



## 3-Day Amish Country Getaway for Couples

### Peaceful Escape to Shipshewana, Indiana

*Plan a relaxing romantic couples' getaway in Shipshewana's Amish Country. Perfect for couples looking to enjoy charming buggy rides, local shops with handcrafted goods, and peaceful countryside beauty.*

#### Day 1: Arrive and Soak Up Shipshewana's Small-Town Charm

##### » Welcome to Shipshewana!

Your couple's adventure begins at the **Shipshewana Visitors Center** for local tips and maps! Grab the **free** Off the Beaten Path audio driving tour plus a coupon book for sweet deals on gifts for each other.

##### » Sweet Treats.

Pick up freshly made donuts from the **Blue Gate Bakery**, a warm and toasty coffee at **Kitchen Cupboard**, and a bag of freshly popped popcorn to share at **Shipshewana Popcorn** (over 20 flavors to choose from) before exploring

##### » Leisurely Stroll & Shopping

Wander downtown's quaint streets filled with locally owned shops offering treasures, antiques, Amish-made goods, handcrafted furniture, local artisan goods, and one-of-a-kind gifts.

##### » Hoosier Hospitality Lodging

Settle into a charming countryside inn found at the **Blue Gate Garden Inn** or **Farmstead Inn** or a consider one of the many cozy **Airbnbs** or tiny homes for a more intimate setting with handcrafted touches.

##### » Evening Amish Dinner

Enjoy a hearty, homemade Amish-style dinner. Roast chicken, fresh vegetables, homemade noodles, and share a slice of freshly baked pie. Served daily at **Blue Gate Restaurant**, **Das Dutchman Essenhaus**, or inside an **Amish home**.



##### » Romantic Buggy Ride

End the evening and treat your loved one to a romantic night on a horsedrawn buggy ride. Cuddle up close and enjoy the sounds of hooves clapping down charming streets as the sun sets.

##### » Summer Optional Fun

Visit the weekly evening **Classic Car Cruise-in** at **Das Dutchman Essenhaus** (Thursdays seasonal, May-September)

##### » Stargaze and Snack.

After the sun sets, wind your evening down with a soak in your hotel hot tub or enjoy a night under the stars with an outdoor snack tray from **E & S Sales** or **Yoder's Meat & Cheese** after a peaceful first day in Amish Country.

## Day 2: Explore Amish Culture, Craftsmanship, and Cuisine

### » Morning: Country Breakfast & Bargain Hunting and Bidding at the Flea Market & Auction

Start your day with a deluxe breakfast served at your hotel or dine where the locals dine inside the **Country Corral**, **Auction Restaurant**, or **Corn Crib Café**.

Visit the Midwest's largest **Shipshewana Flea Market** (Tuesdays and Wednesdays, May-September) and **Antique Auction** (Wednesdays only, year-round) and stroll 700 individual businesses selling their wares along walkable gravel paths in a festive outdoor setting. Find locally made and national products from helpful vendors and locals. It's a bargain hunter's paradise combined with fun finds for everyone.

### » Afternoon: Amish Backroads Scenic Drive Off the Beaten Path

Explore the scenic backroads with the **free Off the Beaten Path Audio** Guided Tour and map. Choose your adventure and set off down a country road. The map is a guide, use it as needed. Tour an Amish dairy or animal farm, watch skilled artisans at work (woodworkers, weavers, leather makers), and learn about the history of each town and community along a 100-mile route. Discover Barn Quilts, peaceful county parks, and stunning photo ops along gravel roads and the rural countryside.

**Summer Optional Fun:** Explore Shipshewana's two new **Quilt Gardens** (May 30-September 15) for a blend of artistry and horticulture. Then take a tour of the 14 others throughout northern Indiana.

**Outdoor Couples Game Day:** Enjoy some friendly competitive fun with your loved one by playing a round of disc golf at **Delt Church Park**, a game of pickleball at **David Rogers Memorial Park**, or mini golf at **Lucy's Vedic Twist**, **Shipshewana Pizza & Mini Golf**, or the **Essenhaus Mini Golf** course.



### » Evening: Dining & a Show

Enjoy dinner at a relaxing and rustic restaurant in downtown LaGrange or Middlebury, both a short **10-minute drive** from your stay in Shipshewana. Featuring craft cocktails, smoked meats, specialty burgers, pizzas, steaks, and tasty sides to share.

Grab great seats for top name concerts, musicals, and fun entertainment at the **Blue Gate Performing Arts Center** or **Music Hall Theater**.

Return to your lodging for quiet conversation and relaxation, maybe fireside with a bowl of ice cream, donuts, popcorn, and tasty snacks from **Aunt Millie's Candy store**.

## Day 3: Savor the Slow Morning and Scenic Farewell

### » Morning/Afternoon: Sweet Treats & Trinkets for the Road

Sleep in and snuggle before enjoying a warm breakfast. Don't forget to indulge in locally made cinnamon rolls from **Country Lane Bakery** or the popular Amish "crack" (a cinnamon-sugar delight) donuts at **Rise & Roll Bakery**.

Check out the **Menno-Hof Amish Mennonite Interpretive Museum** for a deep dive to get your questions answered about the Anabaptist faith and history.

Head home feeling reconnected, renewed, and inspired by the quiet beauty of Amish Country.

For more information, trip planning tools and more stop by the Visitors Center -350 S Van Buren St. Shipshewana, IN

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