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Say hello to the rolling hills and serene rural beauty nearly untouched by urban sprawl in the heart of the Wabash River valley, scenic rural routes that wind around lush fields and along the banks of gently flowing rivers. Enjoy small, friendly communities scattered on the rural landscape, which offer a variety of amenities including antique shops, museums, art galleries, and an array of unique dining experiences.

On behalf of the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, we welcome you. Whether you are visiting from far away or just around the corner, we have something to offer everyone. While many of our neighbors and old friends know us for our agriculture and industry you can now use this guidebook to visit our growing attractions and engaging communities. Say Hello! to participating in a bit of Indiana history, traversing a river or creek, finding that perfect antique or enjoying a delicious home-cooked meal.

Just an hour north of Indianapolis and minutes from Purdue University, Prophetstown, Indiana Beach, and other regional points of interest, Carroll County is a day trip from many locations. We offer a weekend's worth of Indiana history, outdoor recreation, unique architecture, and local flavor.

Carroll County lies in the heartland of the Midwest. In 1828, General Samuel Milroy presented a petition for the formation of Carroll County, named for Charles Carroll of Carrollton, the last surviving signer of the Declaration of Independence. Carroll County was the 58th of Indiana's 92 counties to be formed. The first settlers came to Carroll County in 1824. The county seat of government was originally called Carrollton but was soon changed to Delphi, and the first courthouse was completed in 1832.

for more information:

CarrollCountyChamber.com or CarrollCountyIndiana.com

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215 S Washington St · PO Box 175 · Delphi IN 46923







Tour the 1845 **Grist Mill &** Museum of Americana

Located East of Cutler on Scenic Wildcat Creek Adjacent to Oxbow Natural Area with Hiking Trails and 1872 Adams Mill Covered Bridge

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places

Weddings, Festivals, Group Events, Camping (Tent Sites and Cabins) Canoe/Fishing Public Access

Adams Mill

John Adams walked east along Wildcat Creek from Lafayette to find a suitable site for a mill.

He built a dam upstream where the Wildcat forms an oxbow and constructed his first sawmill in 1831 and his second gristmill in 1845.

The dam backed up water to feed the millrace that powered the mill turbines. Tailwater exiting the mill returned to the creek, as the oxbow bends back to the west, almost a mile downstream but only about 200 yards from the dam.

A community called Bolivar sprang up around the mill, complete with store and blacksmith to serve the farmers who brought their grain to grind.

The mill is now a Museum of Americana displaying a Conestoga wagon, agricultural implements, tradesmen's tools, and household items from the 1800s and early 1900s.

It also housed a Masonic Lodge and Post Office which remain in their original spaces.

A prime example of post and beam construction,

Adams Mill is typical of the 19th century agricultural structures in Indiana. No nails were used in the original framework, only wooden pegs. Posts and beams are made of walnut and the joists are of oak. All the lumber was harvested locally and hand-hewn or cut on site.

The mill produced assorted grades of flour for over 100 years during the tenure of nine owners. Finely ground cake flour was a specialty of Adams Mill. Commercial milling ceased in the 1950s. Waterpower operation continued for demonstrations until flood damage in 2003. Electric power has recently made demonstrations available again.

The mill was acquired by a new nonprofit group, Adams Mill Inc. in 2011, and renovations were completed in 2013. Newman Woods has been restored to its

original state as a wooded wetland.

The woods is interior to the 71 acre Oxbow Natural Area which surrounds the mill and provides visitors with opportunities for gatherings and unique excursions in nature.

Celebrate the Wildcat is an annual event, held the second Saturday in June. Food, and drinks, as well as desserts, prepared by the Cutler Church ladies, are available for sale. Free escorted canoe rides around the Oxbow at Adams Mill are provided. Creekside critter identification for kids is a popular feature!

Free Mill tours and educational displays and demonstrations about the Wildcat Valley and its natural resources are included. The event is co-sponsored by Adams Mill, Wildcat Guardians, NICHES Land Trust, and Promoting Wildcat Valley.



Say Hello! to the History

Say hello to yourself walking through Indiana history at any of our featured sites. Enjoy the **Museum of Americana at Adams** Mill, located on Wildcat Creek near Cutler. Experience the only remaining section of the Wabash & Erie Canal that holds water. You can visit Canal Park, the Interpretive Museum, Pioneer Village or take a ride on the Delphi canal boat. The **Carroll County Historical Museum** houses an extensive collection of genealogical materials, Civil War diaries and documents from early settlers. The Camden Museum is located within the Camden Public Library, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. It showcases a nice collection of Camden memorabilia. The Opera House, on the Delphi courthouse square, features events throughout the year. The Gallery of Contemporary Art shares the same building and showcases renowned regional artists, special exhibits and a gift shop.

Architecture

A lot can be learned about Carroll County just by looking at its rural architecture, from the one room school houses to historic bridges and fine architecturally noteworthy homes that have sheltered our families for decades. The significance of agriculture to our county can be seen by the many

rural features such as the old barns and farmhouses. A barn played an important role in the livelihood of Carroll County farmers and many old barns can be seen around the county today, including three round barns.

Many fine homes built during the 1800s still grace the county today. A walking architectural tour is available in Delphi. Our county can boast of 22
National Register listings,
most notably, the 1916
Neoclassical style county
courthouse made of Indiana
limestone and elaborate interior
features of a stained glass dome
over a beautiful mosaic tile floor.
The courthouse sits at the center of
the Delphi Courthouse Square National
Register Historic District.

The district includes forty-three buildings, many dating from the 1850s through the 1870s. Within the district are three buildings previously listed individually on the National Register: the 1864 Old Delphi City Hall and Opera House, the 1874 Niewerth building, along with the Courthouse.

Carroll Manor was built by the county in 1911 and even today functions as was originally intended housing up to 40 residents. The Manor is one of very few remaining in the state.

One Room Schoolhouses

Little red brick, one-room schoolhouses that dotted the countryside were once commonplace and are symbolic to our country's earnest commitment to education. In most country and small towns, all of the students met in a single room. There, a teacher taught academic basics to several grade levels of boys and girls.

