

Please join us for a ride on county roads to visit local places of interest and end at Almost Home restaurant in Greencastle. Allow five hours for driving and stops along the way.

Start at Fort Ouiatenon, leave at 12:30 PM.

Note: From US 231 and Indiana 25 head north to South River Road (next light) then, turn left, the park entrance will be a few miles on the left past the intersection with County Road 300 West.



Wabash River, Fort Ouiatenon

From the fort turn left onto South River Road. Continue west to County Road 700 West and turn left and cross over Granville Bridge. Turn right on County Road 300 South.



Peter Weaver House, West Point

You will go by the Peter Weaver house built in 1823. An early settler in Tippecanoe

County, Peter Weaver was one of the most widely and favorably known of all the early inhabitants. Weaver brought his family west in 1807, settling here on the great Wea Plain by 1822. The building of this two-story brick home, begun about 1823, was completed 1828. It became a favorite stopping place for early settlers, traders and travelers. Weaver was a 1st Lt. in the War of 1812 and a County Commissioner, 1830-1832. He died in 1863 at 89 years of age.

Turn right on Coolidge Road then, right on Turner Road then, right on County Road 1500 North then, right on Flint Road. Turn right on County Road 1400 North.



Meadow along the Wabash, Independence

In Riverside turn right on Cicott Road (County Road 500 East) and cross the Wabash River. At the stop sign turn left and head west on Independence Road. At Indiana 55 turn left and at US 41 turn left.

Just after going over the Norfolk Southern railroad bridge turn right onto River Road. Turn right on Monroe Street then, right after the bridge into a gravel parking lot for Williamsport Falls, 25 miles.



Williamsport Falls, highest in Indiana at 90 ft.

Turn left and cross bridge and turn right on Fall Street then right on Washington Street then left on Grant Street. About one mile turn left on County Road 100 East and head south. Turn right on County Road 650 North and head into the town of Fountain. Turn left on Washington Street and head southwest to Covington. At second stop sign continue across Indiana 136 and then left on Jefferson Street. Turn into Subway restaurant parking, 40 miles.

Leave by going right on 3rd Street, which becomes South River Road. Just past Wabash Chapel Road there is a wye intersection, go to the right on Towpath Road. Continue south, crossing Indiana 32 to Silver Island Road.



Coffing Brothers matching houses, Lodi

Turn left on Liberty Church Road, then right on Coffing Brothers Road and head south to the town of Lodi, 55 miles.

Coffing Brothers Orchard is one of the largest and oldest apple orchards in the state. Two identical brick houses built for JD Coffing and Homer Coffing are still standing at the orchard, and they are still being lived in today!

Road joins Indiana 234 into Lodi, take the first left on Monroe Street, head south, turn left on to County Road 1200 North.



W. H. York round barn, built in 1895, Lodi

Round barn will be on your right. Continue south and turn right on County Road 700 West, then left on County Road 1025 North. At Towpath Road you will make a jog to the right and left and be on County Road 1025 North. Turn right on County Road 425 West, then right on County Road 900 North, then left on County Road 525 West, finally at Towpath Road turn left and head south again.

Just after passing English Road on your left, there will be a barn very close to the road on the right, a few feet further turn left to visit West Union Covered Bridge, 67 miles.



West Union Covered Bridge, built 1876

Continue south and turn left on 10 O'clock Road and head southeast. Road becomes Strawberry Road. Continue into Rockville and turn right on US 41. We will stop at Burger King (US 36 & US 41), 76 miles.

Head east on Ohio Street (US 36). Turn right on Market Street and then left on High Street. After a couple blocks bear right on Bridgeton Road.

Continue south to County Road 600 South, then turn right on County Road 400 East, then left on East Valley Road. This becomes Mansfield Road. Cross over Indiana 59 into Mansfield, 88 miles.



Mansfield Mill, built 1839

Cross covered bridge on Martin Road, then right on County Road 775 East. Turn left on County Road 720 South. Just past County Road 1000 East road takes a sharp right, crosses a bridge, then stop with a sharp left. Road becomes County Road 75 South, then County Road 100 South, pavement does get rough.

Road becomes Walnut Street. At Indiana Street turn left and left again on Franklin Street. Across from courthouse is the Almost Home restaurant, 103 miles.



V1 rocket (buzz bomb), Greencastle

Return to Lafayette by taking US 231 north.

About five miles north of Greencastle is Brick Chapel.



United Methodist Church, Brick Chapel

Continue north through Fincastle, Parkersburg, Lapland, Crawfordsville, Cherry Grove, Linden, Romney, and Lafayette.

