387.

Self-guiding tours: A map and brochure detailing a tour of Historic Dublin is available from the convention and visitors bureau.

Shopping: The 100 establishments in The Mall at Tuttle Crossing, southeast corner of I-270 and Tuttle Crossing Boulevard, are anchored by JCPenney and Macy's.



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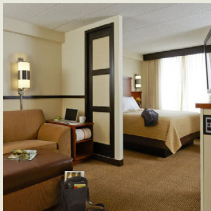
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MARRIOTT

Hotel. **Address:** 4475 Bridge Park Ave 43017. **Facility:** 145 units. 6 stories, interior corridors. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.


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 Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 5155 Upper Metro PI 43017.

EAST LIVERPOOL


Founded in 1798 on the banks of the Ohio River, East Liverpool was once a leading producer of pottery. Surrounded by an area rich in natural clays and coal, the city manufactured about half the nation's pottery until the industry declined in the early 1930s. The city's downtown sits along the route of the Old Lincoln Highway and is near the first survey line for the Northwest Territory.

Hall China Co., on the eastern edge of town on SR 39, offers guided tours by advanced reservation explaining the making of chinaware from raw clay to the finished product; phone (330) 385-2900.

 **MUSEUM OF CERAMICS** is at 400 E. Fifth St. in the renovated 1909 post office building. The Beaux Arts structure features decorated domed ceilings, antique glass pendant lamps, and marble and terrazzo floors. Exhibits trace the rise and decline of the ceramics industry in East Liverpool 1840-1930 and its effects on the town and its people. Since the late 19th century, area potteries in the town have been producing more than half of the nation's ceramic products.

The ceramics collection spans three centuries. The collection features WPA-era paintings and a large display of Victorian Lotus Ware porcelain, which won the gold medal at the 1893 Columbian Exposition in Chicago. A 10-minute video introduces the history of East Liverpool and the pottery industry. Life-size dioramas include a jigger

shop, kiln and a decorating shop while photographs, charts and maps trace local history. Also displayed are an 1850s two-person potter's wheel, murals and paintings from the 1930s and early 1940s, six rare 1900s Craven Art Pottery objects, a 1930s Fiesta Ware tray with Art Deco handle and a 1940s Hall China Donut Teapot.

Guided tours are available with advance notice, depending on staff availability. **Phone:** (330) 386-6001 or (800) 600-7180. 

ELYRIA

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The 1835 Monteith Hall, now home to the Elyria Woman's Club, was built by Rev. John Monteith, an abolitionist who used his home as a station on the Underground Railroad. The basement led to the Black River via a tunnel, and fugitive slaves stayed in the house until safe passage to Lorain and then to Canada could be arranged. The tunnel no longer exists as it was filled in to avoid an impending collapse. Phone (440) 322-0524.

Numerous parks and recreational centers are scattered throughout the community, notably the 195-acre Cascade Park near downtown, with its two 40-foot waterfalls in addition to picnic and playground facilities. Lorain Community College's Stocker Arts Center brings artists and





traveling Broadway shows; phone (440) 366-4040, or (800) 995-5222 ext. 4040 for ticket information.

The 1867 City Hall faces historic Ely Square, which is home to the Elyria Veterans' Memorial and the Civil War Memorial as well as a fountain, gazebo, picnic tables and benches. The fountain is not the original, but one has been on this site since 1851; it operates mid-May to mid-October. During summer there are live music performances and festivals, and it is decorated with a lovely light display during the holiday season.

A library (open by appointment only) at the Lorain County History Center, 284 Washington Ave., offers genealogical information; phone (440) 322-3341.

Author Sherwood Anderson, born in nearby Camden in 1876, lived in Elyria for several years in the early 20th century and supported his family by making and selling roofing products. One of his well-known works is "Winesburg, Ohio." Nearby Lorain was the 1931 birthplace and childhood home of author and Nobel Laureate Toni Morrison.

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 **COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT CLEVELAND ELYRIA** **BOOK NOW** 440/284-3000



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 1795 Lorain Blvd 44036.

ENGLEWOOD
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AULLWOOD GARDEN METROPARK, 955 Aullwood Rd. next to Englewood MetroPark, encompasses 31 acres and is the former home of John and Marie Aull. Marie was one of the Dayton region's most beloved environmental-

ists and naturalists. There are native plants as well as plants they acquired from their many travels abroad. The site features a creek, forest, planted prairie and nature trails. A highlight is a 600-year-old twin sycamore.

Pets are not permitted. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (937) 275-7275.

 DAYS INN BY WYNDHAM ENGLEWOOD DAYTON AIRPORT **BOOK NOW** 937/832-2222



Hotel. **Address:** 20 Rockridge Rd 45322.

FAIRBORN

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Fairborn Area Chamber of Commerce: 12 N. Central Ave., Fairborn, OH 45324. **Phone:** (937) 878-3191.

Shopping: For an old-time shopping experience try Foy's Halloween and Variety Store at 18-20 E. Main St. The variety store has been open since the 1920s and maintains its original ambience. The Halloween store and the costume store at 10 W. Main St. are more recent, and from late September through All Hallows' Eve are joined by

other temporary establishments such as the Haunted Museum and the Glow in the Dark Shop to form the Halloween Mini Mall; look for appropriate decorations on some of the stores downtown. Phone (937) 878-0671 or (800) 642-9686.

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NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE—see Dayton p. 243.

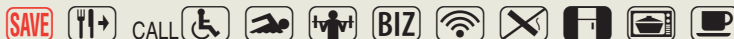
 COUNTRY INN & SUITES BY RADISSON FAIRBORN SOUTH **BOOK NOW** 937/429-2222



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Activities: exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



 HAMPTON INN BY HILTON **BOOK NOW** 937/429-5505



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 2550 Paramount Pl 45324.

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SAVE Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 3813 Colonel Glenn Hwy 45324.



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FAIRFIELD

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 TOWNEPLACE SUITES BY MARRIOTT CINCINNATI FAIRFIELD **BOOK NOW** 513/860-1300



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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 6705 Fairfield Business Center Dr 45014.

FAIRLAWN

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A suburb of Akron, Fairlawn is home to several parks. Fort Island/Griffiths Park on Trunko Road features a boardwalk where you can enjoy the views of the wetlands

that may include ducks, turtles and a variety of birds. Summit Mall, 3265 W. Market St., has Dillard's and Macy's as anchors and nearly 100 other stores, including Ann Taylor, Banana Republic, Coach, Eddie Bauer, Hollister, J. Crew, Journeys and Swarovski.

 COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT-AKRON FAIRLAWN **BOOK NOW** 330/668-9090



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Hotel. **Address:** 3180 W Market St 44333. **Location:** Located in business district. **Facility:** 203 units, some efficiencies and kitchens. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Dining:** Beau's Grille, see separate listing. **Pool:** outdoor, heated indoor. **Activities:** sauna, steamroom, exercise room, massage. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



HOMEWOOD SUITES BY HILTON AKRON/FAIRLAWN **BOOK NOW** 330/664-6000


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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 4080 Embassy Pkwy 44333.

WHERE TO EAT


BEAU'S GRILLE 330/867-5218


American Fine Dining. **Address:** 3180 W Market St 44333.

FINDLAY

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In the mid-1960s, Findlay resident John B. Cooke began a project to request that all citizens and business owners fly an American flag on Flag Day, June 14. This popular show of patriotism resulted in a 1974 Congressional Designation that declared Findlay "Flag City USA."

The University of Findlay was established in 1882. At its Center for Equine and Pre-Veterinary Studies, 14700 US 68, students and instructors ride and train horses. Guided tours by appointment and summer horse shows are offered; phone (800) 472-9502.

Findlay-Hancock County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 123 E. Main Cross St., Findlay, OH 45840. **Phone:** (419) 422-3315 or (800) 424-3315.

Shopping: Findlay has a variety of antique shops, boutiques and gift shops. Jeffrey's Antique Gallery, I-75 exit 161, features more than 250 antiques dealers.

HANCOCK HISTORICAL MUSEUM is at 422 W. Sandusky St. The restored two-story 1881 Hull-Flater House is furnished in period. Artifacts from different eras—including furniture, toys, games and textiles—are displayed. The Exhibit Center focuses on local history, the



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barn addition houses transportation and agricultural displays, and the Crawford Log House is a restored mid-19th century log home. The Energy and Transportation History Annex includes two Grant cars and exhibits pertaining to

the history of area gas and oil manufacturing and home-town producer, Marathon Petroleum.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (419) 423-4433. **GT**

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Hotel. **Address:** 820 Trenton Ave 45840.

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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 2501 Tiffin Ave 45840.

FOREST PARK

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 SPRINGHILL SUITES BY MARRIOTT CINCINNATI NORTH/FOREST PARK **BOOK NOW** 513/825-9035



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 12001 Chase Plaza Dr 45240.

FOSTORIA

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Fostoria was created when the two small villages of Risdon and Rome were unified in 1854. The new town was named in honor of C.W. Foster, a prominent pioneer whose son Charles later became governor of Ohio and secretary of the U.S. Treasury.

During the late 19th- and early 20th centuries, Fostoria was the home of several glass manufacturing plants. Although their furnaces are now cold, the local glass companies and the craftsmanship for which they were known are remembered at Glass Heritage Gallery at 109 N. Main St.; phone (419) 435-5077.

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Hotel. **Address:** 1690 N County Line Rd 44830. **Facility:** 52 units. 2 stories (no elevator), interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor.



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FREMONT

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Fremont is on the site of 1813 Fort Stephenson, where 21-year-old Maj. George Croghan and 150 American soldiers repelled an attack by 400 British soldiers and 300 Native Americans.

Rodger Young Park, on the Sandusky State Scenic River, is dedicated to the World War II hero and to all Sandusky County servicemen and women.

Fremont/Sandusky County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 712 North St., Suite 102, Fremont, OH 43420. **Phone:** (419) 332-4470 or (800) 255-8070.



RUTHERFORD B. HAYES LIBRARY AND MUSEUMS is at 1337 Hayes Ave. on the 25-acre grounds of Spiegel Grove. This is the former estate of 19th U.S. President Rutherford B. Hayes and First Lady Lucy Webb Hayes. The site includes the couple's recently restored 31-room mansion, the first official presidential library, a museum, paved walking trails and President Hayes' tomb. The iron gates at the entrances to the site were at the White House during the Hayes administration.

The collections include family mementos and the public and private papers and books of the president and his family as well as local history items and genealogical material. **Phone:** (419) 332-2081 or (800) 998-7737.



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 540 E CR 89 43420.



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Hotel. **Address:** 1501 Hospitality Ct 43420.

GAHANNA

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HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS HOTEL & SUITES COLUMBUS AIRPORT **BOOK NOW** 614/428-8678



Hotel. **Address:** 460 Waterbury Ct 43230.



SONESTA SIMPLY SUITES COLUMBUS AIRPORT **BOOK NOW** 614/863-4033



Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 590 Taylor Rd 43230. **Facility:** 122 efficiencies. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** on-site (fee). **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 695 Taylor Rd 43230.

GALLIPOLIS

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The second permanent settlement in the Northwest Territory, Gallipolis (gal-a-po-LEES), meaning “the city of the Gauls,” was founded in 1790 by French Royalists who were fleeing the French Revolution.

The city park overlooking the Ohio River is the original settlement of the “French 500”; it was known then as Le Place. The town’s heritage is evident in the old houses surrounding the park.

Fortification Hill, in Mound Hill Cemetery, offers a view of Gallipolis and the Ohio River Valley to the hills of West Virginia. French Art Colony, 530 1st Ave., is a multicultural arts center housed in an 1855 Greek Revival house; phone (740) 446-3834.

Gallia County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 441 Second Ave., Gallipolis, OH 45631. **Phone:** (740) 446-6882 or (800) 765-6482.

 HAMPTON INN GALLIPOLIS **BOOK NOW** 740/446-8000



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 444 SR 7 S 45631.

 WILLIAM ANN MOTEL **BOOK NOW** 740/446-3373



Motel. **Address:** 918 2nd Ave 45631. **Facility:** 50 units. 1-2 stories (no elevator), exterior corridors.



GENEVA

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SAVE **fyi** Hotel. Pending inspection, call for details. **Address:** 5201 Spire Cir 44041.



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GENEVA-ON-THE-LAKE

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This family resort town on Lake Erie has been attracting crowds since 1869 when a public picnic grounds opened. The site gradually grew to include a carousel, campgrounds and then primitive cottages and a dance hall. Visitors still flock to this lakefront town for family fun and outdoor recreation. During the summer The Strip, a 1-mile stretch of Lake Road (SR 531), features arcades, batting cages, miniature golf courses, a merry-go-round, waterslides and a variety of other amusements. There is an

18-hole golf course as well as opportunities for boating, fishing and swimming on Lake Erie. Nearby Geneva State Park (see *Recreation Areas Chart*) offers abundant recreational opportunities as well, including a beach. A free concert series is offered Tuesday evenings at Geneva Township Park mid-June through late August. Shoppers also can enjoy a flea market at the Geneva-on-the-Lake Visitor Information Center Sat. 9-5, Memorial Day-Labor Day.

Geneva-on-the-Lake Visitor Information Center: 5536 Lake Rd., Geneva-on-the-Lake, OH 44041-9786. **Phone:** (440) 466-8600 or (800) 862-9948.

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Resort Hotel. **Address:** 4888 N Broadway (SR 534) 44041.

GREEN

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Hotel. **Address:** 1787 Thorn Dr 44685. **Facility:** 108 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub, exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry, area transportation.



GREENVILLE

Greenville was the site of Fort Greenville, built in 1793 by Gen. Anthony Wayne and named for Gen. Nathanael Greene. After his victory at Fallen Timbers, Wayne signed a treaty at the fort with several tribes, which opened up the Northwest Territory for settlement. The fort was later burned and abandoned, but the site is marked by the Fort


Greenville Treaty Memorial in front of the City Building. The Greenville Treaty scene is etched on a stone at the corner of Elm and West Main streets.


Darke County Visitors Bureau: 421 S. Broadway, Greenville, OH 45331. **Phone:** (937) 548-5158 or (800) 504-2995.


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GROVE CITY



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Motel. **Address:** 4026 Jackpot Rd 43123. **Facility:** 50 units. 2 stories, exterior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** outdoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.          / **SOME UNITS**  



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 Hotel. **Address:** 1668 Buckeye Pl 43123.


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Hotel. **Address:** 3951 Jackpot Rd 43123.

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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 1750 Buckeye PI 43123.

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Motel. **Address:** 4029 Marlane Dr 43123.

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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 1750 Buckeye PI 43123.

HAMILTON

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Founded as Fort Hamilton in 1791, Hamilton became a prosperous industrial community due to immigrant labor and canals. In the late 1820s a wharf basin was dug, linking the town to the Miami and Erie Canal. At the same time an influx of German and Irish immigrants provided the labor for new enterprises.

Heavy industry expanded when Hamilton Hydraulic was completed in 1852. In addition to industry, the Hamilton region enjoys the agricultural yields of the fertile Great Miami River Valley. Hamilton's historic houses and commercial buildings, which show a variety of architectural styles, are concentrated in three districts: Rossville, Dayton Lane and German Village.

On Monument Avenue, the Soldiers, Sailors and Pioneers Monument is topped by a 17-foot brass figure of a Civil War private. The monument contains a library with the names of all Ohioans who served in the Civil War and World War I as well as exhibits containing military weapons, uniforms and medals; phone (513) 867-5823.

In mid- or late January,  IceFest brings in ice sculptors from around the world for this exciting competition held downtown.

Hamilton Welcome Center: 1 High St., Hamilton, OH 45011. **Phone:** (513) 844-8080.

Self-guiding tours: Brochures describing walking tours of three historic districts are available from the welcome center.



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COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT HAMILTON **BOOK NOW** 513/896-6200


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Hotel. **Address:** 1 Riverfront Plaza 45011. **Location:** Waterfront. Located in historic district. **Facility:** 120 units. 6 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.




HARRISON

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BEST WESTERN PLUS WHITEWATER INN **BOOK NOW** 513/845-4970


BW Best Western **PLUS** **AAA Benefit: Save 5% or more when booking AAA/CAA rates plus earn bonus points with the AAA Preferred™ BWR Program**

Hotel. **Address:** 391 Comfort Dr 45030. **Facility:** 57 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS HOTEL & SUITES **BOOK NOW** 513/367-1111


Hotel. **Address:** 10906 New Haven Rd 45030.

HEATH

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Greater Licking County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 455 Hebron Rd., Heath, OH 43056. **Phone:** (740) 345-8224.

NEWARK EARTHWORKS is comprised of three sites: Great Circle is 1 mi. s.w. of SR 16 at 455 Hebron Rd. (SR


79); Wright Earthworks can be viewed from James Street, near jct. SR 79 and Grant St. in nearby Newark; and Octagon Earthworks is at jct. N. 33rd St. and Parkview Rd. in Newark. The memorial preserves a portion of the Newark Earthworks, a system of prehistoric mounds used for astronomical, ceremonial and social purposes; they are believed to be the largest such mounds ever built.


Great Circle is 1,200 feet in diameter with grass-covered earthen walls ranging from 8 to 14 feet in height. In the center are four lower connected mounds. On the



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grounds is a museum/visitor center, which includes an exhibit and a 15-minute video about the site.

Time: Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (740) 345-8224 or (800) 589-8224. 

 HAMPTON INN BY HILTON HEATH-NEWARK **BOOK NOW** 740/788-8991



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 1008 Hebron Rd 43056.

HEBRON

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 BEST WESTERN LAKEWOOD INN **BOOK NOW** 740/928-1800



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Hotel. **Address:** 122 Arrowhead Blvd 43025. **Facility:** 70 units. 2 stories (no elevator), interior corridors. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.

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HILLIARD

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 BEST WESTERN HILLIARD INN & SUITES **BOOK NOW** 614/529-8118





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Hotel. **Address:** 3831 Park Mill Run Dr 43026. **Facility:** 60 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** limited exercise equipment. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.

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 **HOMewood SUITES BY HILTON-COLUMBUS HILLIARD** **BOOK NOW** 614/529-4100

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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 3841 Park Mill Run Dr 43026.

HOLLAND

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 **COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT TOLEDO AIRPORT HOLLAND** **BOOK NOW** 419/866-1001



COURTYARD **AAA Benefit: Members save 5% or more and earn Marriott Bonvoy™ points when booking AAA/CAA rates!**

Hotel. Address: 1435 E Mall Dr 43528. **Facility:** 149 units, 3 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



HOPEWELL CULTURE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

The park preserves six earthwork complexes concentrated in the Scioto River valley: High Bank Works, Hopeton Earthworks, Hopewell Mound Group, Mound City Group, Seip Earthworks and Spruce Hill Earthworks.

The Mound City Group is about 3 miles north of Chillicothe on SR 104. This 120-acre tract with a 13-acre earth wall enclosure preserves at least 23 prehistoric burial mounds that lie within a low embankment. Native Americans of the Hopewell Culture, who inhabited the area about 2,000 years ago, were noted for their artistry and their practice of building enormous geometric earthworks as ceremonial sites. These artisans fashioned ornaments from materials foreign to Ohio.

The Mound City Group visitor center contains exhibits and public facilities, including an auditorium with a 21-minute orientation film and recorded description about the history of the site. Marked trails and trailside exhibits also can be found. Pets must remain on a leash.

Seip Earthworks, about 2 mi. e. of Bainbridge on US 50, is a 10-acre site containing the great central mound (240 ft. long, 160 ft. wide and 30 ft. high) of a group of geometric earthworks built by the Hopewell Indians for ceremonial purposes. A trail and wayside exhibits help visitors understand the park.

Allow 1 hour minimum. The Hopewell Mound Group, Mound City Group and Seip Earthworks are open daily dawn-dusk. High Bank and Hopeton earthworks are only open during special events. Mound City Group visitor center open daily 8:30-5 (also 5-6, Memorial Day-Labor Day); closed Jan. 1, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Free. Phone (740) 774-1126.




HUBBARD
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 **BEST WESTERN PENN-OHIO INN & SUITES** **BOOK NOW** 330/534-5100

 **Best Western** **AAA Benefit: Save 5% or more when booking AAA/CAA rates plus earn bonus points with the AAA Preferred™ BWR Program**

Hotel. **Address:** 6828 Commerce Dr 44425. **Facility:** 63 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub, exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.





 **TRAVELODGE BY WYNDHAM HUBBARD** **BOOK NOW** 330/534-8191

Hotel. **Address:** 2375 N Main St 44425.

HUBER HEIGHTS
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CARRIAGE HILL METROPARK is off I-70 exit 38, 1 mi. n. on SR 201, then .5 mi. e. on E. Shull Rd. Farm life in the 1880s is showcased here with historical buildings, a blacksmith shop, a country store, farm animals and inter-

active displays in the visitor center. There also are scenic woodlands, meadows, a lake and a pond, providing opportunities for fishing, hiking, horseback riding and cross-country skiing. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (937) 274-3120.
 

 **HAMPTON INN BY HILTON HUBER HEIGHTS** **BOOK NOW** 937/233-4300

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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 5588 Merily Way 45424.

 **TRU BY HILTON HUBER HEIGHTS/DAYTON** **BOOK NOW** 937/660-9001

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SAVE Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 7000 Executive Blvd 45424.

HURON

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The Huron Playhouse began in 1949 and continues its summer theater today. Performances are held June-July at McCormick School, 325 Ohio St.; phone (419) 433-4744.

Old Woman Creek National Estuarine Research Reserve is a freshwater estuary on Lake Erie. The 573-acre site protects a variety of habitats, including marshes, swamps, a forest and a barrier beach and is home to a variety of fish and waterfowl. The reserve offers more than 2 miles of pedestrian trails, an observation deck, nature programs and nature exhibits. The trails and beach are open daily dawn-dusk, and the visitor center is open Tues.-Fri. 9-4 year-round and also weekends 1-5, Apr.-Sept.

JAMES H. MCBRIDE ARBORETUM is just s. of jct. SR 2 and Rye Beach Rd., on the campus of Firelands College of Bowling Green State University, at One University Dr. The arboretum encompasses nearly 50 acres. At the center is Parker Lake, which features an arched bridge. The lake is home to fish and aquatic plants and wildlife, including migrating birds. Tree species include bald cypresses, dogwoods, evergreens, maples, oaks, pines and spruces. There also are more than 52 varieties of crab apple trees. The Parker Lake Pathway is about a 10-minute walk and the Woodland Trail takes about 20 minutes.

Some of the walking trails are shaded from mature trees, but most of the trails are in open sunlight. Pets are not permitted. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (419) 625-7783.

 **COMFORT INN RIVER'S EDGE** **BOOK NOW** 419/438-8000

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Hotel. **Address:** 132 N Main St 44839. **Location:** Waterfront. Along the Huron River. **Facility:** 65 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



          


INDEPENDENCE


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CUYAHOGA VALLEY SCENIC RAILROAD main departure location is off I-77 exit 155 (Rockside Rd.), 1.2 mi. e. on Rockside Rd., 1 blk. n. on Canal Rd., then w. to 7900


Old Rockside Rd., following signs. Trains also depart from other stations in the local vicinity. The train runs through the heart of Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Passengers can take sightseeing tours or excursions to regional attractions aboard vintage railroad coaches built 1939-55. Themed trips also are offered.


Phone: (330) 439-5708 or (800) 468-4070.  

 **CANDLEWOOD SUITES CLEVELAND SOUTH-INDEPENDENCE** **BOOK NOW** 216/232-4601


 **THREE DIAMOND**
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Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 6125 Rockside PI 44131.


 **COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT CLEVELAND INDEPENDENCE** **BOOK NOW** 216/901-9988

 **THREE DIAMOND**
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 Hotel. **Address:** 5051 W Creek Rd 44131.

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 DOUBLETREE BY HILTON HOTEL CLEVELAND-INDEPENDENCE **BOOK NOW** 216/447-1300



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 5800 Rockside Woods Blvd 44131.

 EXTENDED STAY AMERICA PREMIER SUITES - CLEVELAND - INDEPENDENCE **BOOK NOW** 216/328-1060



Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 6025 Jefferson Dr 44131.

 HAMPTON INN & SUITES CLEVELAND/INDEPENDENCE **BOOK NOW** 216/520-2020



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 6020 Jefferson Dr 44131.

 HOLIDAY INN CLEVELAND-S INDEPENDENCE **BOOK NOW** 216/524-8050



Hotel. **Address:** 6001 Rockside Rd 44131.

 HOME2 SUITES BY HILTON CLEVELAND INDEPENDENCE **BOOK NOW** 216/264-4272



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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 6200 Patriots Way 44131.

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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 5101 W Creek Rd 44131.



 SPRINGHILL SUITES BY MARRIOTT CLEVELAND

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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 6060 Rockside PI 44131.

JACKSON

Jackson was settled by accident in the early 1800s when a group of Welsh immigrants traveling down the Ohio River was stranded in Gallipolis after its boats were stolen. Making the best of the situation, the six families decided to stay.

Copies of a pamphlet describing Welsh communities in America brought more Welsh settlers to the area. Many of the men took jobs working on the Gallipolis/Chillicothe

road and at the many coal mines and iron furnaces in Jackson County. The region's once-great iron industry has since diversified into aluminum, wood and plastic products, and food processing.

Lake Katharine State Nature Preserve offers 6 miles of trails. Scenery includes sandstone cliffs and many spring wildflowers.

Jackson Area Chamber of Commerce: 234 Broadway St., Jackson, OH 45640. **Phone:** (740) 286-2722.

JEFFERSONVILLE

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 FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES BY MARRIOTT WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE

JEFFERSONVILLE **BOOK NOW** 740/948-9305



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 11349 Allen Rd NW 43128.

 HAMPTON INN WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE **BOOK NOW** 740/948-9499



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 11484 Allen Rd NW 43128.

KENT

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Established in 1910 as Kent Normal School, a teacher-training facility, Kent State University has earned many national and international distinctions, including recognition by The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching for its optimal blending of teaching and research.

The combined enrollment on its eight campuses is more than 42,000. Of interest on the nearly 28,000-student Kent campus are the planetarium, art galleries, gardens, the Liquid Crystal Institute and the Kent State University Museum (*see attraction listing*).

The Kent State University campus is also home to the May 4th Site, Memorial and Visitors Center, which



commemorate the events of May 4, 1970, when four students were killed and nine wounded by the Ohio National Guard troops during a protest against the Vietnam War. The memorial sits on a sloped, wooded area at the northern corner of Taylor Hall overlooking the University Commons. Every spring the bloom of the 58,175 daffodils planted at the site symbolizes the nation's losses in Vietnam. For the 40th anniversary of the events, seven trail markers with descriptions, maps and pictures were installed so visitors can walk part of the campus and learn about what occurred that day. To further enhance their self-guiding walking tour, visitors can call (330) 672-6294 to hear audio narration on their cellphone by civil rights activist and NAACP Chairman Emeritus Julian Bond.



KENT STATE UNIVERSITY MUSEUM is in Rockwell Hall at 515 Hilltop Dr. at jct. E. Main and S. Lincoln sts. This 1927 Beaux-Arts building was the college's first library. Focusing on fashion and decorative arts, the museum houses one of the nation's largest and finest collections of 18th- through 21st-century American and European gowns and traditional dress. Also featured are historic women's periodicals, international textiles, decorative arts, collectible glass and paintings. Eight galleries feature changing exhibitions from a permanent collection of nearly 40,000 pieces.

Guided tours are available by reservation. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (330) 672-3450. **GT**



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 4406 SR 43 44240.



HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS HOTEL & SUITES KENT - UNIVERSITY

AREA **BOOK NOW** 330/673-9200



Hotel. **Address:** 1215 Sanctuary View Dr 44240.



KENT STATE UNIVERSITY HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER

BOOK NOW

330/346-0100



Boutique Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 215 S Depeyster St 44240.

KENWOOD

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HAMPTON INN & SUITES CINCINNATI-KENWOOD

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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 2000 Ronald Reagan Dr 45236.



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KIRTLAND

The first permanent settler came to this area in 1811, and the township was formed in 1822. In 1831 the settlement expanded when Mormon leader Joseph Smith and many of his followers arrived; Smith wrote much of the doctrine of the Church of Latter Day Saints while he lived here. Nearly 3,000 people lived in Kirtland by the time the Mormons moved westward in 1838.