Some are now historic museums or private residences. Today there are 14 one-room schools still standing in Carroll County that are not homes. At least nine more have been made into family homes.

One such schoolhouse. known as the Martin Schoolhouse is located at 100W 750N between Rockfield and Burrows just off of SR 25. Use the CR 50W (Camden/Flora) exit then turn right on 750N. The schoolhouse was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1988, mostly because of its Gothic ceiling, windows and woodwork trim. It is now owned and maintained by the Friends of Carroll County Parks. These schools were usually sparsely decorated except for pictures of George Washington and Abe Lincoln. An average of 20 - 25 students from grades one through eight filled the school-house. A pot-bellied stove warmed the room, and an organ sat in the corner used for group singing and socials. Contact the Carroll County Chamber for tour information at 765-564-6757.

Adams Mill & Adams Mill Covered Bridge

500 S 75 E, Cutler, Indiana

- Grist mill built in 1845 by John Adams
- Nominal fees for tours, camping and events.

765-566-2725 · www.adams-mill.org

Say Hello! to our storied past along the banks of scenic Wildcat Creek, you can enjoy a tour of an old grist mill and museum.

Adams Mill is also a popular venue for fishing, tubing, canoeing, kayaking, hiking, biking and camping. More information on the mill is located on the previous page of this guide & under the "Camping" section.



Camden Museum

183 W. Main Street, Camden 574-686-2120 · camden.lib.in.us Tue-Fri - 2pm-6:30pm · Sat - 9am-1pm Closed Sun & Mon

The Town of Camden has gathered an interesting collection of local memorabilia and housed it on the second floor of its Public Library.

The Library is in a National Register building which has been nicely restored by local volunteers. The Camden Museum contains many artifacts from the town's past. The curtain from the Camden Opera House, turn-of-thecentury opera clothes, a land grant signed by President Martin Van Buren, and school trophies and pictures dating back to the first graduating class of 1899 provides a glimpse of life over the years in this small town.

Wabash & Erie Canal Park & **Interpretive Center**

1030 N. Washington St, Delphi 765-564-2870 www.wabashanderiecanal.org

Canal Park

Open Dawn to Dusk - FREE

Interpretive Center

Open M-F 1-4pm, Sat10am-4pm, Sun 1-4pm Adult \$5 Child \$1

Canal Boat Rides

Weekends (mid-May thru Labor Day): 1:30pm, 2:30pm, & 3:30pm Adult \$8 Child \$4; Lapsitters: FREE

Say Hello! to Carroll County history on a canal boat riding into the past at the Wabash & Erie Canal Park. In the early 1800s, canal boats carried people and goods across the country. The Delphi, a replica boat, is available for rides on a mile-long section of the canal. The boat is also available for rent for special group occasions.

Canal Park recreates history with buildings and displays reflecting life in the canal era. The Interpretive Center offers interactive exhibits which reveal the fascinating 1832-76 timeline for the creation and development of the Wabash & Erie Canal—the largest manmade waterway in the United States.

Towpaths, once traversed by mules pulling the canal boats, now part of historic Delphi's 10 mile trail system, are perfect for hiking, biking, bird-watching or other activities.

Carroll County Historical Archives & Research

700 N. Washington St., Delphi Hours: Tu, Th & F - 9am-4pm 765-564-5000

www.carrollcountymuseum.org

The Carroll County Historical Archives & Research houses many early documents from throughout the county. Archives include an extensive collection of genealogical materials which include primary sources such as original marriage certificates, school records, histories, census data, family records and genealogies, and other types of material.

The Historical Society volunteers have constructed many databases, and some of those relevant to genealogy are online at their website which also hosts a digital photo archive of over 15,000 photographs of people, places, and events in Carroll County.

Stories of the past are imprinted everywhere in Carroll County. You can learn about the early settlers and sites from at least 20 historical markers that help narrate our interesting past. You can research your family's history via cemeteries and burial sites. A listing of markers and over 90 cemeteries is available at the museum or access the cemeteries at CarrollCountyIndiana.com.



Flora Depot FloraIndianaDepot.org

The Flora Depot was built in 1908 by the Vandalia Railroad (Pennsylvania Railroad). It was later moved and in 2003 damaged in a fire. In spite of its condition it was ranked a Notable example of transportation architecture

by Indiana Landmarks and the Department of Natural Resources. Much of its historic fabric remained.

In danger of being demolished, the building was deconstructed and stored for possible restoration, and became reality as ground was broken for Phase I on December 18, 2015. Part of Phase III (interior restoration) has been completed.

Flora Main Street envisions the Depot serving as a local history museum and railroad transportation education center. The Depot will be a destination for tourists and bring exciting opportunities in the form of train festivals and train excursions.



American House

The Burlington 1848 stagecoach inn was rescued from demolition in 2016 and is being restored for a 2020 opening. Travelers stopped in Burlington at this hotel until 1890. The structure was moved to its current location in 1904 and made into a residence throughout the 20th century.

Delphi Opera House

109 S. Washington St., Delphi 765-564-4300 delphioperahouse.org

The Delphi Opera House is located in the 1864 "City Hall" named for the grand hall on its third floor. The center for entertainment in the late 1800s and early 1900s, the opera house hosted



theatre troupes, minstrel shows, local drama, concerts, lectures, and more. James Whitcomb Riley performed there at least six times.

Decades in the works, the restoration of the opera house has arrived! DOH reopened as a performing arts venue and community center in late 2015.

A must see for visitors and citizens alike, the newly restored theatre brings back to Delphi a magnificent venue!

Please visit the website listed above

or scan the QR code to learn more about the schedule and description of upcoming performances, as well as ticket information.



Say Hello!

to the Serenity of the Landscape

Company ran



Transportation
in Carroll County has changed
greatly since the first settlers.
Initially, it consisted of water travel
on the Wabash River or Deer Creek.
Land travel routes followed Indian
trails through densely wooded
forests. The first roads were dirt
paths barely wide enough for a

The opening of the Wabash & Erie Canal in the 1840s connected Delphi to cities and towns in the East and to towns and ports to the South. By the 1870s the canal had given way to the steam engines of the railroads. The crossing of two major railroad lines connected Carroll County to major cities in all directions.

wagon and were lined with mud

holes and tree stumps.

