

Tour Ideas

This list is just a sample tours. Many groups will select a tour and then add and subtract tour components and design their own tour.

One Day Tours

1. **Notre Dame and South Bend** - Notre Dame Campus Tour, Studebaker Museum. Lunch at the Tippecanoe Place Restaurant in the Oliver Mansion. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
2. **St. John and West Lafayette** - Shrine of Christ's Passion and Purdue University Campus Tour. Lunch at Tiebel's Family Restaurant in Schererville. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
3. **Auburn** - Auburn-Cord-Ouesenburg Museum, National Auto and Truck Museum, Early Ford V-8 Museum. Lunch at the Auburn City Steakhouse. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
4. **Ft. Wayne** - Vera Bradley Outlet Sale featuring over 1,000 cotton, leather and micro fiber retired and overstock items. *Wednesday - Sunday in Mid-April*
5. **Fair Oaks** - Dairy Adventure, Pig Adventure and Crop Adventure at Fair Oaks Farms. Lunch at the Fair Oaks Farms Restaurant. *Spring, Summer or Fall - not late April or May.*
6. **Peru** - Grissom Air Museum, Circus Parade and Show. *Third Saturday in July.*
7. **Kokomo** - Opalescent Glass Factory, Sieberling Mansion, Haynes Museum. Lunch at the PASTArrific Restaurant. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
8. **West Lafayette and Fowler** - Purdue University Campus Tour, Shrimp Farm, Wind Farm. Lunch at the Purdue Memorial Union. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
9. **West Lafayette** - Purdue University Christmas Show with brunch. *First Saturday in December.*
10. **Fishers** - Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra's "Star Spangled Symphony" at Conner Prairie. Admission, reserved tables and chairs plus a catered dinner. *July 2, 3 and 4*
11. **Richmond and Fountain City** - Model T Museum and the Levi Coffin Home. Lunch at the Olde Richmond Inn. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
12. **Indianapolis** - Indianapolis History Tour, Visit a Few Indianapolis Churches. Lunch at the Scottish Rite Cathedral. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
13. **Indianapolis and Speedway** - Indianapolis History Tour, Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum. Lunch at the Scottish Rite Cathedral. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
14. **Speedway** - Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum, Dallara IndyCar Factory, Ride in a two-seat Indy race car. Lunch at Dawson's on Main in Speedway. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
15. **Avon and Danville** - Make your own T-Shirt or sweat shirt at the Tie Dye Lab, Waste Management Landfill tour, Beasley's Orchard. Lunch at the Mayberry Café in Danville. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
16. **Dana, Covington and Crawfordsville** - World War II War Correspondent Ernie Pyle's Home and Museum, Covered Bridge, A Working Rotary Jail, Lunch at the Beef House. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
17. **Bridgeton, Mansfield, Rockville** - Parke County Covered Bridge Festival with shopping at each town. No parking problems. Dinner at the Turkey Run State Park Inn. *Third week in October - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.*
18. **Connersville, Metamora and Morristown** - Whitewater Valley Railroad train ride from Connersville to Metamora, shopping in Metamora, canal boat ride and dinner at the Kopper Kettle in Morristown. *Saturdays in the Spring or Fall*
19. **Brockville, Metamora and Morristown** - Whitewater River Raft Float Trip, Whitewater Canal State Historic Site, Canal Boat Ride. Dinner at the Kopper Kettle Restaurant. *Spring when the water level is the highest..*

