

Wintertime Fun

Richmond-Wayne County, Indiana

With a frosty nip in the air, winter is the perfect season to experience outdoor activities and tranquil nature scenes. Grab your winter gear, bundle up, and embrace winter for invigorating outdoor adventures including our annual ice festival. Once you're done playing outdoors, there's always a place to warm up inside. Whether you're seeking snow fun, peaceful winter hikes, or a cozy space to enjoy a mug of hot cocoa, you'll find all that and more this winter in Richmond and Wayne County, Indiana!

OVERNIGHT PACKAGES

Why not make Richmond/Wayne County a weekend getaway? We have bundled some of your favorite adventures and attractions with our welcoming lodging to make your winter excursion perfect. Plus, showing your lodging key card will entitle you to discounts to several attractions and restaurants. Check out our website for a listing of overnight packages: VisitRichmond.org/visitors/packages-coupons.

A Flurry of Snow Adventures

-)] Valley's Edge Snow Tubing, New Paris, OH - Bundle the kids (and yourself) up for the winter weather and head out for a day or evening of snow-filled fun. Scream in delight as you race down huge snowy slopes on inflatable tubes. Then ride the tow line back to the top for another run. Even when there's no snow on the ground, there's still snow at Valley's Edge as they'll be making the white stuff even when Mother Nature won't. Grab a spot by the bonfire to warm up in between runs! Check their website for hours: valleysedgesnowtubing.com
-)] Sledding on Roosevelt Hill - Spend a couple of hours with a smile on your face as you speed down Roosevelt Hill on your sled or inner tube at Richmond's Glen Miller Park.
-)] Snowshoeing - Did you know that snowshoeing is one of the oldest forms of transportation? Pack your snowshoes because there are several available scenic trails in Wayne County offering tranquil beauty of the winter season. Snowshoeing locations: Cardinal Greenway, Cope Environmental Center, and Hayes Arboretum.
-)] Cross Country Skiing - If you are a cross country skier, be sure to bring your skis long. The Cardinal Greenway offers a 62 mile well marked, un-groomed, path.

Outdoor Recreation & Frosty Hikes

-)] **Predator Zone** - Ready for some adrenaline pumping paintball? The Zone offers a Speedball Field (no air bunkers) and 16 acres of Woodsball Fields. Call to reserve play time/equipment, 765-966-7562.
-)] **Hayes Arboretum** - A little frosty weather is no excuse for going into hibernation. Grab the family and head out to the Arboretum. Here you'll find 3% of the state's old growth forest, several hiking trails and mountain biking. When there is snow on the ground, the Arboretum has snowshoes that you can borrow to enjoy the snowy tranquil trails.
-)] **Cope Environmental Center** - [Bird watching](#) is a favorite pastime here as well as hiking and exploring the 100 acres of wildlife habitats. Open Dawn to Dusk 7 days a week.
-)] **Cardinal Greenway** - Take a brisk walk on Indiana's longest paved trail system spanning 62 miles from Richmond to Marion. When there is a blanket of snow on the ground, the Cardinal Greenway is the perfect place to cross-county ski. So, don't forget to pack your skis. Here in Indiana, we can have a few mild temperature days, so why not take advantage of the warmer weather to bike the greenway. [No bike, no problem](#). Cycling and Fitness Warehouse offers FREE bike rental and is located across the street from the Greenway south trailhead entrance.



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Meltdown Winter Ice Festival - January 29 –31, 2021

-)] The Ice Festival is a sight to behold. Watch the ice fly as world renowned sculpture artists, including Richmond's own Master Ice Carver Andrew Thistlethwaite, use their polished skills and imagination to transform blocks of ice into awe-inspiring crystalline spectacles. Over 22 tons of ice will be intricately designed and sculpted into works of art. Downtown Richmond. richmondmeltdown.com

Cool Indoor Fun

-)] **Chocolate Trail** - Wayne County is one of the sweetest places you can explore! Yep, our free Chocolate Trail takes you to more than 10 stops including a candy factory, bakeries, ice cream parlor, Amish market, and winery.
-)] **Abbott's Candies Factory Tour** - Sweeten up your winter getaway with a tour of Abbott's Candies. Founded in the 1890s, Abbott's is famous for their mouthwatering handmade caramels and chocolates. Tours are Monday - Friday. Call 877-801-1200 to schedule a tour.
-)] **Indiana's Antique Alley** - Enjoy a weekend of meandering your way through eastern Indiana searching for antiques and collectibles. Beautiful historic Cambridge City is the hub of Antique Alley with more than 10 shops/malls within two city blocks.
-)] **Museums** - Follow footsteps to freedom at the [Levi and Catharine Coffin House & Interpretive Center](#) and learn how the Coffins' assisted more than 2,000 freedom seekers escape slavery. The [Richmond Art Museum](#) has been around since 1898 and their focus is on American art, particularly Hoosier. At the [Model T Museum](#), revel in a fine collection of Model T Fords from 1908-1927 including a vintage T garage, showroom, machine shop, and library. Stop by the [Wayne County Historical Museum](#) to soak up local and worldwide history including an Egyptian mummy and Egyptian room, early Richmond-made cars and an array of international collections. This is just a sampling of museums to visit in Wayne County. Please check our website for additional museums . . . VisitRichmond.org
-)] **Paint The Towne** - Shake off the winter cold and get your creative juices flowing at this interactive art studio: pottery, fluid art, mixed media, canvas painting and more.

Navigate a Scenic Drive or Trail

-)] **Historic National Road (U.S. 40)** - Embrace winter's calm as you journey along this National Scenic Byway discovering 200+ years of architecture, (rare architecture as well—1830s archways in Centerville), landmarks, interpretive panels that piece together the road's importance from the 1840s to the 1940s.
-)] **Murals Trail** - Creative energy abounds throughout Wayne County with more than 80 colorful murals woven along city streets that can be safely viewed from your car. Many of the murals are visible from blocks away!

Uncover Richmond/Wayne County's Culinary Gems

-)] Winter nights are well spent enjoying long conversations over leisurely dinners. Local restaurateurs take your dining experience seriously. Want to dine outside in an igloo? Then, head to the award-winning [Firehouse BBQ & Blues](#) for some of the best BBQ found in Indiana. Reserve your igloo by calling 765-488-0312. [The Cordial Cork Restaurant & Wine Bar](#) is Richmond's innovative foodie destination where creative entrees and modern culinary techniques take center stage. [The Old Richmond Inn and Galo's Italian Grill](#) are where the locals eat with both offering a warm and cozy dining atmosphere. [No 9 Grill](#) in Cambridge City specializes in sizzling steaks and burgers. Brrr. Looking for a hot drink to sip on to keep you warm? [Roscoe's Coffee Bar](#) is a local favorite with a cozy vibe and a multitude of flavorful hot beverages, beer and wine. For a full list of local dining establishments, visit our website: VisitRichmond.org

For a listing of additional activities, please visit our website



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