Overland travel evolved from dirt roads to wood plank roads with toll houses, such as the Michigan Road Historic Byway. First wood, then iron, and finally concrete bridged rivers and streams that were originally forded. The first plank road was from Delphi to Frankfort. By 1877 Carroll County further improved its transportation routes by introducing gravel roads.

The next major change was the introduction of the Interurban electric railway. These single car transports, known as the Ft. Wayne & Wabash Valley Traction

through small towns and larger communities. With the coming of paved highways, the old Interurbans gradually gave way to motor cars as the leading form of public transportation. Today you may see a contrast between past and present. Carroll County is home to two airports and yet you may find yourself taking a ride on a canal boat or sharing the road with a horse and buggy.

Scenic Driving Routes

The Scenic routes on the map illustrate three suggested driving routes, two bicycle routes, access to Lake Freeman and put in and take out canoe or kayaking locations along our many waterways. You can also use the map to create your own adventure.

Wildcat Creek Scenic
Driving Route - This
scenic driving tour along
Wildcat Creek takes
you past historic Adams
Mill, the Adams Mill and
Lancaster covered bridges,
a round barn and Xenia
Iron Bridge.

Wabash River Scenic
Driving Route - This route
follows the remnants of
Wabash & Erie Canal
along Towpath Road. It
crosses over Carrollton
Bridge and travels through
the small community of
Lockport. You will also
cross over the 1837
Burnett's Creek Arch, pass
near three Potawatomi
Trail of Death markers,
and see the natural water
spring where locals get

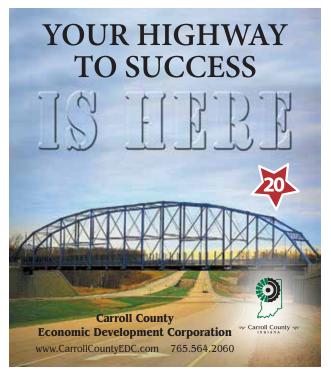
fresh drinking water in Pittsburg.

Bridges

Many of Carroll County's notable bridges have been preserved or restored. There are over 100 bridges in the county crossing major rivers and smaller creeks and tributaries. Twenty-three have been identified as historically significant and three are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Monon Railroad trestle, known locally as High Bridge, is the second longest and third highest trestle in Indiana, at 853 feet long and 65 feet above Deer Creek. Built in 1891, it's located at the eastern terminus of Delphi's Monon Trail.

Another historic gem, Burnett's Creek Arch, honored as the oldest bridge in Indiana, carried the Wabash & Erie Canal over the creek. It is a prime example of 1830's engineering. Three layers of black walnut beams make up the arch's foundation, and the limestone arch was built without mortar.

Among the many historic bridges are two covered bridges, both of



which have been restored. Covered bridges gave protection for floors and helped nervous horses focus on the far bank. They were built wide enough for a load of hay to pass through but not for two-way traffic. The Adams Mill Covered Bridge was reopened for 3-ton traffic in October 1999. Window openings were added on both sides so that the view of Wildcat Creek could be enjoyed.

The Lancaster Covered Bridge, over Wildcat Creek near Owasco, is also located in a very scenic area. It features a Howe-truss design and is one of two in Indiana with a unique iron substructure.

Lockport Bridge is Indiana's longest continuous T-beam bridge. Its streamlined beams and graceful arches are a nice example of Art Deco style.

Tioga Bridge is a pedestrian-only bridge that offers a spectacular view of the Tippecanoe River and connects walkers to neighboring White County. Tioga is the longest, two-span Whipple through truss structure in Indiana.

A more complete brochure on Carroll County bridges which includes a driving and biking tour is available at the Canal Interpretive Center or can be downloaded at:

www.CarrollCountyIndiana.com.

Michigan Road Historic Byway

Michigan Road is Indiana's earliest north-south "highway," commissioned in 1826 and completed in the 1830s. It runs from Madison to Michigan City, opening the northern part of the state to settlement and providing an avenue for commerce. Its route is in eastern Carroll County along SR 29 through Burlington, Carrollton, Wheeling and Deer Creek. The 100-foot right-of-way was cleared to one-foot tree stumps, and a 30-foot path was smoothed for wagon passage. It was later corduroyed with logs in low places, and then a plank road was constructed. Later still, it was a gravel road, and toll booths in Burlington and Deer Creek collected turnpike fees.

Significant sites along the Michigan Road Historic Byway (designated in 2011) includes early buildings in the town of Burlington, which was also a crossroads for the Lafayette-Muncie stagecoach route.

Just south of Deer Creek, along the current route, Sycamore Row stands to the west of the highway. The Sycamores grew up at the edge of the road during the plank road era, and their majestic presence still stands as a memory of days gone by.

If you would like more information and to view a map visit www.HistoricMichiganRoad.org.

Airports

Carroll County offers two airportsone south of Delphi and one west of Flora. The Delphi Municipal Airport is located at 8296 W. Division Line Road and is base to 25 aircraft. Owned by the City of Delphi, the Airport has a 2,900 foot paved runway, an office and lounge area, 24/7 fuel and A&P Mechanic services.

The Flora Municipal Airport is located west of Flora, ½ mile south of State Road 18 West on CR 150 W. The Flora Airport, owned by the town of Flora, has a 2,143 foot turf runway, and is base to 8 aircraft including homebuilts, ultralights, a powered parachute, and commercial manufactured. The Flora Airport hosts at least one fly-in per year. Flight instructors host their aircraft at both airports.

Freedom Bridge & Veterans Memorial Plaza

The Freedom Bridge, named for its previous location in Freedom, Indiana, passes over the new Hoosier Heartland Highway (IN25) just east of Delphi, in Carroll County.