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20. **Columbus** - Camp Atterbury Tour, Atterbury-Bakalar Air Museum, Columbus Architecture Tour and Zaharakos Ice Cream Parlor and Museum. *Any Monday through Friday.*
21. **Nashville** - shopping and lunch either in Nashville or at the Abe Martin Lodge in Brown County State Park. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
22. **Bloomington and Mitchell** - Indiana University Campus Tour. Spring Mill State Park, Oliver Winery. Lunch at the Spring Mill State Park Inn, *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
23. **Madison** - Lanier Mansion, Saddletree Factory, City Tour, Railroad Museum. Lunch at the Clifty Falls State Park Inn.
24. **Montgomery** - Daviess County Amish. Visit a quilt shop, bakery, harness shop, general store, local Amish guide and dinner at an Amish farmstead. *Spring or Fall No air-conditioning.*
25. **Vincennes** - George Rodgers Clark Memorial, Indiana State Historic Sites, Red Skelton Museum, Indiana Military Museum. Lunch at the Dogwood BBQ. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
26. **French Lick, West Baden, Paoli** - Wilstem Wildlife Park, West Baden Springs Hotel, French Lick Scenic Railway. Lunch at Hagen's Club House Restaurant. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
27. **Jasper and Dale** - St. Joseph Catholic Church, Dubois County Museum and Dr. Ted's Musical Marvels. Lunch at the Schnitzelbank Restaurant in Jasper. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
28. **Jasper, Ferdinand and St. Meinrad** - St. Joseph Catholic Church, Monastery of the Immaculate Conception and St. Meinrad Archabbey. Lunch at the Schnitzelbank Restaurant. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
29. **Corydon, Clarksville and Jeffersonville** - First State Capitol, Falls of the Ohio State Park and Schimpff's Confectionery. Lunch at the first State Office Building using a menu and recipes from an 1822 lunch hosted by Governor Jennings. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
30. **Bloomington, IL** - Passion Play and Lunch. *One of the three Saturdays before Easter*
31. **Casey, IL and Terre Haute, IN** - "World's Largest" Rocking Chair, Mailbox, Golf Tee and other "world's largest" items in Casey, CANDLES Holocaust Museum in Terre Haute. Lunch at Richards Farm Restaurant. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
32. **Chicago, IL** - Shopping in the Loop and Michigan Avenue with a One-Hour Historical Tour. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
33. **Chicago, IL** - Shopping in the Loop and Michigan Avenue at Christmas Time, Lunch in the Walnut Room at Macy's, formerly Marshall Field's. *Late November and December.*
34. **Chicago, IL** - Select Two Attractions - Shedd Aquarium, Museum of Science & Industry, Art Institute, Field Museum of Natural History, Lake Michigan site seeing cruise. Great for grandparents and grandchildren. *Spring, Summer or Fall - not late April, May/ or early June.*
35. **Springfield, IL** - Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, Lincoln's Home, Lincoln's Tomb. Lunch at Maldners Restaurant in downtown Springfield. *Spring, Summer or Fall - not late April, May or early June.*
36. **Clermont and Bardstown, KY** - Jim Beam Distillery, Matinee performance of "Stephen Foster Songs" presented in the high school auditorium. Lunch at the Old Talbott Tavern. *Any Saturday in June, July and early August.*
37. **Louisville, KY** - Thoroughbred Racing at Churchill Downs. Seating and dining in Millionaire's Row. *Generally April, May, September, October and November.*
38. **Louisville, KY** - Louisville Slugger Museum and Factory Tour, City Tour, American Printing House for the Blind. Lunch at the Bristol Grill. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*

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39. **Newport, KY, Cincinnati, OH and Batesville, IN** - Newport Aquarium, Cincinnati City Tour, National Underground Railroad Freedom Center. Dinner at The Sherman (formerly the Sherman House). *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
40. **Petersburg, KY and Batesville, IN** - Creation Museum. Dinner at The Sherman (formerly the Sherman House). *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
41. **Williamstown, KY and Batesville, IN** - Ark Encounter. Dinner at The Sherman (formerly the Sherman House). *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
42. **Cincinnati, OH and Fountain City, IN** - National Underground Railroad Freedom Center and the Levi Coffin Home. Lunch at the Montgomery Inn in Cincinnati. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
43. **Dayton, OH** - Wright Brothers Bicycle Shop & The National Museum of the United States Air Force. Dinner at the Olde Richmond Inn. *Anytime.*

