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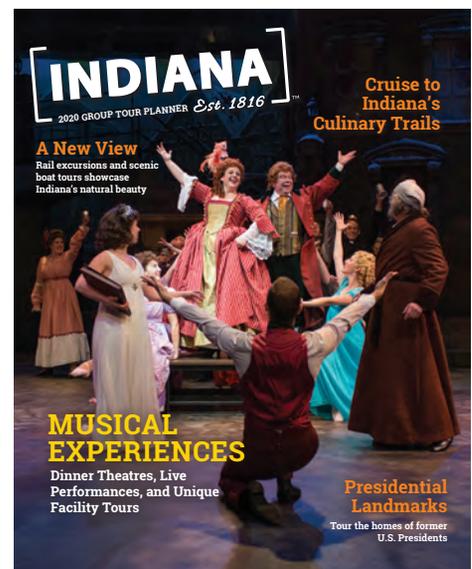
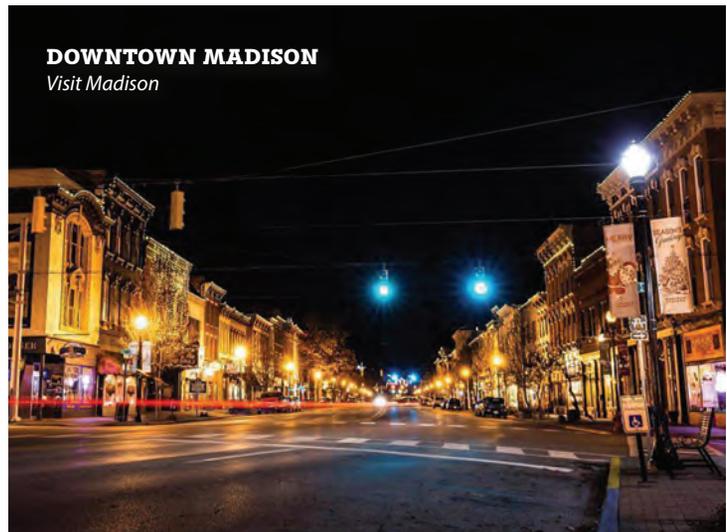
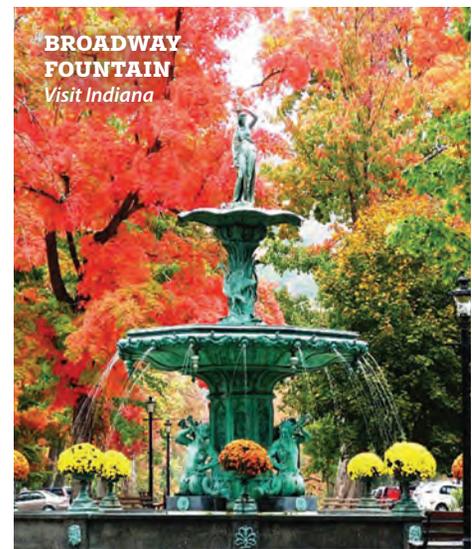
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Suzanne Crouch
LT. GOVERNOR
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ON THE COVER: Theatre at the Center
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INDIANA

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INDIANA FACTS

Population:

Statewide: 6.7 million

Indianapolis: 863,771 (also the state capital)

Fort Wayne: 269,534

Evansville: 117,794

South Bend: 102,347

Carmel: 99,996

Hammond: 75,598

Getting Here by Air

Indianapolis International Airport (IND):

Served by Air Canada, Alaska, Allegiant, American, Delta, Frontier, Southwest, Spirit, United

South Bend Regional Airport (SBN):

Served by Allegiant, American, Delta, United

Evansville Regional Airport (EVV):

Served by Allegiant, American, Delta, United

Fort Wayne International Airport (FWA):

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Getting Here by Rail

Amtrak stations in Connersville (COI), Crawfordsville (CRF), Dyer (DYE), Elkhart (EKH), Indianapolis (IND), Lafayette (LAF), Michigan City (MCI), Rensselaer (REN), South Bend (SOB), Waterloo (WTI)

Average Temperatures by Season:

North – Spring 71, Summer 81, Fall 63, Winter 31

Central – Spring 73, Summer 84, Fall 65, Winter 36

South – Spring 77, Summer 88, Fall 70, Winter 41

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Cruises and Rail EXCURSIONS

Give your group a reprieve from the bus or car and see Indiana's natural beauty from a different perspective

Much of Indiana's stunning scenery and welcoming cities can be seen from traditional modes of transportation like a car or motorcoach. But so much of what makes the state special—its peaceful lakes and extensive forests—can be best enjoyed with an option literally off the beaten path. The “Crossroads of America,” Indiana is intersected with numerous train lines and waterways that offer sites (and tastes!) that are impossible to experience anywhere else. Get off your feet and enjoy an unforgettable train or boat adventure.

Scenic Railways

Long before it transformed into a world-class golf destination, the French Lick-West Baden Springs region attracted visitors from across the nation for the healing local spring water and dozens of illicit casinos. Learn about the area's Prohibition past and enjoy a relaxing ride through Hoosier National Forest on the **French Lick Scenic Railway**. Groups begin the journey in the Indiana Railway Museum, a restored 1907 limestone depot where passengers can collect their tickets and admire over 65 pieces of rolling stock and locomotives. Soon, your group will embark on a journey through Hoosier National Forest aboard a preserved bi-level commuter car. Sites will include Larry Bird's childhood home, sandstone rock formations, an 1850s log cabin and the second-longest railroad tunnel in the state. A dining car offers refreshments and unique views from a 360-degree observation panel. If your group seeks a themed event, the railway offers “Wild West



SPIRIT OF JASPER
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Hold-Ups” (where “bandits” attempt to steal the payroll strongbox attached to the train) and the “Polar Express.” During the holiday season, the train is transformed into the famous locomotive from the famed Chris Van Allsburg children’s book and Robert Zemeckis film. Passengers are served hot chocolate and given musical performances as they pass through the snowy landscape.

Located at the historic junction in North Judson, the **Hoosier Valley Railroad Museum** offers a ride into Indiana’s rich past. Begin at the museum, which includes a replica of a C&O depot, an operating signal system and the Grasselli

Tower (a 1909 structure that provides a glimpse into primitive computing power). Next, hop aboard a World War II-era locomotive and embark on a ride through Starke and LaPorte counties, where you’ll see butterflies, wildlife and crops.

For a luxurious, climate-controlled adventure back to the 1940s, embark on the **Spirit of Jasper**. Groups can begin in the Old Jasper District, which contains a restored Jasper City Mill and gift shops, before boarding the glamorous train. The dining car, lounge and coach areas are all restored with correct period detail, so passengers will feel transported onto a classic Hollywood set. A variety of Wine

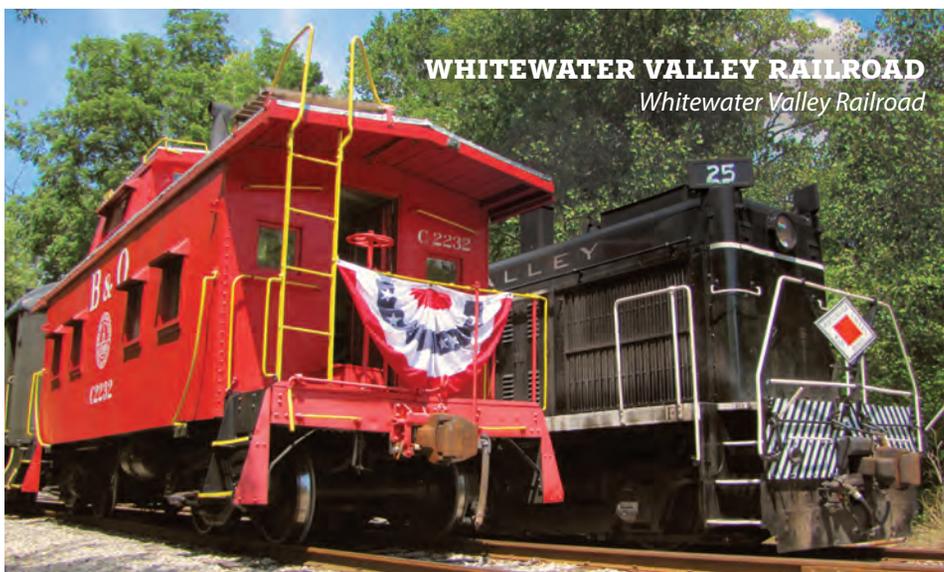
& Dine experiences will spirit guests on an 18-mile loop through Hoosier National Forest. Options include “Chocolate Wine & Dine” (featuring delectable creations from locally-owned Chocolate Bliss) and “Jasper Strassenfest” (which coordinates with the local German heritage festival and offers catered meals by local restaurant Schnitzelbank). Your group can also tour the nearby Monastery of Immaculate Conception in Ferdinand, a hilltop religious landmark with preserved Romanesque architecture.

Visit the historic village of Metamora, a preserved canal town that retains its grist mill and horse-drawn canal boat, with a journey on the **Whitewater Valley Railroad**. Originally a key transport route that connected Indianapolis and Cincinnati, the railway now offers themed excursions on weekends from May to October. Groups will board the Valley Flyer in Connersville for a five-hour adventure that includes a stop in the town of Metamora for a two-hour layover. Visitors can explore the village and see its preserved aqueducts, enjoy its cafes and shop at a boutique.

The **Nickel Plate Express**, Indiana’s newest train excursion, whisks passengers on 1950s Santa Fe Railway Hi-Level passenger cars through the cities of Atlanta, Arcadia and Cicero. The dining car offers special food & drink experiences like “Sunrise Express Brunch and Donuts,” “Thanksgiving Dinner Express,” “Ales & Rails” and “Holiday Cheers” (which includes cocktails and hot toddies).

Scenic Boat Excursions

Indiana’s second-largest lake and crown jewel of Hoosier National Forest, Patoka Lake is filled with a variety of watercraft during warm-weather months. Fortunately, large groups can board the **Patoka Pride Tour Boat**, a two-tiered, climate-controlled vessel that can seat up to 50 guests. A knowledgeable guide will point out wild animals such as beavers, ospreys and bald eagles, and a narrator will



explain the lake's origin as a flood control reservoir. Groups can enjoy tastings from local wineries paired with delicious *hors d'oeuvres* and desserts while enjoying a sunset view.

A zippier birdwatching experience awaits with **Rockin' Thunder River Tours** along the Ohio River. Embarking from the historic river city of Madison, this vessel can surpass 50 miles-per-hour as a guide explains the Ohio River Valley's Native American and industrial history and indicates bald eagle nesting locations. Packages include the 75-mile "Midweek Lunch Excursion" (which takes passengers downstream to the Captain's Quarters Riverside Grill for lunch) and the 90-mile "Kentucky Plantation Dinner" (where groups pass by locks built in 1838 and enjoy a catered meal at an 1850s plantation).

Float into the past on a 35-minute voyage through the **Wabash & Erie Canal** aboard the *Delphi*—a replica 19th century canal boat that transports passengers to Indiana's pioneer days. Tour guides will explain how canals were crucial transportation arteries before Indiana created an interconnected road system and drop groups off at Pioneer Village. Here they can explore a school house, blacksmith shop, smokehouse and original homesteads.

A feeder to the mighty Wabash River and Indianapolis' famous Central Canal, the White River provides beautiful views of the city's riverside neighborhoods and preserved wetlands. An excellent supplement to an Indianapolis itinerary, a four-hour excursion with **Broad Ripple Boat Company** offers groups the opportunity to rest their feet and board a charming two-tiered paddleboat. Catering options are available, and group reservations can include up to 60 guests.

A 65-foot riverboat that floats along the St. Joseph River, the **Elkhart River Queen** welcomes Northern Indiana guests for a scenic cruise that glides past the region's most beautiful



ROCKIN' THUNDER RIVER TOURS
Rockin' Thunder

riverside houses. Two decks (one enclosed and one air-conditioned) can be rented for catering and live entertainment, and the vessel can accommodate up to 50 passengers.