A 300-foot bridge, it provides a pedestrian overpass for the Monon High Bridge Trail that was severed by the construction of the highway. Next to the bridge is Veterans Memorial Plaza honoring the many veterans of Carroll County. Their service exemplifies the dedication and patriotism of the county in our nation's history.

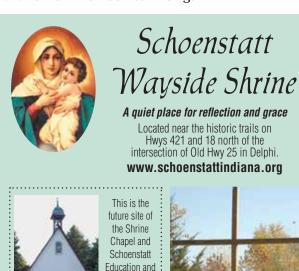
Bicentennial Plaza

Bicentennial Plaza, a one-half acre of land donated by the Ken and Julie Pyle family, is Carroll County's honoring of the 2016 Indiana Bicentennial.

The Plaza sits near the western edge of Samuel Milroy's original 1826 farmstead and borders the Monon High Bridge Trail with access by concrete

walkway about one-quarter mile west of Freedom Bridge. The Milroy Monument is nearby on the other side of the trail.

Historic bench stones placed in the Plaza come from the historic county jail in Delphi, the Carrollton Bridge, the nearby Monon Railroad trestle, a Wabash & Erie Canal lock, the historic Freedom Bridge abutment in Freedom, IN and a glacial erratic stone.



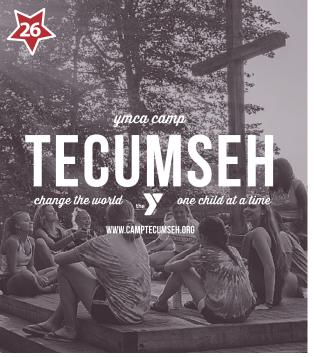
Retreat Center

with guest

rooms for

families.

individuals and youth.



Say Hello! to Farm Fresh Produce & Fare

As soon as spring arrives in **Carroll County farmers begin** gathering to peddle their fresh fruits, vegetables, baked goods, jams, jellies, pies and local honey. Our local restaurants thrive on our Midwest flavor from local pork tenderloins to delicious breaded catfish filets. We have local down home cooking, Mexican, succulent steaks and mouth watering homemade pies and pastries that will keep you coming back for more. A different flavor experience awaits you around every corner in our local communities.

The Sandwich Shop

One of the oldest traditions in the county is The Sandwich Shop, with a very tasty new life thanks to Pete Circle, entrepreneur, restauranteur extraordinaire. Circle purchased the restaurant in May 2014 and immediately began revamping the establishment from top to bottom, including dining room, kitchen and the menu. But, with the equivalent of an artist's brush, painted a new face on the old business, yet kept the tradition and feel of the 1940's eatery.

"Best cheeseburger and fries around . . . if you leave there hungry, it's your own fault," is the latest comment on TripAdvisor.com.

Circle was sure needed to continue. Shortly after purchasing the restaurant, he asked customers' opinion on what needed to stay, that not so much, and what new items were desired the most. Because of his attention to detail and concern for his customer's likes and dislikes, this tradition will be around for many, many years to come.

The Sandwich Shop is located 1/2 block east of the courthouse square in Delphi at 112 E Main Street and is open Tuesday through Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., and Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.. The restaurant is closed on Mondays.

Check out the full menu at www. facebook.com/DelphiSandwichShop

Brick & Mortar Pub

Delphi's newest eatery, a favorite of locals and visitors alike, is the Brick & Mortar Pub. The Pub has something for everyone with a wide variety of mouth watering starters, entreés, and desserts. The Pub offers a huge variety of local and regional craft beer selections, as well as wines. Craft beers change periodically, so come in to see what's on tap, and come back



to discover what's next.

If you go, to start, you might try the "Stout" Battered O-Rings or the Pub's signature "Sloppy" Loaded Nachos. For your entreé you can select steaks, chops, seafood, pasta dishes, or their signature half-rack or full-rack of ribs with the Pub's own savory dry rub. Top that with their homemade barbecue sauce for a plate full that you will return for again and again.

Make sure you save room for one of the Pub's dessert selections, including the Salted Caramel Whiskey Bread Pudding. You can't order wrong at the Pub!

And don't forget to check out the Beer Garden with full service for a relaxing meal experience or good times with some friends!

You can check out the Pub's full menu online at www.facebook.com/brickandmortarpub. The Brick & Mortar Pub is open Monday through Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and on Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. The restaurant is easy to find at 114 E Main Street in Delphi.





Fruitshine Wine

Fruitshine Wine, located in northwest Carroll County west of US 421, welcomes visitors to a beautiful setting on a farmstead that operated in the late 1800s.

The owner began the winery utilizing the same wine-making technique passed down from his Spanish great-grandma and has re-established the family winemaking tradition. Artisan handcrafted, small-batch wines are made using local, hand-picked, tree ripened fruit. Their wines are all natural and contain no sulphites.

Stop by the winery to enjoy free samples of their outstanding fruit wines on their screened porch tasting room, built in the shadow of a 1910 oak barn.

We know once you find your favorite flavor you are sure to want more.

Kopacetic Beer Factory

A trip north on US 421 to the Kopacetic Beer Factory will be well worth the time. They manufacture a wide variety of ales and lagers in a small batch system with volumes ranging between ten and 80 gallons.

They offer only Indiana Craft products. Their beer, wine, spirits, cider and mead wines are made with Indiana ingredients and artisans. Think globally, drink locally is a Kopacetic way of thinking.

With 20 taps dedicated to handcrafted Indiana beers, split into light, dark, malty and hoppy, you are sure to find the one that suits your taste.

218 Market

On your visit to Carroll County, before you head home make sure that you stop at 218 Market just west of Camden on State Road 218.



Delphi

765-564-6868

Call Ahead for Takeout

Enjoy Our Patio or Swing Thru Our Drive-Thru Hours: M-F 11am-8pm & Sat 11am-2pm

> **Peel Your Eyes** for our Food Truck!

You will find fresh locally grown fruits and vegetables, locally baked goods, and a full-service deli with delicious quality meats, cheeses and salads.