Two Days - One Night Tours

1. **Elkhart, IN** - Amish Acres (18 historical and restored buildings, six shops, buggy rides, Round Barn Theater, etc.), 18 quilt gardens, 21 quilt murals on barns, etc., National New York Central Railroad Museum, Ruthmere Museum (co-founder of Miles Laboratories—Alka-Seltzer) with Wedgewood Porcelains, Tiffany Art Glass and Rodin Sculptures. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
2. **Vincennes, New Harmony, Corydon & Clarksville, IN** - State Historic Sites and Red Skelton Museum in Vincennes, Guided Tour in New Harmony plus the Red Geranium and and First State Capitol in Corydon, Falls of the Ohio State Park in Clarksville. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
3. **Shipshewana, IN** - Tour of the Amish Countryside, Auction, Flea Market, Meno-Hof, Hostetler Hudson Auto Museum. *Either Tuesday & Wednesday or Wednesday & Thursday in the Spring or Fall, not Summer*
4. **Jasper, Ferdinand, St. Meinrad, Paoli, French Lick and West Baden, IN** - Tour St. Joseph and Holy Name Catholic churches, St. Meinrad Archabbey, Monastery Immaculate Conception, Wilstem Wildlife Park-giraffes and elephants, train ride, overnight at the West Baden Springs Hotel with interior facing rooms. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
5. **Holland & Grand Rapids, MI** - Holland Tulip Festival, Frederik Meijer Sculpture Gardens in Grand Rapids. *Mid-May*
6. **Lexington and Berea, KY** - Kentucky Horse Park, Horse Farm, Kentucky Artisan Center, Berea, Boone Tavern. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
7. **Wheeling, WV** - Oglebay Festival of Lights includes a Night-Time Driving Tour of lights, Shopping, Glass Museum. *Mid-November through early January*

Three Days - Two Nights Tours

1. **Springfield, Moline & Peoria, IL** - Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, Lincoln's home, Oak Ridge Cemetery, Old State Capitol Building, Deere & Company Headquarters, John Deere Pavilion, Isabel Bloom figurines, dinner theater, Caterpillar Tractor Visitor Center. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
2. **Dearborn, MI** - Toledo Glass Museum, The Henry Ford which includes Greenfield Village, Henry Ford Museum and the River Rouge Assembly Plant. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
3. **Door County, WI** - Sightseeing tour of picturesque Door County along with Milwaukee and Green Bay. *Spring, Summer or Fall*

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4. **St. Louis, MO** - Gateway Arch National Park, Anheuser Busch Brewery, Cardinal's baseball game, Grant's Farm, Old Cathedral, New Cathedral, Missouri History Museum, Muny Opera (Summer only), Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site, city tour. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
5. **Memphis, TN** - Sun Studios, Graceland, Beale Street, Cotton Museum, City Tour. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
6. **Milwaukee and Racine, WI** - Harley Davidson Museum, Milwaukee Art Museum, Pabst Mansion, Miller Brewery Tour, Mitchell Park Conservatory, Marquette University with St. Joan of Arc Chapel (circa 1400), Johnson Wax Headquarters (designed by Frank Lloyd Wright), Milwaukee Tour. *Spring, Summer or Fall*

Four Days - Three Nights Tours

1. **Branson, MO** - Shows, Branson Tour, Shopping, Dinner Cruise. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
2. **Mackinac Island & Frankenmuth, MI** - Bronner's Christmas Store, Pretzel Making, two nights at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island Carriage Tour. *Spring or Fall*
3. **Mackinac Island & Petosky, MI** - Shopping in quaint Petosky, Castle Farms, two nights at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island Carriage Tour. *Spring or Fall*
4. **Door County & Spring Green, WI** - Sightseeing Tour of Picturesque Door County, German Meal in Milwaukee, House on the Rock, Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin, Cheese Factory Tour. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
5. **Gatlinburg & Pigeon Forge, TN** - Great Smoky Mountains Plus Shows. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
7. **Niagara Falls and Toronto** - Victoria Park, Boat Trip to the Base of the Falls, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Toronto City Tour, Casa Loma, *Spring, Summer or Fall*
8. **Kansas City, MO** - Arabia Steamboat Museum, Hallmark Center, Sea Life Aquarium, Nelson-Adkins Museum of Art, National Museum of Toys and Miniatures. *Spring, Summer or Fall*
9. **Branson, MO & Eureka Springs, AR** - Shows, Branson and Eureka Springs tours, dinner cruise, Thorncrowne Chapel, Great Passion Play. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*
10. **Lexington & Berea, KY and Asheville, NC** - Lexington Tour, Boone Tavern, Berea College and Biltmore Mansion in Asheville. *Spring, Summer or Fall.*