Indiana's largest natural lake, Lake Wawasee covers 3,000 acres and draws

visitors from across the country to Kosciusko County. Groups interested in the lake and its wildlife can embark on a cruise offered by **Wawasee Tour Boat Company**. The 44-passenger boat departs from Oakwood Resort and passes by notable natural landmarks like Black



Group Tours from *Waves to Shores* in Northern Indiana

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ELKHART RIVER QUEEN

Elkhart River Queen



INDIANA CAVERNS
Indiana Caverns

Stump Point, Jarrett's Bay, Morrison Island, Johnson's Bay and the Main Channel. Nearby North Webster offers the **Dixie Boat**, a cruise on Webster Lake available for charters and group excursions along the lakeshore.

Groups looking for an unorthodox waterborne adventure can descend through the Binkley Cave System and cruise down an underground river.

Indiana Caverns, an immense limestone system located near the historic city of Corydon, offers a 25-minute boat journey through Sleeping Bear Boulevard and past immense cave draperies formed by eons of moisture and pressure. Groups then disembark for a guided tour that includes waterfalls, boulders and ancient Ice Age animal bones.

RESOURCES

BROAD RIPPLE BOAT COMPANY

317-254-2628, BroadRippleBoatCo.com

DIXIE BOAT

574-834-1080, RideTheDixie.com

ELKHART RIVER QUEEN

574-675-6797

FRENCH LICK SCENIC RAILWAY

800-748-7246, FrenchLickScenicRailway.com

HOOSIER VALLEY RAILROAD MUSEUM

574-896-3950, HoosierValley.org

INDIANA CAVERNS

812-734-1200, IndianaCaverns.com

NICKEL PLATE EXPRESS

317-285-0682, NickelPlateExpress.org

PATOKA LAKE MARINA

812-685-2203, PatokaLakeMarina.com

ROCKIN' THUNDER RIVER TOURS

812-701-1155, RockinThunder.com

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812-482-5959, SpiritOfJasper.com

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574-457-4404, WawaseeBoat.com

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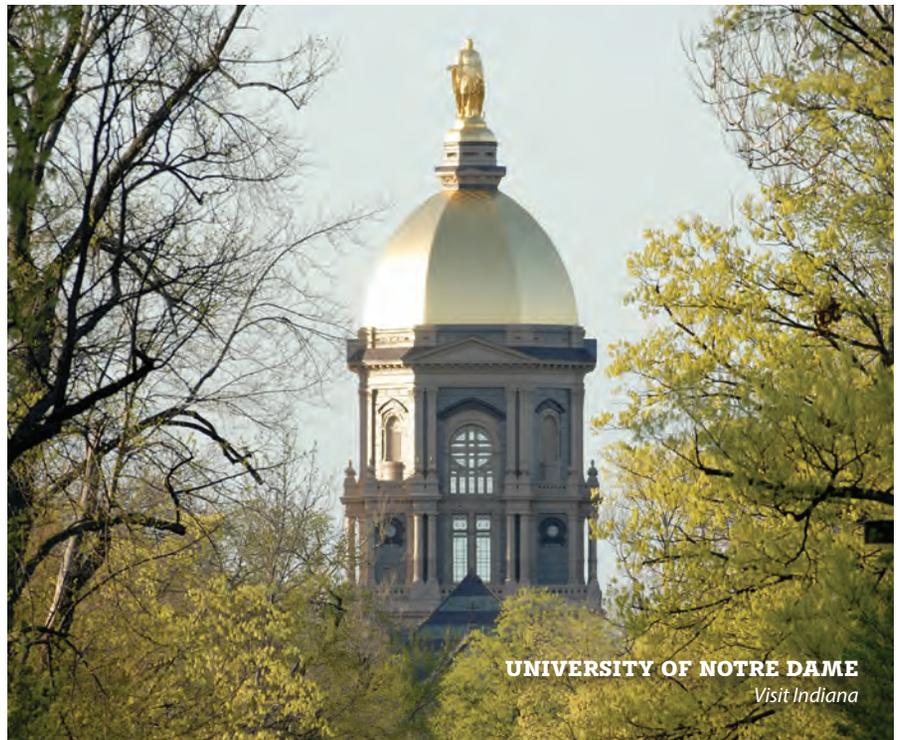
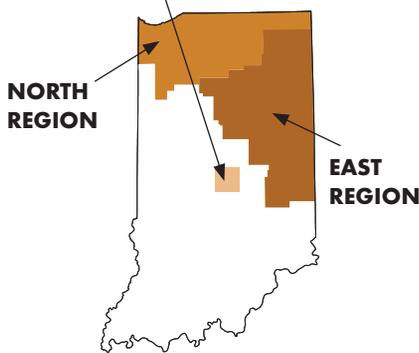
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► DAY ONE

Start the day in Whiting with a tour of the new **Mascot Hall of Fame**, where you can see famous figures like Mr. Met and Brutus Buckeye and enjoy interactive exhibits such as the “Phuzzical Education Department.” Also in the



MASCOT HALL OF FAME
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South Shore region is **Albanese Confectionery**, where groups can embark on the only public gummi factory tour in the nation and learn the secrets of how candy is created.

Recently named the nation’s 61st National Park, **Indiana Dunes National Park** hugs 15 miles of the southern shore of Lake Michigan and has much to offer, including nature hikes through wetlands, prairies and beaches. Stop at the visitor center to orient yourself to

the region, or embark on a scenic cruise along the coastline.

Conclude your day with a visit to the **Shrine of Christ’s Passion** in St. John. Visitors will walk a half-mile trail past 40 life-sized bronze statues that recreate the Passion of the Christ and other biblical scenes. Scenes include the Last Supper and the Crucifixion, and the entire property is landscaped to resemble the Holy Land.

► DAY TWO

Begin on South Bend’s **University of Notre Dame** campus, one of the most architecturally distinct universities in the nation. Tour the Neo-Gothic **Basilica of the Sacred Heart**, which was built in the 1870s and features stunning stained glass windows and Italian frescoes.

If you’re touring in the summer months, enjoy a minor league baseball game at **Four Winds Field** or explore downtown South Bend, a vibrant area for dining and shopping. Tour the **Studebaker**

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National Museum, which chronicles the history of the legendary automobile and displays the largest presidential carriage collection in the world. Continue to Elkhart and the **Recreational Vehicle Hall of Fame**, which honors the region's manufacturing legacy and features a walking tour of vintage models.

► DAY THREE

Continue your journey through Amish Country with a tour of the region's **Quilt Gardens**. Totalling 17 in all, these colorful quilt-patterned gardens use over one million blooms. At **Das Dutchman Essenhaus**, groups can enjoy a hearty family-style meal, catch a live theater production at Heritage Hall or purchase hand-crafted Amish handicrafts at the Village Shops.

Continue to the **Shipshewana Flea Market**, which welcomes over 1,000 vendors and is the largest



outdoor market in the Midwest. The nearby **Menno-Hof Amish-Mennonite Information Center** houses elaborate exhibits that document the Amish's journey to America and the history of Amish faith and settlements. Your evening entertainment will take place at **Blue Gate Restaurant & Theatre**, a white farmhouse setting that includes restaurants, shops and a

theater. Savor a meal of slow-roasted beef and pie before watching a musical performance with Amish or Mennonite themes.

► DAY FOUR

Your day in Fort Wayne will begin at the **Foellinger-Freiman Botanical Conservatory**, a downtown oasis with four outdoor gardens in addition to the Tropical Garden (which features

NORTH AND EAST INDIANA ITINERARY

orchids and palms) and the Sonoran Desert Garden. Within easy walking distance are the Allen County Public Library and the **Genealogy Center**—the second-largest genealogy center in the country. There, your group can trace family history with over 350,000 books.

Spend your afternoon at **Sweetwater**, a massive campus that includes recording studios, performance venues and a music store. Tours will pass through the innovative space and explain Sweetwater's history as a instrument distributor.

Satisfy your sweet tooth with a tour of **DeBrand Fine Chocolates**, which includes a kitchen tour and samples of their artisan-crafted chocolates. Conclude your day with a performance at the **Embassy Theatre**, which boasts grand Art Deco design elements.



► DAY FIVE

Spend your morning shopping in Wayne County's **Antique Alley**, an eclectic collection of emporiums and

antique stores filled with rare wares. The county also encourages groups to integrate a stop on the **Chocolate Trail** (which passes through historic candy factories) or the **Heartland Wine & Ale Trail** (which can include winery or brewery tours). Embark on an artsy afternoon in the region, with stops that can include the **Ball State University Art Museum** in Muncie and **Dunkirk Glass Museum** in Dunkirk.

Visitors can also embark on the **Grant County Garfield Trail**, which challenges you to spot all 14 depictions of the cartoon cat across the region. Stops include the Fairmount Historical Museum and local libraries.

Stop in the town of Alexandria to add a coat to the **World's Largest Ball of Paint**. This roadside attraction began in 1977 when Mike Carmichael's son began layering paint around a baseball. Group members can use a roller to add a coat and take a photo next to the ball, which now consists of over 26,000 layers and weighs over 5,000 pounds.

Let off steam with an evening at **Harrah's Hoosier Park Racing & Casino** outside of Anderson. One of the Midwest's premier harness racing facilities, Hoosier Park hosts the prestigious annual Dan Patch Stakes and offers numerous dining options like the Prime Harvest Buffet and Dan Patch Brewhouse.

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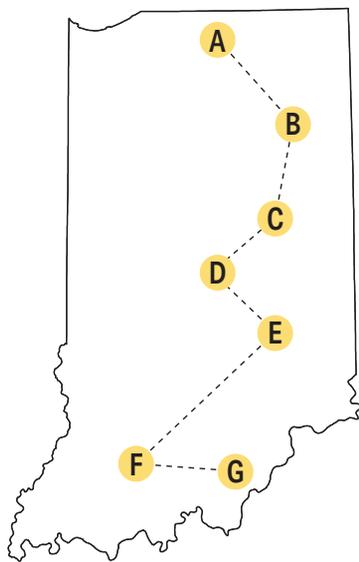
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THE CRAFT BEER movement has swept through Indiana, and many of the Midwest's premier brew pubs and microbreweries call the Hoosier State home. Whether your group is interested in a behind-the-scenes tour or a tasting, the **Hoosier Brews™ Culinary Trail** offers thirst-quenching options throughout state.

Begin your brewery adventure at **South Bend Brew Werks A**, where you can sample a five-beer flight that includes a Black IPA, Amber, Wheat, Oatmeal Stout and Smoked Porter. All the beers are crafted directly beneath the taproom in a basement brew room, and groups can also enjoy a meal of locally sourced gourmet flatbreads, pastas and grilled cheeses. Continue south to **Bad Dad Brewing Co. B** in Fairmount, which houses a wood-fired pizza oven to pair with the eight beers on tap.

Groups can relax in a restored industrial space and enjoy original creations like the King of the Castle Scottish Ale and Back Scratcher IPA.

While enjoying a day in Muncie, be sure to stop at **Elm Street Brewing Company C**, which combines the industrial accoutrements of modern industrial brew pubs with the welcoming atmosphere of a cellar pub. Fill out a flight card to sample some Elm Street's popular creations, including the Bantam Light Cream Ale, Mr. Worldwide Pale Ale and Braided Rat Tail Sour. A great addition to a Hamilton County itinerary is **Grand Junction Brewing Co. D** in Westfield. Located in an old lumber company building, the two-tiered taproom allows guests to enjoy house beers and a variety of retro arcade games in addition to popular Indiana beers on the guest taps. Try the Grand Junction 1520 Hefeweizen, Grand Junction Mulligan Scotch Ale and the Hitching Post Pale Ale.

After a day of admiring the mid-century modern architecture of Columbus, depart for **450 North Brewing Company E**, a brewery, taproom and restaurant located on a welcoming family farm. The brewery's 10-barrel system produces some of the finest fresh beer in the state, and its specialty is fruit-based Weisse beers like Slushy XL and Tropic Juice.