218 Market is a family owned and operated business that was started in 2006 as a produce market. In 2016 it changed hands and is now owned by Gary and Arlene Yoder and family. Since then they have added and expanded!

The market is now - Produce, Deli, Bulk Food, Grocery, Baked Goods, Jams and Jellies, Honey, Maple Syrup, Sorghum, Gifts and Crafts, Kitchen Gadgets, Greenhouse, Fall Mums and Asters, Fall Pumpkins.

They specialize in locally grown



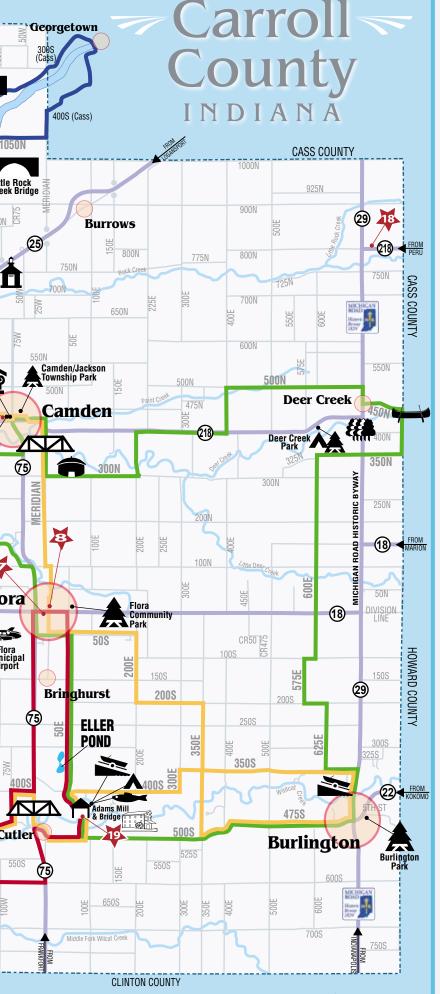




produce, by the bushel and by the piece. They will create a custom made deli tray for your family gatherings and special events. Deli tray choices include, Meat & Cheese, Cheese & Cracker, Fruit & Dip, or Vegetables & Dip. Just give them a call at 765-822-0218, you'll be glad you did!







Legend



Delphi Airport 8296 W Division Line Rd, Delphi 765-564-1185 Flora Airport 530 CR 150 W, Flora 574-967-4303



Adams Mill & Covered Bridge 500 S 75 E, Cutler 765-268-2530



Camden Museum 183 W Main, Camden 574-686-2120



Camden Masonic **Temple** 213 W Main, Camden



Camping Facility



Carroll Manor 6409 W 100 N, Delphi 765-564-4340



Carroll County Courthouse 101 W Main, Delphi 765-564-3152



Delphi Opera House 109 S Washington, Delphi 765-564-4300



Golf Course



Martin Schoolhouse 750 N 100 W, Rockfield 765-564-675²7 (by appointment)



Potawatomi Trail of Death Marker



Round Barns (on private property)
1) 12252 W St Rd 18, Delphi 2) 1149 W 600 S, Cutler 3) 715 E 300 N, Camden



Sycamore Row 400 N SR 29 Near Deer Creek



Samuel Milroy Monument 1521 Old Camden Rd, Delphi



Wabash & Erie Canal & Interpretive Center 1030 N Washington St, Delphi 765-564-2870





Locate Visitor Guide Advertisers on the Map by the Number located in their Ad



Not All Bridges are Listed Here Adams Mill Covered Bridge



50E 450S, Cutler **Burnett's Creek Arch**



Towpath Road North of Lockport Carrollton Bridge



Carrollton Road at 700N Freedom Bridge Across SR25 at 300N, Delphi



Lancaster Covered Bridge Near Owasco on 500 W Paint Creek Bridge (restored) Canal Park Annex



N Washington St, Delphi Wilson's Bridge 550W 300N, Delphi



PAS - Public Access Site (DNR)



Public Access



PFA - Public Fishing Area (DNR)



Eller Pond On 50 E North of 400 S Knop Lake 650 S between Pyrmont & Owasco Lake Freeman Northwestern Carroll County West of US 421



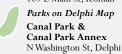
Pittsburg Spring Natural Water Spring 900 W, Pittsburg



Deer Creek Valley Rural Historic District (shaded yellow on map) East of Delphi along 300 N



Burlington Community Park East IN 22, Burlington Camden/Jackson Twp Park James St, Camden Deer Creek Park 6336 E SR 218, Camden West of Deer Creek Flora Community Park East Main Street, Flora French Post Park 9954 N 275 W, Delphi South of Lockport Yeoman Community Park 109 E Main St, Yeoman



City Park 758 E Monroe St, Delphi George Obear Overlook North of Canal Center Washington St, Delphi Riley Park & Annex S Washington St, Delphi Stone Barn Park N Washington St, Delphi Trailhead Park SR 25 N, West of Delphi

County Bridges

While enjoying the rural landscape of Carroll County, visitors and residents alike will have many opportunities to traverse the historic bridges that dot the county. Carroll County has over 100 bridges crossing major rivers such as the Wabash and Tippecanoe, as well as smaller creeks and tributaries. Of this large number of bridges, over 20 have been identified as historically significant. They vary in style and materials, from the older stone arch and wooden covered bridges, to those later made of metal and concrete. This map designates the location and type of 15 bridges. For information about more of the county bridges, you

may visit the county portal website at www.CarrollCountyIndiana.com.



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Say Hello. to an Outdoor Adventure

Say hello to yourself taking on a new challenge. Enjoy sunny hikes along paved paths in local cities and towns or over 10 miles of hiking and biking trails along portions of the historic Wabash & Erie Canal. Visit one of our many parks to just enjoy the day. You can also enjoy several miles of rural landscape via the two cycling trails

Urban & Rural Trails

identified in the center map.

If you want a little exercise and have a love of architecture, pick up a trail guide map in the city of Delphi and take a close-up look at local architecture. You can also enjoy the natural settings along the paved walking trails located in the Flora, Delphi, and Burlington Parks. You can download more information at www. CarrollCountyIndiana.com.