Today this historic village is known for its amenities, both man-made and natural. Lakeland Community College occupies 400 rolling, wooded acres. Chapin Forest Reservation's 390 acres offer an opportunity to picnic or hike.




HISTORIC KIRTLAND is at jct. SR 306 and SR 615 (Chillicothe Rd.) The village interprets the history of Kirtland and the Mormon Church in America. In the 1830s Joseph Smith Jr., leader and first president of the Mormon Church, established church headquarters at Kirtland. Meticulously restored structures—such as Newel K. and Elizabeth Ann Whitney Home, Johnson Inn, the 1826 Newel K. Whitney Store, an ashery, a sawmill, a schoolhouse—and two farms convey the history of the community.

Time: Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (440) 256-9805.



Kirtland Temple is at 9020 Chillicothe Rd. near Historic Kirtland; tours begin at the nearby visitor center at 7809 Joseph St. Kirtland once was home to some of the 19th century's most successful community builders. Under the leadership of Joseph Smith Jr., followers built this temple 1833-36. In 1838 it was the center of community life for more than 2,000 believers; within a year, only 100 members remained. Guided 1-hour tours begin with an audio-visual presentation.

The 12,000-square-foot Kirtland Temple Visitor Center features interactive museum exhibits and video. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (440) 256-1830. 




LAKE METROPARKS FARM PARK is 4.5 mi. s. of I-90 on SR 306 to SR 6, then 1 mi. e. at 8800 Euclid Chardon Rd. This 235-acre park is a science and educational center dedicated to explaining how farmers raise food, fiber and other agricultural products that sustain and enhance human life. Visitors can milk a cow, take a wagon ride, watch border collies skillfully herding, meet more than 50 breeds of farm animals and on weekends watch an ice cream production demonstration.

Visitors can explore plant life in The Great Tomato Works and Hydroponics exhibits, established orchards, vineyards, themed gardens and field crops areas. Renewable energy sources such as wind and solar power are explored and explained. Seasonal activities include maple

sugaring and cider pressing. A corn maze is open mid-August to early October.  Vintage Ohio Wine Festival takes place in early August.

Time: Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (440) 256-2122 or (800) 366-3276.  

LAKE METROPARKS PENITENTIARY GLEN NATURE CENTER is at 8668 Kirtland-Chardon Rd. The center is on 424 acres and is part of the early 20th-century estate of Sam and Blanche Halle. A deep gorge divides the park, which features fields, forests and wetlands, a butterfly garden, wildlife center, live animal displays and a nature center with interactive exhibits and art shows. More than 7 miles of paved and gravel trails with scenic overlooks and a bridle trail can be explored. A miniature steam-powered train provides rides to the rim of the gorge a few times each month on Sundays April through December.

Snowshoe rentals are available. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (440) 256-1404. 

LANCASTER

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Settled in 1800 and designated as the county seat by 1806, Lancaster grew even faster after 1836, when the Lancaster Lateral Canal was connected with the Ohio and Erie Canal. With the coming of the railroads in the 1850s and the discovery of natural gas in 1887, the town became one of Ohio's manufacturing and distribution centers, a status it retains.

Native son Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman is honored with a statue at the intersection of Main and Broad streets on Zane Square.

Preserving the city's heritage are the early 19th-century houses on Square 13, which is bounded by N. High, Broad, Main and Wheeling streets.

Fairfield County Visitors and Convention Bureau: 205 W. Main St., Lancaster, OH 43130. **Phone:** (740) 654-5929 or (800) 626-1296.

DECORATIVE ARTS CENTER OF OHIO is e. of jct. US 33 and US 22 at 145 E. Main St. in the Reese-Peters House. Built in 1835, the two-story house has been renovated to reflect its original Greek Revival grandeur, which is evident from the high-quality wood and plaster work, marble mantels and custom-woven carpeting on the main floor. The second floor is unfurnished and used entirely to display artwork; there are three exhibitions per year. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (740) 681-1423.



THE GEORGIAN is at 105 E. Wheeling St. at jct. Broad St. The 1832 Federal-style house features superb architecture, period furnishings and fine early cabinets. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (740) 654-9923. **GT**

THE SHERMAN HOUSE MUSEUM is at 137 E. Main St. The structure was the birthplace and early home of

brothers William T. Sherman, Civil War general, and Sen. John Sherman, author of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act. Sherman family mementos, Civil War artifacts and other antiques are displayed in this 1811 house.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (740) 687-5891 or (740) 654-9923. **GT**



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 2041 Schorway Dr 43130.

LEBANON

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Old houses and buildings, including the 1803 Golden Lamb Inn, give Lebanon a Colonial atmosphere that is unusual in the Midwest. Many of the city's historic structures are within an area bounded by Orchard Avenue and West, Silver, Pleasant and High streets; most are private residences and are closed to the public.

Shopping: Downtown Lebanon offers more than 50 antiques and specialty shops.

LIMA

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Lima (LYE-ma) gained national attention in 1933 when members of John Dillinger's gang murdered the town sheriff. The shooting precipitated a nationwide manhunt that led to the gangster's death in Chicago.

Lincoln Park, at the intersection of Shawnee and E. Elm streets, offers picnic facilities and a display of the last steam locomotive built at Lima Locomotive Works and an 1895 country railroad station.

The Veterans Memorial Freedom Flag Monument, 1191 Buckeye Rd., is the largest free-standing permanent flag in the United States. Each tower is made of red, white and blue granite "bricks" engraved to honor our nation's veterans.

Lima/Allen County Convention & Visitors Bureau: 144 S. Main St., Suite 101, Lima, OH 45801. **Phone:** (419) 222-6075 or (888) 222-6075.

Shopping: Lima Mall (Lima Center), off I-75 exit 125 on SR 309W at 2400 Elida Rd., features JCPenney and Macy's.

THE MACDONELL HOUSE is at 632 W. Market St. The lavishly decorated Victorian mansion has period furnishings. A trophy room contains big game and smaller animals and birds. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (419) 222-9426.



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 936 Greely Chapel Rd 45804.



FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES BY MARRIOTT LIMA **BOOK NOW** 419/224-8496



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 2179 Elida Rd 45805.



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 HAMPTON INN LIMA **BOOK NOW** 419/225-8300



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 1933 Roschman Ave 45804.

 HOLIDAY INN & SUITES LIMA **BOOK NOW** 419/879-4000



Hotel. **Address:** 803 S Leonard Ave 45804.

 HOWARD JOHNSON BY WYNDHAM LIMA **BOOK NOW** 419/222-0004



Hotel. **Address:** 1920 Roschman Ave 45804.

 WINGATE BY WYNDHAM LIMA DOWNTOWN **BOOK NOW** 419/228-7000



Hotel. **Address:** 175 W Market St 45801.

LOGAN

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Logan is the county seat of Hocking County, which is known for its scenic natural attributes. Clay pottery was one of the area's first industries. Rolling hills, craggy cliffs, caves and cascading waterfalls pepper the area, providing ample opportunities for hiking, canoeing and horseback riding. The day-use Lake Logan State Park (*see Recreation Areas Chart*) is 4 miles west of Logan off SR 664; catches include bluegill, crappie, bass, muskie, catfish, northern pike and saugeye.

Hocking Hills Tourism Association: 13178 SR 664S, Logan, OH 43138. **Phone:** (740) 385-9706 or (800) 462-5464.


COLUMBUS WASHBOARD CO. is at 14 Gallagher Ave. Much of the original machinery at the factory—which has been in continuous operation since 1895—is still used to create a variety of washboards, including those made of glass, stainless steel, corkboard, mirror and slate. A museum area showcases the company's history.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (740) 380-3828.



HOCKING HILLS STATE PARK is in Hocking State Forest, 10 mi. s.w. of US 33 at 19852 SR 664 S. This 2,356-acre area boasts cliffs, a river, waterfalls and hemlock-shaded gorges. About 110 kinds of birds are known to nest in the park—50 species spend the winter, and others are migratory.

Rock formations include cross-bedding and honeycomb weathering. The park's caves attracted indigenous people; evidence of the ancient Adena culture dates from more than 7,000 years ago. Native American tribes visited or lived here during the 1700s, including the Delaware, Shawnee and Wyandot. They called the river Hockhocking because of its gourd-shaped valley.

More than 25 miles of trails wind through the park's gorges and ridges. A swimming pool is open Memorial Day through Labor Day. *See Recreation Areas Chart.* **Phone:** (740) 385-6842, or (866) 644-6727 for camping reservations. 

Ash Cave is 15 mi. s. of Logan and 5 mi. e. of South Bloomingville on SR 56, within Hocking Hills State Park; the park office is at 19852 SR 664 S. A semicircular recess, the cave is 700 feet long and 90 feet high. A stream falls from the cave's roof into a splash pool. The quarter-mile trail leading to the cave is wheelchair and stroller accessible. **Phone:** (740) 385-6842.



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Cantwell Cliffs are 12 mi. w. of Logan and 5 mi. s.w. of Rockbridge on SR 374, within Hocking Hills State Park; the park office is at 19852 SR 664 S. The area consists of 386 acres of impressive cliffs and a deeply cut, rugged glen. **Phone:** (740) 385-6842.

Cedar Falls is 13 mi. s. of Logan and 2 mi. n. of Ash Cave on SR 374, within Hocking Hills State Park; the park office is at 19852 SR 664 S. The area includes 50 acres. A path leads from Old Man's Cave up the gorge of Clear Creek. Cedar Falls is found at the head of the gorge; just below it is a saltpeter cave. A 3-mile trail connects with Old Man's Cave. **Phone:** (740) 385-6842.

Conkles Hollow Nature Preserve is 14 mi. s.w. of Logan and 4 mi. n. of South Bloomingville on SR 374, within Hocking Hills State Park; the park office is at 19852 SR 664 S. This rugged 87-acre area contains 200-foot cliffs studded with waterfalls and a deep gorge. The area is

explored by a gorge trail accessible for wheelchairs and strollers or a strenuous rim trail that offers sweeping vistas. **Phone:** (740) 385-6842.

Old Man's Cave is 12 mi. s.w. of Logan within Hocking Hills State Park, behind the park office at 19852 SR 664 S. The 417-acre area features 2 miles of a heavily wooded, winding ravine, picturesque waterfalls, two recessed caves and interesting rock formations. A visitor center offers displays. Rose Lake, accessible by a half-mile walk, is stocked with trout annually; a fishing license is required. **Note:** Visitors are advised to arrive early on weekends since parking is often limited. **Phone:** (740) 385-6842.

Rock House is 12 mi. w. of Logan on SR 374, within Hocking Hills State Park; the park office is at 19852 SR 664 S. The unusual rock shelter in the face of a perpendicular cliff served as a dwelling for Native Americans and as a hideout for frontier outlaws. **Phone:** (740) 385-6842.

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 THE INN & SPA AT CEDAR FALLS **BOOK NOW** 740/385-7489



Country Inn. **Address:** 21190 SR 374 43138.

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Loudonville was the birthplace of Charles F. Kettering, an engineer whose invention of the electric starter was an important milestone in the development of the modern

automobile. Because of the many picturesque streams and rivers in the area, Loudonville is called the "Official Canoe Capital of Ohio."

Mohican Visitors Bureau: 544 N. Union St., Loudonville, OH 44842. **Phone:** (419) 994-2519.

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 For highways, byways and more: [AAA.com/maps](https://www.aaa.com/maps)



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The Little Miami Scenic Trail, an approximately 78-mile paved trail that averages 66 feet wide and runs between Cincinnati and Springfield, passes through Loveland. The park/trail is a converted, abandoned railroad right-of-way that offers opportunities for bicycling, in-line skating, hiking, backpacking, cross-country skiing, horseback riding and canoeing the Little Miami National and State Scenic River. See *Recreation Areas Chart (Little Miami State Park)*.

LOVELAND CASTLE (CHATEAU LAROCHE) is .5 mi. w. on Loveland Ave., 1 mi. n. on Rich Rd., .5 mi. e. on Mulberry St. (which becomes Shore Rd.), then s. to 12025 Shore Rd. Harry D. Andrews, who utilized stones from nearby Little Miami River, built the 17-room medieval-style castle over a 51-year span.

The whimsical building features masonry techniques used in German, French and English castles. Included are a great hall, banquet hall, German game room, armory, bedroom, chapel, dungeon and gardens. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (513) 683-4686. 



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MANSFIELD

Mansfield was laid out in 1808 under the direction of Surveyor General of the United States Jared Mansfield. As the surrounding lands were cleared and cultivated in the 1820s, Mansfield became a center of trade and commerce. In the late 1840s and 1850s the arrivals of the railroads and telegraph drew the first industries, such as the Ohio Brass Co. and Aultman and Taylor, makers of threshing machines.

Pulitzer Prize-winning author Louis Bromfield is a native of Mansfield. John Sherman, brother of Gen. William T. Sherman and author of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act, practiced law here for a time. Mansfield also has fostered artists. Displays of their works, including acrylic paintings, watercolors, photographs, quilts and weavings, can be seen at the Mansfield Art Center, 700 Marion Ave; phone (419) 756-1700.

Destination Mansfield—Richland County: 124 N. Main St., Mansfield, OH 44902. **Phone:** (419) 525-1300 or (800) 642-8282.

Self-guiding tours: The convention and visitors bureau offers brochures detailing a driving tour of local film sites used in the 1994 movie “The Shawshank Redemption.” Among the locations are the 1896 Ohio State Reformatory, Oak Tree and Central Park.

Shopping: Richland Mall, 1 mile south of US 30 at W. Fourth Street and Lexington-Springmill Road, features JCPenney.



BIBLEWALK is .5 mi. n. of US 30 via SR 545 at 500 Tingley Ave. This wax museum brings the Bible to life with five different tours, each with an accompanying non-denominational audiovisual presentation. The Life of Christ and the Miracles of the Old Testament each last 60 minutes. The Museum of Christian Martyrs, the Heart of the Reformation and Amazing Grace: The Journeys of Paul each last 30 minutes. Also displayed are collections of rare Bibles, American votive folk art and wood carvings and three animated scenes. Walk of the Parables features large-scale paintings representing Christ’s parables. A Christian art gallery and a dinner theater also are available.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (419) 524-0139 or (800) 222-0139. **GT**



KINGWOOD CENTER GARDENS is off I-71 exit US 30, w. to Trimble Rd., then s. to entrance at 50 N. Trimble Rd. The public garden covers 47 acres and contains landscaped gardens, trails that meander through woodland settings and two ponds that harbor waterfowl. Greenhouses are filled with distinctive plant displays. Kingwood Hall is a 1926 26-room French Provincial-style mansion.

Kingwood is known for its spring show, which includes massive bulb displays, spring flowering trees and a general explosion of flowers. Summer annual displays along with a wide range of blooming trees, shrubs and perennials are highlights in the setting of a former estate garden. Pets are not permitted. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum for the center and 30 minutes minimum for Kingwood Hall.

Phone: (419) 522-0211. **GT**

RICHLAND CARROUSEL PARK is at 75 N. Main St. The downtown historic district houses a hand-carved carousel with 30 horse figures and 22 other animal figures. The figures were created by Carousel Works, a Mansfield company, for the 1991 opening of the park. The carousel’s top panels feature scenes of local attractions, both historic and current. A Stinson Band Organ provides music.

Phone: (419) 522-4223. **TT** **AA**

MARIETTA

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Forty-eight pioneers led by Rufus Putnam arrived in Marietta during April 1788. They platted the future community, built a land office, erected a fort and chose the name Marietta in honor of Queen Marie Antoinette, in recognition of the aid rendered to the Colonies by France during the American Revolution.

In Muskingum Park is the Memorial to the Start Westward, a stone sculpture created by Mount Rushmore sculptor Gutzon Borglum to commemorate the opening of



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the Northwest Territory and the 150th anniversary of the Northwest Ordinance of 1787.

Marietta also serves as the southern terminus for the Covered Bridge Scenic Byway that runs through Wayne National Forest (see *place listing p. 329*).

Marietta/Washington County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 241 Front St., Suite 7, Marietta, OH 45750.
Phone: (740) 373-5178 or (888) 861-7684.


Self-guiding tours: A map and brochure detailing a tour of scenic and historic points is available from the convention and visitors bureau.

 **CAMPUS MARTIUS MUSEUM** is at Second St. and Washington St./SR 7, 1 blk. e. of the Ohio River Museum. Early settlers of Marietta built the fortification to protect the settlement from Native American attacks known as Campus Martius, Latin for "Field of Mars," the military camp where the legions of ancient Rome

trained. Exhibits re-create the founding and early development of Marietta as the first organized American settlement in the Northwest Territory. Exhibits and artifacts focusing on Appalachian migration into Ohio 1850-1970 are included. The museum encloses the Rufus Putnam House, home to the settlement's leader, and the only surviving dwelling of the original settlement.

Phone: (740) 373-3750 or (800) 860-0145.

Ohio River Museum and the W.P. Snyder Jr. are at Washington, Front and St. Clair sts., 1 blk. w. of the Campus Martius Museum. The museum displays steamboat-era items, including scale models of late 19th-century riverboats, paintings, photographs and steam whistles. The theater presents a 10-minute film about the history of transportation on the Ohio and Muskingum rivers. The *W.P. Snyder Jr.*, moored alongside the museum, is the last steam-powered, stern-wheeled towboat of its type in America; guided tours are available.

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Historic Hotel. **Address:** 101 Front St 45750.



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Hotel. **Address:** 506 Pike St 45750.**MARION**• **Hotels p. 279**

In 1821 the combination of a steady diet of salt pork and a lack of water caused Jacob Foos to dig into a few feet of moist dirt. Discovering an abundant spring, he named the site Jacob's Well, and the area grew to become the county seat. The town was renamed in honor of Revolutionary War general Francis Marion, the "Swamp Fox."

Marion's economy, once based on the manufacture of the steam shovel and road roller, now depends on such agricultural goods as dairy products and popping corn. The Marion Popcorn Festival, held the first weekend after Labor Day, celebrates the area's beloved snack.

Architect John Ebersson's Marion Palace Theatre, 276 W. Center St., opened in 1928 and remains a focal point of the city. This atmospheric theater features seats and a stage curtain in vibrant reds, and the rest of the interior—complete with a night sky overhead—looks like a European courtyard. The event schedule consists of local theater and touring productions along with movies and musical acts. Guided theater tours are available by appointment; phone (740) 383-2101.

Marion Area Convention and Visitors Bureau: 1713 Marion-Mt. Gilead Rd., Suite 110, Marion, OH 43302. **Phone:** (740) 389-9770 or (800) 371-6688.

**THE WARREN G. HARDING PRESIDENTIAL**

SITES can be accessed at 380 Mount Vernon Ave., 4 mi. w. of SR 23 on SR 95. The site includes the Warren

G. Harding Presidential Library and Museum, the Harding Memorial and the former president's private residence. The Queen Anne-style Victorian house is where Harding conducted his "front porch" campaign in the 1920 presidential election. Visitors can see a portion of the more than 5,000 original objects in the Harding Collections, including White House items, clothing, furniture, gaslight fixtures and original furnishings.

In the back of the house, the former campaign press building—a catalog kit home—contains exhibits about the press. The election of 1920 was not all the reporters covered; some documented the apples eaten from the backyard. The apple trees have been restored in the back along with a horseshoe pit, where Harding and reporters once played..

The adjacent museum features white brick reminiscent of the White House, U.S. Capitol and Ohio Statehouse. In addition to a lobby, there are changing exhibits as well as a research center and secure storage space featuring the Harding Presidential Papers and other historical documents and objects. **Time:** Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (740) 387-9630 or (800) 600-6894.

GT

Harding Memorial is on Delaware Ave. (SR 423) at Vernon Heights Blvd., about 1 mi. s. of The Warren G. Harding Presidential Sites. The circular, pillared monument is made of white Georgian marble. It contains the graves of President and Mrs. Warren G. Harding. **Phone:** (740) 387-9630 or (800) 600-6894.



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MARTINS FERRY


The Betty Zane Memorial at the entrance of Walnut Grove Cemetery at the end of Fourth Street honors the Revolutionary War heroine for her bravery during the


siege of Fort Henry in 1782. Pulitzer Prize winning poet James Wright was born in Martins Ferry in 1927, and Pro Football Hall of Fame member Lou “The Toe” Groza entered the world here in 1924.

MARYSVILLE

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MASON

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Warren County Convention & Visitors Bureau: 5412 Courseview Dr., Suite 220, Mason, OH 45040. **Phone:** (513) 204-1900 or (800) 791-4386.

Shopping: Deerfield Towne Center has nearly three dozen stores—including Dick’s Sporting Goods, Gym-boree, Lane Bryant, Talbots and White House/Black Market—in an open-air market.

SAVE **THE BEACH WATERPARK** is off I-71 exit 25A at 2590 Waterpark Dr. The 35-acre park offers slides,

inner-tube rides, children’s water play areas, a water coaster, a wave pool, a spa pool, a zipline, sand volleyball courts and more. Entertainment offerings include an arcade as well as live music and dive-in movies, where movies appropriate for children are shown. During winter months the park has snow tubing available.

Note: Some rides and activities may not be suitable to visitors with certain health conditions, and height restrictions apply to inner tube and body flume rides; check with the park for further details. Changing rooms, showers and locker rentals are available. Food and drink may not be brought into the park, but a picnic area is on the east side of the parking lot.

Phone: (513) 398-7946.  

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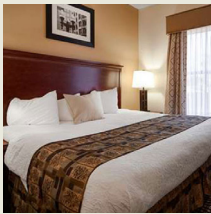
GEM **KINGS ISLAND** is at 6300 Kings Island Dr. This family entertainment park offers more than 100 rides, shows and attractions, including more than a dozen thrill rides. Banshee is the world's longest steel inverted coaster and features seven inversions and hits 68 mph. Diamondback is the tallest and fastest roller coaster in the park. It reaches speeds of more than 80 mph and has 10 vertical drops; the first one is 215 feet. Other thrills are provided by Mystic Timbers, where riders experience 16 airtime moments as they weave along 3,265 feet of track through wooded terrain; the 26-story free-fall gyro ride Drop Tower; and the face-to-face inverted Invertigo. Boo Blasters on Boo Hill is an interactive dark ride experience. Planet Snoopy, a children's area, features 18 Peanuts-themed rides, shows and attractions.

Barrels of fun can be found in Adventure Port where the Cargo Loco spins guests around in circles in shipping barrels. Also in this area is Sol Spin, a sun disk flying through the air 60 feet above the ancient ruins of the park's newest themed area.

Soak City Waterpark, the park's 33-acre water playground, offers more than 50 water activities, with 30 waterslides, tropical lagoons, rushing rivers, waterfalls and two wave pools. Fun can be had at the intense Mondo Monsoon, a four-person thrill ride through a free-fall tunnel of fun; or along Splash River, where the current takes guests along a lazy river. An array of live stage shows round out the fun.

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Hotel. Address: 9664 Mason-Montgomery Rd 45040. **Facility:** 306 units. 6 stories, interior corridors. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated outdoor, heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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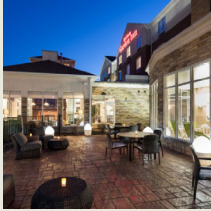
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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 2720 Waterpark Dr 45040.

MASSILLON

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Named for Bishop Jean-Baptiste Massillon, a clergyman and writer at the French court of Louis XIV, Massillon came into being in the 19th century when five villages joined together. The city prospered during the Ohio & Erie Canal era, thrived as a site of steam engine manufacturing in the latter half of the 1800s and continued to grow as a center of steel production through the first half of the 1900s.

Massillon's heritage is most visible in the 19th-century architecture of its downtown area and brick-paved Fourth Street historic district between Lincoln Way and Cherry Road. One of the most notable buildings in this area is the three-story Five Oaks house at 210 Fourth St. This Romanesque-Gothic structure was designed in the early 1890s by noted architect Charles Schweinfurth, designer of many of the mansions on Cleveland's Millionaires' Row. St. Mary Church, an impressive Gothic-style stone church

at 206 Cherry Rd N.E., was begun in 1876 and dedicated in 1892.

Artist Eric Grohe's three downtown murals depict vibrant and colorful scenes. The "Ohio & Erie Canal" at 39 Lincoln Way West portrays the days when the canal ran through the town, and "A Century of Heroes" captures high school football glory at 50 Lincoln Way East. Grohe created a scene perfect for storytelling with his "55 Diamond Court" mural at 32 E. Erie Street South; the painting portrays a brick building with lots of windows and lively occupants.

One of Massillon's historic houses, Spring Hill, off Wales Rd. N.E. at 1401 Springhill Ln. N.E., was built about 1821 and was a stop on the Underground Railroad. The grounds of the restored house have herb and flower gardens, a smokehouse, springhouse and other outbuildings; phone (330) 833-6749 for tour information.

Massillon WestStark Area Chamber of Commerce: 137 Lincoln Way E., Massillon, OH 44646. **Phone:** (330) 833-3146.

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MAUMEE

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During the late 18th century much of Ohio's Native American population was concentrated along the Maumee River, a vital link to the British army post in Detroit, Mich. Repeated Native American raids delayed

settlement of the area until 1794, when American forces led by Gen. Anthony Wayne won the decisive Battle of Fallen Timbers.

The War of 1812 permanently secured the area for the United States, and Maumee was founded in 1817 by William Oliver, a former scout and officer at nearby Fort



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Meigs (see attraction listing p. 302). A blockhouse and stockade of the fort can be seen from the old canal tow-path. By the mid-1800s the Miami and Erie Canal had

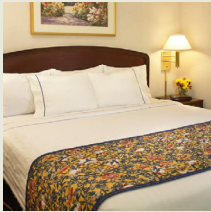
made Maumee a center of trade and commerce. The locks that connected the Maumee River and the canal can be seen in Side Cut Metropark; (419) 407-9700.



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Hotel. **Address:** 1390 Arrowhead Rd 43537. **Location:** Located in a business park. **Facility:** 64 units. 2 stories (no elevator), interior corridors. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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Shopping: Great Lakes Mall, 7850 Mentor Ave., features Dillard's, JCPenney and Macy's as well as nearly 90 additional stores.

 **JAMES A. GARFIELD NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE** is 2 mi. e. of I-90 on US 20 at 8095 Mentor Ave. A 45-minute guided tour takes visitors through the home of the 20th president. The memorial library, added by Lucretia Garfield after her husband's death, and Garfield's private study as well as many original furnishings and memorabilia belonging to the family, who remained in the house until the 1930s, can be seen. A fireproof vault is a highlight of the tour. Outbuildings include the campaign office, a barn and a windmill.

The 1893 carriage house has been repurposed and is now a visitor center with exhibits about Garfield's life, covering his childhood on the Western Reserve; education; service during the Civil War to the Union army and in the House of Representatives; presidential election; and his assassination, funeral and memorial. An 18-minute biographical film is shown throughout the day.

Special themed tours are given regularly and include a 2-hour behind-the-scenes tour that includes the basement, attic and outbuildings and a 90-minute tour focusing on Garfield's Civil War service. The Behind the Ropes tour offers further access into some of the rooms in the house. Dozens of special events are held throughout the year.

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 **BEST WESTERN PLUS LAWNFIELD INN & SUITES** BOOK NOW 440/205-7378


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HAMPTON INN & SUITES CLEVELAND-MENTOR BOOK NOW 440/358-1441

 Hotel. Under major renovation, call for details. **Last Designation:** Three Diamond. **Address:** 5675 Emerald Ct 44060.

 **HOLIDAY INN CLEVELAND NORTHEAST-MENTOR** BOOK NOW 440/951-7333

 Hotel. **Address:** 7701 Reynolds Rd 44060.

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 Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 5660 Emerald Ct 44060.

MIAMISBURG

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WRIGHT “B” FLYER INC. is at 10550 Springboro Pike at the Dayton Wright Brothers Airport. This is a look-alike of

the 1911 Wright “B” Flyer, the first mass-produced airplane in the world. The hangar is a museum about the Wright brothers and has a Model B simulator. The plane offers rides for those who have donated at the honorary aviator level. **Phone:** (937) 885-2327.



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 STAYBRIDGE SUITES MIAMISBURG **BOOK NOW** 937/535-2222



Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 10110 Landing Way 45342.