The city of Jasper's rich German heritage is on full display at the **Schnitz Pub F**, which is connected to the iconic Schnitzelbank Restaurant. Pair your pizza or burger with a flight of the pub's finest creations, which includes the award-winning Schnitz Blonde, made from German hops, and an Indiana Pale Ale brewed with all-Indiana ingredients. Continue with a European-style pub experience at **Pints & Union G**, a New Albany Tavern decorated with exposed wood and Edison lights. You won't find any TVs here; instead, enjoy a good old-fashioned conversation and a pint.



For more delicious Indiana Culinary Trails, visit IndianaFoodways.com



Hoosier *MUSIC*



Walk in the steps of famous composers, tour state-of-the-art instrument factories and take in an entertaining dinner theater show

Indiana has placed its distinctive stamp on American music, producing icons in genres as diverse as rock, R&B and the Great American Songbook. Groups visiting the state can see these legends' work performed live, walk through their childhood homes and tour museums dedicated to legacies. Indiana's music heritage goes much further than its famous stars, however. State-of-the-art instrument factories, historic concert venues and crowd-pleasing dinner theaters await visitors—no matter what rhythm they dance to.

Broadway icon **Cole Porter**, the legendary songwriter who composed still-popular shows like *Kiss Me, Kate* and *Anything Goes*, was born in 1891 in Peru, Indiana and spent the first 10 years of his life there. Fans of American standards like "Night and Day" and "I've Got You Under My Skin" will want to savor this charming town and reserve a room at the **Cole Porter Inn**, the composer's birthplace. The inn features three suites for small groups, but larger parties can stop in to tour the home and learn about Porter's life in the reception area. Visitors can learn more about the composer at the **Cole Porter Room** at the Indiana Historical Society. Designed like New York City's Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in the 1940s, this cabaret setting features a digital piano and photographs that depict Porter's social life and travels.

Despite no formal musical training, Terre Haute native **Paul Dresser** composed and published over 150 songs and became a Tin

HERITAGE

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Sweetwater Sound

Pan Alley legend. His composition “On the Banks of the Wabash Far Away” was adapted as the official state song of Indiana in 1913, and visitors can admire the famous river and tour a preserved working-class home at the **Paul Dresser Birthplace**. Groups can see Dresser’s famous Chickering piano and learn about his German immigrant heritage, vaudevillian career and famed brother Theodore Dreiser (most famous for his novel *Sister Carrie*).

Famously born in a “Small Town,” rock icon and Bloomington resident **John Mellencamp** has established the **Southern Indiana Center for the Arts** in his hometown of Seymour. Groups can tour the antique printing museum and pottery barn and rock out to the Seymour City Jam Series held throughout the summer, and they can view a new mural of Mellencamp’s likeness in downtown Seymour.

Visitors can see first-hand how the instruments on many of their favorite songs are crafted at **Sweetwater Sound** in Fort Wayne. This innovative company with humble origins when founder Chuck Surack designed a four-track recording studio in the back of his VW van. His company quickly flourished into the modern Sweetwater campus, which includes an instrument store, recording studios, shipping plant and performances spaces. Tours will pass through the professional service center, which rehabs and improves existing instruments, auditoriums with state-of-the-art acoustic engineering and a performance pavilion.

Elkhart in Northern Indiana is famous for its RV manufacturing, but the area is also home to one of the last remaining band and orchestra instrument lines in the United States. A one-hour walking tour of **Conn-Selmer** will pass through the campus’ two facilities (woodwind and brass) and explain how trumpet bells are crafted by hand, clarinet reeds shaped and clarinets given intricate fingerings.

BLUE GATE THEATRE
Blue Gate



Dinner Theaters

Combining freshly prepared meals and lively entertainment in one location, dinner theaters can be a godsend for group tour operators. In addition to Broadway-caliber performances, these attractions often offer attractive group rates and an intimate atmosphere that will make for an unforgettable evening. Fortunately, Indiana boasts numerous dinner theaters that can fit any taste and budget.

These venues emphasize lighthearted entertainment, comedies, variety shows and traditional Broadway musicals, while holiday shows are presented in November and December. Planners can expect middle-of-the-road theater fare and shouldn't expect material that's too racy. Ticket prices are often lower than larger theaters, and the blend of quality entertainment and multi-course

meals makes for a terrific bargain.

Located in the heart of Indiana Amish Country, Shipshewana is famous for its flea market and merchants, but groups will want to enjoy a performance at the **Blue Gate Restaurant & Theatre**. This expansive complex includes a 320-seat theater, bakery, gift shop and 1,200-seat dining room that serves hearty slow-roasted ham, noodles & beef and meatloaf. The theater stages a full slate of musicals with an Amish or Mennonite theme in addition to country and Christian artists. Groups can also spend time exploring the shop-lined streets of Shipshewana, which is trafficked by buggies in addition to cars.

Further south in Kosciusko County is the **Wagon Wheel Center for the Arts**. Dating back to 1961, this theater is a Warsaw institution and welcomes Broadway productions, comedians and musicians to its 800-seat theater in the round. The theater partners with local hotels and restaurants

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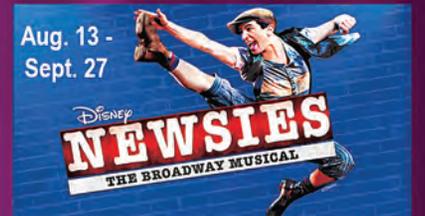
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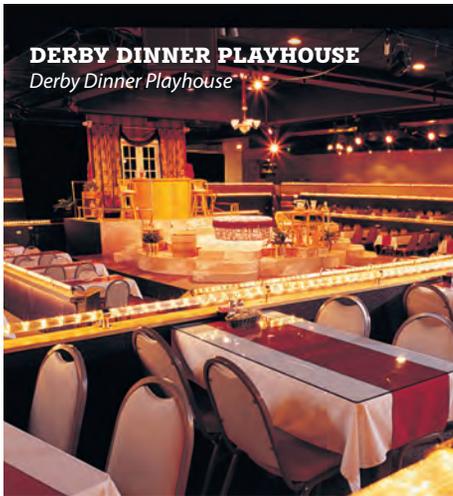
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Any Indianapolis itinerary is incomplete without an evening at **Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre**.

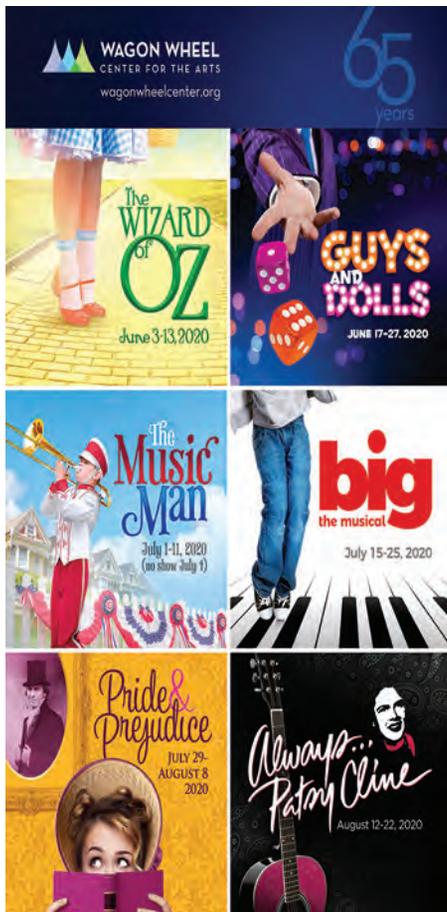
Named for its hand-carved meat and theater floors, this Indy institution entertains over 150,000 annual visitors. The theater stages Broadway-caliber productions accompanied with a buffet that includes the signature beef, vegetables and scrumptious dessert. The 2020 calendar includes *An American in Paris*, *The Sound of Music* and *Saturday Night Fever*.

Derby Dinner Playhouse, which has produced every top-50 Broadway musical, distinguishes itself with a 360-degree stage and four-sided seating arrangement. This Clarksville theater offers a buffet of carved turkey, fried fish and a salad bar. Derby Dinner's 2020 calendar includes *Saturday Night Fever* and the classic Cole Porter musical *Anything Goes*.

The former home of basketball icon Larry Bird, the **Legend of French Lick** is a charming estate that includes a boutique hotel and Abbeydell Hall—which presents energetic variety shows paired with a buffet dinner. Recent shows have included *I've Got the Music in Me!* (a celebration of Motown and the British Invasion) and *Christmas Treasures* (performances of holiday classics by the Carpenters and Bing Crosby).

Conveniently located in Munster in the Chicago metro area, the **Theatre at the Center** is a non-profit resident theater at the Center for the Visual

and Performing Arts. Lunch-and-show packages are available for groups booking a Wednesday or Thursday matinee, and the Sunday Champagne Brunch is offered prior to showtime. Offerings in 2020 will include *Talley's Folly*, *Ain't Misbehavin'* and *Hello, Dolly!*



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317-876-0513, BeefandBoards.com

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888-447-4725, Riegsecker.com

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765-469-1917, ColePorterInn.com

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574-522-1675, Conn-Selmer.com

DERBY DINNER PLAYHOUSE
812-288-8281, DerbyDinner.com

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800-222-4700, Sweetwater.com

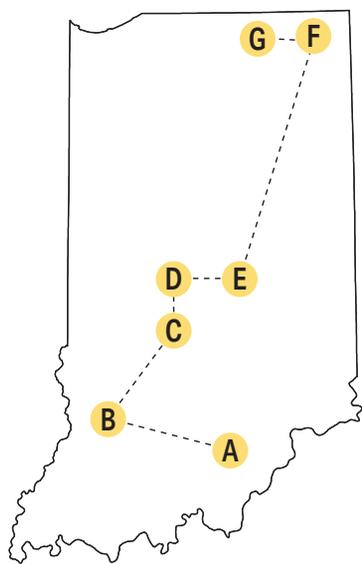
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219-836-3255, TheatreAtTheCenter.com

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Begin at **Huber's Orchard and Winery A** in the town of Borden. Currently in its seventh generation of ownership, the property includes an award-winning distillery, farmers' market and winery that produces over 30 unique brands. Groups can embark on a winery tour, sample distilled whiskey and gin in the expansive barn loft or ride a tractor through the Hubers' fields.

Continue north to the town of Bruceville and the **Big Peach B**, a family-owned farm market that is open

daily May through October. After you admire the 20-foot peach (a classic roadside attraction accompanied with a Washington Monument replica), take your group inside for a market that sells fresh produce, local honey and homemade pies.

Hunter's Honey Farm C in Martinsville is operated by fourth-generation beekeepers and offers multiple group tours that show the process of honey-making. Group members can shadow a beekeeper to see how honey is extracted from apiaries, roll their own beeswax candle and bottle their own bear of honey with a personalized label to take home. Be sure to tour the gift shop and browse a selection of lip balms, candy and honey candles. **Beasley's Orchard D** in nearby Danville specializes in award-winning apple cider, and you can see the property's fruit press and bottling machinery before enjoying a fresh sample.

Tuttle Orchards E in Greenfield sells over 200 locally grown produce options and gourmet fruit products. Party members can explore the pumpkin patch and apple orchard and can also purchase honey, candy and tea. The Tuttle greenhouses offer perennials and herbs for purchase, while the free beehive observatory grants visitors behind-the-scenes glimpses at beekeeping.

For a quirky agritourism tour in northeastern Indiana, **Sechler's Pickle Factory F** offers a tour and samples. Groups will see how cucumbers are pickled in vats of salt brine before being sliced and sorted, and a separate room demonstrates how sweet and candied pickles are created.

Finally, settle in for a hearty family-style meal in the adjacent **Blue Gate Restaurant & Bakery G**. This traditional Amish spread encourages diners to pass food from communal serving dishes and enjoy fried chicken, mashed potatoes and farm-fresh vegetables. Almost every ingredient—from the fruit pie filling to the salad greens—is locally sourced, and meat comes from local farms.