Rural trails include the Adams Mill Oxbow Natural Area near a 50-acre protected wetland with a one-mile walking trail which

follows the scenic Wildcat Creek. The banks of the creek form a natural boundary for the oxbow and have created a place for animals and plants to flourish.

NICHES Land Trust protects Moyer-Gould Woods near the Tippecanoe River. The 77-acre preserve is managed as a natural remnant of the oak woodlands that covered our area hundreds of years ago. It contains a 1.5 mile loop hiking trail and half-mile undeveloped frontage along the Tippecanoe River. NICHES owns eight other properties in Carroll County. More information is available at <u>nicheslandtrust.org</u>.

Bicycling

Two bicycling routes traverse the county. The first route takes you through the gently rolling landscape of farms in northwestern Carroll County. This route takes you deep into the Wabash River Valley and along Towpath Road, which parallels the remnants of the Wabash & Erie Canal.

The second route travels across the heart of Carroll County and into the southeastern part of the county through friendly towns and past historic Adams Mill and the Adams Mill covered bridge.

Parks

Burlington Community Park
East IN 22, Burlington
Camden/Jackson Twp Park
James Street, Camden

Canal Park & Canal Park Annex
N. Washington St., Delphi

Deer Creek Park

6336 E SR 218, Camden West of Deer Creek

Delphi City Park

758 E Monroe Street, Delphi

Flora Community Park

East Main Street, Flora

French Post Park

9954 North 275 West, Delphi on the Wabash River South of Lockport

George Obear Overlook

North of Canal Center Washington St., Delphi

Riley Park & Park Annex

S Washington Street,

Stone Barn Park

N Washington Street, Delphi

Trailhead Park

Old SR 25 North (West of Delphi) Adjacent to Deer Creek

Yeoman Community Park 109 E Main Street, Yeoman

Boating, Paddling, Fishing & Wildlife

Lake Freeman, a large recreational lake in northwest Carroll County, offers boating, water-skiing, fishing and more. Fee access is available to the lake at Tall Timbers Marina, Dodge Camp, and White Oaks. Paddlers have their choice of four waterways; Wildcat Creek is one of only three Natural and Scenic waterways in the state. The Wabash and Tippecanoe Rivers are included on Indiana's Outstanding Rivers and Streams list. Also, the lesser known but very beautiful Deer Creek was often written about by Hoosier poet James Whitcomb Riley, who was a frequent visitor to the county.

What weekend get-away would be complete without a relaxing afternoon of fishing. Carroll County has an abundance of rivers, creeks, ponds and lakes; so, it's easy to find a rich fishin' hole. Deer Creek Park east of Camden offers a large pond with catfish and bass. It is available yearround and has restrooms, water and camping sites available.





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The Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) offers Public Fishing Areas (PFAs) at Adams Mill, and Knop Lake on the north branch of Wildcat Creek. A DNR Public Access Site (PAS) is at Burlington and French Post Park. Another PAS, just below Lake Freeman at Oakdale Dam, provides access to the Tippecanoe River. A large state government-owned area on the county's western border on SR18 provides access to the county's southern portion of the river. Access is from the west and north side of the bridge. Although it's not an officially designated PAS, it has accommodated canoe and boat launches for many years, without problems of trespass being reported. The terrain at the top of the area and leading to the river is unimproved. Parking for 15-20 vehicles is available, but long-term parking on this property should be avoided.

Another DNR site is a Wetland Conservation Area at Eller Pond which can be accessed from nearby State Road 75 in southern Carroll County. Eller Pond has mainly yellow-belly catfish, but you can also find bluegill and crappie there. Canoes and small boats with battery-powered motors are allowed on the pond. The Eller Pond Wetland Conservation Area is popular for bird watching, frog and waterfowl hunting, and observation of all types

of wetland plants and animals. You may also spot a bald eagle or sand hill cranes there.

Hunters and other outdoor enthusiasts will also enjoy the Edward K. Hufford Wildlife Habitat Trust Area, a 136-acre hunting and wildlife area managed by the Indiana DNR, Division of Fish and Wildlife. The area lies near the Tippecanoe River west off of SR39/US421N one-half mile on county road 600N.

Public access fishing areas as well as put-in and take-out canoe and kayak sites are identified on the center spread map.

Golf

Angel Hill Golf Course

315 N. Plank, Rossville 765-379-3533,

Angel Hill offers 18 holes, nine of which are located in Clinton County and nine in Carroll County. There are numerous bridges on the course which lies on both sides of the Middle Fork Wildcat Creek.

Carroll County Country Club

411 E. Howard St., Delphi 765-564-2155

CCCC features tree-lined fairways and small greens. It has nine holes with additional tees to make an 18-hole round.

Hollow Acres

8291 N. US 421, Monticello (Yeoman) 574-965-2182

Hollow Acres, near Lake Freeman is a nine hole par 3 course. The facilities also include a lighted driving range, pro shop, snack bar and 18-hole miniature golf course.

Madam Carroll

Welcome Aboard the Biggest Boat in Indiana! Enjoy stunning views of beautiful Lake Freeman and dance the night away to some of the area's hottest bands. The Madam Carroll is open to the public year round at its dock. The dock is next to the bridge across the lake, in northwestern Carroll County. Check their website for cruise and entertainment schedule.

The Madam Carroll also has Dinner Cruises with live music on select Friday nights throughout the summer catered by the nearby Sportsman Inn.

The Madam Carroll is also available for private parties, proms, weddings, business outings, reunions, fundraisers or any other special event.

12244 N. Upper Lakeshore Dr. Monticello 574-583-3545 madamcarroll.com



Camping

Overnight camping is available with full electrical hook ups, modern restrooms and showers at Deer Creek Park in northeastern Carroll County. This large park provides fishing, picnic facilities, basketball court and playground equipment.

Primitive tent camping is available at French Post Park on the Wabash River. The park offers a picnic shelter, playground, fishing and DNR boat ramp.

Call 765-412-7090 for reservations at either county-owned park.