MIDDLEBURG HEIGHTS

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This Cleveland suburb is less than 10 miles from Cleveland Hopkins International Airport, I-80 (Ohio Turnpike) and I-480. I-71 runs right through the town.

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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 19149 E Bagley Rd 44130.

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MIDDLETOWN

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 DRURY INN & SUITES MIDDLETOWN FRANKLIN **BOOK NOW** 513/425-6650



Hotel. **Address:** 3320 Village Dr 45005.

 FAIRFIELD INN BY MARRIOTT MIDDLETOWN MONROE **BOOK NOW** 513/424-5444



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 6750 Roosevelt Pkwy 45044.

MILAN

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Founded in the early 1800s on a bluff overlooking the Huron River, Milan overcame its landlocked handicap by building a canal to the river, which flows into Lake Erie. By the early 1840s, with the canal newly completed, Milan was booming as one of the largest wheat-shipping centers in the country.

The prosperity lasted until the town refused right-of-way to the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad. The railroad went through Norwalk instead, and Milan's commerce abruptly declined. To add to the city's problems, deforestation caused the river to diminish and become un-navigable. By the 1870s the canal was abandoned, and Milan entered an era of light industry and farming.

EDISON BIRTHPLACE MUSEUM is at 9 N. Edison Dr. This is the house where inventor Thomas A. Edison, born

in 1847, spent his first 7 years. Guided 45- to 60-minute tours of the well-preserved house are available.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (419) 499-2135.
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MILAN HISTORICAL MUSEUM is at 10 N. Edison Dr. The seven-building campus features art, historical exhibits and a glass collection. Family activities are held throughout the year. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (419) 499-2968.

Edna Roe Newton Memorial Building is at 12 Edison Dr. next to the Milan Historical Museum. Exhibits include items Edna and Bert Newton collected as they traveled throughout the world. Antiques, artwork and needlework are displayed. **Phone:** (419) 499-2968.

 HAMPTON INN & SUITES SANDUSKY/MILAN **BOOK NOW** 419/499-8000



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 11608 US-250 44846.



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Promont House Museum, 906 Main St., is a three-story Italianate house set on spacious wooded grounds. The house was built 1865-67 for a wealthy businessman, and through the years several other families took up residency, including Ohio's 43rd governor, John Pattison. The house currently reflects the Victorian era. Visitors can get a nice view of the area from the third-story tower. The site

is open weekends 1-4, March through December; phone (513) 248-0324 to confirm schedule.

Among the town's annual events are Buskerfest in the fall and Hometown Holidays during Thanksgiving weekend.

Milford Miami Township Chamber of Commerce: 745 Center St., #302, Milford, OH 45150. **Phone:** (513) 831-2411.

Shopping: Milford's historic district offers several antique and specialty shops.



HOMEWOOD SUITES BY HILTON CINCINNATI MILFORD **BOOK NOW** 513/248-4663



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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 600 Chamber Dr 45150.

MILLERSBURG

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The "old town" of Millersburg was laid out by Adam Johnson and Charles Miller in November 1815. In April 1824, a plat was filed for the present "new town" of

Millersburg, which contained 194 lots. The town is in a rural section of Amish Country.

Holmes County Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau: 6 W. Jackson St., Millersburg, OH 44654. **Phone:** (330) 674-3975.



COMFORT INN MILLERSBURG **BOOK NOW** 330/674-7400



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Hotel. Address: 1102 Glen Dr 44654. **Facility:** 59 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub, limited exercise equipment. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES MILLERSBURG **BOOK NOW** 234/301-9005



Hotel. Address: 1005 S Washington St 44654.

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MONROE

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 BAYMONT BY WYNDHAM MONROE OHIO **BOOK NOW** 513/539-4400



Hotel. **Address:** 40 New Garver Rd 45050.

 TRU BY HILTON MONROE OH **BOOK NOW** 513/402-7654



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 Hotel. **Address:** 300 Orton Dr 45050.









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 BEST WESTERN EXECUTIVE INN **BOOK NOW** 419/768-2378



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Hotel. **Address:** 3991 County Rd 172 43338. **Location:** Located in a rural area. **Facility:** 33 units. 2 stories (no elevator), interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.        



NELSONVILLE

HOCKING VALLEY SCENIC RAILWAY depot is at US 33 and Hocking Pkwy. A 14-mile round-trip to Haydenville and a 22-mile round-trip to Logan are offered. Both include a 30-minute stop at Robbins Crossing, a small

1840s log village with reenactors, Memorial Day weekend through October. Special themed excursions also are offered.

There are picnic tables at the train depot. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (740) 753-9531 Sat.-Sun. 10-4 or (740) 249-1452.  

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 COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT-NEW ALBANY **BOOK NOW** 614/855-1505



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 5211 Forest Dr 43054.

 HAMPTON INN & SUITES NEW ALBANY COLUMBUS **BOOK NOW** 614/855-8335



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SAVE Extended Stay Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 5095 Forest Dr 43054.

NEWARK

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The site of several large prehistoric Native American mounds, Newark was founded in 1802 by a New Jersey man who named the new plot after his hometown. Like its namesake, Newark became a busy center of trade and industry, especially after the completion of the Ohio & Erie Canal in 1832 and the arrival of railroads in the 1850s.

A monument commemorating the canal's groundbreaking ceremony, presided over by New York governor DeWitt Clinton on July 4, 1825, is 3 miles south on SR 79. Also of interest is Cranberry Island on nearby Buckeye Lake in Buckeye Lake State Park (*see Recreation Areas Chart*). The island is a sphagnum bog that was formed at the end of the ice age; it contains various species of plants, including alder bush, sundew and poison sumac. Due to the island's fragile state, though, access is by guided tour only; phone (740) 929-1998.

Not to be missed by vaudeville, film and architecture buffs is the Midland Theatre, an opulent 1928 movie

palace that reopened in 2002 following an 8-year, \$8.5 million renovation and restoration. Marble columns, a gilded proscenium arch, and an alabaster chandelier suspended from an ornate medallion grace the interior of the Spanish motif, 1,200-seat structure at 36 N. Park Pl. Guided tours sometimes are available on a walk-in basis or by appointment. For a schedule of live and film offerings or for tour information phone (740) 345-5483.

The former Longaberger National Headquarters at 1500 E. Main St., a seven-story replica of a Longaberger market basket, will surely catch your eye.

THE DAWES ARBORETUM is 5 mi. s. on SR 13 to 7770 Jacksontown Rd. The nearly 2,000-acre arboretum has plant collections, gardens and natural areas. Twelve miles of hiking trails and a 4-mile automobile route are on the grounds. The Daweswood House Museum is furnished with 19th- and 20th-century antiques and family memorabilia.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (740) 323-2355 or (800) 443-2937.  

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 COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT-NEWARK/GRANVILLE **BOOK NOW** 740/344-1800



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 500 Highland Blvd 43055.

 DOUBLETREE BY HILTON NEWARK, OHIO **BOOK NOW** 740/322-6455



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 50 N 2nd St 43055.

NEW PHILADELPHIA

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New Philadelphia was founded in the early 1800s by Moravian missionaries and Swiss-German immigrants who were undaunted by the hard times faced by their brethren in previous unsuccessful settlements. Surviving Native American raids and the Revolutionary War, the village soon saw economic growth and prosperity.




A light industrial center, New Philadelphia also is a popular vacation spot. Recreational opportunities are abundant on the 16,000 acres of lakes in the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District (*see Recreation Areas Chart*).

Tuscarawas County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 124 E. High Ave., New Philadelphia, OH 44663. **Phone:** (330) 602-2420 or (800) 527-3387.



SCHOENBRUNN VILLAGE is on SR 259 at 1984 E. High Ave., 4 mi. e. of I-77 exit 81. Founded by

David Zeisberger in 1772 as a Moravian mission to the Delaware Indians, Schoenbrunn was the first missionary settlement in Ohio. The town grew to include more than 60 log buildings. Its 300 settlers drew up Ohio's first civil code and built the first church and schoolhouse. British and Native American hostilities caused the abandonment of Schoenbrunn in 1777.

The village has 16 reconstructed log buildings, an original mission cemetery and planted fields. **Phone:** (740) 922-6776.   

“**TRUMPET IN THE LAND**” is performed in the Trumpet in the Land Amphitheatre, off I-77 exit 81. This outdoor historical drama recounts the efforts of Moravian missionary David Zeisberger as he brought Christianity to the Delaware Indians during the late 1700s. Performances feature horses, fire dances and pyrotechnics.

Inquire about weather policies, rain checks and additional productions. **Phone:** (330) 339-1132.

 **BEST WESTERN DUTCH VALLEY INN** **BOOK NOW** 330/339-6500



Best Western

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Hotel. **Address:** 161 Bluebell Dr SW 44663. **Facility:** 66 units. 2 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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 HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES NEW PHILADELPHIA **BOOK NOW** 330/339-7731



Hotel. **Address:** 145 Bluebell Dr SW 44663.

NILES

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Founded in 1806 by James Heaton, the settlement was originally named Heaton Furnace and soon after was changed to Nilestown. Heaton is credited with manufacturing the first bar iron in Ohio in 1809; by 1880 Niles had become one of the leading iron manufacturers in the state due to local industrialists. The era of steel and automobile manufacturing brought continued prosperity to the area through the mid-1900s.

The town was the 1842 birthplace of William McKinley, the nation's 25th president.

Mahoning Valley Scrappers, a New York-Penn Class A affiliate team of the Cleveland Guardians, play at Eastwood Field.

Shopping: At US 422 and SR 46, the Eastwood Mall Shopping and Entertainment Complex features more than 200 stores and eateries; anchors include Dillard's, JC-Penney, and Macy's.

NATIONAL MCKINLEY BIRTHPLACE MEMORIAL is at 40 N. Main St. The 1915-17 Classical Greek structure is made of Georgian marble to honor William McKinley, who served as the nation's 25th president 1897-1901. An ornate museum contains McKinley memorabilia, a collection of J. Massey-Rhind bronze busts from the late 19th- and early 20th centuries, an auditorium and library. The McKinley Birthplace Home and Research Center, at 40 S. Main St., is a reconstruction of the president's birthplace home and is furnished in period.

Time: Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (330) 652-1704, ext. 203. **GT**

 HAMPTON INN & SUITES NILES/WARREN **BOOK NOW** 330/652-1277



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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 5555 Youngstown Warren #497 Rd 44446.



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NORTH CANTON

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FANNIE MAY & HARRY LONDON CHOCOLATE FACTORY is just n. of I-77 exit 113 at 5353 Lauby Rd. The factory produces more than 500 varieties of chocolate and gourmet candies. Tours provide insight into the candy making process and history of the company.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (330) 494-0833, or (800) 321-0444, ext. 119 for tour reservations. **GT**

MAPS AIR MUSEUM is at 2260 International Pkwy., at the Akron-Canton Airport. This museum of the Military Aviation Preservation Society uses vintage aircraft and artifacts to relate the history of military aviation. Visitors can sit in the cockpit of an MiG 17. The Ohio Society of Military History Museum, which features a collection of congressional medals, photographs, clothing and other items from the Civil War through Operation Desert Storm, also is included. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (330) 896-6332.

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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 5251 Landmark Blvd 44720.

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 ALOFT CLEVELAND AIRPORT **BOOK NOW** 440/772-4300



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 24601 Country Club Blvd 44070.



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SONESTA SIMPLY SUITES CLEVELAND NORTH OLMSTED **BOOK NOW** 440/716-0584


Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 24741 Country Club Blvd 44070. **Facility:** 125 efficiencies. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** on-site (fee). **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



NORWALK

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During the Western Reserve era, settlers came to the Norwalk area from parts of New England ravaged by British raids. Because the land was deeded as compensation for Revolutionary War fire destruction, it was called the “Firelands.” The West Main Historic District showcases

some of the Classic Revival houses built by the original settlers.

Summit Motorsports Park on SR 18 hosts more than 60 drag racing events April through October. Phone (419) 668-5555 for event and ticket information.

Huron County Visitors Bureau: 10 W. Main St., Norwalk, OH 44857. **Phone:** (419) 668-4155 or (877) 668-4155.


BEST WESTERN NORWALK **BOOK NOW** 419/663-3501


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Hotel. **Address:** 351 Milan Ave 44857. **Facility:** 58 units. 2 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub, exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



NORWICH



NATIONAL ROAD-ZANE GREY MUSEUM is off I-70 exit 164 at 8850 E. Pike. The museum traces the development of the country’s first “highway”—the National Road from Cumberland, Md., to Vandalia, Ill. Exhibits, including a 136-foot miniature diorama, depict the history of both the road and vehicle technology. The mu-

seum features an original Conestoga wagon and harnesses as well as art pottery and decorative tile produced by local potteries. Objects belonging to Western novelist Zane Grey and copies of his manuscripts also are displayed.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (740) 826-3305 or (800) 752-2602.



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NORWOOD

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MIDTOWN/ROOKWOOD **BOOK NOW** 513/873-2400





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OAK HARBOR

OTTAWA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE is 6.6 mi. n. on SR 19 then 3 mi. w. to 14000 W. SR 2. This nearly 5,500-acre site (some of which is closed to the public) is on Lake Erie and offers several walking/hiking trails ranging from .5 to 4.5 miles. One is an accessible wooden boardwalk and the others are covered in gravel; all are mostly flat and level. From the trails visitors can see spectacular views of marsh, meadow, scrub/shrub and wetland areas as well as an estuary.

This is a great bird-watching locale, and the site is also home to coyotes, white-tailed deer, squirrels and other wildlife. A 3-story visitor center features interactive exhibits about local birds and wildlife in the refuge, and the third-floor observation deck is stocked with binoculars. Bird checklists are available. Limited hunting opportunities are available; contact the visitor center for details.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (419) 898-0014.
 

OAKWOOD VILLAGE

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 HAMPTON INN & SUITES OAKWOOD VILLAGE-CLEVELAND **BOOK NOW** 440/945-6291



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 23300 Oakwood Commons Dr 44146.

OBERLIN

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Co-founded with Oberlin College, the town of Oberlin was established as a colony pledged to “plainest living

and highest thinking.” The town and college were hotbeds of abolitionist sentiment and a major stop on the Underground Railroad; Oberlin has been called “The town that started the Civil War.”



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Charles M. Hall, an 1885 Oberlin College graduate, discovered the electrolytic process of producing aluminum the following year in his Oberlin woodshed workshop as he was working with his sister Julia. Frenchman Paul Louis Toussaint Héroult independently discovered the

same process in Europe a few months later. Hall later co-founded the Aluminum Company of America, Alcoa.

Oberlin Business Partnership: 23 E. College St., Oberlin, OH 44074. **Phone:** (440) 774-6262.

 THE HOTEL AT OBERLIN **BOOK NOW** 440/775-7001



Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 10 E College St 44074.

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OXFORD
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A college town with many beautiful and architecturally significant older houses and buildings, Oxford derives much of its charm from the attractive campus of 17,720-student Miami University, founded in 1809. Paul Brown, Weeb Ewbank, Woody Hayes, Ara Parseghian, Bo Schembechler and other gridiron notables are a part of Miami's football history. Points of interest include outdoor sculpture, formal gardens, Kumler Chapel on the Western Campus, and University Art Museum (*see attraction listing*). Guided tours of the campus are available through the Admissions Office; phone (513) 529-2531. Miami University information is available by phoning (513) 529-1809.

Other features of the town include red brick streets, a variety of locally owned shops, the 1870 Black Covered

Bridge, Pioneer Farm & House Museum, golf and disc golf courses, Hueston Woods and hiking trails. Public ice-skating is offered at the Goggin Ice Center at 610 S. Oak St. Oxford's historic houses include the 1838 Lewis Place, traditional home of the Miami University presidents; the 1837 Simpson House, a guesthouse; the "Coffee Mill House"; and the home of Lorenzo Lorrain Langstroth, inventor of the revolutionary movable comb beehive.

Hueston Woods State Park, 5 miles north on SR 732, offers a variety of recreational opportunities, including hiking, biking and sailing; there also is a nature center; phone (513) 523-6347. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

Oxford Visitors & Convention Bureau: 14 W. Park Pl., Suite C, Oxford, OH 45056. **Phone:** (513) 523-8687.

Self-guiding tours: The Oxford Visitors & Convention Bureau offers brochures for self-guiding walking tours of the historic uptown area and the Miami University campus; both focus on the areas' historical buildings.



MIAMI UNIVERSITY ART MUSEUM is at 801 S. Paterson Ave. Five galleries present changing exhibits ranging from national loan shows to the museum's perma-

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PAINESVILLE

LAKE COUNTY HISTORY CENTER, 415 Riverside Dr., is housed in an 1876 Italianate building that once served as the county's infirmary and poor house. The building now features exhibit galleries and a research library. Rotating exhibits include various objects from the 30,000-piece collection. A Civil War wing includes clothing and weapons as well as displays about medicine and the Underground Railroad. The superintendent's original private quarters showcase Victorian lifestyle through period furnishings and clothing, and a formal parlor includes a collection of "Magical Musical Machines," 1900s music boxes.

Behind the center is the Living History Village; visitors can view the exteriors of an 1813 log cabin, a one-room school, a blacksmith shop and a general store. **Phone:** (440) 639-2945.

PEEBLES



SERPENT MOUND is n. on SR 41, then 4 mi. n.w. on SR 73. One of the finest remaining prehistoric Native American effigy mounds, this immense earthwork's sinuous curves lie on the crest of a ridge paralleling Ohio Brush Creek. The archeological feature is nearly a quarter-mile long and is 5 feet high. The head of the serpent is aligned to the summer solstice sunset. A museum features exhibits about the earthwork and the local geology of an ancient cryptic explosion.

Phone: (937) 587-2796 or (800) 752-2757.

PENINSULA


The Cuyahoga Valley National Park (see place attraction listing p. 241) Boston Store Visitor Center is in Peninsula.



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PERRY'S VICTORY AND INTERNATIONAL PEACE MEMORIAL

Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial is reached during summer by automobile and passenger ferry from Catawba and Port Clinton and by plane from Port Clinton. The memorial, at Put-in-Bay (*see place listing p. 307*) on South Bass Island in Lake Erie, commemorates the Battle of Lake Erie and the ensuing years of peace between the United States, Britain and Canada.

During the War of 1812 Master Commandant Oliver Hazard Perry commanded the American fleet, consisting of the *Lawrence*, the *Niagara* and seven smaller vessels assembled on the British-controlled lake. On Sept. 10,

1813, he met and defeated the British fleet and forced Robert Heriott Barclay's flagship and five other vessels to surrender. Perry then sent his famous message to Gen. William Henry Harrison: "We have met the enemy and they are ours." This victory made possible both the recapture of Detroit and Gen. Harrison's invasion of Canada.

The memorial is 352 feet high and 45 feet in diameter at its base. Built of pink granite from Milford, Mass., the memorial has an observation deck at 317 feet. The visitor center shows a movie and has exhibits about the Battle of Lake Erie and the building of the monument.

Allow 30 minutes minimum. Visitor center and memorial open daily 10-6, late May to mid-Sept.; daily 10-5, mid-Sept. to early Oct.; Fri.-Mon. 10-5, early Oct.-late Oct.



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Park rangers provide interpretive talks Mon.-Thurs. on the hour 11-5. Visitor center free. Memorial \$10; free (ages 0-15 with adult). Phone (419) 285-2184.

PICKERINGTON

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- Part of Columbus area— see map p. 208

The town was established shortly after 1811 when Abraham and Ann Pickering built a home and trading

post. In 1815 it was finally given a name, Jacksonville, commemorating Andrew Jackson's defeat of British forces in the battle of New Orleans during the War of 1812; citizens changed the name to Pickerington in 1827. The 1,608 acres of Pickerington Ponds Wetlands Wildlife Refuge feature observation areas with waterfowl, shorebirds and raptors.

Pickerington Area Chamber of Commerce: 107 W. Columbus St., Pickerington, OH 43147. **Phone:** (614) 837-1958.



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PIQUA

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Three Native American villages once existed near the present city. In 1747 the Miami tribe built Pickawillany; shortly thereafter an English trading post, Fort Pickawillany, was established, but it was destroyed in 1752 by the French and their Native American allies. In 1780 the Shawnee tribe took possession of this territory. At the end of the century European-American settlers arrived, formally laying out a village in 1807.

The 1891 Fort Piqua Plaza, on the downtown public square at 116 W. High St., is a stone and brick Richardsonian Romanesque building that was once a hotel. The exterior features more than 100 carvings of faces, animals, plants, dragons and other creatures. Former visitors include Harry Houdini, Teddy Roosevelt and John Philip Sousa. It now houses the Piqua Public Library; phone (937) 773-6753.

Remnants of the Miami and Erie Canal, which reached the area in 1837, are visible from Lock Nine Riverfront Park.

Self-guiding tours: Self-guiding walking and driving maps and brochures detailing the historic district—including a brochure about Fort Piqua Plaza's art, architecture and historical artifacts—are available from the library.

Shopping: Miami Valley Centre Mall, at I-75 and US 36, features Dunham's Sports and Sears. Downtown Piqua has antique and specialty shops.

JOHNSTON FARM & INDIAN AGENCY is off I-75 exit 83, 1 mi. w. on CR 25A, 2.5 mi. n. on SR 66, then .2 mi. e. to 9845 N. Hardin Rd. This 1815 two-story brick house on a 250-acre farmstead is furnished as it was in 1829 when John Johnston and his family lived there. A museum features displays about the Eastern Woodland Indians who inhabited the area; Pickawillany, the first large English trading post in Ohio; and the canal era in Ohio. Costumed interpreters lead house tours and demonstrate pioneer crafts, and a mule-drawn canal boat ride takes visitors through a restored portion of the Miami-Erie Canal.

Time: Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (937) 773-2522 or (800) 752-2619.

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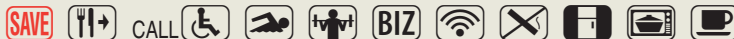
Hotel. **Address:** 987 E Ash, Suite 171 St 45356. **Facility:** 101 units. 5 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet laundry.


POLAND
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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 7395 Tiffany S 44514.



PORT CLINTON

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Port Clinton, the self-styled “Walleye Capital of the World,” celebrates New Year’s Eve with the outdoor Walleye Madness at Midnight, culminating at midnight with fireworks and the descent of a 20-foot, 600-pound fiberglass walleye. The festivities begin late in the afternoon with activities for kids, street vendors and music. Exotic culinary treats such as Walleye Cinnamon Chips and Walleye White wine are available.

Great Lakes Popcorn Co. at 60 N. Madison St., with its red and white striped awning and music playing from outdoor speakers, makes and sells more than 30 flavors of popcorn. Stop in for a sample or to buy a bag or tin to take home.

Lake Erie Shores & Islands Welcome Center—West: 770 S.E. Catawba Rd., Port Clinton, OH 43452. **Phone:** (419) 734-4386 or (800) 441-1271.

AFRICAN SAFARI WILDLIFE PARK is off SR 53, then just e. on SR 163 to 267 S. Lightner Rd. The 100-acre preserve is home to many species of animals roaming free in a natural habitat. Visitors feed the animals from their cars; one free cup of food is provided. Animal programs and a walk-through area also are offered. During the summer season and on select weekends in May and September, animal rides are given and pig races are presented.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (419) 732-3606.



GRIFFING FLYING SERVICE is in the Erie-Ottawa International Airport at 3255 E. State Rd. The company offers 20-minute airborne sightseeing tours. Air transportation to the islands and other destinations also is available. **Phone:** (419) 734-5400. **GT**



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ISLAND **BOOK NOW** 419/732-7322



Hotel. **Address:** 50 NE Catawba Rd 43452.

PORTSMOUTH

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At the confluence of the Ohio and Scioto rivers, Portsmouth was a manufacturing center where steel and clay products were made for more than 100 years. The Ohio & Erie Canal that once ran from Cleveland to Portsmouth impacted the development of the area, but the great flood of 1913 terminated canal use in this region. Many of the city's 19th-century buildings are restored, including structures in the Boneyfiddle District.

Portsmouth was the boyhood home of motion picture and television cowboy star Roy Rogers, who was born in Cincinnati in 1911 but lived here most of his first 17 years, and of baseball great Branch Rickey, who broke the major

league baseball color barrier in 1947 when he signed Jackie Robinson to play for the Brooklyn Dodgers. Both men are depicted in the 2,000-foot-long Portsmouth Floodwall Murals along Front Street on the Ohio River; the 50-plus scenes chronicle more than 2,000 years of Portsmouth and Scioto County history.

Shawnee State Park, which occupies former Shawnee hunting grounds, lies west; phone (740) 858-6621. See *Recreation Areas Chart*.

Portsmouth - Scioto County Visitors Bureau: 342 2nd St., Portsmouth, OH 45662. **Phone:** (740) 353-1116.

Shopping: Antique shops are found in Boneyfiddle Historic District.


 SUPER 8 PORTSMOUTH **BOOK NOW** 740/353-8880



Hotel. **Address:** 4266 US Hwy 23 45662.

POWELL

• Part of Columbus area— see map p. 208

 **COLUMBUS ZOO AND AQUARIUM** is off I-270 Sawmill Rd. exit, following signs to jct. Riverside Dr. and Powell Rd. The zoo, which opened in 1927, has six regions totaling nearly 140 acres of gardens and natural habitats. Stroll on paths, many though wooded areas, to travel among the zoo's regions: Congo Expedition, Heart of Africa, Asia Quest, Australia and the Islands, North America and Shores, and Jungle Jack's Landing.

More than 10,000 animals representing more than 600 species call the zoo home.

Enjoy a walking safari through the forests of Africa and see bonobos (pygmy chimpanzees), colobus monkeys, gorillas (including Colo, the first gorilla born in human care), a leopard, mandrills, okapi and red river hogs. The new 43-acre Heart of Africa exhibit offers a variety of animals, including cheetahs, lions, gazelles and wildebeests; visitors also have the opportunity to ride a camel and feed giraffes. In Asia Quest, exotic animals—Asian elephants,



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giant fruit bats, red pandas, pheasants and Amur tigers—roam their habitats.

In the Australia and the Islands region, check out the Kangaroo Walk-about, where you can get surprisingly close to these Aussies. Only a roped path separates on-lookers from the kangaroos, who hop around on a grassy lawn and recline under trees. A bird sanctuary, koalas, komodo dragons, nocturnal animals, orangutans and otters complete this group.

In the section devoted to North American creatures, polar bears swim and play in a 167,000-gallon pool or recline on rocks above water, soaking in the sun at Polar Frontier. North America also is home to brown bears, black bears, bison, eagles, Arctic foxes, Mexican wolves, moose, otters, trumpeter swans, cougars and wolverines as well as a songbird aviary.

Manatees occupy a 250,000-gallon home in the Shores region, which also houses alligators, Humboldt penguins, the Discovery Reef aquarium, a touch pool and a reptile house.

Rides include a 1914 carousel, train and pony rides and a boat ride through the Islands of Southeast Asia; there also are two playgrounds and a marine-themed play space. Jungle Jack's Landing is home to 13 amusement park rides, including a 1,250-foot log flume with two drops, a roller coaster and a whirligig. You also can touch docile cownose and Southern stingrays in the 18,000-gallon saltwater pool at Stingray Bay.

Phone: (614) 645-3550 or (800) 666-5397. 

Zoombezi Bay is at 4850 Powell Rd. at the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium. The park features 19 water attractions including a wave pool, a children's splash pool, an action river, an adults-only river and Baboon Lagoon—a multi-level play structure with 90 interactive aquatic controls, waterslides and a 1,000-gallon tipping water bucket, and Otter Banks—a new aquatic adventure area that includes two waterslides with a surprise drop at the end, a challenging aquacourse and an activity pool complete with cascading waterfalls and water basketball.

Phone: (614) 724-3600 or (800) 666-5397.

PUT-IN-BAY


You won't find an abundance of cars at this popular summer resort destination. Although vehicles are permitted on South Bass Island, parking is very limited. The alternative is to rent a bicycle or golf cart once you arrive. The main visitation season runs April through October; if you prefer fewer crowds, consider visiting Sunday through

Thursday. Two ferries provide transportation from the mainland. Jet Express Ferry, (800) 245-1538, carries passengers from Port Clinton and Sandusky to the island May through October. Miller Boat Line, (419) 285-2421 or (800) 500-2421, transports passengers and automobiles late March through November from Catawba Island. In addition to its extensive access to Lake Erie, the island's other claim to fame is Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial (*see place listing p. 302*), just outside the village.