Shopping and dining are

crucial elements to a successful group tour—they help break up activities in an itinerary and showcase local chefs and artists. While Indiana boasts an immense variety for every taste and budget, some groups may find the typical restaurant or browsing experience too passive. Fortunately, the state is brimming with opportunities for visitors to become active participants and choose a “make-and-take” experience. These businesses allow group members to cook their own food and create beautiful art in an encouraging setting, and you can often bring your handiwork back home to friends and family.

Get behind the grill and cook your own steak at **Chef JJ’s** in downtown Indianapolis. A comprehensive, chef-led group experience includes four courses, local craft beer tastings and grilling tips that feature the restaurant’s signature Green Egg—an innovative cooker that combines the technology of a grill, oven and smoker. Also in the Indianapolis area is **Katsumi’s Teaching Kitchen**, a Japanese-inspired interactive kitchen where visitors become the chef. Classes for small groups offered include “Intro to Sushi,” “Japanese Street Food” and “Tempura,” while larger groups can participate in a chef-led sushi or Korean barbecue party.

Groups in the Northwest Indiana region should make a reservation at **U Cook Entertaining Cooking School** in Merrillville. Parties up to 30 can reserve an afternoon or evening in the showroom, which is transformed with music and mood lighting for a chef-led cooking experience. Group members help chop, mix and serve



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from a variety of themed menus, with U Cook's staff offering cooking advice for your return home. An open-air show kitchen greets visitors to **Thyme In The Kitchen** in Evansville, which hosts a variety of themed cooking classes for small groups. Consult the kitchen's diverse slate of resident chef-led options for a reservation; recent

classes have included sushi, Mexican cuisine and country Italian. Groups with a sweet tooth visiting Fort Wayne should indulge themselves at **Country Kitchen SweetArt**. This baked goods supplier also offers classes and private events that teach participants the secrets of cake decorating. Participants will learn how to create frosting piping,

buttercream roses or homemade candy, and seasonal sessions let visitors construct a gingerbread house.

Do you have craft beer enthusiasts itching to create a signature brew? **GnomeTown Brewing Company** in Fort Wayne is the only brewery in the state where you can become the brewmaster. With the assistance of a brewer, visitors select a customized ratio of yeast, malt, hops and water, see the mixture fermented in a kettle and design their own label. Groups craving a more intimate evening of food and friends will want to make a reservation at **MESA: A Collaborative Kitchen**. Located in historic downtown New Albany, this state-of-the-art kitchen invites chefs from Southern Indiana and the Louisville area to break free from their regular menu and create a customized menu for your group. Chefs share stories, provide cooking tips and entertain your group over three to five courses and cocktails.

Spend an evening with a **French Lick Resort** mixologist to learn some of the resort's signature cocktails, learn cake decorating tips from a pastry chef and let your creativity flow with "Wine and Canvas." Local artists will give painting tips while group members enjoy delicious wines.

If your group is still hankering for a traditional meal, there are plenty of DIY art experiences throughout Indiana. Visitors flock to Brown County to admire stunning autumn leaves and tour the studio of American master T.C. Steele, but the charming streets of Nashville are lined with interactive art galleries. **Lawrence Family Glass Blowers** continues a 40-year tradition of glassblowing excellence and allows visitors to witness the process up-close in two village studios. The nearby **Homestead Weaving Studio**, which repurposes over one ton of excess industry fiber annually to create rugs and scarves, offers "day weaving" classes for groups to learn loom basics and the environmental impacts of fiber recycling.

Behind **Little Golden Fox's** antique sales floor is a vast studio space that groups can rent for an evening of wine and crafting in Madison. Visitors can create acrylic paintings, hanging signs or ceramics with the guidance of a local artist and assistance from local Jefferson County wines. Also great for budding artists in Southern Indiana is New Albany's **Uptown Art**—a paint-and-sip art studio that accommodates up to 60 visitors. Check Uptown's calendar to select your painting of choice, and then treat your group to an interactive evening that can include catered meals and cocktails.

Further upstream on the Ohio River in Dearborn County, which boasts several galleries and DIY opportunities, is the **Southeastern Indiana Art Guild (SIAG) Gallery & Studios** in Aurora. Popular group class options led by community artists include gourd birdhouses, mixed media notecards and finger paint gardens that encourage you to cover your canvas with color. Proceeds from these classes go to Dearborn County's Tour for the Cure Program, which raises money for breast cancer research.

The **Frarnery** is worth browsing for its immense frame collection alone, but this Lawrenceburg business also hosts popular Arty Parties. Sessions begin with a small reception of appetizers before group members cut fused jewelry, paint wine glasses or create an Eric Carle-inspired butterfly canvas. Seasonal crafts

like pumpkin paintings and Christmas signs are offered as well. Lawrenceburg is also home to **McCabe's Greenhouse & Floral**, where groups can plant a mobile herb garden, create a wreath or design a sunflower arrangement with the assistance of a florist.

Broad Ripple in Indianapolis is one of the city's hippest neighborhoods, with waterside galleries that welcome visitors. Groups touring this area will want to savor the **Indianapolis Art Center**, which offers numerous Pop-Up Art Adventures throughout the year. Sessions last approximately two hours and guarantee a finished piece for every guest. Popular creations include glass paperweights, tailgate cupholders and printed table runners. Interested in the art of candlemaking? **Penn & Beech Candle Co.** in Indianapolis' hip Massachusetts Avenue neighborhood lets groups create a candle, body spray or diffuser from nearly 100 scent options. The 90-minute candle curing session allows you to choose a container shape before consulting with the fragrance bar to select scents that range from lavender citrus to bacon and bubblegum.

Groups touring Hendricks, Morgan and Putnam counties west of Indianapolis can experience the **Main Street Cultural Trail**, which showcases over 30 galleries, confectioners and restaurants. Aspiring weavers can sign up for a workshop or group lesson at **Nomad Yarns** to learn



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knitting, crocheting and spinning, or they can design their own pottery at **uPaint**, a glassfusing studio where groups can create keepsake dinnerware. **Bisque Barn Pottery Paint Studio** in Avon lets amateur crafters paint a sign with vinyl stencils and develop staining techniques. Also in Avon is **The Tie Dye Lab**, a colorful group experience where you can select a shirt size, color scheme and design before wringing out your creation for a colorful piece of clothing.

Tour America's oldest glass company (established in 1888) and learn techniques from masters at **Kokomo Opalescent Glass**. Tour visitors will watch ladlers scoop molten glass from the furnace and mix it with vibrant dyes to create colorful keepsakes. Currently in its fifth generation of ownership, **Zimmerman Art Glass** in Corydon welcomes guests to sit and watch a master at work and describe how glass is fired, warped and colored to create stunning pieces of art.

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317-426-4319, BisqueBarn.biz

Chef JJ's

317-602-3828, ChefJJ.com

Country Kitchen SweetArt

260-482-4835, CountryKitchenSA.com

The Framery

812-537-4319, FrameryStudio.com

French Lick Resort

812-936-9300, FrenchLick.com

GnomeTown Brewing Company

260-422-0070, GnomeTownBrewing.com

Homestead Weaving Studio, LLC

812-988-8622, HomesteadWeaver.com

Indianapolis Art Center

317-255-2464, IndplsArtCenter.org

Katsumi's Teaching Kitchen

317-431-4153, KatsumisTeachingKitchen.com

Lawrence Family Glass Blowers

812-988-2600, LawrenceFamilyGlassBlowers.com

Kokomo Opalescent Glass

765-457-1829, KOG.com

Little Golden Fox

812-274-1080

McCabe's Greenhouse & Floral

812-537-4525, McCabesGreenhouseAndFloral.com

MESA: A Collaborative Kitchen

812-725-7691, MesaChefs.com

Nomad Yarns

317-742-7456, NomadYarnShop.com

Penn & Beech Candle Co.

317-721-6885, PennAndBeech.com

Thyme in the Kitchen

812-437-2726, ThymeInTheKitchenEvv.com

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317-483-7903, TheTieDyeLab.com

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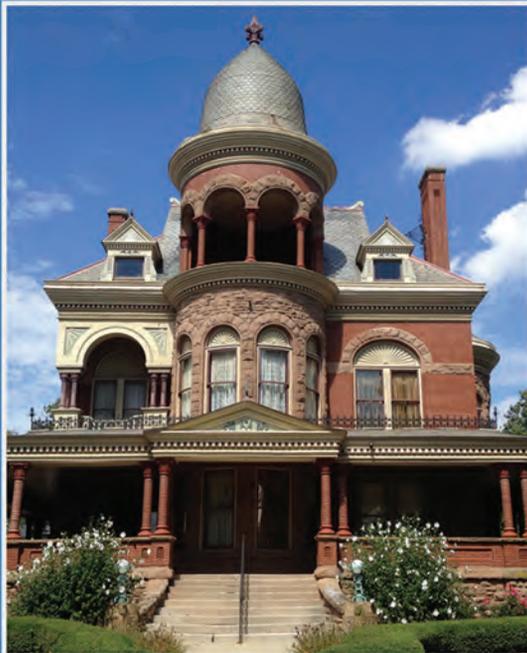
317-406-3072, uPaintPotteryStudio.com

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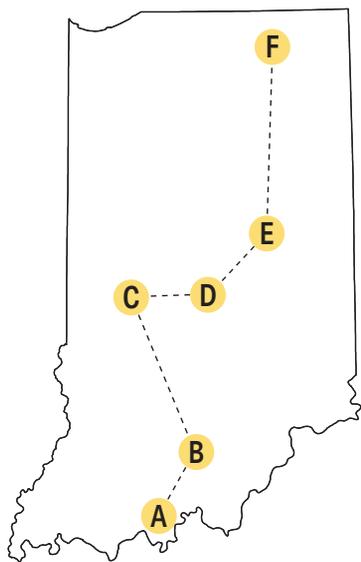
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Offering panoramic views of the French Lick Resort, **Hagen's Club House Restaurant B** serves steaks

and barbecue classics in a traditional supper club setting. Specialties include Hagen's Signature Barbecue Ribs, surf 'n' turf combinations and the Hole-in-One Hot Brown, a slow-roasted turkey breast topped with Mornay sauce.

Rustic antler chandeliers and taxidermy game animals greet visitors to **Thirty-Six Saloon C** in Rockville, a wood-paneled restaurant that serves plentiful baskets of pork chops, ribeye and chicken breast smothered with melted cheese, sautéed onions, bacon and mushrooms. There's plentiful patio seating and frequent performances by local bands, so be sure to stop by after exploring nearby Turkey Run State Park. Located in Brownsburg just west of Indianapolis, **Pit Stop BBQ & Grill D** pays tribute to the state's IndyCar heritage and culinary tradition by serving southern-style barbecue in a racing-themed dining room. Hearty barbecue dinners include Texas-style brisket and award-winning, St. Louis-style spare ribs.

Guests at **Bird's Smokehouse BBQ E** in Daleville can relax in a log cabin-inspired dining space and savor slow-cooked hickory meats like succulent pulled pork and tender beef brisket. Sides include homemade baked beans, southern potato salad and smoked baked potatoes. Conclude your day in Indiana Amish Country at **Fireside Craft Burgers & Brews F** in LaGrange. Quench your thirst with Northern Indiana beers on tap and enjoy one of Fireside's signature smash-style burgers or smokehouse mac and cheeses.

