

# Shipshewana

AT THE  OF AMISH COUNTRY, INDIANA



*Visit, Explore, Shop, Eat, Stay*

**IN INDIANA™**

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# OUTDOOR ADVENTURE IN

Shipshewana and Lagrange County, Indiana are home to some of the most beautiful countryside, forests, parks, and waterways in the Midwest. The Pigeon River Fish & Wildlife Nature Preserve contains 11,794 acres of land, 529 acres of lakes, and 17 miles of free-flowing river.

**There's no shortage of outdoor adventure in the Heart of Amish Country!**

**If you're a hunter, or enjoy target practice:**

- Sharpen your aim at one of several [local shooting or archery ranges](#).
- Hunt for [turkey, deer and more](#) at the wildlife preserve.
- Attend the [2024 FAE Midwest Sportsmen Classic](#) at the Michiana Event Center on February 15-7, 2024.
- [Stock up on necessities](#) at Dutchmen Hunting Supplies.
- Spend a day on the trails at [Pine Knob Park](#), with field archery and a wooded [3-D archery trail](#) with life-sized game targets (April-October.)

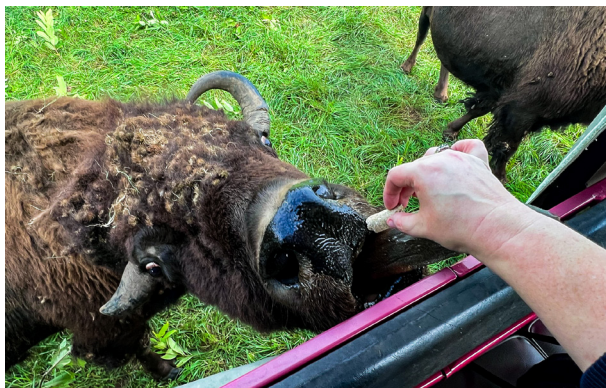


**If you're an angler:**

- Gear up with bait and tackle from one of the [EIGHT local bait shops](#).
- Join us for the [opening of our fishing season](#) the first weekend of every April, and fish in any of the (well-stocked) lakes and rivers.
- [Rent watercraft for fishing](#) from T&L Country Canoes in Shipshewana, or Trading Post Outfitters in Mongo, Indiana.
- Try to [break the record](#) for the largest Smallmouth Bass fished in Indiana! Weighing in at 7 lb. 4 oz, it was pulled from the beautiful Twin Lake in LaGrange County.

**If you love to be on the water:**

- Explore LaGrange County's [86 rivers and lakes](#).
- Get back to nature by [hiking or kayaking](#) in one of our beautiful local parks or waterways.
- [Launch your boat](#) from one of our many public boats launch areas, including those at Dallas and Witmer Lakes.
- Go [swimming and soak up the sun](#) at one of LaGrange County's 3 public beaches, located on Dallas, Walls, or Cedar lakes.



**If you love the outdoors:**

- Spend evenings around a campfire at one of our [10 local campgrounds](#), cabins, or RV parks.
- Walk or bike the [Pumpkinvine Nature Trail](#), which winds through scenic countryside, farms, and forests.
- Play [18-holes of Disc Golf](#) at Delt Church Park or 18-holes of (regular) golf at Heron Creek Golf Course in LaGrange, or Cedar Lake Golf Course in Howe.
- Feed and learn about bison at [Cook's Bison Ranch](#).

# THE HEART OF AMISH COUNTRY



## Family Fun

- Visit the four-story [Davis Mercantile](#) with 21 shops and eateries, a seasonal roof-top café, and a fully restored, 100-year-old carousel.
- Mine for treasure with Shippy the Prospector at the [seasonal Flea Market](#).
- Shop downtown, including Kid's Kreations, a store where you can design and [build your own doll](#).
- Get some [pizza and play](#) a round of mini golf.
- Feed and pet a huge variety of animals at [Dutch Creek Family Farm](#).

## Unique Shopping Opportunities

- Shop stores featuring found or [vintage objects, collectibles, and antiques](#).
- Plot your course through the [Midwest's Largest Flea Market](#).
- Find what you've been looking for at the fast-paced [weekly auction](#).
- Buy [one-of-a-kind art](#), crafts, foods, and household goods [hand-crafted](#) by local artisans, including gorgeous Amish quilts.



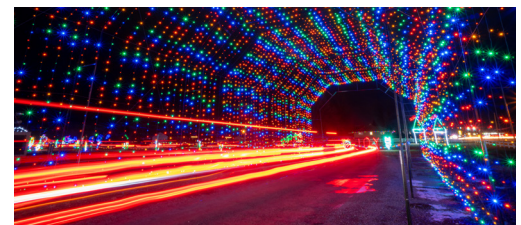
## Explore the Culture

- Take the mind-blowing tour at the [Menno-Hof Museum](#) to learn the history of the Mennonite and Amish people. Don't forget to visit their gift shop!
- [Reserve a buggy tour](#) and Thresher's Dinner with one of the local Amish hosts.
- Sign-up for a Group Tour or take a self-guided tour with the assistance of the [Off the Beaten Path Brochure](#) and the Visitor's Guide.
- Shop the [Amish Cottage Shops](#) and Produce Stands scattered throughout the beautiful countryside.
- Find out what [Barn Quilts](#) are, where you can see them, and purchase one of your own.

## Visit for Christmas

Christmas in Shipshewana is a truly magical experience, and we can't wait to share it with you!

- Come for the [Lighting of Shipshewana](#) on Nov. 11th, 2023! Enjoy the [Christmas light parade](#) and the lighting ceremony for the town and 53 ft tall Christmas tree, plus festivities all day long.
- See the new [2023 holiday musical](#), the Christmas Candy Caper.
- Take a [carriage ride](#) through the scenic lights of Downtown Shipshewana.
- Enjoy the edge-of-your-seat thrills of [NOEL, a Christmas-themed spectacular](#) featuring horse riders, aerialists, and more at our Michiana Events Center!
- Experience [Lights of Joy](#): a one-of-a-kind drive-through light display extravaganza, showcasing more than two million LED Christmas lights displayed in an [almost mile-and-a-half-long](#) symphony of colorful light scenes celebrating the holiday season!





## Book your stay now, to explore The Heart of Amish Country!



Blue Gate Garden Inn



Farmstead Inn

### Distance from Shipshewana, IN

- Chicago: 2 hour drive
- Grand Rapids: 2 hour drive
- Detroit: 3 hour drive
- Indianapolis: 3 hour drive

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You're invited to visit us on a Media Fam Tour! Contact us today for story ideas and more!

Scan the QR codes to check out the specs of both trails at Pine Knob Park.



Mike Metz Fen Trail



Pine Knob Trail

### Learn More

Scan the QR code for more info.



## Shipshewana Visitor's Center

Your first stop is at the Official Amish Country Visitor's Center for local info, maps, tips, and coupon books!

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