Lake Erie affords great recreational opportunities like boating, kayaking, parasailing, sailing and jet skiing; there are multiple places to rent watercraft. Put-In-Bay has two public beaches, both of which offer nice scenery; a sandy beach is at the end of Delaware Avenue and a pebble beach is in South Bass Island State Park. A boat ramp is located downtown next to the Jet Express Ferry dock. You can fish at South Bass Island and Oak Point state parks; picnicking is permitted at both. South Bass Island State Park also offers camping facilities, boat rentals and a launch ramp, and if you look closely at some of the limestone bedrock in the park, you may be able to see some glacial striations, small grooves created from rocks in the glaciers that once covered the area. If you plan to fish with children while you're here, you may want to go to the Aquatic Visitors Center on SR 357. The facility offers free bait and fishing gear for those under age 16.

There are many other activities to occupy your time. Watch the lake and Delaware Avenue activity from DeRivera Park, a grassy area with picnic tables, benches, a fountain and a playground. The area is a good locale for bird-watching, particularly May 1-20 and in September during migrations. Stroll the downtown streets and do some boutique and souvenir shopping. Pop into the Carriage House gift shop, 150 Delaware Ave., to buy tickets to ride Kimberly's Carousel, a 1917 Allen Herschel creation from North Tonawanda, N.Y., that usually runs mid-June through Labor Day. Several dozen special events are held during the main tourist season. A regularly held event is an antique car parade passing through downtown each Sunday afternoon—a big treat for classic and historic car fans.

Put-in-Bay Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau: 148 Delaware Ave., Put-in-Bay, OH 43456. **Phone:** (419) 285-2832.

PUT-IN-BAY TOUR TRAIN boards at the depot at 154 Delaware Ave. One-hour narrated guided tours traverse South Bass Island. The tours allow passengers to disembark at several different areas and re-board without cost. **Phone:** (419) 285-4855. 



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REYNOLDSBURG

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fyi Hotel. Under major renovation, call for details. **Last Designation:** Approved. **Address:** 2826 Taylor Rd Ext 43068.

ROSSFORD

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ST. CLAIRSVILLE

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St. Clairsville is about 2 hours south of Akron. The downtown historic district features a mix of houses and re-

tail and office buildings from the 1800s and early 1900s. The charm of Main Street is enhanced with lovely hanging flower baskets.

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 **CANDLEWOOD SUITES ST. CLAIRSVILLE** **BOOK NOW** 740/695-9200



Extended Stay Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 67689 Mall Ring Rd 43950.

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Hotel. **Address:** 52509 National Rd 43950. **Facility:** 54 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



310 ST. CLAIRSVILLE — SANDUSKY, OH

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Hotel. **Address:** 51110 National Rd E 43950.

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Hotel. **Address:** 51130 National Rd E 43950.

SANDUSKY

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Although Sandusky was explored by Robert LaSalle in 1679 and visited by English trader George Croghan in 1760, it was not until 1816 that the town was settled. Its location on Sandusky Bay, a natural harbor on Lake Erie formed by the Cedar Point and Marblehead peninsulas, quickly made it a major center of shipping and industry. It is one of the largest coal-shipping ports on the Great Lakes.

Sandusky still has time for relaxation; its lakeside resorts, abundant fishing opportunities and access to Lake Erie's islands make it a popular summer vacation spot.

Lake Erie Shores & Islands Welcome Center—East: 216 E. Water St., Sandusky, OH 44870. **Phone:** (419) 625-2984 or (800) 255-3743.

Shopping: Off the Ohio Turnpike exit 118 on US 250 is Sandusky Mall; department stores include JCPenney and T.J. Maxx.



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CASTAWAY BAY, 2001 Cleveland Rd., is an indoor water park with a Caribbean theme featuring waterslides, a giant tree house with a variety of children's activities, a wave pool with 3-foot-high waves, a toddler tide pool and adults-only hot tubs. Lounge chairs are scattered throughout the park.

Lockers are available. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (419) 627-2500. 




CEDAR POINT is off US 6, 10 mi. n. of Ohio Tpke. exit 118 at 1 Cedar Point Dr. This 364-acre amusement/theme park and resort opened in 1870. Cedar Point offers more than 150 rides, shows and attractions, including 18 roller coasters and more than a dozen thrill rides. Valravn reaches 75 mph and includes a 90-degree drop. Other coasters include Steel Vengeance, a hybrid of steel and wood; Rougarou, a floorless coaster; the 420-foot-tall, 120 mph Top Thrill Dragster; the 310-foot-tall Millennium Force; the six-inversion Raptor; Magnum XL-200, the first roller coaster to break the 200-foot barrier; and GateKeeper, a winged coaster. Two water rides offer refreshing thrills. SlingShot is a two-person experience that launches participants 360 feet in the air. Other thrill rides include Ocean Motion (a ship that swings back and forth), Scrambler, Power Tower and WindSeeker.

If all those sound a bit intense, fear not. Most of the park's rides cater to families and young children. Pipe Scream takes riders back and forth several times across a 300-foot track, twisting and turning as it maneuvers across the hills. On Lake Erie Eagles riders fly in individual eagle cars and can control how mild or wild to make their flight. There are also carousels, three kids' areas, the Cedar Point & Lake Erie Railroad and an array of other classic amusement park rides.

Cedar Point also presents a variety of live shows, including the high-energy nighttime show Luminosity and several shows starring PEANUTS characters like Snoopy, Lucy and Charlie Brown. Other offerings are pioneer crafts, a marina and a sandy beach on the shore of Lake Erie. The Forbidden Frontier on Adventure Island offers an interactive adventure using both brain and brute power.


HalloWeekends is an annual fall favorite that offers daytime events like a parade and The Great Pumpkin Fest as well as the nighttime Haunt. Select rides are open Friday nights and all non-water rides are usually open on Saturdays and Sundays.

Phone: (419) 627-2350. 


Cedar Point Shores is at the n.e. corner of Cedar Point amusement park off US 6, 10 mi. n. of Ohio Tpke. exit 118, at 1 Cedar Point Dr. This 18-acre water park includes the six-story Point Plummet four-person drop as well as Port-side Plunge, which features two five-story tube slides. Also

the family-play areas Lakeside Landing and Lemmy's Lagoon have 12 waterslides for kids, geysers, water toys and a lounge area for parents. **Phone:** (419) 627-2350. 

COOKE-DORN HOUSE is at 1415 Columbus Ave. This three-story 1844 house was built by Eleutheros Cooke, Sandusky's first lawyer and a politician. By 1878 Cooke and his wife, Martha, had died and the house was moved to its current location; since then, it has changed ownership several times. The furnishings, mostly from the 1950s, are in mint condition and reflect the wealth of the Dorn family, the last residents of the house. The first two floors are open to the public. A garden and greenhouse also are featured.

Time: Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (419) 627-0640 or (877) 734-1386. 

FOLLETT HOUSE MUSEUM is 2 blks. s. of US 6 at 404 Wayne St. The 1834 Greek Revival stone mansion was built by prominent businessman Oran Follett, who fought against slavery and helped establish the Republican Party. Items displayed reflect Erie County history from its earliest times to the present, including a collection of Civil War items from the Confederate officers' prison on Johnson's Island.


Guided tours are available by appointment. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (419) 627-9608, or (419) 625-3834 (Sandusky Library) to schedule a guided tour. 

GHOSTLY MANOR THRILL CENTER is 2.2 mi. n. of SR 2 at 3319 Milan Rd. This family entertainment spot features Ghostly Manor Haunted House, a 4-D movie theater, bounce houses, a play area and a roller skating rink. Wizard's Journey is an indoor 3-D miniature golf course. **Phone:** (419) 626-4467. 



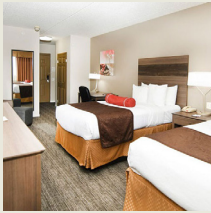
MARITIME MUSEUM OF SANDUSKY is at 125 Meigs St. across from Battery Park. Local maritime history is revealed through exhibits about a variety of topics, including boatbuilding, commercial fishing and shipping, ice harvesting, navigation, recreational boating and shipwrecks. A 15-minute film about the area's 19th- and 20th-century history is shown in a small theater. Interactive exhibits provide additional detailed information about maritime stories. Several restored boats are on the grounds. Also offered is an exhibit where children can build model boats. Changing exhibits are presented as well.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (419) 624-0274.

MERRY-GO-ROUND MUSEUM is at 301 Jackson St. at W. Washington St. The museum features a working merry-go-round, exhibits, photographs and carving demonstrations as well as animals and chariots from carousels. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (419) 626-6111. 



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Hotel. **Address:** 1515 Cedar Point Dr 44870.



 LA QUINTA INN BY WYNDHAM SANDUSKY NEAR CEDAR POINT **BOOK NOW** 419/626-6766



Motel. **Address:** 3304 Milan Rd 44870.

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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 6110 Sandusky Rd 44870.

SHARONVILLE

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HERITAGE VILLAGE MUSEUM is 1 mi. s. of I-275 exit 46 on US 42 in Sharon Woods Park. The village consists of restored 19th-century buildings moved from other areas

of southwest Ohio. A medical office has Civil War medical and pharmaceutical equipment. The 1804 Kemper Log House contains period furnishings. Greek Revival, rural Federal and Carpenter Gothic architecture is represented.


Outbuildings include an early 1800s barn with agricultural tools, a corncrib, icehouse and smokehouse. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (513) 563-9484. **GT**

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Hotel. **Address:** 2265 E Sharon Rd 45241.




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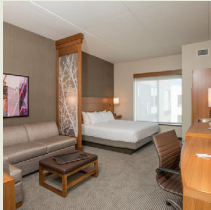
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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 11155 Dowlin Dr 45241.





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Named for poet and British Parliament member Sir Philip Sidney, the town was established on donated land. The 192 acres of Tawawa Civic Park, off I-75 exit 92 and

east on SR 47, contain a covered bridge, bike trails, sports fields and picnic areas.

Sidney Visitors Bureau: 101 S. Ohio Ave., Floor 2, Sidney, OH 45365. **Phone:** (937) 492-9122 or (866) 892-9122.

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SPRINGBORO

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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 325 Pictoria Dr 45246.

SPRINGFIELD

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Springfield was settled about 1800 by a group of Kentuckians, including the frontiersman and Native American scout Simon Kenton. Kenton's wife named the town for the numerous springs found there. In 1802 a water-powered flour mill was built nearby on a gorge in what is now Clifton, where visitors can take a self-guiding tour of the mill and explore a country store.

After the road came through in 1838 it became known as the "town at the end of the National Pike." Now US 40, the pike connected Springfield with industrial cities as far east as Cumberland, Md., and opened new markets for the city's harvests. Agricultural machinery firms set up shops, and slowly Springfield's complexion changed from rural to industrial. Its industries have diversified, producing turbines, engines and piano plates. Wittenberg University

and its 2,000 students add a college-town flavor to this bustling city.

Greater Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau: 20 S. Limestone St., Suite 100, Springfield, OH 45502. **Phone:** (937) 325-7621 or (800) 803-1553.

WESTCOTT HOUSE, 85 S. Greenmount Ave. (visitor center entrance), was designed for the prominent Westcott family by Frank Lloyd Wright in 1906 and construction was completed in 1908. In the 1940s the home was altered into an apartment building, completely changing the original design. In 2005 a five-year restoration was completed, and the house once again reflects Wright's design. The house is Wright's only use of Prairie Style architecture in Ohio. One-hour tours begin with a brief video about the house's history and restoration.

Note: To protect the house's floors, guests should wear flat shoes. **Phone:** (937) 327-9291. **GT**

 COMFORT SUITES SPRINGFIELD **BOOK NOW** 937/322-0707



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 1870 W 1st St 45504.

STEUBENVILLE

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At S. 3rd and Adams streets, adjacent to Historic Fort Steuben, is the First Federal Land Office of the United States; it was built in 1801 and served as a 19th-century home office. A new roof and floor have been constructed, but the building's logs are original.

As part of Steubenville's City of Murals project, the exteriors of 23 buildings in downtown Steubenville and Hollywood Plaza are painted with large murals depicting historical scenes relating to the city, including one of Steubenville native Dean Martin. Tour maps are available at the visitor center.



The town is home to the Catholic Franciscan University of Steubenville and its nearly 2,500 students.

Steubenville's Hometown Celebration, held in June, features a variety of events, including the Grecian Food

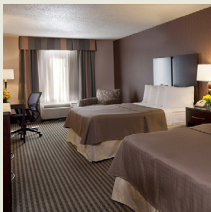
Festival, Ohio Valley Frontier Days and Dean Martin celebrations.

Steubenville/Jefferson County Visitor Center: 120 S. Third St., Steubenville, OH 43952. **Phone:** (740) 283-4935 or (866) 301-1787.

HISTORIC FORT STEUBEN is at 120 S. Third St. This reconstructed 1787 fort provides a taste of military life on the frontier in 18th-century Ohio. Visitors can view displays in the exhibition hall and tour the enlisted men's quarters, the officers' quarters, commissary, guardhouse and hospital as well as the artificer's and quartermaster's shops and an archaeology dig. In addition, the visitor center offers information for travelers. Adjacent to the site is the First Federal Land Office as well as Fort Steuben Park, which includes the Veterans Memorial Fountain. Concerts are held at the Louis Berkman Amphitheater.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (740) 283-1787 or (866) 301-1787.  

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Hotel. **Address:** 200 Franciscan Square Blvd 43952. **Facility:** 113 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



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STOW

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SAVE Extended Stay Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 4097 Bridgewater Pkwy 44224.

STREETSBORO

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STREETSBORO **BOOK NOW** 330/422-1166



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STREETSBORO **BOOK NOW** 330/422-1855



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SUNBURY

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- Shopping:** Tanger Outlets is at 400 S. Wilson Rd.

 HAMPTON INN-COLUMBUS/DELAWARE **BOOK NOW** 740/363-4700



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 7329 SR 37 E 43074.

SYLVANIA

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 WINGATE BY WYNDHAM SYLVANIA/TOLEDO **BOOK NOW** 419/517-2000



Hotel. **Address:** 5480 S Main St 43560.

TIFFIN

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The meticulously restored 1928 Ritz Theatre, 30 S. Washington St., is the venue for live performances and motion pictures on many weekends. During the week,

guided tours reveal design delights such as garden murals, intricate stenciling and plasterwork, and a 1,200-pound crystal chandelier; advance reservations are required for the tour. Phone the box office at (419) 448-8544.

Destination Seneca County: 19 W. Market St., Suite C, Tiffin, OH 44883. **Phone:** (567) 220-6387.

 HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS TIFFIN **BOOK NOW** 419/443-5100



Hotel. **Address:** 78 Shaffer Park Dr 44883.



TIPP CITY• **Hotels p. 320**

Tipp City was named for presidential candidate William Henry Harrison's campaign slogan, "Tippecanoe and Tyler too." The 19th-century downtown of this town along

the Miami-Erie Canal draws antiques shoppers and those looking for crafts objects. The restored 1839 Tipp Roller Mill and Theater at 225 E. Main St. offers entertainment the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 7, June through the second Thursday in December; phone (937) 667-3696.



HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS DAYTON NORTH - TIPP CITY

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TOLEDO• **Hotels p. 321**

A great industrial center, Toledo is one of the world's busiest freshwater ports, ranking third on the Great Lakes. The city's importance as a port stems from its location at the mouth of the Maumee River, the largest river flowing into the lakes. Its natural harbor has 35 miles of frontage. Pipelines for crude oil and gas terminate in Toledo, which is a major refining center. The city also is a large producer of glass.

Toledo occupies the site of old Fort Industry, which was built in 1794 and stood near the present Summit and Monroe streets. Fallen Timbers Monument, off SR 24 on Jerome Road, commemorates Gen. Anthony Wayne's 1794 defeat of the Native Americans, ending the bloody conflicts between the colonists and Native Americans.

As a result of his victory the Native Americans relinquished their rights to the Firelands (*see Norwalk p. 297*), which comprised most of the Native American lands remaining in the vicinity. A consequence of the Toledo War of 1835, a vociferous boundary dispute with Michigan, gave Toledo to Ohio and granted Michigan its northern peninsula in compensation.

The Erie and Kalamazoo Railroad, completed in 1836, was the first American railroad built west of the Alleghenies. Toledo is now one of the nation's largest rail centers.

Toledo provides opportunities for outdoor recreation at its numerous public Metroparks of the Toledo Area. Promenade Park, a peaceful, landscaped setting along the Maumee River, is a favorite spot for viewing freighters and towboats. Oak Openings Preserve and Pearson Metropark are popular spots for watching wildlife, especially migrating birds.

A large collection of Victorian, Edwardian and Arts and Crafts homes in the Old West End provides a glimpse of

architectural styles popular with wealthy industrialists in the late 19th- and early 20th centuries.

Notable among institutions of higher learning in the city is the 21,500-student University of Toledo, established in 1872. Guided tours of the campus, at 2801 W. Bancroft St., are available by appointment; phone (419) 530-8888 or (800) 586-5336. The university's Ritter Planetarium and the Brooks Observatory offer weekend shows throughout the year Fri. starting at 7:30 p.m. (8:30, May-Aug.) and Sat. at 1 during the academic year; phone (419) 530-2650 or (419) 530-4037.

Destination Toledo Convention and Visitors Bureau: 401 Jefferson Ave., Toledo, OH 43604. **Phone:** (419) 321-6404 or (800) 243-4667.

Self-guiding tours: Brochures and maps of a walking or driving tour of Old West End are available from the convention and visitors bureau.

Shopping: Franklin Park Mall, 5001 Monroe St., includes Dillard's, JCPenney and Macy's.

FORT MEIGS—see Perrysburg p. 302.



IMAGINATION STATION is at jct. Summit and Adams sts. on the riverfront at 1 Discovery Way; parking is at Adams and Superior sts. The science learning center features interactive exhibits focused on health sciences, alternative energy and energy efficiency as well as magnetism, air compression and perception. Visitors can ride a bike suspended 18 feet in the air on the High Wire Cycle, become a human yo-yo on the BOYO and run on the Wheel of Fire.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (419) 244-2674.




TOLEDO BOTANICAL GARDEN is at 5403 Elmer Dr. The garden encompasses 60 acres and includes roses, herbs, wildflowers, azaleas and rhododendrons as well as






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woodlands, hosta, vegetable and extensive perennial gardens. Also on the grounds are a re-created pioneer homestead and artists' guilds. In June the annual Crosby Festival of Arts features more than 215 artists. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (419) 536-5566.

 **THE TOLEDO MUSEUM OF ART** is at 2445 Monroe St., 1 blk. e. of I-75. This Grecian-style marble structure contains works tracing the history of art from ancient Egypt to the present. Among its more than 30,000 works of art are paintings and sculptures by such artists as Alexander Calder, Edgar Degas, El Greco, Paul Gauguin, Hans Holbein, Anselm Kiefer, Henri Matisse, Joan Miró, Claude Monet, Pablo Picasso, Rembrandt, Pierre-Auguste Renoir, Peter Paul Rubens and Vincent van Gogh as well as African and Asian works.

Also featured are books, manuscripts, prints, sculpture, medieval ivories, glass items, decorative arts objects and tapestries. A glass collection chronicles the history of glass over the course of 3,500 years. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (419) 255-8000 or TTY (800) 644-6862.

 **TOLEDO ZOO**, 4 mi. s.w. on SR 25, is home to more than 9,000 animals representing more than 700 species of mammals, birds, fish and reptiles. Tembo Trail features elephants, rhinos, camels and meerkats along with the Hippoquarium, which offers an underwater view of a hippopotamus family. Arctic Encounter offers close-up views of polar bears and seals. At Penguin Beach you can watch the black-and-white cuties' above- and below-water antics. Flamingo Key is home to flamingos and other waterfowl, and Primate Forest houses white-cheeked gibbons, swamp monkeys, ring-tailed lemurs and more. Also featured throughout the zoo are cheetahs, Amur tigers, great apes and Asian sloth bears as well as Amazing Amphibians, an aviary and pheasantry, a reptile house, gardens, a train and two carousels.

The Aquarium area is home to rays and sharks as well as other aquatic life. Nature's Neighborhood features play activities to help children learn about nature; birds, fish, goats, guinea pigs and insects are housed here. In warmer weather visitors can experience *Africa!*, home to giraffes, zebras, ostriches and more. Behind-the-scenes tours of the zoo are available. **Phone:** (419) 385-4040 or (419) 385-5721.  

 **COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT TOLEDO NORTH**  419/392-9637




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 Hotel. **Address:** 5875 Hagman Rd 43612.

 **COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT TOLEDO WEST**  419/724-0444




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 Hotel. **Address:** 3536 Secor Rd 43606.

 **HAMPTON INN & SUITES TOLEDO/WESTGATE**  419/214-5555



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 **HILTON GARDEN INN TOLEDO DOWNTOWN**  419/464-9220



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 Hotel. **Address:** 101 N Summit St 43604.



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 HOMEWOOD SUITES BY HILTON TOLEDO DOWNTOWN **BOOK NOW** 419/464-9220



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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 101 N Summit St 43603.

 RENAISSANCE TOLEDO DOWNTOWN HOTEL **BOOK NOW** 419/244-2444



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SAVE Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 444 N Summit St 43604.

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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 3554 Secor Rd 43606.

TROY

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The Eldean Covered Bridge, 2 miles north at the junction of CR 25A and Eldean Road, is a long-type truss bridge. Built in 1860, the 223-foot bridge crosses the Great Miami River. Also noteworthy is Troy's public square at Main Street and SR 55. The restored Miami County Courthouse, with its frescoes and five cast-iron domes, is particularly impressive.

Miami County Visitors and Convention Bureau: 405 S.W. Public Square, Suite 272, Troy, OH 45373. **Phone:** (800) 348-8993.


BRUKNER NATURE CENTER is off I-75 exit 73, 3 mi. s.w. on SR 55, then 3 mi. w. to 5995 Horseshoe Bend Rd. This 165-acre nature preserve offers 6 miles of hiking trails, a pine forest and prairie. The interpretive center features a

treetop-level bird-viewing room. The 1804 Iddings log house is open for viewing. Rehabilitated but permanently impaired animals, including a coyote and a bald eagle, can be seen. Frequently scheduled events include live creature features, night hikes and stargazing.

Pets are not permitted. **Time:** Allow 4 hours minimum. **Phone:** (937) 698-6493 for program information.

WACO AIR MUSEUM, 1865 S. CR 25A, preserves the history of the Waco Aircraft Co., which was the leading U.S. manufacturer of civil airplanes in the 1920s and early 1930s. During World War II the company specialized in glider production for the military. The museum features restored aircraft (including a World War II glider display), a library and aviation exhibits. A flight simulator is on-site as well.

Photography is permitted. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (937) 335-9226. **GT**

 COMFORT SUITES TROY I-75 **BOOK NOW** 937/339-2525



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Hotel. **Address:** 1800 Towne Park Dr 45373. **Facility:** 65 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 87 Troy Town Dr 45373.

TWINSBURG

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Settled in 1817, Twinsburg was originally called Millsville. In 1819 two identical twin merchants from Connecticut, Moses and Aaron Wilcox, gave land for a public square and funded a school in exchange for the town naming rights. Settling in Twinsburg in 1823, they married sisters, were life-long business partners, had the same number of children, died within hours of one another and are buried together.

Today Twinsburg, one of the fastest growing communities in the state, is the site of the area's largest annual gathering of twins. Twinsburg residents and nearly 35,000 visitors see double the first full weekend in August during the Twins Days Festival. Highlights of this gathering of twins, triplets and quadruplets from around the world include a parade, arts and crafts, live entertainment, fireworks display, Twins Contest talent show and a golf tournament. Phone (330) 425-3652.

Shopping: A weekly fresh farmers market is held at 2695 Creekside Commons Thurs. 3-6:30, early June-early Oct.

 HILTON GARDEN INN CLEVELAND/TWINSBURG **BOOK NOW** 330/405-4488



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Hotel. **Address:** 8971 Wilcox Dr 44087. **Facility:** 142 units. 5 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub, exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



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UPPER ARLINGTON

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 HOMEWOOD SUITES BY HILTON COLUMBUS/OSU, OH **BOOK NOW** 614/488-1500



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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 1576 W Lane Ave 43221.

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TOWNEPLACE SUITES **AAA Benefit: Members save 5% or more and earn Marriott Bonvoy™ points when booking AAA/CAA rates!**
MARRIOTT

Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 1640 W Lane Ave 43221. **Facility:** 119 efficiencies. 5 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** on-site (fee).

Activities: exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.



UPPER SANDUSKY

Established in 1843, Upper Sandusky overlooks the Sandusky State Scenic River, whose name comes from a Native American word meaning “water within pools.” This site was headquarters for the Wyandot Indians, who controlled the area that is now Ohio.

Swartz Bridge, southeast of town on CR 130, and Parker Bridge, northeast of town on CR 40, are covered bridges found within the area.

Wyandot County Visitors Bureau: 108 E. Wyandot Ave., Upper Sandusky, OH 43351-1430. **Phone:** (419) 294-3556.

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 COMFORT INN **BOOK NOW** 419/232-6040



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Hotel. **Address:** 840 N Washington St 45891. **Facility:** 58 units, some efficiencies. 2 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



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 HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES VAN WERT **BOOK NOW** 419/238-2600



Hotel. **Address:** 140 N Valam Dr 45891.

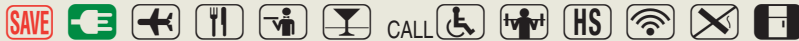
VERSAILLES

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 HOTEL VERSAILLES **BOOK NOW** 937/526-3020



Boutique Hotel. **Address:** 21 W Main St 45380. **Facility:** Built in 2022, this property offers upscale accommodations featuring modern furnishings, luxurious bedding and stocked mini-bars. Beautiful public spaces are decorated with locally curated artwork. 30 units, some two bedrooms. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Activities:** bicycles, exercise room. **Guest Services:** complimentary laundry, area transportation.



VIENNA

Vienna is home to the Youngstown Air Reserve Station, which is headquarters for the Air Force's 910th Airlift Wing.

WAGON TRAILS ANIMAL PARK is at 907 Youngstown-Kingsville Rd. In this 62-acre park visitors can feed more

than 300 exotic animals from six continents, including bison, water buffalo, deer, elk, zebras, camels and ostriches. Two-mile narrated safari rides afford the opportunity to get close to the animals. A petting zoo and aviary also are on the grounds.

Time: Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (330) 539-4494.

WALNUT CREEK

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 CARLISLE INN OF WALNUT CREEK **BOOK NOW** 330/893-3636



Hotel. **Address:** 4949 SR 515 44687.


 OAK RIDGE INN **BOOK NOW** 330/893-3811



Bed & Breakfast. **Address:** 4845 Milo Dr 44687.

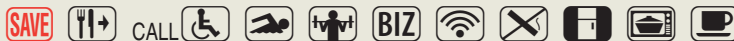


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 THE WALLHOUSE HOTEL, AN ASCEND HOTEL COLLECTION
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Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 2870 Cove Ln 44687. **Facility:** 62 units, some two bedrooms. 6 stories, interior corridors. **Bath:** shower only. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub, exercise room. **Guest Services:** complimentary laundry.



WAPAKONETA

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Neil Armstrong (1930-2012), who on July 20, 1969, became the first person to walk on the moon, was born in Wapakoneta.

 **ARMSTRONG AIR & SPACE MUSEUM** is just w. off I-75 exit 111 at 500 Apollo Dr. Exhibits follow the history of flight from the dreams of science fiction to the

reality of space exploration. On view are full-size air-planes, a moon rock and the Gemini VIII capsule in which Neil Armstrong completed the first spacecraft docking in orbit. Several motion picture presentations are shown.

The dome-shaped Astro Theater features a documentary about America in space. The Infinity Room, an 18-foot square lined with mirrors, offers the illusion of walking in space. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (419) 738-8811 or (800) 860-0142.

 **BEST WESTERN WAPAKONETA INN** **BOOK NOW** 419/738-2050


Best Western.

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Hotel. **Address:** 1008 Lunar Dr 45895. **Facility:** 54 units. 2 stories, interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room.