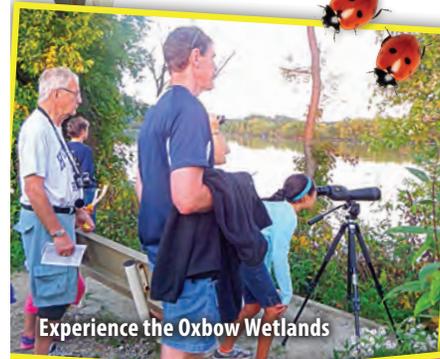


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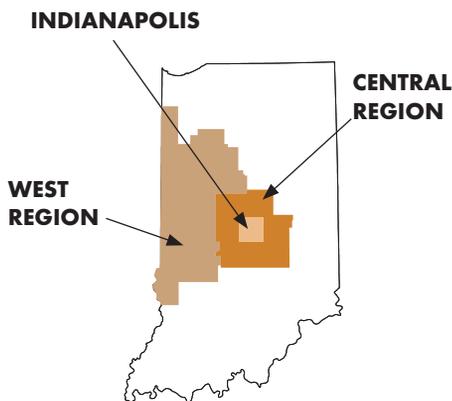


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Continue south on I-65 to Lafayette/West Lafayette, home to Purdue University and the **Tippecanoe Battlefield & Museum**. It was here in 1811 that U.S. forces fought Chief Tecumseh's Native American confederation in a battle that launched Governor William

Henry Harrison to national fame and eventually the presidency. Next, embark on a 90-minute tour of **Wolf Park**, an educational facility dedicated to improving public understanding of wolves. Groups can see the resident wolves, foxes and coyotes and witness a demonstration where staff enter the enclosure and interact with socialized wolves. Conclude your day with a visit to **Samara**, an exceptionally preserved Frank Lloyd Wright-designed home that was built for Purdue professor John Christian and his wife.

▶ DAY TWO

Your journey continues south to Crawfordsville, where you will visit the **General Lew Wallace Study & Museum**. The Indiana native and Civil War hero Wallace is most famous for writing the religious epic *Ben-Hur*, and visitors can see artifacts from his life and stroll the stately grounds. Spend the rest of your morning touring nearby **Parke County**, the "Covered Bridge Capital of the World." Groups can admire 31 preserved rustic bridges that dot

the countryside and learn about the region's Miami Nation history.

Spend your afternoon in Terre Haute and the **CANDLES Holocaust Museum & Education Center**. Founded by Eva Kor in 1984 to locate twins who survived the experiments of Nazi doctor Josef Mengele, the museum tells the stories of Holocaust survivors and Kor's journey to forgiveness. Other Terre Haute attractions will include the **Swope Art Museum** (a collection of over 2,500 American works) and the **Clabber Girl Museum** (where you'll learn about the famous baking powder).

▶ DAY THREE

Your first stop today will be the **Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum**. Host to the famous Indianapolis 500, the complex also houses one of the world's largest collections of race cars and antique vehicles. You'll explore the grounds on a narrated bus ride that includes visits to the media center, Pagoda, victory platform and Gasoline Alley Suite. Continue downtown for an **Indianapolis**

Memorial Tour. Highlights include the *USS Indianapolis* Memorial (which honors the single greatest loss of life in U.S. Navy history) and the famous Soldiers and Sailors Monument (a 284-foot-tall limestone tower in the heart of downtown). Spend the rest of your afternoon touring the boutiques and galleries of **Massachusetts Avenue**, a cultural district with easy pedestrian accessibility and a rich arts history. Your next stop is Conner Prairie, an 800-acre living history attraction in nearby Fishers that recreates 19th century pioneer life. Visitors can sail the skies on the 1859 Balloon Voyage and tour the immersive 1836 Prairietown. Spend your evening at **Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre**, which offers Broadway-caliber stage shows and a savory buffet of signature beef.

► **DAY FOUR**

Today's activities center around the **Indiana Central Canal**, a pedestrian-friendly waterway that passes through downtown, and the **NCAA Hall of Champions**. This multistory celebration of college athletics represents all 24 sports with interactive exhibits, a trivia challenge, video highlights and artifacts. Continue along the

canal to the **Indianapolis Zoo**, which is home to more than 1,600 animals that live in unique biomes. Exhibits include "Plains" (which recreates the African veldt savanna), "Flights of Fancy" (a walkthrough aviary) and an entertaining dolphin show. The adjacent **White River Gardens** houses stunning indoor and outdoor displays that can be packaged as a group tour. Areas include the DeHaan Tiergarten (a whimsical space populated by animal sculptures) and the Hilbert Conservatory, where butterflies flit past group members as they admire the Indianapolis skyline. Enjoy lunch at **City Market**, an 1886 structure modeled after European marketplaces where your group can enjoy a wide variety of local eateries, retailers, coffee and craft beer.

Enjoy an afternoon in Hamilton County just north of Indianapolis. The **Carmel Arts & Design District** is a portion of downtown dedicated to gallery space and studios for local artists. Conclude your itinerary with a performance at the **Palladium at the Center for the Performing Arts**, a 1,600-seat theater modeled after European concert halls.



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Here is just a sampling of historic districts throughout Indiana that lend themselves to group visits. Because the first settlements were in the southern part of the state, that region has a definite edge on 19th century trappings.

A discussion of historic districts in Southern Indiana is not complete without a mention of **New Harmony**, a tidy little Wabash River town 30 miles west of Evansville. Historic New Harmony, a unified program of the University of Southern Indiana and Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites, owns and maintains 40 properties; many of them were built from 1814-1824 by the Harmonie Society, a German religious communal group from Pennsylvania with visions of creating the perfect society. These pioneers excelled in craftsmanship and agricultural pursuits. But after 10 years, the Germans sold their settlement to philanthropists who tried to organize a different kind of utopia, an intellectual one based on education and social equality.

Guided tours of New Harmony (pop. 800) allow entrance into some of the original buildings scattered about town. Also available are cell phone tours and maps for self-guided walks. Walking tours typically last two hours

These Indiana towns blend well-preserved landmarks, retail fun and vestiges of the good old days

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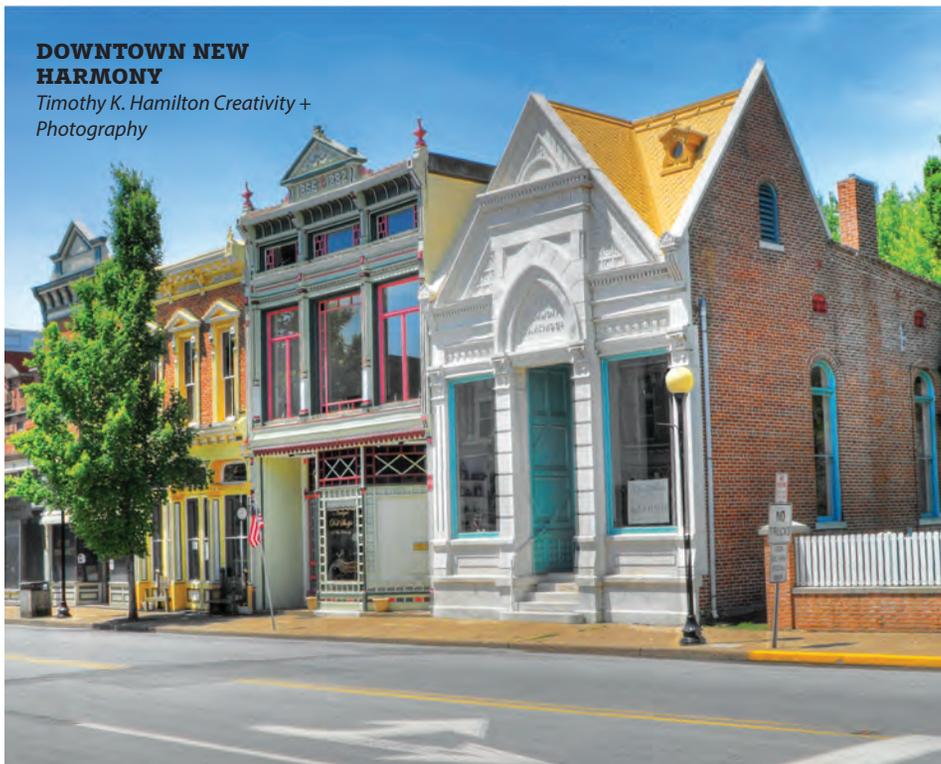
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and start with a 10-minute orientation film at the Atheneum Visitor Center. Tours with step-on interpreters can stop at a number of historic sites or merely go past them. Sites include simple frame houses, Community House #2 (once a dormitory for men and women), Thrall's Opera House (originally a dormitory) and the Working Men's Institute Museum and Library. Also of note is the town's Harmonist Labyrinth, designed as a place of meditation and reflection with only one true path to the center.

As an early center for scientific and other educational endeavors, New Harmony celebrates the arts. The small commercial area around Main and Church streets abounds with art galleries and shops purveying crafts, antiques, books and gifts. Admission is free to the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art on Main Street. Eateries include the Red Geranium Restaurant (adjacent to the 100-room New Harmony Inn), The Yellow Tavern and Sara's Harmony Way Wine Bar and Pub, which serves a Harmonist craft beer from an 1820s recipe.

Madison, one of the Midwest's prettiest and best-preserved towns, claims the country's largest contiguous National Historic District. A virtual museum covering 133 blocks, it counts more than 1,500 buildings listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Many of the landmarks date to the early and mid-1800s, when Madison was a big Ohio River port during the steamboat era.

Vibrant Main Street, resembling a movie set, is a page out of yesteryear with original storefronts housing locally owned businesses. Visitors have a field day shopping for crafts, antiques and collectibles, home decor, books, edibles, toys, fashions and accessories. There are art galleries, coffee houses, cafes and ice cream parlors. Enjoy gourmet cupcakes at The Sweeter Life or hand-crafted chocolates at Cocoa Safari.

Tree-shaded streets in Madison's downtown area are lined with fine examples of Federal, Classical Revival and



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Italianate architecture. The crown jewel is Lanier Mansion State Historic Site, the 1844 Greek Revival home of wealthy financier James F.D. Lanier.

Historic Madison, Inc., the force behind the town's preservation efforts, operates several of the buildings regularly open for tours. Schroeder Saddletree Factory Museum, a premier industrial heritage site and the only attraction of its kind, shows how the Schroeder family made wooden frames for saddle makers (the "skeleton" under the padding and leather), clothespins and other products between 1878 and 1972. The Dr. William Hutchings Office & Museum, filled with surgical tools, early electrical healing devices and other artifacts, is one of the most authentic 19th century medical history restorations in the U.S.

Madison Trolley Tours offers one-hour narrated tours of the town. Visit Madison's group services manager can arrange step-on guides for motorcoaches.

History also permeates **Corydon** (pop. 3,100), which served as the first state capital of Indiana between 1816 and 1825. The idyllic town square is dominated by the Old State Capitol, a Federal-style limestone building with a stately cupola. The House of Representatives met on the first floor, the Senate and Supreme Court on the second. The State House, as some Corydonians call it, was the Harrison County courthouse as well.

Tours of downtown Corydon often include two buildings across the street from Old Capitol Square – the Coburn-Porter Law Office and Governor Hendricks' Headquarters, used as a residence by Indiana's second governor, William Hendricks. Also facing the square are charming shops, eateries and a lively watering hole: Point Blank Brewing Company.

Points of interest on the walking tour map of downtown Corydon include the town's oldest house, built in 1807. The oldest building, known as Branham Tavern, was built sometime before 1807 as the Corydon headquarters of General William

Henry Harrison, governor of the Indiana territory. A sandstone memorial to the Constitution Elm surrounds the trunk of a majestic elm tree under which Indiana's constitution was drawn up during the hot summer of 1816; the tree is a revered symbol of the Hoosier State's beginnings.

