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# **CROSS THAT**

MAKE TIME TO...

# BRIDGE

There are approximately 125 historic wooden covered bridges in Ohio. Fairfield County has the most original covered bridges in the state with a total of 17!

Use the Fairfield County Covered Bridge Trail map to plan your route and enjoy a relaxing day of sightseeing as you discover each of our bridges.

Go to VisitFairfieldCounty.org/CoveredBridges for detailed information on each bridge.

#### SHARE YOUR DISCOVERIES

We would love to see pictures from your Fairfield County bridge adventures! As you post your photos to your favorite social media channels, be sure to tag us @VisitFairfieldCounty and use #VisitFC and #FCBridgeLove.





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#### CHARLES HOLLIDAY BRIDGE

2905 Chautauqua Blvd. Millersport, OH 43046

- The last covered bridge standing in Walnut Township
- 96 feet long with a multiple Kingpost truss system
- Reconstructed in 1982 at its current location on the Millersport Lions Club Sweet Corn Festival grounds

#### GEORGE HUTCHINS BRIDGE

2805 Old Logan Rd. SE Lancaster, OH 43130



- Features multiple Kingpost construction and was built on one of the county's first platted roads
- Reconstructed at Alley Park for the Fairfield County Bicentennial Celebration in 2000



## HANAWAY BRIDGE

(AKA HANNAWAY BRIDGE)

7636 Clearport Rd. SW Lancaster, OH 43130

- Has a length of 86 feet and is one of seven bridges that once spanned Clear Creek
- Restored in 1996 and again in 2017, this is one of only four bridges still resting on its original abutments

# HARTMAN #2 BRIDGE

5895 Pickerington Rd. NW Carroll, OH 43112



- It features Queenpost trusses and has a 48' length
- The bridge was moved in 1967 to its current location between Ohio & Erie Canal Locks 11 and 12 South in Lockville Park, the site of the longest series of intact canal locks in the state

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#### HIZEY BRIDGE

(private property)

12549 Tollgate Rd. Pickerington, OH 43147

- Although it can be seen from the road, it is located on private property
- Built by J.W. Buchanan, it originally spanned Poplar Creek and was a popular subject for photographers and artists

# JOHN BRIGHT #2 BRIDGE

1570 Granville Pike Lancaster, OH 43130



- Built by Augustus Borneman & Sons, it features a rare reverse bow string truss system
- Serves as the gateway to Lancaster Festival concerts at Ohio University



# JOHNSTON BRIDGE

BUILT: UNKNOWN

BUILT: 1875

(AKA JOHNSON BRIDGE)

2260 McDonald Rd. Lancaster, OH 43130

- It features Howe trusses and double canopies, and is 98 feet long
- Bridge was sold with an extended warranty
- Spans Clear Creek in its original location and rests on its original abutments

## JOHN RAAB BRIDGE

(private property)

5695 Ireland Rd. Lancaster, OH 43130



- On private property; please obtain permission to explore the bridge
- Built with a rare Burr Queenpost truss system



#### MAE HUMMEL BRIDGE

4065 Sullivan Rd. Sugar Grove, OH 43155

- One of only two bridges in the county built with the patented Smith truss system
- Because of extreme decay, a much shorter bridge was made from salvaged materials from the original bridge

Fairfield County Parks have temporarily closed access to this park and bridge.



## MCCLEERY BRIDGE

Arbor Valley Dr. Lancaster, OH 43130

- Preserved by the Walter family
- · First bridge built by the region's most prolific bridge builder, Jacob Brandt
- · Now spans Fetters Run and is a popular spot on the Lancaster bike path

#### MINK HOLLOW BRIDGE

2340 Meister Rd. SW Lancaster, OH 43130



- Built by Jacob 'Blue Jeans' Brandt, it rests on its original abutments
- Roof shows a decided camber (upward curve) in its framework
- Historians petitioned to change its name to: Mink Hollow Covered Bridge over Arney Run in Oil Mill Hollow Near Borcher's Mill



#### R.F. BAKER BRIDGE

(AKA WINEGARDNER BRIDGE)

6675 Cinci.-Zanes. Rd. NE Lancaster, OH 43130 1871

- · Built by James Arnold and spanned Rush Creek
- In 1981, the bridge was reconstructed behind Fairfield Union School facilities as a special student project.
- At 80 feet long, it is one of the county's best examples of a true "kissing bridge"

# ROCK MILL BRIDGE

1429 Rockmill Place NW Lancaster, OH 43130



- Rests on its original abutments 30 feet above the Hocking River gorge
- Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the bridge is next to the fully restored 1824 grist mill Rock Mill
- This is one of the last remaining mill and covered bridge combinations in the nation
- At one time, every U.S. Embassy in the world displayed a photo of Rock Mill Bridge



#### SHADE BRIDGE

4065 Sullivan Rd. Sugar Grove, OH 43155

- Built with a Burr Arch Truss system, this bridge originally spanned Walnut Creek
- In 1980, the 128-foot-long bridge was moved to Sugar Grove and had a metal roof and pieces of siding installed to help preserve the bridge

Fairfield County Parks have temporarily closed access to this park and bridge.

## SHRYER BRIDGE

(AKA SHREYER BRIDGE) (private property)

4730 Basil-Western Rd. NW Baltimore, OH 43105



- Once located at the entrance of the Fairfield Fish & Game Farm, it was also called the Game Farm Bridge
- Built on a decided skew; the north side extends several feet farther west on the west end, and the south side extends several feet farther east on the east end of the span
- It was reconstructed in 1987, painted barn red, and is easily seen from the road



#### STEMEN HOUSE BRIDGE (AKA ESTATE BRIDGE)

11892 Woodbridge Lane Baltimore, OH 43105

- Originally 72 feet long, it was shortened to 36 feet during reconstruction because of damage and decay
- Only covered bridge in the county that is open to vehicular traffic

#### ZELLER-SMITH BRIDGE

100 Lockville Rd Pickerington, OH 43137



- Moved to Sycamore Creek Park in 1986, it serves as the gateway to the park's arboretum
- During reconstruction, it was changed from a multiple Kingpost with arch truss system to a Queenpost style

Historical information verified by the Fairfield County Engineer's Office