WARREN

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Settled in 1799, Warren was named after the territorial surveyor Moses Warren. The site of early iron and coal production, the city served as the first capital of the historic Connecticut Western Reserve. Trumbull County, in-

cluding Warren, played a significant role in the Underground Railroad.

Local industrialists William Doud and James Ward Packard established the Packard Electric Co. in 1890. The first Packard automobile was built in Warren. The success of the Packard brought prosperity to the town, as evidenced by the unusual architectural styles of the grand



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homes along “Millionaires Row” on Mahoning Avenue. Warren was the first U.S. city to light its streets with incandescent bulbs.

You can visit two historic houses downtown. The John Stark Edwards House Museum, 303 Monroe St. N.W., dates to 1807 and is open the first Sun. of the month 2-5 and other times by appointment. It showcases some of the former residents’ belongings; phone (330) 394-4653 to confirm tour schedule. The Upton House, 380 Mahoning Ave. N.W., was built in 1840 by Gen. Simon Perkins and was later inhabited by Harriet Taylor Upton, a prominent suffragist. In fact, the house even served as temporary headquarters of the National American Woman Suffrage Association. The home is open for tours by appointment; phone (330) 395-1840. Across the street is The Women’s Park, which features a stone bridge and brick walkways inscribed with dedications to women who have inspired others.

Northwest on US 422 next to the McDonald’s at 2487 Parkman Rd. is the former site of the Warren Airways Airport from which Neil Armstrong, at the age of 6, took his first flight; 33 years later he became the first human to

walk on the moon. Commemorating both firsts is the Neil Armstrong “First Flight” Lunar Memorial, a half-scale replica of the *Apollo 11* Lunar Module set on a concrete slab cratered to resemble the moon’s surface, and a 1/16-scale model rocket replicating the Gemini V mission.

The W.D. Packard Music Hall, built in 1955, is used for concerts, lectures and other programs. The 43-mile Western Reserve Greenway trail runs between Ashtabula and Warren. The trail offers opportunities for biking, hiking and horseback riding.

Trumbull County Tourism Bureau: 321 Mahoning Ave. N.W., Warren, OH 44483. **Phone:** (330) 675-3081 or (866) 360-1552.

NATIONAL PACKARD MUSEUM is 1.5 mi. s. of SRs 5 and 82 at 1899 Mahoning Ave. Displays detail the history of the Packard family, as well as the Packard Motor Car Co. and the Packard Electric Co., from their beginnings in Warren in 1890 to the present. The museum houses the largest collection of Packard family and business memorabilia and also features a Packard automobile collection dating 1900-56.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (330) 394-1899.



BEST WESTERN PARK HOTEL **BOOK NOW** 330/393-1200



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Hotel. **Address:** 136 N Park Ave 44481. **Facility:** 54 units. 46 stories, interior corridors. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



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Hotel. **Address:** 1860 Niles-Cortland Rd 44484.



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 **THE GRAND RESORT** **BOOK NOW** 330/856-1900



Hotel. **Address:** 9519 E Market St 44484. **Facility:** 132 units. 2 stories (no elevator), interior corridors. **Parking:** winter plug-ins. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Dining:** 5 restaurants, entertainment. **Pool:** heated outdoor, heated indoor. **Activities:** sauna, steamroom, regulation golf, tennis, recreation programs in season, bicycles, trails, health club, spa. **Guest Services:** valet laundry, area transportation.



 **HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES YOUNGSTOWN N**
(WARREN/NILES) **BOOK NOW** 330/544-1408



Hotel. **Address:** 135 Highland Terrace Blvd 44484.

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 **CLEVELAND MARRIOTT EAST** **BOOK NOW** 216/378-9191



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Hotel. **Address:** 26300 Harvard Rd 44122. **Facility:** 295 units. 8 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** complimentary laundry.



WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE

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The town was originally named Washington, and the affix “Court House” was added in the late 1820s to distinguish the town from four other Washingtons in Ohio.

The Fayette County Court House contains murals by Archibald M. Willard, who created the painting “Spirit of ’76.”

Fayette County Chamber of Commerce: 101 E. East St., Washington Court House, OH 43160. **Phone:** (740) 335-0761.

Shopping: There are several antique shops, craft stores and boutiques in the downtown business district.



 HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE JEFFERSONVILLE
SOUTHWEST **BOOK NOW** 740/335-9310



Hotel. **Address:** 101 Courthouse Pkwy 43160.

WAYNE NATIONAL FOREST

Elevations in the forest range from 630 ft. on the Ohio River near Newport to 1,320 ft. on the Narrows River on a ridge near Sardis. Refer to AAA maps for additional information.

In the southeastern portion of the state is Wayne National Forest, named in honor of Revolutionary War hero Gen. Anthony Wayne. The forest encompasses three general areas totaling 244,000 acres. More than 300 miles of hiking, mountain biking, horse and off-highway vehicle trails wind through the forest; the trails are open mid-April to mid-December. Redbuds and dogwoods bloom in spring, and the fall foliage is stunning. Starting in Marietta and ending in Woodsfield, the Covered Bridge Scenic Byway stretches 35 miles and leads travelers to 10 interpretive stops, including a historical mill site, covered bridges, a painted barn advertising Mail Pouch Tobacco, a historic inn, a homestead and an oil well.

Flowing through the forest's Marietta unit, the Little Muskingum River offers opportunities for canoeing and kayaking as well as fishing. Lake Vesuvius Recreation Area, north of Ironton off SR 93, includes a lake, campground and a 19th-century furnace left from Ohio's iron industry. Primitive camping is available throughout the forest and both the Athens and Ironton units have developed campgrounds; a small fee is charged. Hunting is permitted in season.

The forest is free and open all year. For maps and information contact the Supervisor's Office/Athens District, (740) 753-0101, at 13700 US 33, Nelsonville, OH 45764; Ironton District, (740) 534-6500, at 6518 SR 93, Pedro, OH 45659; or the Marietta District, (740) 373-9055, 27515 SR 7, Marietta, OH 45750. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

WELLINGTON

Established in 1818, Wellington did not achieve its potential until 1850 when the railroad arrived. A station on the Underground Railroad, the town was the site of the

Oberlin/Wellington Slave Rescue of 1858. By 1880 the town was known as the "Cheese Capital of the United States," with more than 40 cheese factories in the area.

Wellington was the 1855-75 home of Archibald M. Willard, painter of the classic "Spirit of '76." A copy of the artwork, along with many Willard originals, hangs in the town library at 101 Willard Memorial Square and in the Spirit of '76 Museum at 201 N. Main St.; phone (440) 647-2120 and (440) 647-4367, respectively. Another notable native was Myron T. Herrick, governor of Ohio 1904-06 and ambassador to France, 1912-14 and 1921-29.

There are many opportunities to enjoy outdoor activities such as hiking, mountain biking, fishing, camping, kayaking, disc golf and paddleboating at Wellington Reservation and Findley State Park. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

WEST CHESTER

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- **Part of Cincinnati area— see map p. 169**

Butler County Visitors Bureau: 8756 Union Centre Blvd., West Chester, OH 45069. **Phone:** (888) 462-2282.

SAVE **ENTERTAINMENT JUNCTION** is off I-75 exit 22, just e. on Tylersville Rd., just s. on Kingsgate Rd., then just w. to 7379 Squire Ct. Train Journey, billed as the world's largest indoor train display, has 25,000 square feet of G-scale model trains (1/24 the size of real trains) that travel along more than 2 miles of track through detailed displays representing different eras in railroad history. There even is an 11-foot waterfall. The American Railroading Museum includes railroad artifacts, trivia kiosks and a video theater. At Imagination Junction, kids can play at an indoor 5,000-square-foot railroad-themed play area. From Memorial Day through Labor Day, children can ride a hand-cranked locomotive around a 300-foot track, and the Narrow Gauge Kid's Train is in operation on 1,000 feet of track, weather permitting.

The second main attraction of the complex is the A-Maze-N FunHouse, where visitors can attempt to make





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their way through a tilt room, mirror maze, claustrophobia hallway, black light walk-through and the Ames Room (distorted to create optical illusions). Special events include Christmas at the Junction, Jack O'Lantern Junction

and Thomas the Tank Engine month. A behind-the-scenes tour also is available.

Phone: (513) 898-8000 or (877) 898-4656.  

AC HOTEL BY MARRIOTT LIBERTY CENTER **BOOK NOW** 513/759-6500



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Boutique Hotel. **Address:** 7505 Gibson St 45069. **Facility:** Sleek design is incorporated throughout the public spaces and guest rooms at this contemporary property. The location is convenient to the many shops and restaurants in Liberty Center. 130 units. 6 stories, interior corridors.

Amenities: safes. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



ALOFT CINCINNATI WEST CHESTER **BOOK NOW** 513/857-3020



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SAVE Boutique Hotel. **Address:** 9183 Centre Point Dr 45069.

AVID HOTEL CINCINNATI NORTH - WEST CHESTER **BOOK NOW** 513/514-8444



Hotel. **Address:** 8927 Lakota Dr W 45069.

CINCINNATI MARRIOTT NORTH AT UNION CENTRE **BOOK NOW** 513/874-7335




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Hotel. **Address:** 6189 Muhlhauser Rd 45069. **Location:** Located in suburban commercial area. **Facility:** 302 units. 8 stories, interior corridors.

Terms: check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** complimentary and valet laundry, boarding pass kiosk.




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 COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT-CINCINNATI NORTH AT UNION
CENTRE **BOOK NOW** 513/341-4140



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 6250 Muhlhauser Rd 45069.

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CENTRE **BOOK NOW** 513/341-2040



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 9266 Schulze Dr 45069.

 HAMPTON INN & SUITES CINCINNATI LIBERTY TOWNSHIP **BOOK NOW** 513/847-5700



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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 7320 Tylers Place Blvd 45069.

 HILTON GARDEN INN WEST CHESTER **BOOK NOW** 513/860-3170




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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 9306 Schulze Dr 45069.

 HOLIDAY INN CINCINNATI NORTH-WEST CHESTER **BOOK NOW** 513/874-2744



Hotel. **Address:** 5800 Muhlhauser Rd 45069.

 HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES CINCINNATI NORTH - LIBERTY
WAY **BOOK NOW** 513/777-9900



Hotel. **Address:** 7750 Liberty Field Way 45069.

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HOME2 SUITES BY HILTON CINCINNATI LIBERTY TOWNSHIP **BOOK NOW** 513/644-2207


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Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 7145 Liberty Centre Dr 45069. **Facility:** 92 efficiencies. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Bath:** shower only. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.


HOME2 SUITES BY HILTON WEST CHESTER CINCINNATI **BOOK NOW** 513/805-4500

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SAVE **fyi** Hotel. Pending inspection, call for details. **Address:** 9246 Schulze Dr 45069.


HOMEWOOD SUITES BY HILTON CINCINNATI-WEST CHESTER **BOOK NOW** 513/805-4400



AAA Benefit: Members save up to 10% and earn Honors points when booking AAA/CAA rates!

Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 9226 Schulze Dr 45069. **Facility:** 112 efficiencies. 5 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet and coin laundry.


HYATT HOUSE WEST-CHESTER/CINCINNATI-NORTH **BOOK NOW** 888/591-1234

AAA Benefit: Members save up to 10% and earn World of Hyatt points when booking AAA/CAA rates! Members also receive free breakfast at Hyatt Place/Hyatt House with their World of Hyatt membership!

SAVE **fyi** Hotel. Pending inspection, call for details. **Address:** 7800 Liberty Field Dr 45069.


RESIDENCE INN BY MARRIOTT CINCINNATI NORTH/WEST CHESTER **BOOK NOW** 513/341-4040


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SAVE Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 6240 Muhlhauser Rd 45069.



 STAYBRIDGE SUITES CINCINNATI NORTH **BOOK NOW** 513/874-1900



Extended Stay Hotel. **Address:** 8955 Lakota Dr W 45069.

WESTERVILLE

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- **Part of Columbus area— see map p. 208**

Westerville, incorporated in 1858, became known as the “dry capital of the world” when the Anti-Saloon League settled here in 1909 and led the successful campaign for the 18th amendment prohibiting alcohol. The Westerville Public Library houses the Anti-Saloon League Museum, which contains printed materials used in the fight against alcohol, including posters, fliers and booklets, as well as the John R. Kasich Congressional Collection papers and memorabilia; phone (614) 882-7277 or (800) 816-0662.

Nearby is the nationally known Temperance Row Historic District where the anti-liquor leaders lived. The Hanby House at 160 W. Main St. is the restored and furnished pre-Civil War home of Benjamin Hanby, author and

composer of “Darling Nelly Gray” and “Up on the House Top.” The house is open weekends 1-4 May through September and other times by appointment; phone (614) 891-6289 or (800) 600-6843 to confirm schedule.

Westerville Visitors and Convention Bureau: 670 Meridian Way, Suite 131, Westerville, OH 43082. **Phone:** (614) 794-0401.

INNISWOOD METRO GARDENS is off I-270 exit 29, .4 mi. n. to Schrock Rd., then 1.5 mi. e. to 940 S. Hempstead Rd. The 123-acre gardens feature mixed perennial and shrub borders, annual display beds, an herb garden, a children’s garden, a rose garden, a rock garden with waterfalls and nicely landscaped grounds. Paved walking paths and a boardwalk trail pass through a hardwood forest. **Time:** Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (614) 895-6216.

 ALOFT COLUMBUS WESTERVILLE **BOOK NOW** 614/899-6560



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SAVE Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 32 Heatherdown Dr 43081.

 RENAISSANCE COLUMBUS WESTERVILLE-POLARIS HOTEL **BOOK NOW** 614/882-6800



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Contemporary Hotel. **Address:** 409 Altair Pkwy 43082. **Facility:** 222 units. 8 stories, interior corridors. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Amenities:** safes. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** lawn sports, exercise room.

Guest Services: valet laundry.



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WESTLAKE

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The pond at Clague Park, 1400 Clague Rd., is a nice place to relax and watch the adorable goings-on of the ducks. I-90 runs through this Cleveland suburb, making city life available in just about a 15-mile drive.

 HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES CLEVELAND WEST - WESTLAKE **BOOK NOW** 440/808-0500



Hotel. **Address:** 30500 Clemens Rd 44145.

 HYATT PLACE CLEVELAND/WESTLAKE/CROCKER PARK **BOOK NOW** 440/871-3100




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Hotel. **Address:** 2020 Crocker Rd 44145. **Location:** Located in Crocker Park lifestyle center. **Facility:** 110 units. 6 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** valet laundry.



WEST LIBERTY

 **OHIO CAVERNS** is 4 mi. s.e. on SR 245. Discovered in 1897, the caves maintain a constant temperature of 54 degrees F. Vividly colored walls contrast with pure white stalactites and stalagmites. The guided 1-mile Natural Wonder Tour, which lasts 50-55 minutes, takes visitors through the caverns along electrically lighted passageways. On the .75-mile Historic Tour visitors take a shuttle bus to the original entrance where the cavern was first discovered and then are shown the parts of the cavern that were toured 1897-1925; the tour lasts about 45 minutes.

The Limestone Tour is a 25-minute handicap-accessible, quarter-mile tour featuring the first part of the Natural Wonder tour. Above the site is a 35-acre park with a playground and opportunities for gem mining.

Photography is permitted but video cameras are not allowed in the caverns. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (937) 465-4017.  

THE PIATT CASTLES are 1 and 2 mi. e. on SR 245. Self-guiding tours let visitors explore the 1871 limestone Mac-A-Cheek Castle and acquaint them with the lives of several generations of former occupants. Mac-O-Chee Castle was begun in the 1860s as a modest Gothic retreat and was remodeled in 1881 with a Flemish-inspired limestone addition. It contains mostly American furnishings with a few European pieces. Mac-O-Chee was the home of Donn Piatt, a well-known publisher and author, and his wife, Ella, an artist.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (937) 465-2821.



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WHEELERSBURG

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 **QUALITY INN** **BOOK NOW** 740/574-1046




Hotel. **Address:** 8226 Ohio River Rd 45694.

WILBERFORCE

In 1856 the Methodist Episcopal Church purchased a tract of land in southwest Ohio for the purpose of opening a college, then known as Ohio African University, for escaped and freed slaves. This college, the first African American university in the country, is now Wilberforce University, named after the 18th-century British abolitionist William Wilberforce.

THE NATIONAL AFRO-AMERICAN MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTER is off US 42 at 1350 Brush Row Rd. The museum educates the public about African American history and culture from African origins to the present through the collection, preservation and interpretation of material evidence. Changing exhibits, artifacts and manuscripts are included.

Time: Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (937) 376-4944 or (800) 752-2603, ext. 114. 

WILLOUGHBY

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WILMINGTON

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- Part of Cincinnati area— see map p. 169

The Clinton County Courthouse was completed in 1919 and restored in 1999. This aesthetically pleasing and imposing three-story limestone structure is a fine example of Second Renaissance Revival architecture. Among the interior architectural details are marble columns, faux

marble walls, ornamental plasterwork, ceiling decorations, a 36-foot diameter dome with 128-panels with rosettes and ornate bronze light fixtures. This working courthouse is open Mon.-Fri. 8-4. For more information phone (937) 382-2103.

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During the War of 1812, an Army headquarters and a land office were established in Wooster. These drew permanent settlers, including the young German immigrant August Imgard, who local historians claim introduced Christmas trees to America in 1847.

The Ohio Light Opera, the residential professional company of The College of Wooster, performs operetta and lyric theater mid-June to mid-August at Freedlander Theatre at 329 E. University St.; phone (330) 263-2345 for tickets. The college is a private liberal arts school with about 2,000 students.

Alice Noble Ice Arena, at 851 Oldman Rd. on the Wooster High School campus, offers public skating times. The arena also is home to the Wooster Oilers hockey team. The arena hosts a variety of activities, so phone for public skating schedule; (330) 345-8686.

Wayne County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 428 W. Liberty St., Wooster, OH 44691. **Phone:** (330) 264-1800 or (800) 362-6474.

Shopping: Downtown Wooster is a vibrant shopping area featuring many upscale shops. Gallery in the Vault, 105 E. Liberty St., offers art and gift items in an old bank building where shoppers can go inside the vault. Stock up on laundry, kitchen, home organization and cleaning goods at the Everything Rubbermaid retail store at 115 S. Market St, right off the town square.

OHIO AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER (OARDC) is 1 mi. s. on SR 83 at 1680 Madison Ave. Part of The Ohio State University, this 2,100-acre research center includes the Secrest Arboretum and the Garden of Roses of Legend and Romance. **Time:** Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (330) 263-3700. **GT**



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XENIA

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Xenia (ZEEN-yuh), once the site of the Shawnee Nation's largest settlement, was the 1768 birthplace of Tecumseh. In the 1790s and early 1800s, Tecumseh tried to create a pan-Native American alliance to protect tribal lands and culture from the encroaching frontiersmen. He joined forces with the British during the War of 1812, but his cause died with him in 1813 at the Battle of the Thames in Ontario.

Running through downtown is the Little Miami Scenic Trail, an approximately 78-mile paved trail that averages 66 feet wide and runs between Cincinnati and Springfield. The park/trail is a converted, abandoned railroad right-of-way that offers opportunities for bicycling, in-line skating, hiking, backpacking, cross-country skiing, horseback riding and canoeing the Little Miami National and State Scenic River. *See Recreation Areas Chart (Little Miami State Park).*



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YOUNGSTOWN

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Youngstown was named after John Young, a surveyor who purchased 15,600 acres of land in 1797. The town's development was slow until 1803, when iron ore was discovered and the first blast furnace was established in the area. The opening of the Pennsylvania and Ohio Canal increased both the population and industrialization of the area during the 1820s. In 1862 the first coal mine was opened, and the first steel plant, the Union Iron and Steel Co., was built in 1892. Most early settlers came from Pennsylvania, New York and New England; however, the growing industrial economy soon attracted European emigrants.

Youngstown State University, with an enrollment of nearly 15,000 undergraduate and graduate students, was established in 1908.

Mahoning County Convention & Visitors Bureau: 21 W. Boardman St., Youngstown, OH 44503. **Phone:** (330) 740-2130 or (800) 447-8201.

Shopping: Along the US 224 corridor is Southern Park Mall—anchored by Dillard's, JCPenney and Macy's—and Boardman Plaza, one of the country's first strip malls.

THE BUTLER INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN ART is at 524 Wick Ave. The museum was founded in 1919 by Youngstown industrialist Joseph G. Butler Jr. The collection focuses on American art from the Colonial period to the present, including a wing dedicated to digital art. Highlights include works by Mary Cassatt, John Copley,

Thomas Eakins, Winslow Homer, Georgia O'Keeffe, Frederic Remington, Norman Rockwell, Charles Sheeler, Robert Vonnoh, Andy Warhol and Benjamin West.

The Trumbull branch (about 12 miles north in Howland Township) showcases works by international artists as well as contemporary sculptors and painters. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (330) 743-1107.



MILL CREEK PARK is s. of Mahoning Ave. off Glenwood Ave. The 2,882-acre park contains a 6-mile-long gorge, 15 miles of foot trails, 20 miles of drives, a pond and three lakes. Opportunities for biking, boating, cross-country skiing, fishing, golf, hiking, sledding and tennis are available. The largest of the lakes is 60-acre Lake Newport, which also includes 40 acres of wetlands that can be explored on the interpretive boardwalk along the Albert E. Davies Wetland Trail.

Four viewing platforms on the 1913 Parapet Bridge afford pleasant views of the area. Fellows Riverside Gardens, Ford Nature Center and Lanterman's Mill also are on the grounds. *See Recreation Areas Chart.* **Phone:** (330) 702-3000.

Fellows Riverside Gardens is s. off Mahoning Ave. at 123 McKinley Ave. at the north end of Mill Creek Park. The 12-acre garden encompasses a formal rose garden, perennials, shrubs, trees and seasonal displays of some 40,000 tulips in the spring and flowering annuals in the summer. Two overlooks provide views of the park and city. The architecturally interesting D.D. and Velma Davis Education & Visitor Center features the John C. Melnick Mill Creek Park Museum and the Andrew and Carol Weller



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Gallery and an observation tower and also provides maps and other visitor information. **Phone:** (330) 740-7116.



Ford Nature Center is at 840 Old Furnace Rd. and is part of Mill Creek Park. This former residence built of stone now houses a naturalist staff and a variety of displays. Three rooms feature native plants and animals as well as hands-on exhibits. Wildlife gardens, walking trails and areas for bird-watching are included. Nature programs and hikes also are offered. **Phone:** (330) 740-7107.

Lanternman's Mill is at 1001 Canfield Rd. and is part of Mill Creek Park. The restored 1846 water-powered gristmill has been completely renovated and still operates. The grounds also include hiking trails, one of which is a

boardwalk; a covered bridge; and an observation deck for viewing Lanternman Falls. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (330) 740-7115.

YOUNGSTOWN HISTORICAL CENTER OF INDUSTRY & LABOR is at 151 W. Wood St. Exhibits chronicle the impact of the iron and steel industries upon Mahoning Valley communities. The museum's permanent exhibit explores labor, immigration and urban history using videos, photographs, reconstructed scenes and historic objects. Items displayed range from workers' tools and clothing to "last heats," the final batches of steel produced at a mill before it closes.

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ZANESVILLE

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Settled in 1799, Zanesville was once considered the pottery capital of the United States; its surrounding areas still support a number of pottery factories. Zanesville was the birthplace of such notables as the architect of New York's 1913 Woolworth Building, Cass Gilbert, in 1859, and novelists Charles D. Stewart in 1868 and Zane Grey in 1872.

The Y-Bridge, which carries US 40 over the junction of the Muskingum and Licking rivers, is shaped like the letter Y; the design is uncommon in the United States. Since the early 1800s, the bridge has been rebuilt several times. US 40 is the contemporary name for the first federal road, the National Road, authorized by Congress in 1806 to extend from Cumberland, Md., to the Ohio River.

Zanesville is at the junction of two scenic highways. US 22 runs southwest to Lancaster, and a scenic portion of

I-70 runs east to Bridgeport, then through West Virginia and into Pennsylvania.

Lorena Sternwheeler is moored at Zane's Landing Park. This riverboat offers 1-hour sightseeing, lunch and twilight cruises as well as 2-hour dinner cruises on the Muskingum River. Tours are offered select dates early June to late October; phone (740) 455-8282.

Zanesville-Muskingum County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 205 N. Fifth St., Zanesville, OH 43701. **Phone:** (740) 455-8282 or (800) 743-2303.

Self-guiding tours: Brochures and maps are available from the visitor bureau. "The Muskingum County's Official Visitors Guide" is a comprehensive 48-page guide. Two walking maps detail the town's architecture and history and its artist colony. The brochure "America's First Main Street: National Road East" explains a driving tour of stops and shops along the Historic National Road Scenic Byway; "A Guide to Pottery" details a driving tour of the pottery outlets and stores and museums in the area;



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“Your Guide to Muskingum County Antique Dealers” relates a driving tour.

Shopping: Colony Square Mall, 3575 N. Maple Ave., features Dunham’s Sports, JCPenney and T.J. Maxx. Freight Shops, at Third and Market streets, offers shops in the restored 1917 New York Central Railroad Depot.

ALAN COTTRILL SCULPTURE MUSEUM & STUDIO is at 110 S. 6th St. An accomplished sculptor, Alan Cottrill works mainly in bronze. His entire body of work is represented, including smaller pieces and photographs and narratives of his nationwide monuments. Visitors may tour the studio and wax and mold rooms, where artists and artisans are at work, and learn about the creation of a sculpture from idea to finished work.

A second-floor gallery features more than 400 bronze sculptures, dozens of which are on a monumental scale. **Time:** Allow 45 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (740) 453-9822.



NATIONAL ROAD-ZANE GREY MUSEUM—see Norwich p. 297.

ZANESVILLE MUSEUM OF ART is 3.2 mi. n. via Maple Ave. at 620 Military Rd. The museum features Ohio art pottery and glass as well as a diverse collection of traditional and contemporary art and fine craft from America, Africa, Asia and Europe. The museum has paintings, drawings, photographs, sculpture, prints and ceramics. Varied temporary exhibitions are presented throughout the year, and an art library is on the premises.

Paintings by old masters and decorative arts adorn a room that was once part of a 17th-century house in London, England. The paneling and carved fireplace enclosure create a fitting environment for the 15th- to mid-19th-century English, Flemish, Dutch, French and American paintings, sculpture and porcelain as well as the 18th- and 19th-century furnishings.

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ZOAR

GEM **ZOAR VILLAGE** is on SR 212, 3 mi. s.e. of I-77 exit 93 to 198 Main St. The village, founded in 1817 by German immigrants who acquired several thousand acres along the Tuscarawas River, is in the center of what was once the Zoar community. Their practically self-sustaining community prospered until it was dissolved in 1898, when village industries failed to keep pace with those of the rest of the country.

Visitors can tour restored buildings including Number One House, the home of leader Joseph Bimeler; a bakery; tin shop; wagon shed; general store; kitchen; dairy; blacksmith shop; and garden house. The community garden is geometrically patterned to symbolize the New Jerusalem.

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West Virginia

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The Mountain State has endured a troubled history of Civil War battles, mountaineer feuds and coal mining labor disputes. But thanks to abundant high-land beauty, the state has left its past difficulties far behind to become a playground for skiers, white-water rafters, hikers and anyone else who loves the outdoors.

This is not to say that West Virginians have forgotten their heritage. Descendants of self-reliant pioneers still craft objects that were once necessities of frontier life. And carefully restored sites like Harpers Ferry, Blennerhassett Island and Wheeling's Independence Hall show how seriously the locals take their history.

“Mountaineers Are Always Free”

Aptly named, the Mountain State is indeed the most mountainous east of the Mississippi. Blanketed with trees and cut through by swift-flowing streams, the chain of craggy peaks—part of the ancient Appalachians—stretches along West Virginia's entire eastern border. This may once have been the capital of coal country, but today the most used natural resources are above ground.

West Virginia's ski slopes are considered some of the best east of the Rockies; names like Timberline, Canaan Valley and Snowshoe come to mind. An ever-growing number of white-water rafters challenge the rapids of the New, Gauley and Cheat rivers.

The thrill of these sports is intensified by the scenery. One sight to behold is the 1,000-foot-deep canyons of the New River Gorge National Park and Preserve, most dazzlingly viewed from the bridge perched above its raging waters. And although no one rafts down the plummeting streams of Blackwater, Hill Creek and Holly River falls, their beauty still draws tourists from all over.