Perched on the banks of the Ohio River just east of Evansville, **Newburgh** (pop. 3,200) was originally settled in 1803. By 1850 the community had become one of

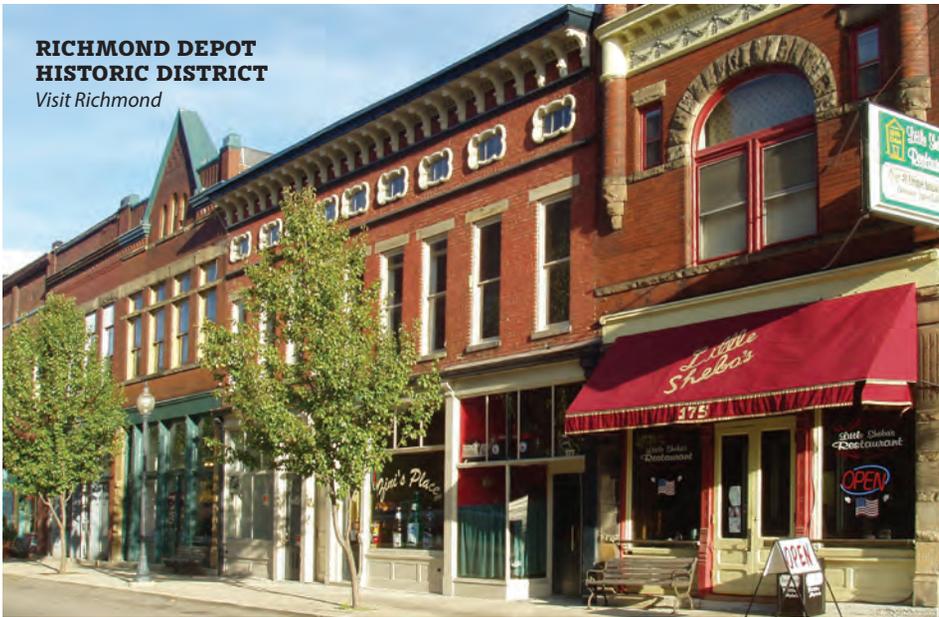
the largest river ports between Cincinnati and New Orleans, and in 1862 it was the first northern city captured by the Confederate army.

Downtown Newburgh's Historic Preservation District is a model for Main Street redevelopment, with unique shopping, dining, festivals, events and a weekly farmers' market. Visitors drift in and out of shops with names like Flutter, Sweet Emotions, Honeysuckle Finds, The



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Newburgh is full of historical markers attached to 19th century commercial buildings and Civil War-era homes in a variety of architectural styles. A walking tour guide developed by Historic Newburgh, Inc. points the way to landmarks such as the 1841 Exchange Hotel, which was turned into a Union hospital during the Civil War. The Newburgh Museum occupies the first floor of Preservation Hall, a stately brick structure that once served as a Presbyterian church and town hall. Exhibits chronicle events like the South's surprise raid on the town.

In Indianapolis, the tree-shaded cobblestone streets of **Lockerbie Square Historic District** offer a respite from the traffic and bright lights of the city center just blocks away. Located on the northeast edge of downtown, Lockerbie Square is the city's oldest remaining residential neighborhood, comprising an eclectic mix of Italianate, Federal and Queen Anne houses. Germans and other working-class immigrants first settled there in the 1840s and '50s.

The collection of well-kept cottages and a few brick mansions, many of them rescued from neglect by urban pioneers

during a big restoration push starting in the late 1960s, may be seen on guided walking tours organized by the Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana. The district was placed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1973.

The neighborhood's most prominent attraction, on Lockerbie Street, is the James Whitcomb Riley Home, a red-brick residence where the beloved Hoosier poet lived for two decades until his death in 1916. He was known to give candy to children on his regular walks. Riley described Lockerbie Square as being "nestled away from the noise of the city and the heat of the day."

The quiet enclave, however, is a just short walk from the art galleries, theaters, restaurants and funky shops of Mass Ave Cultural District. Along the six-block stretch of Massachusetts Avenue, shoppers enjoy searching for treasures and treats at shops like Silver in the City, Homepun: Modern Homemade, Indy Reads Books, The Flying Cupcake, The Best Chocolate in Town and Stout's Footwear: the oldest continuously operated shoe store in the United States.

Richmond, a true gem in Eastern Indiana, takes pride in the lively **Richmond Depot District**, one of six historic districts in town. Comprising four city blocks with most of the activity on

North E Street and Fort Wayne Avenue, the shopping/dining/entertainment hub is centered around the 1902 Pennsylvania Railroad Depot, a Neo-Classical brick building designed by world-renowned architect Daniel H. Burnham, the genius behind Union Station in Washington D.C., The Rookery in Chicago and New York's iconic Flatiron Building.

Visitors in the Depot District will find dozens of independently owned shops offering an array of antiques, artworks, home decor, fashions and books. At Paint the Towne, group members can decorate their own pottery or canvas. There are nine eateries, pubs and breweries, some offering live music. In an old firehouse, hickory-smoked barbecue is served up at Firehouse BBQ and Blues, while made-to-order sandwiches and Italian favorites draw crowds to Maria Mitrione's Italian Market.

Listed in the National Register of Historic Places, the Depot District boasts a treasure chest of commercial buildings dating from the 1860s to 1910; many are rich in architectural details, with Italianate as the dominating motif. Fans of old cars flock to the National Model T Ford Museum to view Model Ts and other vintage vehicles.

RESOURCES

Historic Corydon/Harrison County
888-738-2137, ThisIsIndiana.org

Historic Newburgh, Inc.
812-853-2815, HistoricNewburgh.org

Historic New Harmony
800-231-2168; USI.edu/hnh

Lockerbie Square People's Club
LockerbieSquare.org

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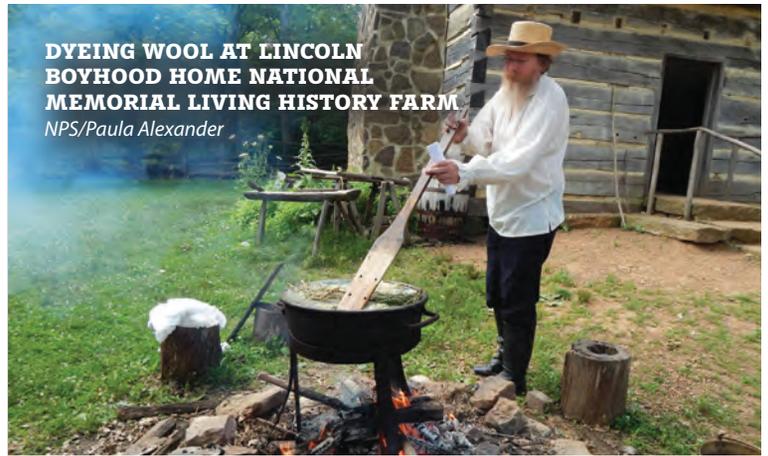
From U.S. presidents to Hollywood and TV legends, many American notables have roots in Indiana. Museums and other group-friendly attractions across the state enshrine the memories of beloved Hoosiers who catapulted to the national stage.

Here is just a sampling of places associated with famous people who were born and raised in Indiana or made a name for themselves in the Hoosier State.

The **James Dean Gallery** in Fairmount preserves the memory of a hometown boy who starred in three big motion pictures before a car crash took his life at the age of 24. Portraying a troubled youth in *Rebel Without a Cause*, *East of Eden* and *Giant*, Dean made his mark in Hollywood in the mid-1950s. In a beautifully restored 1903 Victorian home, memorabilia ranges from commemorative plates, mugs and clocks to childhood photos, high school yearbooks and movie posters. Of special note are paintings, drawings and sculptures of Dean by Hollywood artist Kenneth Kendall. A screening room shows film clips of early TV dramas, a rare screen test and an early interview. Dean is buried in Fairmount's Park Cemetery.

Exhibits at the **Fairmount Historical Museum** honor James Dean and another native son, cartoonist Jim Davis, creator of the fat orange feline Garfield. Davis' work inspired the **Garfield Statue Trail**, a route that takes fans to photo-worthy statues around Grant County.

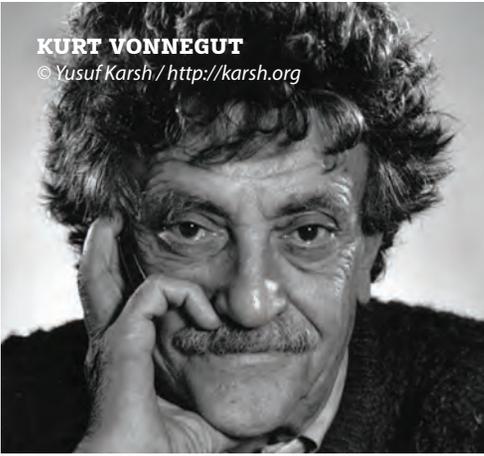
Pete Dye, the master golf course architect, is another renowned



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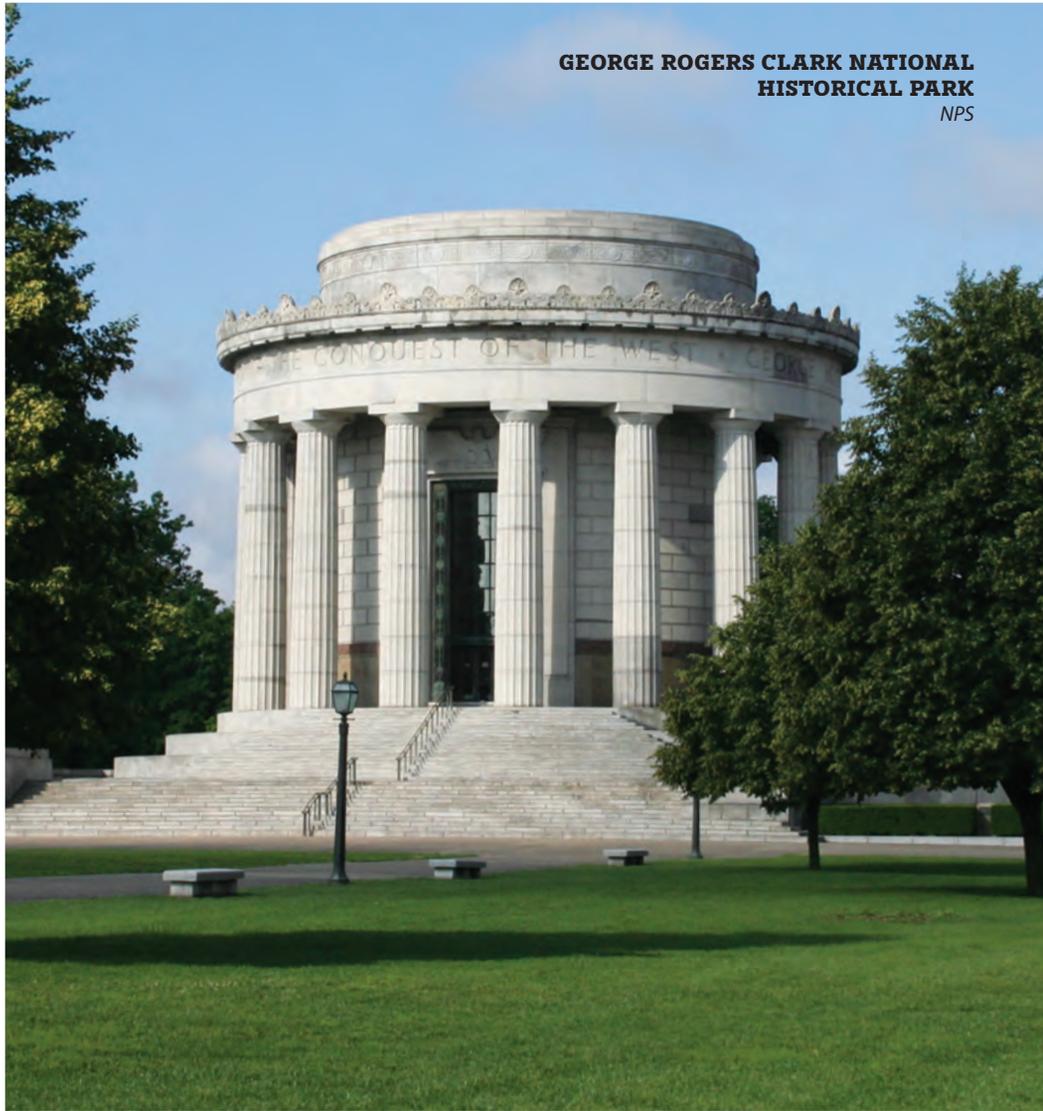


JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY MUSEUM HOME



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Hoosier whose name is attached to a trail—the **Pete Dye Golf Trail**. Seven courses across the state, including Brickyard Crossing at Indianapolis Motor Speedway and The Pete Dye Course at French Lick, were co-designed by Dye and his wife Alice. The Dyes' used signature elements like pot bunkers, small greens and railroad ties to challenge golfers.

