



# EXPLORE Outdoor Recreation



## PLAY&STAY IN SHIPSEWANA & LAGRANGE CO.

With everything from a casual hike in a nature preserve to a 20-mile bike trail across 2 counties, we have something for everyone. And at the end of the day we have an amazing variety of places to lay your head like cabins, campgrounds & RV parks, B&Bs, vacation homes, Amish farms, as well as, hotels with great amenities and names you can trust.

[VisitShipshewana.org/outdoor](https://www.VisitShipshewana.org/outdoor)





# RoadTrip: *Day 1*

As you roll into town and think, “I’m going to be glad to get out of this car,” you’ll be happy to know you’ll be busy on two wheels and your feet this trip!

To be prepared for your time here, stock up on **food and snack supplies** to eat while you’re out exploring! Yoder’s Meat & Cheese has all of your proteins, you’ll find snacks and trail mixes at E&S Sales, and don’t forget Rise ‘N Roll for your sweet tooth (like maybe some cranberry granola bars?!).

While we have **beautiful hotels** and **bed & breakfasts**, the adventurer in you might enjoy a more rustic cabin or vacation home on one of our lakes. We do have **1/5 of Indiana’s freshwater lakes** in LaGrange County! Pack your own sleeping gear? Check out our campgrounds that range from rustic to full of amenities.

Ease into your trip with a nice bike ride down the **Pumpkinvine Nature Trail**. Even if you didn’t bring your bikes, **Shipshewana Bike Rental** conveniently has some available for rent at the Farmstead Inn. This paved and mostly shaded path takes you behind scenic Amish farms where you’ll see clothes hanging and animals grazing. It’s only 7 miles to Middlebury, which is perfect timing for dinner!

Just a few blocks from the Pumpkinvine Nature Trail you’ll find 41 Degrees North. Take a seat and choose from one of their many **draft beers or cocktails**; you deserve one! While you’re eating anything from fresh fish and specialty salads to delectable burgers, admire the brick mural they discovered when renovating the place!

Now that you ate the calories you burned from the ride there, now’s your chance to burn them back off. This time you’ll enjoy the sunset views behind you, what a **perfect photo op!**

Enjoy a quiet, peaceful evening when you get back and rest up for tomorrow ...



# RoadTrip: *Day 2*

Make sure you fuel up first thing in the morning before heading off to Mongo. Start your day the same place the locals do. Try Country Corral Restaurant in Shipshewana for what was **voted the best breakfast in LaGrange County!** Or devour a breakfast pizza at Howe Family Restaurant for a delicious carbo-load.

The small town of Mongo, with a population of 105, offers **one of the greatest excursions in Indiana!** Trading Post Canoe offers 6 different trips by canoe or kayak, some of which go through the scenic Pigeon River Fish & Wildlife Area. Beginners and more advanced adventurers will find these trips exciting! So, **pack a cooler and get out on the water!**

After a successful morning on the river, you **deserve a satisfying lunch!** Fireside Burgers & Brews is just a short drive away in LaGrange and is serving up unique dishes. Devour their loaded smoked brisket sandwich or try their low carb burger that replaces buns with fried cheese! Don't worry, they have **plenty of local brews** to wash it all down.

LaGrange County is home to **5 beautiful county parks**, each with their own offerings. Pine Knob Park is home to one of the only fens in the state, an area being restored with all native species. Hike through the park and see if you can find some of the endangered species that live here. Or need to relax after an active morning? Dallas Lake Park has a beach area plus shaded areas to hike through and take it slow. Plus, you're only a couple of miles from Delt Church Park where you can get in a round of disc golf!

Cap off the night at CopperTop Tavern in Wolcottville. **Sit out under the night sky** while listening to live music and enjoying great food. They were voted "Best Burger in LaGrange County" so if you're having trouble deciding what to get, you're welcome :)



# RoadTrip: *Day 3*

Don't head for home just yet! There's time to fit 9 holes in at Heron Creek Golf Club or Cedar Lake Golf Course. Hop on the cart, **enjoy the greenery**, and see if you've "still got it."

If you didn't bring your clubs, don't worry, there's still plenty to do like stock up on some gear for future adventures! Head Over Heels is full of **active clothing and accessories**, Eash Sales carries cooking supplies and more for camping, or visit somewhere like Raber Patios for outdoor furniture and everything you'll need to make your own backyard oasis.

Be sure to **stop in the Visitors Center** for more great ideas and a full list of shopping options, those mentioned don't even touch the tip of the iceberg! Note: Most Shipshewana businesses close at 5 PM and are closed on Sundays. Select restaurants and outdoor activities are the exception.

Be sure to check the events calendar on [VisitShipshewana.org](http://VisitShipshewana.org) for special events, concerts, musicals, and other live entertainment.

No matter what you love about outdoor recreation, in Shipshewana & LaGrange County ...

## *There's Always More To Explore!*

Shipshewana - Howe - LaGrange - Mongo - Topeka - Wolcottville