Perhaps the greatest natural assets are stunning mountain vistas like those at Spruce Knob, the highest point in West Virginia. This peak is in Spruce Knob-Seneca Rocks National Recreation Area, one of the most popular rock climbing areas in the East.

Scenic Railways and Fall Foliage

Part of a once-extensive railway network for transporting lumber, the Cass Scenic Railroad carries passengers to a viewing area just below lofty Bald Knob for breathtaking views of the surrounding countryside. In fall, the landscape blazes with color as untold millions of leaves change hue. Similarly, West Virginia's many picturesque covered bridges were originally built for practical reasons but are now the focus of the pleasantly impractical endeavor of sightseeing.

Other man-made attractions also are worth seeking out. Victorian historic districts in Parkersburg, Wheeling



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and Charleston, the state capital, evoke the coal boom era. You'll also want to see the capitol building and its impressive 293-foot-tall golden dome.

The state's dramatic scenery continues underground thanks to the many caves scattered throughout the highlands. In Greenbrier Valley, Lost World Caverns features huge subterranean rooms and waterfalls up to 235 feet below the surface. And even if you can't tell the difference between a stalagmite and a stalactite you'll still enjoy Smoke Hole Caverns west of Petersburg and Seneca Caverns near Riverton, which have both.

Today bathers in search of therapeutic balm still flock to White Sulphur Springs and Berkeley Springs. The warm, mineral-laden waters bubbling up from these depths were discovered by American colonists more than 200 years ago.

Recreation

If white-water rafting floats your boat, remember these names: Gauley, Cheat and New. The big three of West Virginia rafting rivers enjoy a world-wide reputation for superior white water. The Gauley River has 100 major rapids on a 25-mile course. Exciting boulder-strewn rapids also characterize the Cheat River, but because there are no dams controlling its flow, suitable water levels are limited to spring. The Lower New has swirling Class IV and V rapids, while the Upper New features calmer water.

Another thrilling way to enjoy the outdoors here is skiing. The renowned Snowshoe ski area on top of Cheat Mountain features a network of 60 slopes and trails including Cupp Run, with its 1,500-foot vertical drop lasting more than 1.5 miles. On the northern edge of Monongahela National Forest, Canaan Valley Resort State Park has 39 interconnecting slopes running the gamut from beginner to expert. Timberline Four Seasons Resort features Salamander Run, the longest ski trail south of New England.

Cliffs at New River Gorge near Fayetteville challenge even expert rock climbers. Those who are unafraid of heights will be amply rewarded after a climb up the sandstone tower of Seneca Rocks; a stunning panorama of North Fork River and its environs awaits.

Avid anglers won't have any trouble finding a spot to cast a lure in West Virginia. Places such as Laura Anderson Lake are stocked with trout and are open for fishing year-round. Middle Island Creek, which is more river than creek, teems with largemouth bass and

channel catfish. Catches to brag about at Stonewall Jackson Lake are bass, crappie and walleye.

The state has more than 300 miles of rails-to-trails paths offering a range of scenic treks. One standout is North Bend Rail Trail, which ascends to the Wolf Summit terminus of the old rail line. Stretching 72 miles between Parkersburg and Wolf Summit, it passes over numerous bridges and through tunnels. Another favorite is scenic Greenbrier River Trail, a narrow strip of state park that passes through two tunnels and follows alongside the river for part of its length.

Hikers can wander along paths that meander past hemlock groves, red spruce woods, moors, bogs and waterfalls in Monongahela National Forest. Trails connect several scenic locales at Camp Creek State Park south of Beckley. Savor the rugged landscape from the 24-mile trail through Smoke Hole Canyon, offering views of both the canyon and North Fork Valley.

Spruce Knob-Seneca Rocks National Recreation Area / © iStockphoto.com / zrfphoto



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ABOUT THE STATE

POPULATION: 1,793,716.

AREA: 24,230 square miles; ranks 45th.

CAPITAL: Charleston.

HIGHEST POINT: 4,861 ft., Spruce Knob.

LOWEST POINT: 240 ft., Potomac River at Harpers Ferry.

TIME ZONE(S): Eastern, DST.

GAMBLING

MINIMUM AGE FOR GAMBLING: 21.

REGULATIONS

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HOLIDAYS: New Year's Day, Jan. 1 • Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Jan. (3rd Mon.) • Washington's Birthday/Presidents Day, Feb. (3rd Mon.) • Primary Election Day, May (2nd Tues. in an

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VISITOR INFORMATION

INFORMATION CENTERS: State welcome centers are on US 340 at Harpers Ferry • on I-64 westbound at White Sulphur Springs and eastbound at Huntington • on I-77 north- or southbound at Princeton (exit 9), northbound at Milepost 18 near Princeton, northbound near Mahan, southbound at Beckley and north- or southbound at Williamstown • on I-70 westbound near the Pennsylvania state line, close to Valley Grove • on I-79 southbound north of Morgantown • on I-81 northbound 2 miles north of the Virginia state line near Ridgeway and southbound 1 mile south of the Maryland state line near Falling Waters • and on I-68 westbound in Bruceton Mills. Except major holidays, most are open daily 9-5, November through April, and 8-6, in summer • otherwise varies.

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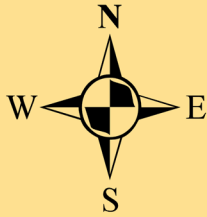
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West Virginia

Orientation



Recreation Areas Chart

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NATIONAL PARKS (See place listings.)

New River Gorge 70,000 acres between Fayetteville and Hinton. White-water rafting.

NATIONAL FORESTS (See place listings.)

Monongahela 920,000 acres in eastern West Virginia. Cross-country skiing, horseback riding, hunting, mountain biking, rock climbing, snowmobiling.

Blue Bend 4 mi. w. of Alvon off SR 92 in Monongahela National Forest. Playground.

Lake Sherwood 11 mi. n.e. of Neola on SR 14 in Monongahela National Forest.

NATIONAL RECREATION AREAS (See place listings.)

Spruce Knob-Seneca Rocks Eastern West Virginia. Cross-country skiing, hunting.

NATIONAL RIVERS

Bluestone National Scenic River 4,300 acres on SR 20 s. of Hinton in Bluestone State Park. Hunting; guided hikes (seasonal).

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Burnsville Lake 970 acres just off I-79 Burnsville exit. Water skiing.

East Lynn Lake 1,005 acres 12 mi. s.e. of Wayne on SR 37. Hunting, water skiing.

R.D. Bailey Lake 630 acres 30 mi. e. of Logan. Hunting, water skiing.



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Summersville Lake 2,790 acres 7 mi. s. of Summersville off US 19 on SR 129. Scuba diving, water skiing; marina.													
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STATE													
Audra 355 acres 10 mi. w. of Belington off CR 11. Kayaking; playground.													
Babcock 4,127 acres 4 mi. n.w. of Clifftop on SR 41. Nature programs. Scenic. Boating (no motors); grist-mill, horse rental, swimming pool.													
Beech Fork 3,144 acres 12 mi. s.e. of Huntington on SR 152. Game room, playground, swimming pool.													
Blackwater Falls 1,688 acres about .25 mile s.w. of Davis off SR 32 via signs. Nature programs and nature center. Scenic. Cross-country skiing, horse rental, sledding, tennis, sport courts.													
Cabwaylingo 8,123 acres 5 mi. s.e. of Dunlow off SR 152. Hunting; swimming pool.													
Cacapon Resort 6,115 acres 10 mi. s. of Berkeley Springs on US 522. Golf (18 holes), trap shooting; beach, horse rental, nature center, playground, sports courts.													
Camp Creek 5,300 acres 3 mi. n.w. of Camp Creek. Playground.													



Recreation Areas Chart

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Canaan Valley Resort 6,015 acres 10 mi. s. of Davis on SR 32. Nature programs. Cross-country and downhill skiing, geocaching, golf (18 holes), tennis; bicycle rental, paintball field, summer chairlift and tube rides, swimming pool.

Cedar Creek 2,588 acres 8 mi. s. of Glenville off US 33. Miniature golf, paddleboats, playground, sports courts, swimming pool.

Chief Logan 4,068 acres 3 mi. n. of Logan off SR 10. Horseback riding; amphitheater, miniature golf, museum, sports courts, swimming pool, waterslide.

Coopers Rock 12,713 acres 8 mi. w. of Bruceton Mills on I-68. Hunting; playground.

Greenbrier 5,130 acres 4 mi. s.w. of White Sulphur Springs via US 60 and Harts Run Rd. Archery range, Disc golf, hunting, nature programs, rifle range, swimming pool.

Hawks Nest 276 acres 1.75 mi. w. on US 60 in Ansted. Historic. Scenic. Golf (9 holes); aerial tramway, boat tour, swimming pool.

Holly River 8,101 acres 2 mi. n. of Hacker Valley off SR 20. Sports courts, swimming pool.

Kanawha 9,302 acres 7 mi. s. of Charleston on Kanawha Forest Dr. Cross-country skiing, hunting, mountain biking; horse rental, playground, shooting range, swimming pool.

Kumbrabow 9,474 acres 5 mi. w. of Elkwater off US 219. Hunting.

Little Beaver 562 acres 10 mi. s.e. of Beckley on I-64 to SR 9, following signs. Geocaching; playgrounds.



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Lost River 3,712 acres 4 mi. w. of Mathias on SR 259 and CR 12, following signs. Historic. Horseback riding; archery range, games room, swimming pool.													
Moncove Lake 896 acres 6 mi. n. of SR 3 on SR 8 near Gap Mills. Bird-watching, hunting; swimming pool.													
North Bend 2,400 acres 2 mi. e. of Cairo off SR 31. Nature programs. Horseback riding, tennis; bicycle rental, fishing pier, swimming pool.													
Panther 7,810 acres 3 mi. s. of Panther, following signs. Hunting; swimming pool.													
Pinnacle Rock 396 acres 5 mi. s.e. of Bramwell on US 52. Scenic. Playground.													
Pipestem Resort 4,050 acres on SR 20. Nature programs. Scenic. Cross-country skiing, golf (18 holes), sledding, tennis; aerial tram, amphitheater, disc golf, fling golf, foot golf, horse and paddleboat rental, miniature golf, swimming pool.													
Prickett's Fort 188 acres about 2.5 mi. w. off I-79 exit 139 n. of Fairmont. Amphitheater.													
Seneca 11,684 acres 4 mi. s.w. of Dunmore off SR 28. Hunting.													
Stonewall Resort more than 2,000 acres 3 mi. e. of I-79 near Weston. Geocaching, golf (18 holes); boat and Segway tours, swimming pool.													
Tomlinson Run 1,398 acres 2 mi. n. of New Manchester off SR 8. Boat docks, camping gear and tent rental, disc golf (18 holes), miniature golf, swimming pool.													



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Twin Falls Resort 3,776 acres 8 mi. n.e. of Pineville. Nature programs. Golf (18 holes), tennis; amphitheater, swimming pool.													
Tygart Lake 2,134 acres 2 mi. s. of Grafton on CR 44 along e. bank of Tygart River Reservoir. Canoeing, kayaking, scuba diving, water skiing.													
Valley Falls 1,145 acres 9 mi. s. of Fairmont off I-79 exit 137 on SR 310. Historic. Playground, waterfalls.													
Watoga 10,100 acres 10 mi. s. of Huntersville (turn at park sign on SR 39, then 10 mi. s.). Nature programs. Swimming pool.													
OTHER													
Berwind Lake Wildlife Management Area 18,000 acres 17 mi. s. of Welch off SR 16. Hunting.													
Bluestone 2,155 acres 4 mi. s. of Hinton on SR 20. Water skiing; marina, swimming pool.													
Coonskin Park 850 acres 5 mi. n. of Charleston on SR 114. Golf (18 holes), miniature golf, tennis; amphitheater, paddleboats, playground, soccer stadium, swimming pool													
Lake Stephens 2,300 acres 9 mi. w. of Beckley on SR 3. Horseback riding; beach.													
Laurel Lake 12,851 acres 7 mi. n.e. of Lenore off SR 65. Hunting; playgrounds, swimming pool.													
Oglebay Resort 1,650 acres in Wheeling 5 mi. n.e. on SR 88. Gardens, horse rental, museums, zoo.													
Pleasant Creek 3,030 acres 6 mi. n. of Philippi off US 119/250. Hunting; shooting range.													



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<p>Plum Orchard Lake 3,201 acres e. off I-77 exit 54 or 60 on CR 23 between Mount Hope and Oak Hill. Hunting; rifle range.</p>													
<p>Pringle Tree 4.5 acres 2 mi. n. of Buckhannon off US 119 and SR 20. Historic. Playground.</p>													
<p>Wheeling Park 406 acres in Wheeling 4 mi. e. on US 40 at 1801 National Rd. Golf (nine holes), ice skating, tennis; amphitheater, miniature golf (18 holes), playground, swimming pool, waterslide.</p>													



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ANSTED

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Ansted, originally settled by Baptists in 1790, was named New Haven by a group of New England Spiritualists who came to the town in 1830. The following year it was renamed after British scientist David T. Ansted, who had interested English investors in building coal-mining operations. On a knoll overlooking the town, Westlake Cemetery contains the grave of Julia Jackson Woodson, Gen. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson's mother.

The Ansted Culture and Heritage Museum, 19940 Midland Tr., features exhibits about the Midland Trail, the area's Native Americans, pioneers, the Civil War and the region's African American and industrial history; phone (304) 658-5901.

CONTENTMENT COMPLEX is .75 mi. n.w. on US 60 to 19295 Midland Tr. Confederate Colonel George Imboden's antebellum home, built in 1830, has been restored. A museum and one-room country schoolhouse are on the grounds. **Phone:** (304) 658-4448.

HAWKS NEST STATE PARK is 1.75 mi. w. on US 60 to 49 Hawks Nest Park Rd. The 276-acre park is named for

a sweeping lookout point above the New River. A nature center, open daily Memorial Day through Labor Day, has hands-on displays. Hiking trails of varying lengths and intensity, including the Hawks Nest Rail Trail, lead to scenic views and overlooks. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

Phone: (304) 658-5212 or (800) 225-5982.   

Hawks Nest Aerial Tramway, 1.75 mi. w. on US 60 to Hawks Nest State Park, runs from the park lodge to the marina. The aerial tram descends 446 feet to the bottom of the New River Gorge. **Phone:** (304) 658-5212 or (800) 225-5982.

NEW RIVER JETBOATS departs from the dock in Hawks Nest State Park at 49 Hawks Nest Park Rd.; passengers must take the Hawks Nest Aerial Tramway (*see attraction listing this page*) from the park lodge to reach the dock. A 6-mile, 30-minute round-trip takes passengers upstream to the New River Gorge Bridge on the *Miss M. Rocks*, providing scenic views of the New River Valley and opportunities to see wildlife.

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BECKLEY

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Beckley is the center of southern West Virginia's smokeless coal region. The bituminous coal mined in this area is a higher grade of coal that produces less smoke when burned.

Beckley is the northern anchor of the 187-mile Coal Heritage Trail which winds its way past company stores, miners' houses, railroad yards, coal tipples and 500 small company towns on its way south to Bluefield; follow SR 16 southwest to US 52, which heads south and east to Bluefield, the end of the trail. Mile markers along the way indicate points of interest; phone (304) 465-3720 or (855) 982-2625. Another scenic drive runs south along US 19 in Bluestone Canyon.

Visit Southern West Virginia: 1408 Harper Rd., Beckley, WV 25801. **Phone:** (304) 252-2244 or (800) 847-4898.

Shopping: Crossroads Mall, at SR 16 and US 19 in north Beckley, houses such stores as Belk and JCPenney.

BECKLEY EXHIBITION COAL MINE is at 513 Ewart Ave. adjacent to New River Park. Veteran miners lead 35-minute underground tours of a vintage coal mine, providing visitors an opportunity to see how a turn-of-the-20th-century mine operated. A coal mining museum and coal camp homes, schools, a miner's shanty and churches provide a glimpse into life in a typical coal camp. Bring a jacket, as the mine is a constant 58 F.

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BERKELEY SPRINGS

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The Berkeley Springs, famous for their supposed curative properties, were a haven for Native Americans long before Europeans discovered their soothing waters. A thriving community had been established by the time George Washington arrived in 1748 to survey the area for its owner, Lord Thomas Fairfax. In 1776, Washington assisted in establishing the town as a health resort under the name of Bath, which remains its official name.

More than a dozen members of the Colonial elite were among original lot owners—George and Martha Washington bought property in the area. The springs continue

to flow from five main sources at the rate of 1,000-1,500 gallons per minute; the water maintains a uniform temperature of 74 F.


Though known for its spas, Berkeley Springs is also gaining notice as an arts community. The town is home to a growing number of art and craft galleries and shows. Ten miles south, Cacapon Resort State Park (*see Recreation Areas Chart*) offers an 18-hole golf course, a lodge, a lake beach, a trap shooting range, a nature center and trails to the top of Cacapon Mountain; phone (304) 258-1022 or (800) 225-5982.

Berkeley Springs-Morgan County Chamber of Commerce: 127 Fairfax St., Berkeley Springs, WV 25411. **Phone:** (304) 258-3738.

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BLUEFIELD• **Hotels p. 356**

Founded in 1889 as the regional headquarters of the Norfolk & Western Railway, remnants of the natural-gravity switching yards remain in Bluefield. Named for the many chicory flowers growing wild along the hillsides, the town attracted many industries in addition to the railroad, such as coal mining.

South of town, the border between the two Virginias is on the crest of East River Mountain. Some of the best views can be found at the East River Mountain Scenic Overlook (1780 Stadium Dr.); phone (304) 327-2448. A sister city, Bluefield, Va., lies to the southwest.

The West Virginia city's original municipal building, built in 1924, now houses The Bluefield Performing Arts Center, an active center for visual and performing arts that hosts regular concerts at Bluefield High School, Bluefield College and Harman Chapel; phone (304) 325-9117.

The Granada Theater, featuring 1920s Spanish-Moorish design, was one of several theaters built in the early 20th century when Bluefield was a popular railroad stopover and known as "Little New York." (The city received a nod in the 1934 film, "Red Dust," when the character, played by Jean Harlow, revealed she had lived in Bluefield.) The 1928 theater features live performances as well as classic and indie movies at 537 Commerce St.; phone Bluefield Preservation Society for information at (304) 589-0239.

Bluefield is the southern anchor of the 187-mile Coal Heritage Trail which winds its way past company stores, miners' houses, railroad yards, coal tipples and 500 small

company towns on its way north to Beckley; phone (304) 465-3720 or (855) 982-2625. Follow US 52 northwest to SR 16, which meanders north and east to Beckley; mile markers along the way indicate points of interest.

Baseball comes to Bluefield in mid-June when the minor league Bluefield Blue Jays, part of the Appalachian League, play ball at Bowen Field in City Park; phone (304) 324-1326.

Mercer County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 621 Commerce St., Bluefield, WV 24701. **Phone:** (304) 325-8438 or (800) 221-3206.

Self-guiding tours: Examples of historic Victorian architecture can be seen on a walking tour of downtown Bluefield. Brochures are available at the convention and visitors bureau and chamber of commerce offices on Bland Street.

Shopping: Mercer Mall, 261 Mercer Mall Rd. at US 460 and SR 25, has more than 40 services and stores, including Belk and JCPenney. There are a number of antiques shops and art galleries on Bluefield Avenue and Mercer Street.

EASTERN REGIONAL COAL ARCHIVES is at 600 Commerce St. in the Craft Memorial Library. The collection of coal mining memorabilia includes artifacts, diaries, photographs, mining equipment, films and research materials. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (304) 325-3943.



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BRIDGEPORT

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An ultimate example of recycling is on display in the community, about two hours north of Charleston, where a former coal mine has been transformed into a prestigious

golf course. The Pete Dye Golf Club, a 250-acre-course in the beautiful Appalachian Mountains, opened in 1993 to critical acclaim. Visitors come to the area via I-79 or US 50, and those not interested in hitting the links often make a stop at Meadowbrook Mall, a 100-store regional shopping complex that serves much of north-central West Virginia.



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Hotel. **Address:** 1 Commerce Blvd 26201.



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CASS





Once a large lumbering community, Cass retains the history of its greatness at the beginning of the 20th century. The Cass Country Store is in the former West Virginia Pulp and Paper General Store, purported to have been the largest company store in the world.

 **CASS SCENIC RAILROAD STATE PARK** departs from the downtown depot at 242 Main St. Passenger trains make several runs with the old steam Shay and Heisler locomotives that once hauled logging trains up the steep slopes of Cheat Mountain.

The rail excursions, which offer scenic mountain vistas, include an 8-mile, 2-hour round-trip to Whittaker Station and a 22-mile, 4.5-hour round-trip excursion to the top of

Bald Knob. Other trips, including dinner trains, caboose rides and overnight packages with train rides to Old Spruce and Elkins also are available. Trips are preceded by a free show that includes a diorama and audiovisual orientation film that relate the town's lumbering history.

The Cass Historical Museum houses a collection of photographs and relics pertaining to the logging industry, including one of the largest band saws in the world. The Cass Showcase is a historic diorama depicting the Cass Railroad in its lumbering days and includes a reproduction of the town during the lumber boom at the beginning of the 19th century.

Note: Layered clothing is recommended on rail excursions due to cooler temperatures at higher elevations. **Phone:** (304) 456-4300, (866) 460-7265 or (800) 225-5982.    

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Hotel. Address: 47 Central Ave 25508. **Facility:** 60 units. 3 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** heated indoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.














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CHARLESTON

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Capital of the state, Charleston was founded in 1794. From 1788-95, Daniel Boone lived across the river. He served in the Virginia Assembly in 1791. Remains of a Native American burial ground are in South Charleston at MacCorkle Avenue and D Street.

Serving as a regional cultural center, Clay Center for the Arts & Sciences of West Virginia houses a performance hall and a black box theater as well as museums, a planetarium and outdoor sculptures. Off I-64 exit 100 (Leon Sullivan Way) to 1 Clay Sq., the center is home to the West Virginia Symphony Orchestra; phone (304) 561-3570.

The Midland Trail National Scenic Highway/US 60 travels from Charleston to White Sulphur Springs through pastoral scenery and past the rugged New River Gorge.

Appalachian music, ethnic and traditional foods, West Virginia arts and crafts, dancing, storytelling and contests are part of the Vandalia Gathering, held on the Capitol Complex grounds and in the Cultural Center on Memorial Day weekend. Vandalia, proposed as the 14th colony during the late 1760s, had many backers, including Benjamin Franklin; the new colony's boundaries would have encompassed most of present-day West Virginia, in addition to much of what is now Kentucky. However, because of the strained relations between the fledgling American colonies and Great Britain, the plan never came to fruition.



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For racing fans, Mardi Gras Casino & Resort, 12 miles west of Charleston off I-64 exit 47, offers greyhound racing. The glass-enclosed facility has more than 4,000 seats and a clubhouse; phone (304) 776-1000 or (800) 224-9683.

Note: Policies concerning admittance of children to pari-mutuel betting facilities vary. Phone for information.

Charleston Convention and Visitors Bureau: 800 Smith St., Charleston, WV 25301. **Phone:** (304) 344-5075 or (800) 733-5469.


Shopping: Charleston Town Center, downtown between Quarrier and Lee streets, has dozens of restaurants, services and retailers, including JCPenney. Capitol Street, the main street of Old Charleston, offers shops and restaurants housed in 19th-century buildings.

Open daily year-round, the Capitol Market at 800 Smith St. offers both indoor and outdoor shopping in a refurbished train station; phone (304) 344-1905. The restored former Kanawha and Michigan Railway Depot now houses specialty shops and food places, and an outdoors farmers market provides fresh local produce as well as flowers, shrubs and trees.

Plot Twist Books, 209 D St., is an indie bookstore in South Charleston that features new and used books, bookish gifts, and programs like book clubs and author events. Phone (681) 205-2096.

CLAY CENTER'S AVAMPATO DISCOVERY MUSEUM, downtown at 300 Leon Sullivan Way, has interactive science exhibits, an art gallery and a theater with a planetarium and large-format films. Science galleries include Milton Gardner's Earth City, which explores the forces that shaped the state; Health Royale, a gallery about health


and wellness; Kidspace, a fanciful area for children under 5; Mylan Explore-Atory, hosting changing hands-on science exhibits and STEAMworks, a changing exhibit gallery. The art museum's primary focus is on 19th- and 20th-century paintings.



Time: Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (304) 561-3500, or (304) 561-3570 for ticket information. 

THE CULTURE CENTER is in the West Virginia State Capitol Complex at 1900 Kanawha Blvd. E. The center houses a 500-seat theater, reference library, the state archives and art exhibits. **Phone:** (304) 558-0220 or TTY (304) 558-3562.

West Virginia State Museum West Virginia State Capitol Complex, on the lower level of The Culture Center at 1900 Kanawha Blvd. E.

The museum traces the state's history from prehistoric times to today, with exhibits featuring local culture, art, paleontology, archaeology and geology. **Phone:** (304) 558-0220.

 **WEST VIRGINIA STATE CAPITOL** is on Kanawha Blvd. E., facing the Kanawha River. This masterpiece of architect Cass Gilbert was completed in 1932. The outstanding feature is the rotunda's dome, 180 feet above the main floor. From its center hangs a 2-ton rock crystal chandelier, 8 feet in diameter. The second-floor ceiling is decorated with a panel design showing leaves of West Virginia's native trees.

The building's office wings house the state administrative departments, including the Supreme Court and Law Library. The governor's mansion is next door. **Phone:** (304) 558-4839.  

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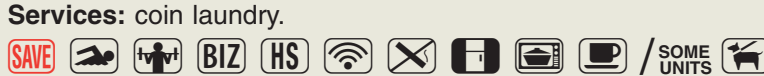


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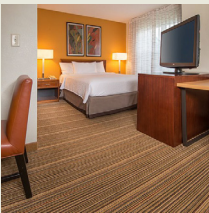
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CHARLES TOWN

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Charles Town was named for George Washington's brother, who laid out the town in 1786. Streets bear the names of Washington's family members. After his raid on Harpers Ferry, John Brown was tried and hanged for treason in Charles Town.

Automobile races take place at Summit Point Motorsports Park, 201 Motorsports Park Cir. in Summit Point, March through October; phone (304) 725-8444. Thoroughbred horse racing has drawn crowds since 1786. Charles Town Races, 1 mile east on US 340, is open all year; phone (304) 725-7001 or (800) 795-7001.

Note: Policies concerning admittance of children to pari-mutuel betting facilities vary. Phone for information.

Charles Town marks the West Virginia terminus of the scenic portion of SR 9, which runs eastward into Virginia. From Charles Town it is 6 miles to the Virginia border.

Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce: 201 E. Washington St., Charles Town, WV 25414. **Phone:** (304) 725-2055 or (800) 624-0577.

JEFFERSON COUNTY MUSEUM is at 200 E. Washington St. in the lower level of the Charles Town Library. Displays include memorabilia of the Washington family and John Brown, Jefferson County historical relics and many Civil War items. **Phone:** (304) 725-8628.



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CLARKSBURG

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From 1861 until the first battle of Bull Run, Clarksburg was the headquarters for Gen. George B. McClellan. It also served as a Union supply depot throughout the war. Gen. William E. Jones' Confederate cavalry passed through in 1863 on the raid that destroyed military points on the B & O Railroad.

Clarksburg was the birthplace in 1824 of Gen. Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson, hero of the Confederacy. The site is marked by a bronze plate at 326-328 W. Main St. An equestrian statue of Jackson is on the northeast corner of


the Court House Plaza. The military leader spent most of his boyhood 20 miles south at Jackson's Mill.


More than 100,000 visitors come to Clarksburg over Labor Day weekend to join in the merriment of the West Virginia Italian Heritage Festival. The 3-day street festival features name entertainment, traditional Italian foods, a pasta cook-off, a children's area, a parade and a bocce tournament.


Greater Clarksburg Convention & Visitors Bureau: 215 S. Third St., Suite 101. **Phone:** (304) 622-2157 or (877) 622-2157.

Shopping: Meadowbrook Mall, off I-79 exit 121 at Bridgeport, has JCPenney among its stores.