At the historic Adams Mill, primitive camp sites are available along the picturesque Wildcat Creek. In addition, it offers rustic cabins that will sleep up to four. Restroom and shower facilities are also available there. The Adams Mill Covered Bridge is close to the property and between the two lies the Oxbow Natural Area for hiking and bird-watching. *Call the Adams Mill at 765-566-2725 to reserve campsites or cabins.*

Wabash & Erie Canal Park in Delphi offers camping sites with full water and electric hook up. Tent camping is also available along with restrooms and showers. These are all located behind the Interpretive Center within walking distance to Canal Park and miles of well-groomed walking and biking trails. *Call to reserve your spot: 765-564-2870.*

Camping programs are held at widely-known and well-respected Camp Tecumseh YMCA Outdoor Center which is adjacent to the Tippecanoe River in Carroll County. Visit www.camptecumseh.org for information on their resident camps for youth and retreats and programs for adults

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TheLighthouseLodge.com

Mighty Tasty B&B • 574.967.4489

The Delphinium • 765.404.1062

The Sterling House • airbnb.com (*Delphi, Indiana Victorian Home*)

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Say Hello!

to the Treasures...& Discover Yours

The route travels all over the county through each of our small towns, while taking you past many points of interest. You may find that missing piece of great-grandmother's china or a great piece of primitive furniture.

Visit Flora to find unique floral gifts, chalk painted and repurposed furniture at Flowers & Friends. The Community Thrift Store offers infant, toddler, and adult clothing,

toys, jewelry and seasonal items with something new every time you visit. You'll also find jewelry, made-in-Indiana furniture, antique clocks and repair, and exquisite, one-of-a-kind prom and wedding gowns. You can also sample some good cooking at several eating establishments. Heading south of Flora, look for unique blacksmith items in Cutler.

You might discover a local honey farm around the Camden area, stop for pizza and snacks, or grab a signature sandwich at the Cornerstone Cafe' & Deli. The 218 Market is a great place to find unique gifts, crafts, and kitchen gadgets. They specialize in local produce, baked goods, bulk foods, and plants and flowers.

In Yeoman you can grab a plate of famous biscuits & gravy at the Hollow Acres Golf Course (seasonal), attend an auction, or find some awesome bbq seasonings, grills, and accessories in the area.

Also in the Yeoman area, there is delicious fare and fun times to be found at the Sportsman Inn or the Madam Carroll on Lake Freeman, sample the artisan, locally made Fruitshine Wine, or the exceptional American cuisine at The Oakdale Bar & Grill at Oakdale Dam.

Burlington has so much to offer the visitor; antiques, uniques, collectibles, and a boat load of eating establishments with pizza, subs, and specialty sandwiches.

Drive to Delphi for distinctive jewelry or that hard-to-find watch you've been looking for at Fielding's Jewelry & Time. Stop by the Wabash & Erie Canal Gift Shop for a very original gift. Delphi also features

gallery art for sale offering watercolors, oils, framed photography, artisan jewelry and more. You can shop for beautiful rocks, polished and mounted in a very special jewelry piece. Outdoor enthusiasts will even find hand tied flies for fishing, and some very unique, locally made outdoor decor items.

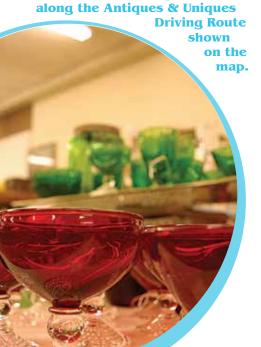
While shopping in Delphi, you'll be glad you stopped to eat at one of the many eateries there. The original Monical's style pizza, homemade breads at Stone House Restaurant, tasty "fresh mex" at Mitchell's, the best ribs anywhere at Brick-n-Mortar Pub, and the famous sandwiches and hand-cut fries at Sandwich Shop. You can't go wrong here.

Carroll County has so much to offer, it will be well worth the drive!



Many shops are also a great place for special occasions shopping for the kids, mom or dad; how about a toy tractor for Christmas, a watercolor for mom, or a new barbecue for dad. It's all here in Carroll County!

The map in the center of this guide will help you begin a oneof-a-kind shopping experience. You'll find very unique items









Chuck's Towers & Flowers

When visiting Carroll County, especially for all of the flower and garden lovers, you certainly should plan to see what Chuck's Towers & Flowers has to offer at the newly expanded Home and Garden Center. It is located in northeastern Carroll County on SR 218 just 1/2 mile east of SR 29.

Chuck is very excited to offer several varieties of plants, perennials and outdoor furniture, personally selected for quality and style to enhance your

outdoorscape. Some newer selections are patio furniture selections, pond supplies and water features.

Unique permeates throughout at Chuck's 5,000 sq. ft. facility, including annual & perennials, potted plants, hanging baskets, tropical plants, house plants, outdoor furniture, pots, ceramics, maintenance items, tools, gifts, and much more.

Chuck digs deep to provide the out-of-the-

ordinary, quality nursery products, and it shows at every turn. Leisurely stroll over five acres of local artisan garden art, plants, shrubs, trees and bushes. Many of the plants are available at different stages of maturity. Exclusive to Chuck's, is the



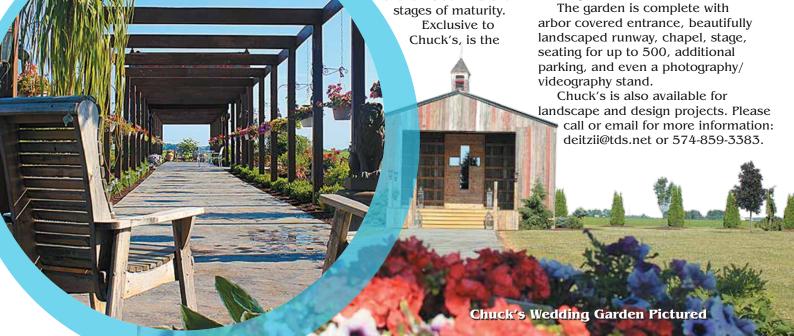




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Shop Owner - Laura Greene urbanchiqueboutique O_urban_chique

> Wedding and Event Garden. The garden is available for many types of events including weddings, receptions, mini concerts, fashion shows, and a host of other outdoor events. You dream it and they will make it special in the garden.