Indiana's other golfing success story is Frank "Fuzzy" Zoeller. The New Albany native notably won the Masters in 1979 and U.S. Open in 1984 before becoming a staple of the Champions Tour. Fans will want to visit **Fuzzy Zoeller's Covered Bridge Golf Club** in Clark County, which includes two courses designed by Zoeller himself and noted architect Clyde Johnson. Both the Covered Bridge and Champions Pointe courses offer plenty of challenge, while the elegant clubhouse contains a restaurant and pro shop.



One of the 20th century's greatest funny men is remembered in his hometown at the **Red Skelton Museum of American Comedy**, which opened in 2013 on the campus of Vincennes University. Born Richard Skelton in Vincennes in 1913, the star of vaudeville, radio, movies and television achieved fame as the master clown, and interactive exhibits at the museum immerse visitors into his wacky world. Those of a certain generation recall country bumpkin Clem Kadiddlehopper, lovable hobo Freddie the Freeloader and other goofy characters he played on his long-running CBS TV series (1951-1971). Pushbutton displays show video clips of comedy sketches and feature films like *The Fuller Brush Man*. A 10-minute movie spotlights Skelton's life and career. One gallery features his paintings, many of them depicting clowns.

Vincennes' **George Rogers Clark**

National Historical Park honors a military hero on the site of a British fort captured during a crucial struggle against Great Britain during the Revolutionary War, a campaign that wrested the western territories from British control. The visitor center offers exhibits and a dramatic 30-minute film on Clark (a Virginian) and his citizen militia, while a granite memorial (the largest Greek Revival building outside of Washington, D.C.) boasts an impressive rotunda with a bronze statue of Clark and murals depicting events that changed the course of history. Situated on the banks of the Wabash River, the shrine is one of only three National Park Service sites in Indiana.

Another Vincennes attraction is the home once occupied by a man who would become the ninth president of the United States. **Grouseland**, a Federal-style mansion built from 1802-1804, was the residence of Virginia-born William Henry Harrison when he was governor of a vast wilderness called the Indiana Territory.

The legacy of Harrison's grandson, America's 23rd president, is preserved at the **Benjamin Harrison Presidential Site** in Indianapolis' Old Northside neighborhood. The only president elected from Indiana, Benjamin Harrison lived in the 16-room, red-brick home from the time it was built in the mid-1870s until his death in 1901, with the exception of his U.S. Senate and presidential years.

In the Historic Lockerbie Square neighborhood of Indianapolis, the **James Whitcomb Riley Museum Home** celebrates the "Hoosier Poet." Famous for such poems as *Little Orphant Annie*, Riley lived in the Italianate-style Victorian home (with other families) the last 23 years of his life, from 1893-1916. Visitors can see many of Riley's personal possessions, including his writing desk, top hat and cane. A visitor center has documentary videos and displays on Riley and Victorian America.

The **Kurt Vonnegut Museum and Library**, which last fall opened in a new space triple the size of an Indianapolis storefront it had occupied since 2011, also salutes an important man of letters. Born and raised in Indianapolis, the 1960s counterculture hero and author of such novels as *Slaughterhouse-Five* and *Breakfast of Champions*, used the city as a setting in many of his books and as a symbol of American values. The museum has a recreation of Vonnegut's writing studio and artifacts such as his drawings, Purple Heart medal and a replica of his Corona Coronamatic typewriter.

Another creative genius is remembered in Nashville, an artsy town in Southern Indiana's scenic Brown County. At the **T.C. Steele State Historic Site**, groups can tour the studio and home of Theodore Clement "T.C." Steele (1847-1926), a noted artist who helped make the area into an art colony. They will see some of Steele's impressionist works and explore a recreation of the studio wagon he used while traveling through Indiana as a *plein-air* painter. The grounds have formal gardens, hiking trails and a nature preserve.

Indiana and basketball go together, and the career of one of the NBA's all-time greats is showcased at **33 Brick Street**, a sports-themed restaurant and bar in French Lick known for its collection of jerseys, trophies, rings, photographs and medals on loan from local legend Larry Bird. The 33 comes from Bird's Boston



Celtics jersey. Bird's former 20-acre estate one mile east of French Lick and neighboring West Baden Springs is now is the site of Abbeydell Hall, a dinner theater.

Southern Indiana is also proud of its connections to Abraham Lincoln. Between the ages of 7 and 21 Lincoln lived in the Little Pigeon Creek area, where he developed a love of books and confronted life on the frontier. The **Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial**, 40 miles east of Evansville, is on land where his father built a 160-acre homestead. The museum building/visitor center has exhibits and a 15-minute film on Lincoln's formative years. At the site's living history farm, with its split-rail fences and log buildings from the 1800s, visitors can view demonstrations of woodworking, cooking and pioneer skills.

At **Lincoln State Park**, across the road from the boyhood shrine, the hiking trail called Mr. Lincoln's Neighborhood Walk passes by Little Pigeon Primitive Baptist

Church (the third building on the site) and the gravesite of Abe's sister Sarah, plus the site of the mill frequented by the future president. Near the park entrance,

Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Plaza has a bronze bust of the 16th president set on a limestone base inscribed with milestones of his life in Indiana.

RESOURCES

33 BRICK STREET

812-936-3370, 33BrickStreet.com

ABBEYDELL HALL

812-936-5300, SilverNightEntertainment.com

BENJAMIN HARRISON PRESIDENTIAL SITE

317-631-1888, BHPSite.org

FAIRMOUNT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

765-948-4555, JamesDeanArtifacts.com

GARFIELD TRAIL

800--568-6862, VisitMuncie.org

GROUSELAND

812-882-2096, GrouselandFoundation.org

JAMES DEAN GALLERY

765-948-3326, JamesDeanGallery.com

JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY MUSEUM HOME

317-631-5885, RileyMuseumHome.org

KURT VONNEGUT MUSEUM AND LIBRARY

317-423-0391, VonnegutLibrary.org

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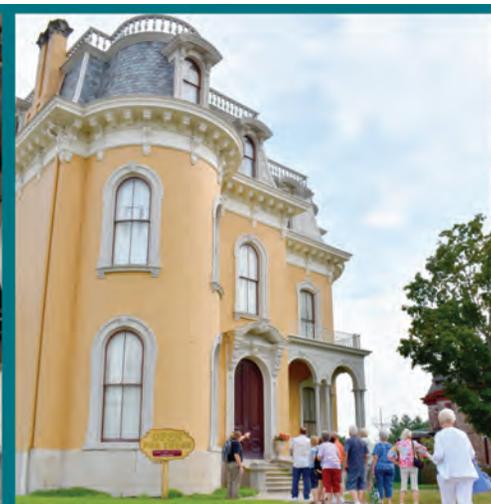
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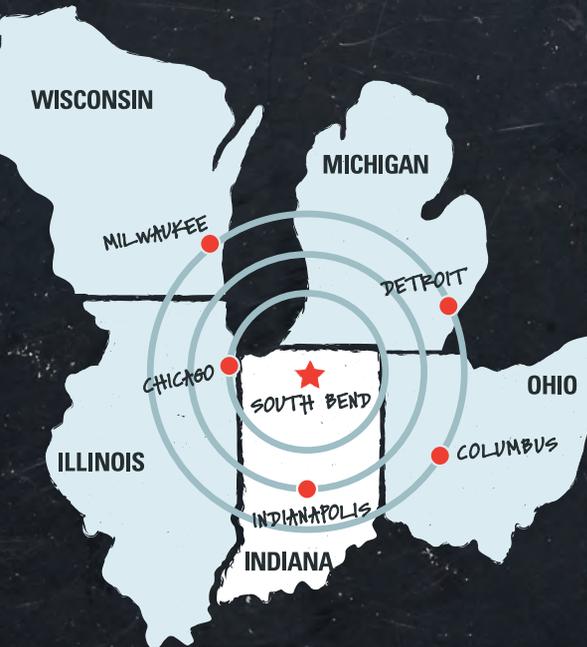
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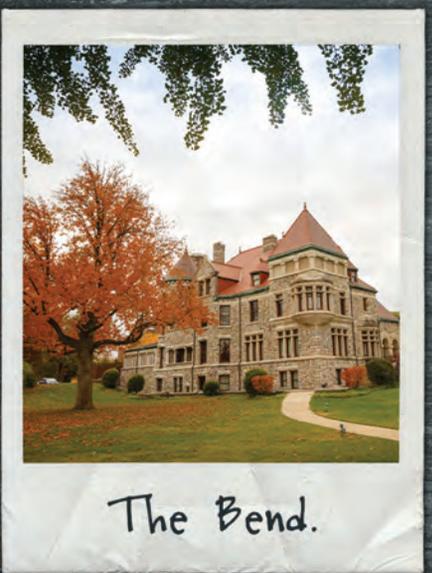
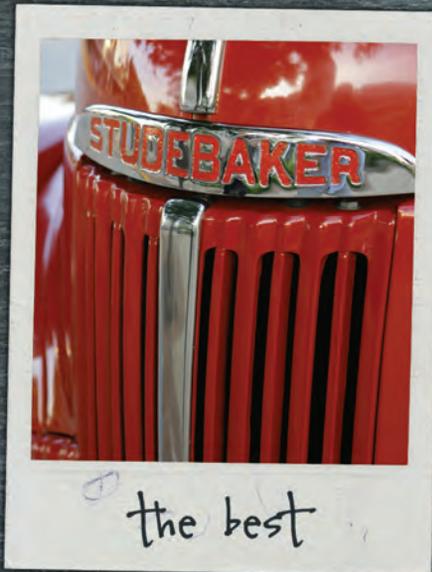
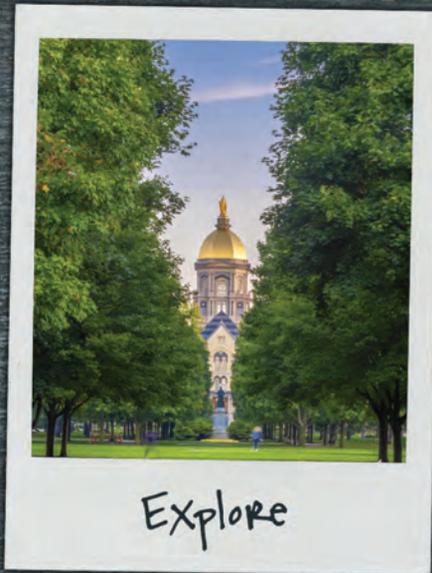
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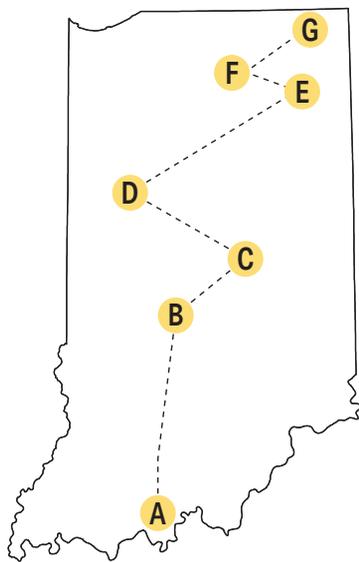
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Combine culinary with camping at **C Madison Country Winery and RV Resort**, which offers hook-ups and drive-through sites for easy bus parking. Visitors can sample unique creations like Chocolate-Covered Pear and the signature Candy Apple, and the winery hosts glass-painting classes for groups.