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DAVIS


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Incorporated in 1885, Davis was born of the lumber boom. Today the area is a mecca for mountain bikers and rafters. Ten miles south, Canaan Valley Resort State Park (*see Recreation Areas Chart*) is an all-year resort and conference center. Downhill and cross-country skiing are popular in winter; golf on an 18-hole championship course, hiking, tennis and swimming prevail during the summer. Deer often cross the golf course early and late in the day. Other privately operated resorts and camping facilities also are available in the Canaan (ka-NAIN) valley.

Of historical significance is the Fairfax Stone, 7 miles north of town off US 219, which marked the western boundary of Lord Fairfax's lands. Under the terms of the grant issued by the king of England, Lord Fairfax owned all the lands between the Potomac and the Rappahannock rivers, and this marker served as the base point for

the boundary between Maryland and Virginia (now West Virginia).

Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 410 William Ave., Davis, WV 26260. **Phone:** (304) 259-5315 or (800) 782-2775.

 **BLACKWATER FALLS STATE PARK** is at 1584 Blackwater Lodge Rd. The scenic Blackwater Falls are 57 feet high, and the gorge below is more than 525 feet deep. An observation point is on the gorge's rim; stairways descend to the foot of the falls. A nature center is open Memorial Day to Labor Day. Recreational activities include cross-country skiing, paddleboating, hiking, picnicking, swimming, tennis, bicycling, sledding, volleyball and nature programs (*see Recreation Areas Chart*). Campgrounds are available last week in April through October 31; cabins and lodge facilities are available all year.

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Elkins, on the Tygart Valley River in the Potomac Highlands, is in a region that contains many of West Virginia's highest mountains. Named for Stephen B. Elkins, secretary of war and U.S. senator 1895-1911, the city was a center for railroad, timber and coal operations. The mountains provide a variety of recreational opportunities, including the Mountain State Forest Festival, held each fall. Ski areas are nearby in the Monongahela National Forest (*see place listing p. 377*), which maintains its headquarters in Elkins.

Elkins is at the crossroads of three scenic highways. From Fairmont to the north, the scenic section of US 250 passes through, running south to Huttonsville. US 219 runs south jointly with US 250 to Huttonsville and then continues on to White Sulphur Springs. US 33 crosses them in Elkins, following the Tygart River into town before heading east into some of the region's most spectacular scenery. The Stuart Memorial Drive, which passes Stuart Recreation Area and 4,020-foot Bickles Knob, runs between Elkins and Alpena.

Elkins-Randolph County Chamber of Commerce: 10 Eleventh St., Elkins, WV 26241. **Phone:** (304) 636-2717.

CHEAT MOUNTAIN SALAMANDER departs from the depot at 315 Railroad Ave. A 9-hour, 128-mile round-trip train ride takes passengers through the rugged, scenic Cheat Mountains. The tracks run through spruce forests and an "S" curve tunnel, passing rock walls along Shavers Fork River. There are layovers at Cheat Bridge and High Falls of the Cheat and Spruce. Lunch is included.

Time: Allow 9 hours minimum. **Phone:** (304) 636-9477 or (877) 686-7245.

NEW TYGART FLYER departs from the depot at 315 Railroad Ave. A 4-hour, 46-mile round-trip takes passengers by train along the Shavers Fork River through an "S" curve tunnel, across a bridge over the Cheat River, and to an 18-foot-high waterfall. Lunch is included. A 1922-era parlor car, featuring seating in cushioned armchairs and refreshments, is available. Other excursions also are offered.

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Fairmont occupies the steep hills surrounding the Monongahela River, which divides the town into east and west sections. Originally two towns, Palatine and Middletown, Fairmont was incorporated in 1843. Ferries shuttled people and supplies across the river until 1852, when a suspension bridge unified the town.

During the 1850s railroad access encouraged the development of coal mines in the area. While coal continues to be a source of employment, today the town is on a high-tech corridor with a NASA software facility and a software consortium. Other Fairmont products include mine machinery and aluminum.

Fifteen miles south off SR 310, Valley Falls State Park (*see Recreation Areas Chart*) features a series of waterfalls generated by the Tygart Valley River. The park's



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1,145 acres are popular with anglers, picnickers and hikers; phone (304) 367-2719 or (800) 225-5982. Fairmont is the northern end of the scenic section of US 250, which runs 73 miles to Huttonsville and continues as US 219 to Lewisburg.

AMERICAN MOUNTAIN THEATER is at 22 Pinch Gut Hollow Rd. This family-friendly music and comedy show features a mix of musical styles including country, gospel, bluegrass, pop and patriotic music. **Time:** Allow 2 hours minimum. **Phone:** (304) 630-3040 or (800) 943-3670.



PRICKETT'S FORT STATE PARK, about 2.5 mi. w. off I-79 exit 139 at 106 Overfort Ln., contains a reconstructed

log fort similar to one built in 1774 to protect settlers from Native American attacks. The museum captures West Virginia's 18th-century lifestyle through costumed interpreters and craft demonstrations.

The visitor center offers exhibits about the Monongahela Valley's history and has bike rentals for riding the park's trails. The park has a nature trail and a hiking trail that follows a converted rail bed to Fairmont and Morgantown. A 400-seat amphitheater hosts summer concerts and performances. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

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FAYETTEVILLE

Settled in 1818, Fayetteville was named for Marquis de Lafayette in 1837. A historical marker on the town lawn identifies Fayetteville as the site where the military tactic of indirect firing—the shooting over friendly troops into enemy positions beyond—was first used during the Civil War.

Fayetteville's proximity to the New and Gauley rivers has made it a center for recreation. Both these rivers are famous for their challenging white-water rapids, which are considered some of the best in the country.

Northeast of Fayetteville is the New River Gorge Bridge, one of the longest steel-arch span bridges in the world and one of the highest bridges in the nation. The arch spans 1,700 feet, while the bridge itself stretches 3,030 feet across the gorge. At 876 feet, it is 321 feet higher than the Washington Monument.

Extreme sports fanatics gather in Fayetteville the third Saturday in October for the New River Gorge Bridge Day. Close to 80,000 spectators watch as hundreds of BASE jumpers, rappel teams and high line riders leap, jump and descend from the bridge.

Fayetteville lies along scenic US 19, which runs 45 miles from the West Virginia Turnpike/I-77 at Bradley to I-79 near Sutton.

Historic Fayetteville Convention & Visitors Bureau: 310 N. Court St., Fayetteville, WV 25840. **Phone:** (304) 574-1500 or (888) 574-1500.

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

White-water Rafting

- **Cantrell Ultimate Rafting** is w. on Court St. (CR 16), then .5 mi. s. on Gatewood Rd. following signs. Other activities are offered. **Phone:** (304) 877-8235.

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GRAFTON

While still a part of Virginia, Grafton was incorporated in 1856. The town was a key point in the Civil War because of its location on the B&O Railroad. At the beginning of the war, Confederate Colonel George A. Porterfield and a small contingent established a base in Grafton. Bailey Brown, who during the Battle of Philippi became the first Union soldier killed by Confederate forces, is buried in Grafton National Cemetery at 431 Walnut St.

THE INTERNATIONAL MOTHER'S DAY SHRINE is at 11 E. Main St. Andrews Methodist Episcopal Church was the site of the first observance of Mother's Day, May 10, 1908. **Phone:** (304) 265-1589.

TYGART RIVER DAM AND LAKE is 2 mi. s., following signs from US 50 or US 119. The dam was built to control floods on the Monongahela River and reduce the crest of the Ohio River during flood times. The dam is 207 feet thick at the base, 1,921 feet long and 230 feet high. The reservoir, which covers 1,750 acres and has a 32-mile shoreline, provides opportunities for fishing and hiking. *See Recreation Areas Chart.* **Note:** Photo ID is required for tours. Foreign nationals must reserve 30 days prior to tour date. **Phone:** (304) 265-5953, or (304) 265-1760 for dam tours. 

HARPERS FERRY

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The town of Harpers Ferry is at the confluence of the Potomac and Shenandoah rivers, separating Maryland,

Virginia and West Virginia. The federal arsenal and armory built in 1796 manufactured many of the muskets and rifles used in the War of 1812 and the Civil War. These buildings were the targets of abolitionist John Brown's notorious raid.

On the night of Oct. 16, 1859, Brown, accompanied by 18 members of his 21-man "army," surprised and captured the armory and arsenal. His intent was to incite the slaves to insurrection and arm them from the government stores. After considerable bloodshed, the raiders were captured by U.S. Marines under Col. Robert E. Lee. Brown and six of his followers were tried for treason, convicted and hanged at Charles Town.

During the Civil War, Harpers Ferry was regarded by the Union command as a key to the safety of Washington, D.C. In 1861 the small federal garrison abandoned the town before a force of Virginians, but destroyed the arsenal before leaving. It was never rebuilt. The following year Gen. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson captured the federal garrison after a terrific bombardment, taking 12,500 Union soldiers as prisoners before moving on to join Lee at Antietam.

The Appalachian Trail passes nearby, and the Shenandoah and Potomac rivers offer opportunities for fishing, canoeing and rafting.

Jefferson County Convention & Visitors Bureau: 37 Washington Ct., Harpers Ferry, WV 25425. **Phone:** (304) 535-2627 or (866) 435-5698.



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HARPERS FERRY NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

Harpers Ferry National Historical Park is on US 340 at the scenic confluence of the Shenandoah and Potomac rivers. The 3,823-acre park is comprised of several areas: the Lower Town, Maryland Heights, Loudoun Heights, Bolivar Heights, Cavalier Heights, Short Hill, Virginus

Island, Murphy Farm and School House Ridge North and South. Maps and guides are available at the park visitor center on Cavalier Heights, about 1 mile west of the Shenandoah River bridge.

Congress authorized a national monument here in 1944, and the area was declared a National Historical Park in 1963. Shuttle buses connect the visitor center with



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the Lower Town, the site where George Washington persuaded the federal government to construct a national armory and arsenal and where John Brown led his famous raid in 1859.

Park exhibits and museums in more than two dozen restored 19th-century buildings, including John Brown's fort, John Brown Museum, the Provost Marshal office, Civil War Museum, Industry Museum and Restoration Museum, reflect the diverse historical events that shaped the region: the first successful application of interchangeable manufacture; the arrival of the first successful American railroad; John Brown's attack on slavery; the largest surrender of Federal troops during the Civil War; and the education of former slaves at Storer College, one of the earliest integrated schools in the United States.

John Brown's Fort, on Arsenal Square, was the scene of Brown's capture. The 1848 brick armory firehouse was dismantled and moved to Chicago after the Civil War; the building was later moved to the Murphy Farm then Storer College campus before being restored to a site 150 feet

east of its original location. The granite John Brown Monument marks the original site of the firehouse where Brown and his men made their stand.

The 1782 Harper House is the oldest surviving structure in Harpers Ferry. The lower level of this home exhibits an armory worker's apartment.

Guided tours are available throughout the summer. Hiking trails lead to Maryland Heights, 1,448 feet above the rivers, where remnants of Civil War fortifications and campsites are visible. A walking tour of Virginius Island on the banks of the Shenandoah River reveals the ruins of a once-thriving industrial community. The foundries, mills and factories that survived the war were leveled by record floods in 1870 and 1889.

The park and visitor center are open daily 9-5; closed Jan. 1, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Admission (valid for 3 days) is \$20 per private vehicle carrying up to 7 passengers; \$15 for motorcycles; \$10 for individuals (ages 16+) arriving by foot or bicycle. Credit cards are only accepted at Cavalier Heights entrance. Phone (304) 535-6029.

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HINTON

Hinton, a historic railroad town on the New River, was once the main terminal for the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway. Ten miles north via SR 26 (River Road) is Sandstone Falls, a noted spot among anglers for catfish and bass. West on SR 20, the New River Gorge National Park and Preserve's Sandstone Visitor Center features interactive exhibits; phone (304) 466-0417.

Memorabilia and exhibits at the Veterans Memorial Museum, 419 Ballengee St., highlight every major conflict and era. The collection includes General Douglas MacArthur's footlocker, a vintage 151A2 jeep and a rare Nazi dagger.

Bluestone Dam, 1 mile south via SR 20 on the New River, forms 2,040-acre Bluestone Lake, providing recreational options such as boating, fishing and picnicking; phone (304) 466-2805 for information about Bluestone. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

New River Gateway Convention & Visitors Bureau: 300 Second Ave., Hinton, WV 25951. **Phone:** (304) 466-5420 or (304) 466-5332.

Self-guiding tours: Brochures outlining a walking tour of Hinton's historic district, with more than 200 buildings of historic and architectural interest, are available at the convention and visitors bureau.

HUNTINGTON

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Huntington lies in a semicircle between low hills and the Ohio River. Eleven miles of floodwalls protect the city. Founded in 1871 by Collis P. Huntington, who was then president of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad, the city has become a busy industrial center and trans-shipping point. Among the products manufactured in the area are chemicals, clothing, glass and steel.



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The city's Big Sandy Superstore Arena, One Civic Center Plaza, draws convention business to Huntington and plays host to entertainment events; phone (304) 696-5990. Marshall University offers guided campus tours through its Recruitment and Welcome Center; phone (304) 696-3646 or (877) 464-3731. In partnership with Marshall University Department of Dietetics, Huntington's Kitchen offers lectures and cooking classes at 911 Third Ave.; phone (304) 522-0887. The community kitchen was started by British celebrity chef Jamie Oliver during the first season of "Jamie Oliver's Food Revolution."

The rose garden in Ritter Park, on McCoy Road between 8th and 12th streets, displays four species and 87 varieties of roses. Virginia Point Park, at the mouth of the Big Sandy River, has a boat-launching ramp and a camping area. The Ohio River also offers recreational opportunities. Public launching ramps and a marina provide boaters access to the river.

Camden Park, an amusement park just west of the city on US 60, offers more than 30 rides, including two wooden roller coasters and a 1907 carousel, as well as shows by nationally known recording artists; phone (304) 429-4321 or (866) 822-6336.

Cabell-Huntington Convention and Visitors Bureau: 210 11th St. #15, Huntington, WV 25701. **Phone:** (304) 525-7333 or (800) 635-6329.

Shopping: Huntington Mall, off I-64 exit 20B, counts JC-Penney and Macy's among its stores. Heritage Station, a restored railway yard at 11th Street and Veterans Memorial Boulevard, offers shops and restaurants housed in old warehouses and boxcars and a farmers market in summer months. An array of antique stores and restaurants occupy downtown's Old Central City on West 14th Street.

HERITAGE FARM MUSEUM AND VILLAGE is off I-64 exit 8 (Fifth Street), 1 mi. w. on Johnstown Road, then 1.7 mi. s. to 3300 Harvey Rd. Appalachian heritage is preserved in more than 12 restored buildings, including a sawmill, blacksmith shop, country store, one-room school and log church. A petting zoo, animal barn and nature walk are featured. Museum displays include farm machinery, steam tractors, covered wagons, early automobiles and home technology.

Note: Visitors are advised not to follow GPS directions to the farm from German Ridge Road, which is a narrow and winding country road not navigable by most vehicles. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (304) 522-1244.



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KEYSER

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The country around Keyser was a frequent battleground during the Civil War. A supply point for both armies, the community changed hands 14 times during the war. Nancy Hanks, mother of Abraham Lincoln, was born nearby on Doll Farm at Mikes Run.

Fort Ashby, on SR 46 near its intersection with SR 28, was built in 1755 and is the only remaining fort of the 69 that George Washington built to protect western Virginians. The fort is open by appointment; phone the visitors bureau at (304) 788-2513.

Mineral County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 40 1/2 Main St., Keyser, WV 26726. **Phone:** (304) 788-2513.

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LANSING

Lansing serves as a base of operations for outfitters offering trips down the New River. The Canyon Rim Visitor Center, daily 9-5 except Jan. 1, Thanksgiving and Christmas, provides information about the New River Gorge National Park and Preserve; phone (304) 574-2115.

CANYON RIM VISITOR CENTER is 2 mi. n. of Fayetteville on US 19 to 162 Visitor Center Rd. Panoramic views

of the gorge and the New River Gorge Bridge are offered at the center, which also features exhibits and a slide presentation. **Phone:** (304) 574-2115.

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES**White-water Rafting**

- **Adventures on the Gorge** is .1 mi. n. of the New River Gorge Bridge exit off US 19, then .5 mi. w. on Ames Heights Rd.; bear left at the fork in the road. Other activities are offered. **Phone:** (304) 574-0704 or (866) 343-0534.



LEWISBURG

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Lewisburg's name was changed from Camp Union to honor Gen. Andrew Lewis, who organized the Virginia militia in 1774 for a campaign against the Shawnee. Lewis led his frontiersmen to victory at the Battle of Point Pleasant, said to be the first battle of the American Revolution. Andrew Lewis Park on N. Jefferson Street was the site where the militia assembled for the historic campaign.

The Civil War made yet another battleground out of Lewisburg. On May 23, 1862, the Confederate forces of Henry Heth clashed with the Union troops of George Crook, who later would win renown as the captor of Apache chief Geronimo. Although the Union force was victorious, Lewisburg remained a Confederate outpost for most of the war.

Some of Lewisburg's old buildings still bear scars of the battle, and a cross-shaped mass grave on McElhenny Road holds the remains of 95 unknown Confederate soldiers killed during the Battle of Lewisburg.

Carnegie Hall, 611 Church St., was a 1902 gift from Andrew Carnegie to the Lewisburg Female Institute, later known as Greenbrier College. The building now serves as an arts and education center; phone (304) 645-7917 for information about performances and exhibits.

Professional theatrical productions are staged by Greenbrier Valley Theatre. Musicals, dramas, comedies, children's plays, musical concerts, and literary and poetry readings are offered year-round; phone (304) 645-3838 or (866) 888-1411 for information.

The Greenbrier River Trail, a 78-mile pathway for hikers and bicyclers, runs along the Greenbrier River from Caldwell to Cass (*see place listing p. 359*); the entrance to the trail at Caldwell is 3 miles east via US 60. The trail, originally part of the Chesapeake & Ohio rail system, provides access to the river for fishing, canoeing and cross-country skiing.

Greenbrier County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 905 Washington St. W., Lewisburg, WV 24901. **Phone:** (304) 645-1000 or (800) 833-2068.

Self-guiding tours: Booklets outlining tours of the Battle of Lewisburg and the 236-acre historic district, containing more than 60 18th- and 19th-century buildings of historic and architectural interest, such as North House Museum and Old Stone Church, are available at local lodgings and at the visitors center. Brochures containing information about self-guiding tours of the county's covered bridges, scenic overlooks and historic sites also are available at the visitors center.



LOST WORLD CAVERNS is 1.5 mi. n. via Court St. to 907 Lost World Dr. The caves were discovered in 1942 by speleologists from Virginia Polytechnic Institute. They contain a number of large rooms with stalactite, stalagmite and flowstone formations as well as impressive displays of pure calcite. Visitors descend about 100 feet below the entrance point and explore at their own pace by taking a self-guiding, half-mile loop trail through the caverns.

Some of the formations encountered include the Bridal Veil, a dazzling display of white calcite; the Snowy Chandelier, one of the largest stalactites in the United States at a whopping 30 tons; and the War Club, a 28-foot stalagmite. A subterranean stream and stalagmites jutting upward from the cave floor add to the mystique and beauty of this underground world. While the caverns' temperature is a constant 52 F, visitors can warm up in the facility's on-site museum, featuring an assortment of fossil and dinosaur replicas.

Note: Guided Wild Cave tours take four hours; full mobility is recommended. Warm clothing and comfortable shoes are recommended on all tours. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (304) 645-6677 or (866) 228-3778.



NORTH HOUSE MUSEUM is .5 mi. w. on US 60 to 301 W. Washington St. The restored 1820 house displays antiques and artifacts dating from the early 1700s to the late 1800s, including Civil and Revolutionary war items and a Virginia Valley covered wagon. The library and its archives contain documents and family records from the same period.

Time: Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (304) 645-3398.



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Guest Services: valet laundry.



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Hotel. **Address:** 540 N Jefferson St 24901. **Location:** Truck parking on premises. **Facility:** 162 units. 2 stories (no elevator), exterior corridors. **Pool:** outdoor. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



 SUPER 8 **BOOK NOW** 304/647-3188



Motel. **Address:** 160 Village Dr 24901.

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Founded in the 18th century, Martinsburg developed into an important shipping center with the construction of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad in the 1850s. During the late 19th century orchards were planted in surrounding areas, and today Martinsburg has become a distribution center for apples and peaches.

Martinsburg was torn apart by the Civil War because of Union and Confederate occupation, internal strife and the

proximity of many battles. The town was the home of Belle Boyd, a beautiful 17-year-old Confederate spy who shot a Union soldier in her parents' home after he had made threats against her mother.

Martinsburg-Berkeley County Convention and Visitors Bureau: 126 E. Race St., Martinsburg, WV 25401.
Phone: (304) 264-8801 or (800) 498-2386.

Shopping: Anchor shops at the Foxcroft Towne Center at Martinsburg, formerly Martinsburg Mall, between I-81 exits 12 and 13, are Hobby Lobby and Grand Home Furnishings.

 COMFORT INN AIKENS CENTER **BOOK NOW** 304/263-6200



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Hotel. **Address:** 1872 Edwin Miller Blvd 25404. **Facility:** 109 units. 4 stories, interior corridors. **Pool:** outdoor. **Activities:** exercise room. **Guest Services:** coin laundry.



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 COMFORT SUITES PARKERSBURG SOUTH **BOOK NOW** 304/489-9600




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Hotel. **Address:** 167 Elizabeth Pike 26150. **Facility:** 115 units, some efficiencies. 3 stories, interior/exterior corridors. **Terms:** check-in 4 pm. **Pool:** heated outdoor, heated indoor. **Activities:** hot tub, exercise room. **Guest**

Services: coin laundry.



 HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES PARKERSBURG/MINERAL WELLS **BOOK NOW** 304/489-4111



Hotel. **Address:** 80 Old Nicholette Rd 26150.

MONONGAHELA NATIONAL FOREST

Elevations in the forest range from 900 ft. at Petersburg to 4,861 ft. at Spruce Knob. Refer to AAA maps for additional elevation information.

Monongahela National Forest encompasses ten West Virginia counties in the Allegheny Mountains. Noted for its rugged terrain, highland bogs, blueberry thickets, vistas of exposed rocks, fast-moving streams and thick cover of trees, the forest was established in 1920 after widespread

cutting of eastern forests. One of the 920,000-acre forest's best known attractions is Spruce Knob, West Virginia's highest peak at 3,861 feet (*see Spruce Knob-Seneca Rocks National Recreation Area p. 387*).

Seneca Rocks (*see Spruce Knob-Seneca Rocks National Recreation Area p. 387*) and July-blooming rhododendrons are among the region's highlights.

Access the four bogs of Cranberry Glades Botanical Area, which contains bog vegetation far south of its normal range, from a half-mile-long boardwalk at the



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Cranberry Mountain Nature Center (SRs 39 and 50), where you also can hike on a self-guiding nature trail and see exhibits depicting forest ecology, history and wildlife, including a live snake display. The center is open mid-Apr. to mid-Oct.; phone (304) 653-4826 or (304) 846-2122 off-season.

Many good routes traverse the forest; some provide picturesque drives. The 43-mile Highland Scenic Highway between Richwood and US 219 follows SR 39/55 for 21 miles, then SR 150 for 22 miles, offering spectacular views of the Allegheny Highlands. US 250 offers some exceptional scenery. Between Huttonsville and the Virginia line the highway crosses 4,353-foot Top of Allegheny. A 60-mile section of US 33 from Elkins east to Franklin also offers splendid vistas.

Bears, deer, grouse, rabbits, squirrels and turkeys can be hunted in season. The forest contains 129 miles of warm-water fishing and 576 miles of trout streams. Gaudineer Scenic Area, off US 250 north of Durbin, protects 140 acres of virgin red spruce. The Dolly Sods Wilderness Area, 17,371 acres west of Hopeville, offers wide views and upland bogs with unusual plants. In the 20,698 acres of Otter Creek Wilderness Area hiking trails thread through mountainous terrain. Fernow Experimental Forest, administered by the U.S. Forest Service, adjoins Otter Creek; hunting is permitted in season.

Other wilderness areas within the forest are Cranberry, Laurel Fork North, Laurel Fork South, Spice Run, Big Draft and Roaring Plains West. The forest is traversed by some 500 miles of hiking trails and an extensive backwoods road and trail system for hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding. An excellent hiking guide to the forest is available for a fee from the West Virginia Highlands Conservancy, P.O. Box 306, Charleston, WV 25321.

For further information contact the Forest Supervisor, Monongahela National Forest, 200 Sycamore St., Elkins,

WV 26241; phone (304) 636-1800, voice and TTY. See *Recreation Areas Chart*.

MORGANTOWN

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Morgantown, on the east bank of the Monongahela River, is the seat of Monongalia County and the home of West Virginia University (WVU). A highlight is Core Arboretum, the university's research facility and outdoor classroom that features trails and wildflowers, which is on Monongahela Boulevard, just south of the WVU Coliseum; phone (304) 293-0387. Near the Evansdale campus is the WVU Robert C. Byrd Health Sciences Center.

Coopers Rock State Forest, 13 miles east off I-68, offers 12,713 acres of forest, interesting rock formations, hiking trails, cross-country ski trails, camping and picnic areas, a 19th-century iron furnace and a spectacular view of the Cheat River Valley. Swimming and boating are popular activities at Cheat Lake, just east of town on I-68.

A 52-mile section of the West Virginia Rail Trail follows the Monongahela River through Morgantown. Ideal for walking, bicycling, jogging and inline skating, the trail is paved within city limits. Morgantown is at the western end of the scenic portion of I-68, which runs east to Hancock, Md.

Visit Mountaineer Country: 341 Chaplin Rd., 1st Floor, Morgantown, WV 26501. **Phone:** (304) 292-5081.

Shopping: Morgantown Mall, at the junction of I-79 exit 152 and US 19, features JCPenney. Seneca Center, in the old Seneca Glass Factory at 709 Beechurst Ave., contains specialty shops.



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Resort Hotel. **Address:** 1 Lakeview Dr 26508.

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SAVE Hotel. **Address:** 345 Chestnut St 26505.



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MOUNDSVILLE

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Moundsville, first known as Grave Creek, started as a cabin built in 1771 by Joseph, Samuel and James Tomlinson about 300 yards from the Grave Creek Burial Mound. In 1865 the town consolidated with Mound City and was named after the large prehistoric burial mound from the Adena Indian culture.

Marshall County Chamber of Commerce: 609 Jefferson Ave., Moundsville, WV 26041. **Phone:** (304) 845-2773.

WEST VIRGINIA PENITENTIARY is at 818 Jefferson Ave. This Gothic-style fortress was built by inmate labor in 1868 and was the state's first territorial prison. Guided 90-minute tours allow visitors to step inside a 5-foot-by-7-foot cell and see the electric chair, the gallows and North Hall, where the worst inmates were confined 23 hours a day. Hand-painted murals, created by inmates, adorn the walls. Nighttime paranormal tours also are available; phone ahead to confirm schedule and prices.

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NEW RIVER GORGE NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE

The New River Gorge National Park and Preserve encompasses 65,165 acres of scenic Appalachian terrain, which permits hunting and fishing, and 7,021 acres of parkland. Found within are the New River and its narrow gorge that wind through the Appalachian Mountains from Hinton to the New River Gorge Bridge (US 19) near Fayetteville. Contrary to its name, the New is believed to be one of the oldest rivers in North America; it was part of the ancient Teays River system, which originated more than 65 million years ago.

The river's human history began about 12,000 years ago when Native Americans lived and hunted in the area. The portion of the river within the park, however, was largely unsettled due to the dangerous and often impassable rapids and steep gorge walls. In 1873 the C&O Railroad was completed through the gorge and provided access to the exposed rich seams of coal in the mountains.

For the next 80 years the area was a booming industrial center, whose heart was the 18-odd communities in the lower canyon from Prince to Fayette Station. But as the mines were worked out, people began to leave the gorge's coal towns. Forest has since reclaimed most of the towns and mine sites.

General Information and Activities

The New River is regarded as one of the best rivers in the state for small-mouth bass fishing. In addition, muskellunge, walleye, catfish and carp test the skill of anglers. Some of the river's tributaries are stocked with trout. The most popular portion of the New for fishing is the upper section from Hinton to McCreery.