Surrounding Area

There are many things to do and see within a short driving distance from Carroll County.

Monticello and White County offer many shops to discover your treasures and offer recreational activities, many of them centered around the lakes. Visit www.enjoywhitecounty.com to plan your day there.

Lafayette/West Lafayette, the largest metropolitan area in our region, will be worth the drive from Carroll County to see the Columbian Park Zoo, to experience the winery and brewery trail, or enjoy a downtown festival. Visit www.homeofpurdue.com for more information.

Just south of Carroll County's Lancaster Covered Bridge, you can visit Rossville, located just inside the Clinton County line. You'll love the Summer's End Festival on the fourth Saturday in August, or visit downtown for some great cuisine. Frankfort, the county seat is hoppin' at the annual Hot Dog Festival in July or if you like theatre catch a show at the Red Barn.

Downtown Logansport, east of Carroll County, features their Taste of Cass County in August and 2 Rivers Music Festival in June. You can visit France Park, the Dentzel Carousel, or see a race at US 24 Speedway.

Nearby Attractions

One very popular attraction is Indiana Beach located on the north side of Monticello. Area wineries include Whyte Horse Winery, also in Monticello, as well as The People's Winery in Logansport, and Wildcat Creek Winery in Lafayette.

France Park, located in Cass County northeast of Carroll County's French Post Park, offers fishing, swimming, camping, scuba diving, zipline, and other recreational activities. The lake offers a train for scuba divers to explore. Make a visit!

Prophetstown State Park is located near the confluence of the Tippecanoe and Wabash Rivers near Battle Ground. It offers modern camping facilities in an

historic setting of restored prairie and Indian grounds.

Tippecanoe Battlefield Park is located at Battle Ground and features a museum and the trailhead for the Wabash Heritage Trail.

Wolf Park, located adjacent to Battle Ground, provides interpretive programs involving its resident packs of



gray wolves as well as foxes and bison. Howl Nights offer visitors a chance to howl, ask questions, and to hear the wolves interact. The park is open to the general public May-November.

Miami County can be exciting trip to the Grissom Air Museum, Peru Amateur Circus, Circus Hall of Fame, and Circus City Festival in downtown Peru in July.

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Wolf Park

Say Hello! to Festivals and Fun

Festivals & Events

The season kicks off with the Carroll County Garden Fair in April. The Carroll County Hog Jog takes place in Flora in June and is known throughout the Midwest. It includes a 10K and 2-mile run, a 2-mile walk and even a 50-meter Runt Jog for the kids.

Free canoe rides, food, art, music, educational activities and displays, and Adams Mill tours highlight the Celebrate the Wildcat at Adams Mill festival held annually.

The Canal Days festival is held every 4th of July weekend with narrated trail walks, children's games, food, and canal boat rides.

The most historically significant county event is the Old Settlers Meeting and Festival which has taken place each August in Delphi for more than 160 years! Its roots trace back to the annual meeting of the original settlers to the county.

The town of Camden hosts the Annual Tractor & Horse Pull in August for all those looking to see some "horse" power. Save the last Saturday in August for the Indiana Bacon Festival in downtown Delphi. You'll enjoy bacon inspired food selections, great national

music acts on stage as well as a beer and wine garden with local and regional craft breweries and wineries.

The Burlington Fall Festival takes place in September and features food, a merchant's tent, karaoke and kids activities. It's fun for the whole family!

Flora Depot Festival is the second Saturday in September. A good time will had by the whole family with games, food booths, vendors, and musical entertainment. And don't miss the model train display, trackless train ride, and of course the old depot.

Don't miss the "Haunted"
Adams Mill the 4th and 5th
weekends in October. Tours
of the "ghostly" Adams Mill
and hayrides through the "Haunted
Trails" are sure to prepare you for
upcoming Halloween.

Finish the year off at the Old-Fashioned Christmas at Canal Park and enjoy old time craftsmen, period vendors, music and homemade apple dumplings.

"Dive style American Bar & Grill" 574-965-9104

The Oakdale Bar & Grill re-opened in February 2019. It is located next to the Oakdale Dam on the south side of Lake Freeman in Monticello, Indiana. Since then, the owners, Nick Blum, Dewey Brown, & Nicole Brown, have been motivated to not only continue the long legacy of The Oakdale, but they continue to provide a family friendly atmosphere with exceptional

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October 2019

Haunted Adams Mill & Festival 18, 19, 25, 26, 31 Adams Mill - Cutler

December 2019

Old Fashioned Canal Christmas Wabash & Erie Canal - Delphi Lion's Club Parade

Downtown Delphi Christmas Parade Downtown Flora

Christmas Walk Downtown Burlington

All on 7th

April 2020

Flower & Garden Show 22nd Flora Park

June 2020

Celebrate the Wildcat 6th Adams Mill - Cutler Hog Jog &

> **Pork Pull Tractor Pull** 20th

Flora Park

July 2020

Canal Days Festival 4th & 5th Wabash & Erie Canal Delphi

Lion's Club Independence Day **Parade** 4th

Downtown Delphi **Carroll County** 4-H Fair 10th thru 17th Flora Park

August 2020 165th Annual

Old Settler's **Festival** 6th thru 8th Downtown Delphi

7th Annual Indiana **Bacon Festival** 29th

Downtown Delphi

September 2020

Camden Tractor Pull 5th Flora Park

September 2020 (continued)

Flora Depot Day **Festival** 12th Downtown Flora

Burlington Fall Festival 18th thru 20th **Burlington Park**

October 2020

Haunted Adams Mill and Festival

23, 24, 30, 31 Adams Mill - Cutler

December 2020

Old Fashioned Canal Christmas Wabash & Erie Canal Delphi

Lion's Club Parade Downtown Delphi

Christmas Parade Downtown Flora

Christmas Walk Downtown Burlington

All on 5th