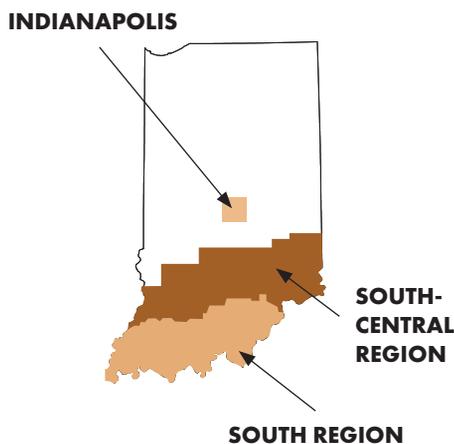
Whether your group prefers dry, sweet or fruit wines, the selection at **D Wildcat Creek Winery** in Lafayette will satisfy any palate. Groups can lounge in a restored farmhouse that has transformed into a welcoming tasting room and sample delicious creations like Prophet's Rock Red (a medium-bodied red with hints of vanilla and oak), Cayuga White (a floral white with apricot and apple flavors) and Aunt Minnie's Cherry Tree (a "cherry pie in a glass"). **E Country Heritage Winery**—located in the town of LaOtto north of Fort Wayne—has been refining its craft for over 100 years. The family-owned farm welcomes visitors to embark on a guided tour and tasting with a resident wine expert. Consider sampling popular creations like the Cranberry Riesling, Heritage White (which offers subtle tropical fruit flavors) and the Heritage Red (promoted as "Concord grape jelly in a glass"). Country Heritage also has tasting locations in Nashville and Plainfield.

Enjoy live music, play a game of corn hole or lounge on couches beside a welcoming fireplace at **Tippy Creek Winery F** in Kosciusko County. Groups can sip on a wine slushie or partake in a tasting flight that can include sparkling and fruit varieties. Located on the gently rolling hills of Country Meadows Golf Course in the city of Fremont, **G Briali Vineyards & Winery** offers tastings that are \$5 for six one-ounce pours, and be sure to try exceptional wines like the Bourbon Barrel Malbec and Sparkling Riesling.



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the world, and your group will learn about the Lewis & Clark Expedition's stop here on its journey west. Continue to the **Culbertson Mansion** in New Albany. Named for William Culbertson—who became the richest man in Indiana after his dry goods business thrived along the Ohio River—the mansion is a masterpiece of Victorian artistry. Group tours will admire the hand-painted ceilings, marble fireplaces and elaborate plasterwork, or members can participate in a Clue Party, which involves searching the mansion to solve a “crime.”

Enjoy a hearty group lunch at **Huber's Orchard & Winery** before reaching Corydon—Indiana's original state capital. Your guided tour through the **Corydon Capitol State Historic Site** can include the original capitol building (in service from 1816 to 1825) and Governor Hendricks' Headquarters—a brick building that served as the first governor's home. Conclude your day at the **Harrison Country Discovery Center**, which houses interactive exhibits focused on the Battle of Corydon, the only Civil War battle that occurred in Indiana.

► DAY TWO

Depart from Corydon for **Lincoln State Park**, where a young Abraham Lincoln worked on his family farm until the age of 21. **Lincoln's Boyhood National Memorial** is a restored 1820s homestead where interpreters in period costumes can answer questions about the Lincoln family's pioneer lifestyle. Afterwards, pay a visit to the **Saint Meinrad Archabbey**, a Benedictine monastery modeled after the worship spaces of Germany. Groups



can roam the peaceful grounds and admire a replica of the Black Madonna Statue from Switzerland's Einsiedeln Abbey.

Spend your afternoon in the town of Santa Claus—where Christmas is celebrated every day. Stops may include **Santa's Candy Castle** (which features a delicious selection of toffee and chocolate), the **Santa Claus Christmas Store** (where you can buy commemorative ornaments and nutcrackers) and **Santa Claus Museum & Village** (which houses galleries explaining the town's holiday history). If you're touring in December, be sure to participate in the **Santa Claus Christmas Celebration** to admire elaborate light displays and enjoy a chestnut roasting.

► DAY THREE

Your day starts in the riverside city of Evansville and the **Evansville Museum of Arts, History & Science**. The museum's permanent collection houses over 50,000 artifacts, including decorative arts and rare photographs from Indiana history. More history awaits at the **Reitz House**, a French Second Empire-style mansion built for a lumber baron. Guests will step into an 1871 home with preserved chandeliers, parquet floors and a grand entry hall with Moorish design. Groups can also board the **USS LST-325**, the last fully operational World War II Landing Ship Tank.

Head north to the city of Vincennes and the **Indiana Military Museum**, which boasts one of the most comprehensive collections of military memorabilia in the country. World War II buffs will be impressed by the uniforms belonging to Generals Patton and Eisenhower, and the "Women at War" exhibit recognizes pilots, nurses and those employed in factories on the home front during World War II.

Conclude your day at the **George Rogers Clark National Historical Park**, which is the largest national monument outside of Washington, D.C. Formerly the site of British Fort Sackville, the area was captured by Colonel Clark and his forces during the American Revolution and would eventually form the beginnings of the Northwest Territory.

► DAY FOUR

Your day begins at Bloomington's **Tibetan Mongolian Buddhist Cultural Center**, which encompasses a 108-acre campus and was founded by the Dalai Lama of Tibet's brother. Your group can walk on two meditation trails, admire a prayer wheel pavilion and visit the Kumbum Chamtse Ling Interfaith Temple. Continue to the rolling hills and limestone architecture

of **Indiana University**, home to the **Eskenazi Museum of Art**. The gallery space offers group tours and features South Pacific tribal carvings, Native American jewelry and Renaissance portraits on display. Conclude your trip with a visit to either **Cardinal Spirits** (which offers tours and craft cocktail samples) or **Oliver Winery & Vineyards** (where groups can relax and enjoy samples of wines crafted on-site).

Consider spending an additional day in **Columbus**, which is home to a dense collection of mid-century modern architecture and public art you can admire on a bus tour. Architects represented include I.M. Pei, Harry Weese and Kevin Roche, and you can tour the Eero Saarinen-designed Miller House and its famous sunken conversation pit.

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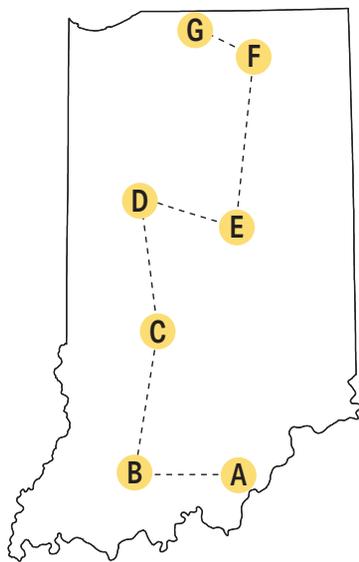
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The Good family has been crafting delectable chocolate since the 1940s, and you can try their candy creations, gourmet popcorn and homemade ice cream when you visit **Good's Candy Shop E** in Anderson. Groups can enter a viewing area to see chocolatiers melting ingredients, and the adjoining ice cream parlor serves refreshing root beer floats. Be sure to purchase toffees, truffles or peanut brittle for a sweet snack.

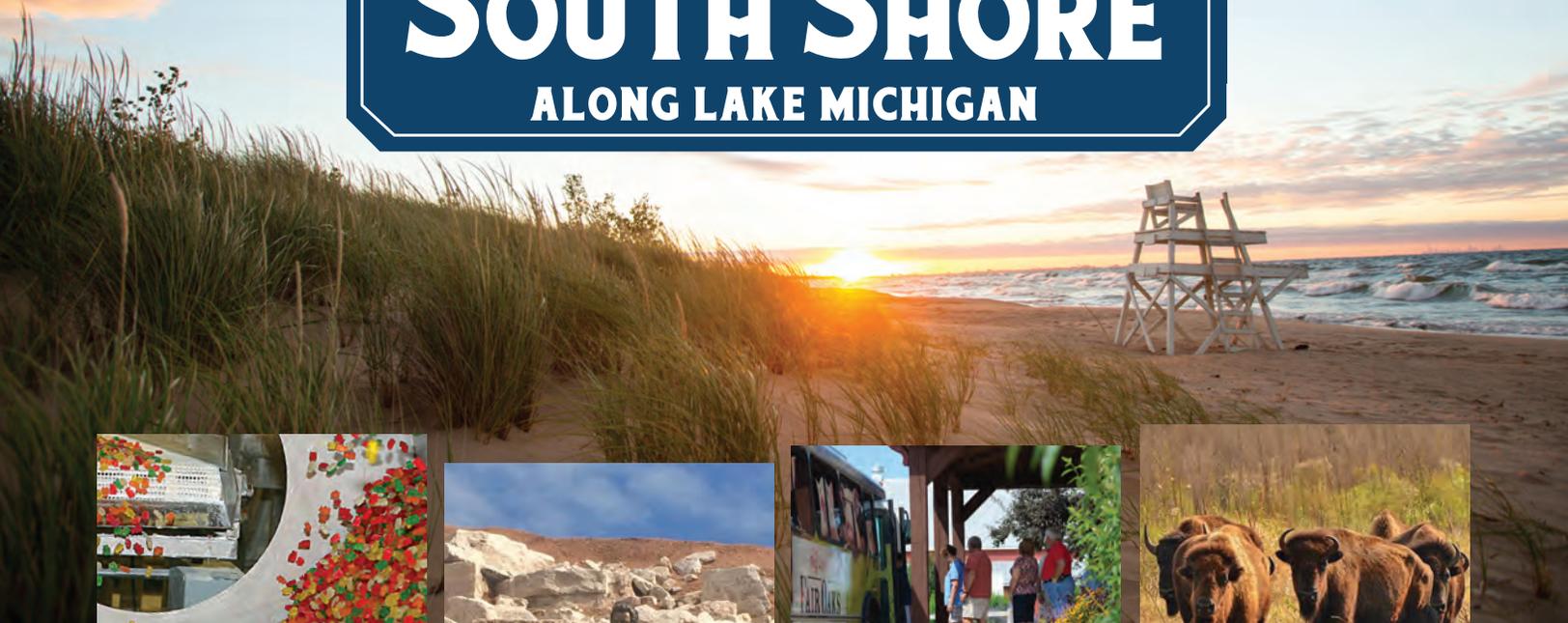
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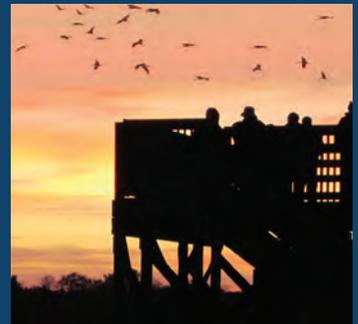
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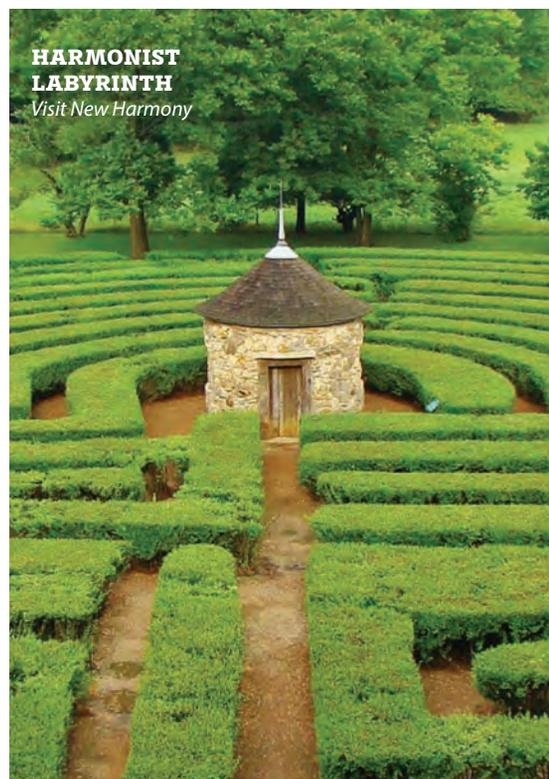
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