The river is said to rival the Colorado for its white-water rafting opportunities. The 30 miles of the lower portion from McCreery to the New River Gorge Bridge draw white-water rafting enthusiasts each year from early April to mid-October. Many outfitters with highly skilled guides provide both scenic and white-water trips through the gorge and are primarily located at the northern end of the river.

The sandstone cliffs along the New River, which range up to 120 feet tall, have become well-known among rock climbing enthusiasts. The peak climbing season runs from April through November.

Three visitor centers offer brochures, maps and historic background on the river and the surrounding area; park rangers provide information and orientation services. The Grandview's Center on SR 25 in the Thurmond railroad depot and SR 9 is noted for its overlooks, trails and spring display of rhododendrons. The Canyon Rim Visitor Center, (304) 574-2115, in Lansing and Sandstone Visitor



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Center, (304) 466-0417, in Sandstone are open year-round; all others are open seasonally.

Other popular recreational activities within the park include picnicking, camping, hiking, mountain biking, canoeing, kayaking and horseback riding. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

ADDRESS inquiries to the Superintendent, New River Gorge National Park and Preserve, National Park Service, P.O. Box 246, 104 Main St., Glen Jean, WV 25846. Phone (304) 465-0508.

OAK HILL

Though not the county seat, Oak Hill is Fayette County's largest city. The Coal Miner's Memorial Statue, at the visitor center on Oyler Avenue, stands as a reminder of the area's coal mining heritage; visitors are welcome to take a piece of coal as a souvenir.

At Oak Hill Public Library, 611 Main St., a bronze plaque notes legendary country singer Hank Williams "made his last stop on his last tour" in the community in 1953.

White-water rafting opportunities are numerous due to the city's proximity to the New River Gorge.

New River Gorge Convention and Visitors Bureau: 310 Oyler Ave., Oak Hill, WV 25901. **Phone:** (304) 465-5617 or (800) 927-0263.

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

White-water Rafting

- **Ace Adventure Resort** is 11.2 mi. on US 19 to E. Main St. exit, following signs to New River Gorge Adventure Park. White-water rafting and other activities are offered. **Phone:** (304) 465-0236 or (800) 787-3982.
- **River Expeditions** is 3.3 mi. n. on US 19, e. on Appalachian Dr., s. on SR 16, then just e. to 900 Broadway Ave. Other excursions also are available, including guided rafting trips, scenic float trips and zip line tours. **Phone:** (304) 574-2827 or (800) 463-9873.

ORGAN CAVE

ORGAN CAVE is .5 mi. e. on SR 63 to 242 Organ Cave Dr. Ninety-minute walking tours of the cave, discovered in 1704, feature fossils, stalactites, stalagmites and a Civil War refinery used by the Confederates to produce saltpeter. More than 200 passages have yet to be mapped. The cave, left as unaltered as possible, has more than 45

miles of passageways. Condensed walking tours and exploration expeditions also are available.

NOTE: Jackets are suggested year-round. GPS directions may not be accurate. **Time:** Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (304) 645-7600.  

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Parkersburg's strategic location at the confluence of the Little Kanawha and Ohio rivers aided its development as an industrial center. An early visitor was George Washington, who surveyed land above the city on the Ohio River. In 1810 the Virginia legislature passed an act to found the town, known as Neal's Station and Newport prior to being incorporated as Parkersburg. Improved transportation modes and routes to the area soon followed. West Virginia's first oil wells were drilled nearby in 1860, which made Parkersburg the supply and shipping point for the "black gold" fields.

The region also was blessed with natural gas fields, and gas soon became the major source of fuel for the growing number of industrial plants. More than 100 industries produce chemicals, glass, metals, plastics and other products.

A rails-to-trails conversion, the North Bend Rail Trail extends for 72 miles from its trailhead near Parkersburg to Wolf Summit near Clarksburg. The scenic trail runs through 10 tunnels constructed by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad 1853-57 and crosses 36 bridges.

Greater Parkersburg Convention and Visitors Bureau: 350 Seventh St., Parkersburg, WV 26101. **Phone:** (304) 428-1130 or (800) 752-4982.

Self-guiding tours: Brochures outlining a walking tour of historic buildings are available at the convention and visitors bureau.



BLENNERHASSETT ISLAND HISTORICAL STATE PARK is in the Ohio River, reached by sternwheeler from Point Park on Second Street. Harman Blennerhassett, an Irish aristocrat, built his island mansion in 1798. He became involved with Aaron Burr in an alleged plot to establish an empire in the Southwest and was forced to flee the island with his family in 1806 when the conspiracy came to light. Both men were eventually acquitted of treason, but their lives were ruined.

Fire destroyed the abandoned mansion in 1811. The Palladian-style house has been reconstructed upon its original foundation, and guided tours of the interior are



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offered. Narrated horse-drawn wagon rides recount the island's history.

Time: Allow 3 hours minimum. **Phone:** (304) 420-4800 or (800) 225-5982.  

Blennerhassett Museum is downtown at 137 Juliana St. Three floors are dedicated to archeological and historical exhibits. A 13-minute video reveals the history of the Blennerhassett family and its island.

Time: Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (304) 420-4800 or (800) 225-5982.

Sternwheeler departs for Blennerhassett Island Historical State Park from Point Park on Second Street. **Phone:** (304) 420-4800 or (800) 225-5982.

OIL AND GAS MUSEUM, downtown at 119 Third St., commemorates the historical significance of those industries to West Virginia and southeastern Ohio through displays, exhibits and historic photographs. The museum also chronicles the city's history and culture and houses a Civil War room. **Time:** Allow 45 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (304) 485-5446.

 **THE BLENNERHASSETT** **BOOK NOW** 304/422-3131




Historic Hotel. **Address:** 320 Market St 26101.

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 Hotel. **Address:** 920 Emerson Ave 26104.


PETERSBURG

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On the south branch of the Potomac River, Petersburg was settled in 1745. It was named after German colonist Jacob Peterson, who established the town's first store. During the Civil War the town served as a Union outpost along the contested border between the North and South. Nearby earthworks were constructed by troops from Illinois and Ohio in 1863.

Because it is near the entrance to Monongahela National Forest and Spruce Knob-Seneca Rocks National Recreation Area (*see place listings p. 377 and p. 387*), Petersburg is considered a recreation center, and calls itself the "Home of the Golden Trout." Area outfitters provide information, equipment and guides for hunting, fishing and canoeing trips into the surrounding wilderness.

 **SMOKE HOLE CAVERNS** is 8 mi. s.w. on SR 28/55. Knowledgeable guides lead visitors along an intricate system of walkways to observe the various wonders within the caverns, which include helictites, stalagmites and stalactites. Unusual formations include one of the world's longest ribbon stalactites and an underground lake and stream. Features pointed out along the tour include the Artesian Spring, Rainbow Falls, Flowstone Dome and the Crystal Cave Coral Pool, filled with trout.

The caverns were reportedly used by Native Americans to smoke meat and by enterprising settlers to make moonshine. A 19th-century still is displayed. A wildlife museum is on the grounds. The caverns maintain a constant temperature of 56 F. **Phone:** (304) 257-4442 or (800) 828-8478. 

 **HOMESTEAD INN MOTEL** **BOOK NOW** 304/257-1049



Motel. **Address:** 1314 North Fork Hwy 26847.



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The first land battle of the Civil War occurred at Philippi (FIL-uh-pee) on June 3, 1861. Col. B.F. Kelley and a detachment of Federal troops from George McClellan's army surprised and routed the newly recruited Confederates under the command of Col. George Alexander Porterfield.

Spanning the Tygart River is a covered bridge that was originally built in 1852 and was used by both Confederate and Union forces during the battles. The bridge burned in 1989 but has been completely restored and is the only covered bridge still in use as a federal highway. From Fairmont to the north, the scenic portion of US 250 passes through Philippi on its 73-mile journey to Huttonsville.

Barbour County Chamber of Commerce: 101 College Hill Dr., Box 2124, Philippi, WV 26416. **Phone:** (304) 457-1958.

ADALAND MANSION AND HISTORICAL BARN is at 324 Mansion Dr., 4 mi. n. on US 119 to SR 76, then 1 mi. n. to Adaland Rd. This 1870 brick mansion features Neo-Greek architecture, period wallpaper and antique furnishings. Details include woodwork of native hardwood, double porches, an outside walnut stairway, travelers' rooms and a metal roof with handmade brackets. A restored 1850 barn houses a display of early farm tools. The garden is in bloom April through October.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (304) 457-1587 or (304) 457-2415. 



MOUNTAINEER INN **BOOK NOW** 304/457-5888



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Motel. **Address:** 14928 Barbour County Hwy 26416.

POINT PLEASANT


Point Pleasant is in a growing resort area near the confluence of the Kanawha and Ohio rivers. It is said that when George Washington surveyed this area in the 1740s, he referred to it as the Pleasant Point.

A reconstruction of Fort Randolph, the best known of the town's forts, is in Krodel Park and is open during special events. The 44-acre park also contains campsites and a playground, and allows fishing; phone (304) 675-6788, (304) 675-1068 or (304) 857-1490 for the campground.

The 11,772-acre Chief Cornstalk Public Hunting and Fishing Area, southeast of town, is accessible via a hard-surfaced road that branches west off SR 35 near Southside; phone (304) 675-0871.

Mason County Area Chamber of Commerce: 305 Main St., Point Pleasant, WV 25550. **Phone:** (304) 675-1050.

WEST VIRGINIA STATE FARM MUSEUM is 5 mi. n. on SR 62 to Fairgrounds Rd., following signs. This 50-acre museum features log cabins built in the early 1800s, a

replica of an old Lutheran church, a one-room schoolhouse built around 1870, a print shop, a taxidermic collection, a doctor's office, a country store, farm equipment including a collection of tractors, a working blacksmith shop, an herb garden, railroad cars and a barn. **Time:** Allow 1 hour, 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (304) 675-5737. 

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Mercer County, at the southern tip of West Virginia, bears the name of General Hugh Mercer, a Revolutionary War hero who was mortally wounded in 1777 at the Battle of Princeton in New Jersey. The county seat, Princeton, honors the place where he died.

Princeton-Mercer County Chamber of Commerce: 1522 N. Walker St., Princeton, WV 24740. **Phone:** (304) 487-1502.



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Hotel. **Address:** 805 Oakvale Rd 24740.

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Motel. **Address:** 136 Ambrose Ln 24740.

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Hotel. **Address:** 1015 Oakvale Rd 24740.

RANSON

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RIVERTON

SENECA CAVERNS is 3 mi. e. of US 33 via German Valley Rd. Visitors travel along a .75-mile passage on an hour-long guided tour through the caverns at a depth ranging from 25-165 feet below ground level. Lighted trails provide access to the caverns' unusual mineral formations including cave coral, rimstone, stalactites, stalagmites and travertine.

Other formations include Mirror Lake, a reflective underground pool, and the Grand Ballroom, featuring a natural

balcony. The caverns served as a refuge for the Seneca Indians from cold winters and for ceremonial rituals during the 1400s and 1500s. Gemstone mining is available. Tours of undeveloped Stratosphere Cavern, reportedly the oldest cavern in the state, also are offered.

Warm clothing and comfortable walking shoes are recommended. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (304) 567-2691 or (800) 239-7647.   



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Resort Hotel. **Address:** 940 Resort Dr 26447.

WHERE TO EAT

 STILLWATERS RESTAURANT 304/269-7400
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SANDSTONE

Sandstone is a rural community along the New River just south of I-64, characterized by its natural beauty and views of the river. Sandstone Falls State Park is south of town along SR-26. The falls stretch the full width of the river (about 1,500 feet) and it is the largest waterfall in the river. Visitors can enjoy hiking, fishing and mountain biking along the lush trails.

SANDSTONE VISITOR CENTER is just n. on SR 20 from jct. I-64 exit 139 to 330 Meadow Creek Rd. Keeping environmental sustainability in mind, the center was designed and built using “green” concepts. Highlights include informative and interactive exhibits about the river’s natural and cultural history as well as a 12-minute video presentation about ecology and the New River Valley. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (304) 466-0417. 

SHEPHERDSTOWN

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A quaint yet diverse college town on the banks of the Potomac River, Shepherdstown has much to offer visitors, including a thriving arts scene. The Contemporary

American Theater Festival, held in July, presents works by well-known playwrights annually; phone (304) 876-3473 or (800) 999-2283. German Street is the town’s cultural and social hub; Shepherd University’s more than 4,200 students find time between classes to take a break at the street’s cafés, boutiques and art studios. Catch a flick or live concert on weekends at the restored 1909 Shepherdstown Opera House, 131 W. German St; phone (304) 876-3704.

The town’s history is well-represented in Federal, Greek Revival and Victorian homes and other buildings. On German Street are Shepherd University, built in 1871, and the Entler Hotel, built in 1786.

The site of one of the earliest settlements in West Virginia, Shepherdstown was established by English and German farmers who had crossed the river from Pennsylvania into this area before 1730. The legal grant to the land was purchased by Thomas Shepherd in 1732. Originally named Mecklenburg, the name was changed to Shepherdstown in 1798. While living in Shepherdstown in 1787, James Rumsey gave the first public exhibition of his steamboat. A monument on the banks of the Potomac commemorates this successful demonstration.

Shepherdstown Visitors Center: 201 S. Princess St., Shepherdstown, WV 25443-0329. **Phone:** (304) 876-2786.

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RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Skiing

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SPRUCE KNOB-SENECA ROCKS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

The Spruce Knob-Seneca Rocks National Recreation Area is composed of two sections within the Monongahela National Forest (*see place listing p. 377*). The larger Seneca Rocks unit is especially noted for rugged terrain and white-water boating during high flows in spring and rock-climbing opportunities. Camping, fishing and hiking are popular during spring and summer. Hunting is permitted in season. Cross-country skiers prefer the higher elevations in the Spruce Knob unit, where trails are plentiful. For further information, phone (304) 567-2827 for Seneca Rocks Discovery Center or (304) 257-4488 for the Potomac Ranger District office. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*


SENECA ROCKS is off US 33 and SR 28 at the town of Seneca Rocks. Rising above the North Fork River, this 900-foot-tall mass of intricately eroded quartzite sandstone is one of the most impressive rock formations in the East and is considered to be an excellent rock-climbing area.

According to legend, Snow Bird, the beautiful daughter of Seneca chief Bald Eagle, held a contest to decide who should be her husband. The first warrior to scale the mighty cliff, which she had been able to climb since her

early childhood, was eligible to marry her. **Phone:** (304) 567-2827 for Seneca Rock Discovery Center, or (304) 257-4488 for Potomac Ranger district office.

SMOKE HOLE CANYON lies along Smoke Hole Rd. in the Seneca Rocks unit; take SR 28/11 s. from jct. SR 28 at Cabins. The half-mile-deep gorge was formed by the south branch of the Potomac River as it ran between North Fork and Cave mountains. SR 2 leads northwest from US 220 north of Upper Tract, traverses a portion of the gorge and ends at the Big Bend Campground. Among Smoke Hole's notable formations is Eagle Rock, which towers upward from the river. **Phone:** (304) 257-4488 for the Potomac Ranger District office.

SPRUCE KNOB is w. of SR 28 via SR 33/4 about 2.5 mi. s. of Riverton. Spruce Knob is the highest point in West Virginia at 4,861 feet (*see Monongahela National Forest p. 377*). Numerous overlooks provide scenic views on the road to the summit, which features an observation tower and an interpretive trail.

Nearby Spruce Knob Lake is stocked with trout and offers good fishing, especially during the spring and fall. **Note:** The road is twisting and steep and can be dangerous especially during hazardous driving conditions; caution is advised. The road should not be attempted by inexperienced drivers. **Phone:** (304) 636-1800. 

STAR CITY

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SUMMERSVILLE

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Nancy Hart, a Confederate spy, led an attack on Summersville in 1861. During the battle a Union force was captured, and the town was burned. Hart escaped to Confederate lines but returned after Gen. Robert E. Lee's surrender.

US 19, a 45-mile scenic highway linking I-79 at Sutton and the West Virginia Turnpike at Bradley, passes Summersville near Summersville Lake. The lake is West Virginia's largest with 60 miles of shoreline and more than 2,800 acres of water. Summersville Lake State Park, 62 Farmhouse Ln., offers swimming, fishing, hiking, camping, scuba diving and snorkeling, and picnicking opportunities (see *Recreation Areas Chart*). Summersville serves as the county seat for Nicholas County.

The Gauley River National Recreation Area, between Summersville and Swiss, protects 25 miles of the Gauley River and 6 miles of its tributary, the Meadow River. The Gauley is known for its rapids, white-water rafting and fishing opportunities. The recreation area can be reached from Carnifex Ferry Battlefield State Park (see *attraction listing*) or Summersville Dam off SR 129 and from SR 39. Information is available at park headquarters, P.O. Box 246, Glen Jean, WV 25846; phone (304) 465-0508.

Summersville Area Chamber of Commerce: 19 Memorial Park Rd., Nicholas County Visitors Center, Summersville, WV 26651. **Phone:** (304) 872-1588.

WINERIES

- **Kirkwood Winery and Isaiah Morgan Distillery** is 2.7 mi. n.e. on SR 41, 1.1 mi. n. on US 19, then .5 mi. e. on CR 8 (Phillips Run Rd.), following signs. **Phone:** (304) 872-7332 or (888) 498-9463. **GT**

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TRIADELPHIA

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What was once a sleepy suburb east of Wheeling, W. VA., is now a destination for shoppers as they flock to The Highlands, a massive open-air shopping, dining and entertainment complex off of I-70. With more than one million

square feet of retail space, there's something for everyone—pet lovers, shoe fiends, readers, electronics nuts, bargain hunters and fashionistas. A movie theater and spa add to the entertainment options. Triadelphia's actual city footprint looks like a wishbone, following the paths of Little Wheeling Creek to the north and Middle Creek to the south.

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Hotel. **Address:** 85 Fort Henry Rd 26059.

UNION

The one-time hunting grounds of the Iroquois and other tribes attracted settlers from Virginia. James Alexander settled in what became Union in 1774 before serving in the Revolutionary War. When the area separated from Greenbrier in 1799, the town became the county seat of Monroe County.

The area boasts farmland, timberland and mineral springs. Those same springs made it part of a popular resort region until the early 20th century. Historic features abound, especially on Main Street. An eye-catching 1952 Chevrolet truck is parked outside Kittles Hardware and Supply, at 405 Main St. Once home to Ford Model-Ts and General Motors, the 15,000-square-foot store has sold hardware and essential supplies since the 1950s; phone (304) 772-3009. North on US 219 is the Indian Creek Covered Bridge, part of a former Native American path called the Seneca Trail or the Warrior's Path.

Moncove Lake State Park, 695 Moncove Lake Access Rd., is a wildlife management and recreation area (see *Recreation Areas Chart*), which is in nearby Gap Mills. Phone (304) 772-3450.

Agriculture remains an economic force and a source of pride. Farmer's Day, an annual event in early June,

celebrates agriculture with a parade, street dance and fireworks.

Monroe County Tourism: 261 Heath Center Dr. **Phone:** (304) 772-3003, ext. 15 or (866) 677-3003, ext. 15.

Self-guiding tours: Brochures outlining scenic drive trips, including the Rural Heritage Quilt Trail, which features decorated barns and businesses, and Civil War Trail, are available at the Monroe County Historical Society.

MONROE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM COMPLEX, at US 219/Main and Fairview sts., features historical buildings, Civil War-era exhibits and carriages in the National Historic District of Union. The 1810 Clark-Wiseman and Owen Neel II log cabins reveal pioneer life complete with period furnishings. Interior exhibits of the 1820 Hugh Caperton law office include Native American artifacts, historic tools and a uniform of J.W.M. Appleton, a recruiter for the 54th Massachusetts Infantry Regiment, the African American troop portrayed in the 1989 Civil War film "Glory."

The Carriage House Museum showcases a John Stephenson Company omnibus, a sleigh and other 19th century horse-drawn vehicles. **Phone:** (304) 772-3946. **GT**



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WESTON

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Weston serves as a commercial center for an agricultural area and supports glass industries. Surveyed by Thomas “Stonewall” Jackson’s grandfather, the town contains several rambling Victorian-era homes. The Trans-

Allegheny Lunatic Asylum (*see attraction listing*), formerly called Weston State Hospital, is surrounded by vast landscaped grounds. The main building, begun in 1860 and completed in 1865, has 9 acres of floor space and is said to be the largest hand-cut stone building in the United States.

The Citizens Bank Building at 201 Main Ave. is noted among devotees of classic Art Deco architecture. Built 1928-30, this 54-foot tall Indiana limestone structure is believed to be the tallest single-story building in the United States; the wrought-iron work is by the noted artist

Samuel Yellen. Inside, the woodwork is hand-carved American walnut, and the 45-foot suspended plaster ceiling has a relief of the Great Seal of West Virginia. Also of interest in nearby Horner is the Central West Virginia Genealogical and Historical Library and Museum, which is open to the public for research; phone (304) 269-7091.


Every Labor Day weekend, the city celebrates Jackson’s Mill Jubilee, complete with Civil War re-enactments, heritage exhibits, music, fireworks and arts and crafts vendors.

Nearby Stonewall Resort State Park surrounds the state’s second-largest lake. This park offers many recreational opportunities and facilities. For more information phone (304) 269-7400. *See Recreation Areas Chart.*

Lewis County Convention & Visitors Bureau/Stonewallcountry: 499 US 33E, Suite 2, Weston, WV 26452. **Phone:** (304) 269-7328 or (800) 296-7329.


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WESTON SUPER 8 **BOOK NOW** 304/269-1086Hotel. **Address:** 100 Market Place Mall, Suite 12 26452.

WHEELING

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Wheeling lies along the scenic portion of I-70, which continues into Pennsylvania to the east and Ohio to the west. The last battle of the American Revolution was fought in Wheeling Sept. 11-13, 1782, when Fort Henry was attacked by a force of 40 British soldiers and 260 Native Americans. The news of the peace had not yet reached this outpost. Ebenezer and Silas Zane, who founded the city in 1769, led the defending forces. Their sister, Betty, brought powder from the Zane cabin to the fort; her efforts saved the garrison. The site of the fort is marked by a memorial stone on Main Street.

When Virginia seceded from the Union, delegates from the western counties met at Wheeling and set up the "Restored Government of Virginia," with Wheeling as the capital. After West Virginia was formally admitted to the Union in 1863, Wheeling was the capital until 1870 and again 1875-85.

The 1,010-foot-long Wheeling Suspension Bridge, built in 1849, is one of the world's longest of its kind. Henry Clay, while visiting Wheeling a year after the bridge opened, described it as "a rainbow to behold."

Wheeling's history as a frontier port where the National Road met the Ohio River is evident in the Old Town section; some of the buildings are open to the public by tour.

From May through August the Wheeling Heritage Port Amphitheater hosts Wheeling's Waterfront Wednesdays where free concerts are featured.

In winter, the city is illuminated with one of the country's largest light shows, Festival of Lights, featuring a 6-mile driving tour through 300 acres.

Wheeling Visitors Center: 1401 Main St., Wheeling, WV 26003. **Phone:** (304) 233-7709 or (800) 828-3097.

Shopping: Eight miles west on I-70 in nearby St. Clairsville, Ohio, is Ohio Valley Mall, whose more than 150 stores include Macy's and Sears. North Main Street's North Wheeling Historic District (Old Town) has antique and specialty shops; from I-70 exit 1A go north on Main Street. Wheeling's Historic Centre Market, 2200 Market St., features antique and craft shops in and around the refurbished Centre Market House.

THE ECKHART HOUSE VICTORIAN HOME TOURS & TEAS is at 810 Main St. The 18-room 1892 Queen Anne town home maintains many original features, such as stained glass, fretwork, mantles, inlaid floors, pocket doors and original electric and gas light fixtures. Tours provide information about area history and the home's living and servants' quarters. Teas, including a sweet tea, an afternoon tea and a tea luncheon in the home's elegant dining room are presided over by a costumed hostess.

Time: Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (304) 232-5439.



OGLEBAY RESORT is off I-70 at US 40, then 3 mi. n. on SR 88 to 465 Lodge Dr. This 1,700-acre park-like resort offers gardens, nature trails, stables, a zoo, a spa, shops and museums. Activities include golf, tennis, swimming, trail rides, pedal-boating, fishing, skiing and snowboarding (*see Recreation Areas Chart*).

In November and December, one million holiday lights decorate the park for the Winter Festival of Lights.

Phone: (304) 243-4000 or (800) 624-6988.



Bissonnette Gardens covers 16 acres between the museums at Oglebay Resort. Formal and herb gardens, an arboretum, landscape lighting and water displays are featured in this re-creation of gardens that existed at the turn of the 20th century. Spring arrives with tulips, summer offers displays of annuals, and mums are a fall highlight. **Phone:** (304) 243-4010 or (800) 624-6988.

Carriage House Glass Museum is on a hilltop at Oglebay Resort. The museum houses a large collection of glassware produced 1817-1939. Exhibits include flint glass, lead crystal, cut glass and a 21-gallon Sweeney punch bowl. Also featured are glass-blowing demonstrations and a video about the history of glassmaking in the valley.

Time: Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (304) 242-7272.



The Good Zoo at Oglebay, within Oglebay Resort, is named in memory of 7-year-old Philip Mayer Good, a young boy who loved nature and visiting



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Oglebay Park. The 30-acre zoo provides natural settings for 50 species, many of them rare and endangered, including African wild dogs, lemurs, otters and red pandas.

The Discovery Lab offers hands-on exhibits for children, while the Benedum Theater provides seasonal programs for all ages. A wetlands exhibit features animals and plants native to the region. An 1863 train tours the zoo along a 1.5-mile track and travels through the ostrich and zebra exhibits. An O-gauge model train is part of an indoor display.

Lorikeet Landing is an Australian walk-through aviary where cups of nectar can be hand-fed to the colorful birds that perch right on visitors' hands. Gray and red kangaroos and red-necked wallabies may be seen at the Outback Exhibit. A children's farm, a goat contact area, animal encounters and a gem mining sluice also are available.

Phone: (304) 243-4030 for zoo or (800) 624-6988.



Mansion Museum, within Oglebay Resort, contains historical material and is furnished with items reflecting Ohio Valley life in the early days. The mansion, the former summer home of Col. and Mrs. Earl W. Oglebay, is furnished to represent different eras of Wheeling's past. Changing exhibits are presented. **Phone:** (304) 242-7272 or (800) 624-6988.

Schrader Environmental Education Center, within Oglebay Resort at 465 Lodge Dr., offers three nature trails that cover almost 5 miles, featuring overlooks, wildlife observation areas and waterfalls. More than 130 species of butterflies can be found in the flower gardens. **Phone:** (304) 242-6855 or (800) 624-6988.

Stifel Fine Arts Center is off I-70 exit 2B, .5 mi. n.e. on Washington Ave., then s. to 1330 National Rd. The center contains art exhibits by local, regional and national artists. Housed in an old mansion, the center is surrounded by lovely gardens. **Time:** Allow 1 hour minimum. **Phone:** (304) 242-7700.

WEST VIRGINIA INDEPENDENCE HALL MUSEUM is at 1528 Market St. This former Custom House is considered to be the Civil War birthplace of West Virginia. The state's separation from Virginia was the only change in the map of the United States resulting from the Civil War. From 1861 to 1863 the building housed the loyalist Union government of the Restored State of Virginia and the first constitutional convention for the state of West Virginia.

Restored rooms and a film interpret the building's history. A permanent exhibit of 3-D maps, artifacts and audio-visual displays depicts the rise to statehood and the war in West Virginia. The museum also features what is reputedly the largest exhibit of West Virginia Civil War battle flags and a Discovery Room for children. **Time:** Allow 30 minutes minimum. **Phone:** (304) 238-1300 or (800) 225-5982.

WHEELING PARK is 4 mi. e. on US 40 at 1801 National Rd. The 406-acre park contains paddleboating facilities, a covered ice-skating rink, indoor and outdoor tennis courts, a miniature golf course, a nine-hole golf course, a playground with rubberized safety surface, and an Olympic-size swimming pool and waterslide (*see Recreation Areas Chart*). **Phone:** (304) 243-4085, (304) 243-4185 or (800) 624-6988, ext. 4085.   

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