Five Days - Four Nights Tours

1. **Branson, Eureka Springs and Bentonville** - shows in Branson, Thorncrowne Chapel and the Great Passion Play in Eureka Springs, Sam Walton's first store and Crystal Bridges Museum in Bentonville.
2. **Gettysburg and Hershey, PA** - Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater, Gettysburg Visitor Center with Museum, Cyclorama, Film and two-hour Battlefield Tour with a Licensed Battlefield Guide, Hershey's Chocolate World, Flight 93 Memorial. Two nights at the Hotel *Spring or Fall* .

Longer Tours

- 1. Washington, DC and Gettysburg, PA - 6 days**
Washington - city tour with a local guide, Arlington National Cemetery visits to Monuments, Memorials, Museums, Mount Vernon and more.
Gettysburg - National Park Service Visitors Center and Battlefield Tour with a Licensed Battlefield Guide.
- 2. Bull Run and Manassas, VA; Harper's Ferry, WV and Gettysburg, PA - 6 days - Civil War Battlefields - Bull Run and Manassas, VA; Harper's Ferry, WV and Gettysburg, PA.** Tour each battlefield with a local guide on the motorcoach.
- 3. Deep South - 6 or 7 days - Tour of Montgomery, AL with a local guide, visit Bellingrath Gardens near Mobile, AL, New Orleans tour with a local guide, World War II Museum in New Orleans, accommodations on Bourbon Street, Natchez and Vicksburg tours local guides and more.**
- 4. Washington, DC, Williamsburg and Monticello, VA - 7 days**
Washington - city tour with a local guide, Arlington National Cemetery visits to Monuments, Memorials, Museums, Mount Vernon and more.
Williamsburg, Jamestown, Yorktown - Governor's Palace, Tavern Meal, Local Tour Guide All Day.
Monticello - Guided Tour of Thomas Jefferson's Home, Mitchie's Tavern.
- 5. Philadelphia, PA and New York City, NY - 7 days - Tours of Philadelphia and New York City with Local Guides.** Independence Mall, Times Square, Circle Line Narrated Boat Tour Around Manhattan, Broadway Shows, Central Park Carriage Ride and more.
- 6. Charleston and Savannah - 8 or 9 days - Visit Atlanta plus tours in Savannah and Charleston with Local Guides,** Plantation Visits, Fort Sumpter and more.
- 7. New England with Boston, MA - 8 or 9 days - Fall Foliage Tour - local guide with us during our visit to New England and Boston,** Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory, Maple Syrup Farm, Old North Church, Boston Commons and more
- 7. Colorado - 9 days - Round-trip flight to Denver. Tour Colorado including Four Railroad Trips (Royal Gorge Route, Cumbres & Toltec, Durango & Silverton and the Georgetown Loop), Mesa Verde National Park, Rocky Mountain National Park, guided tour of Denver and more.**
- 8. Niagara Falls, Toronto, Ottawa and Quebec City - 9 days - Hornblower Niagara Falls Cruise, Niagara-on-the-Lake tour, Skylon, Casa Loma, Maple Sugar Camp, Rideau Canal, Canadian Parliament, Sainte Anne-de-deBeaupre Shrine, Old Quebec Walled City, tours of Toronto, Ottawa and Quebec City with a local guide and more.**
- 9. Florida, Arizona, Southern California - 9-10 days - Staycation - Round-trip flight to a warm-weather destination, transfers, resort accommodations and local shuttle. Optional daily trips to local sites and attractions or rest and relax at the resort.**
Late January and Early February
- 10. Vancouver, BC and Banff, AB - 10 days - Rocky Mountaineer - Fly to Vancouver with the return flight from Calgary, Vancouver tour with a local guide, visit Butchart Gardens and Victoria on Vancouver Island, two-day luxury train trip across the Canadian Rockies from Vancouver to Banff with the overnight at a hotel in Kamloops, BC, guided tours of the Banff and Lake Louise areas, gondola ride at Banff, shopping time in Banff, Heritage Park in Calgary, hotel accommodations, ten meals, airfare and more.**