Auto Tour

to Greencastle



and Dinner at Almost Home

12:30 PM leave Fort Ouiatenon 39 minutes
 1:09 PM stop at Williamsport Falls for 15 minutes 24 minutes
 1:48 PM stop at Covington Subway for 15 minutes 48 minutes
 2:51 PM stop at West Union Bridge for 15 minutes 15 minutes
 3:21 PM stop at Rockville Burger King for 15 minutes 35 minutes
 4:31 PM stop at Mansfield Mill for 20 minutes 31 minutes
 5:22 PM stop at Almost Home

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Fort Ouiatenon built around 1720, was the first fortified European settlement in what is now called Indiana. It was a French trading post at the joining of the Tippecanoe River and the Wabash River located approximately three miles southwest of modern-day West Lafayette. The name 'Ouiatenon' is a French rendering of the name in the Wea language, waayaahatanonki, meaning 'place of the whirlpool'.

PETER WEAVER HOME. An early settler in Tippecanoe County, Peter Weaver was one of the most widely and favorably known of all the early inhabitants. Born in Virginia, 1774, he was married there to Martha Walker. Weaver brought his family west in 1807, settling first in Wayne Co., Indiana, then here on the great Wea Plain by 1822. The building of this two-story brick home, begun about 1823, was interrupted by Martha's death in 1825 and not completed until 1828. It became a favorite stopping place for early settlers, traders and travelers. Weaver was a 1st Lt. in the War of 1812 and a County Commissioner, 1830-1832. He died in 1863 at 89 years of age.

Williamsport Falls is a waterfall near the center of the town of Williamsport where Fall Creek flows over a sandstone ledge, in Warren County, Indiana. With a height of 90 feet, it is the highest free-falling waterfall in the state of Indiana.

Covington is a city located on the western edge of Fountain County, Indiana. The population was 2,645 at the 2010 census. The city is the county seat of Fountain County.

Lodi is an unincorporated town in Liberty Township, Parke County, Indiana, USA. Set on State Hwy 234, the most prominent feature is Waterman Baptist Church, which occupies a red brick building in the north-east corner of town. Just south of the town is one of the first round barns, the W. H. York Round Barn, which was built in 1895. The town owes its name to the Italian city of Lodi.

W. H. York Round Barn, is located on County Road 249 (County Road-249) half a mile south of Lodi, Indiana and was built in 1895. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

West Union Covered Bridge is north-northeast of Montezuma, Indiana. The two-span Burr Arch Truss covered bridge structure was built by Joseph J. Daniels in 1876. The bridge is 334 feet long, 17 feet wide, and 14.5 feet high. It is notable for being the longest standing covered bridge in Parke County, IN.

Treaty of Fort Wayne, sometimes called the Ten O'clock Line Treaty, comes from tradition that says the Native Americans did not trust the surveyors' equipment, so a spear was thrown down at ten o'clock and the shadow became the treaty line, is an 1809 treaty that obtained 3,000,000 acres of American Indian land for the white settlers of Illinois and Indiana. The tribes involved were the Delaware, Eel River, Miami tribe, and Potawatomi in the initial negotiations; later Kickapoo and the Wea, who were the primary inhabitants of the region being sold. The negotiations did not include the Shawnee who were minor

inhabitants of the area purchased and had been asked to leave the area previously by Miami War Chief Little Turtle. Governor William Henry Harrison negotiated the treaty with the tribes. The treaty led to a war with the United States began by Shawnee leader Tecumseh and other dissenting tribesmen in what came to be called "Tecumseh's War".

Rockville is a town in Adams Township, Parke County, Indiana, United States. The population was 2,607 at the 2010 census. The town is the county seat of Parke County. It is known as "The Covered Bridge Capital of the World".

Bridgeton, Indiana is a town in Raccoon Township, Parke County, Indiana, United States. The town is notable for its covered bridge, which was destroyed on April 28, 2005, by a fire set by an arsonist. A historically accurate reconstruction of the bridge was completed in October, 2006.

Mansfield Roller Mill or Mansfield Mill was a gristmill that was built in 1820 by James Kelsey and Francis Dickson and has always run on water power from Big Raccoon Creek. The original mill was a 30-foot (9.1 m) by 30-foot (9.1 m) log building.

According to legend, glacial stones from a nearby farm were used for grinding. In the mid-19th century a sash saw mill and a carding mill were added to the grist mill. The mill is a state historic site still in operation. The Mansfield Roller Mill in Parke County in the City of Mansfield, Indiana now runs by water turbine engines.

Greencastle is a city in Greencastle Township, Putnam County, Indiana, United States. It was founded in 1821 by Scots-Irish American Ephraim Dukes on a land grant. He named the settlement for his hometown of Greencastle, Pennsylvania. Greencastle was a village or town operating under authority of the Putnam County commissioners until March 9, 1849, when it became a town by special act of the local legislature. Greencastle, Indiana officially became a city after an election held on July 8, 1861. The city became the county seat of Putnam County. The population was 10,326 at the 2010 census. It is located near Interstate 70 between Terre Haute and Indianapolis in the west-central portion of the state.

Putnam County boasts one of only two WW II German Buzz Bombs in the U.S. This one was made into a WWII Memorial on the lawn of county courthouse. It has graced the courthouse lawn for well over half a century.