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# Welcome to Ohio's Best Hometown



In 2023, Lancaster, Ohio, was recognized as a Best Hometown by Ohio Magazine, solidifying the city as a great place to live, work, and visit. The city, which features the charm of a small town but the amenities of a metropolis, was founded in 1800 and its history continues to be celebrated to this day. In the vibrant downtown,

you'll be greeted by stunning homes and mansions in the **Square 13 Historic District**, which is only a block away from casual upscale restaurants, boutique and antique shops, cozy cafes, and live entertainment at the bandstand.

Museums are also abundant throughout the area with artful exhibits at the **Ohio Glass Museum**, **Decorative Arts Center of Ohio**, and **Gay Fad Studios Glass Museum** – or historical exhibits at the **Georgian and Sherman House** museums. Around every corner, there is something new to discover or experience! Of course, there's more to Lancaster than its idyllic downtown; known as the "Gateway to Hocking Hills," the region is nestled between these iconic natural landscapes and the fast pace of the state's capital city. Lancaster boasts 29 city parks and 10 county parks, providing ample opportunity to enjoy the outdoors by hiking, biking, fishing, and more!

The city also hosts a variety of annual events (see page 21) for all audiences. Whether you want to enjoy a free movie in the square at **Saturday Cinema**, experience art and live music at the **Lancaster Festival**, sample craft beers from all over Ohio at **Lancaster BrewFest**, or experience the magic of **Wands & Wizards Weekend**, there is something for everyone in Lancaster. Also, you won't want to miss signature events like the NYE street party, **Glass Town Countdown**, or the midcentury barware show, **Bottoms Up**, which both celebrate the city's rich heritage as a glass town. *Visit Fairfield County* invites you to the region to see for yourself why Lancaster is Ohio's Best Hometown. Be sure to stop by the visitor center at 128 N. Broad Street to learn more about this great destination and all it has to offer!



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- Fourth of July Celebration — July 4
- Lancaster Festival Fair Day — July 20
- Eastern Woodland Native American Celebration — August 3 & 4
- Fairfield Co. Antique Tractor Club Show — August 16, 17, 18
- Mt. Pleasant Shoot Out — Truck & Tractor Pull — August 24
- Glass City Show Down - Goat Show - August 24
- First Annual Randy Lee Memorial Swine Show - September 7
- Fall at the Round Barn — September 13 & 14
- Freedom's Never Free — October 31 — November 2
- United Way 5K - November 9
- Holiday Parade - November 16
- Festival of Lights — Thanksgiving through Christmas
- Holiday Craft Show - November 30



## The 174th Fairfield County Fair - Oct. 6-12, 2024

- Sunday, October 6, 2:00 p.m. — Donkey Dash and Mule Race
- Monday, October 7, 7:00 p.m. — NTPA Pull
- Tuesday, October 8, 7:30 p.m. — A-Bar Rodeo
- Wednesday, October 9, 1:00 p.m. — Harness Races  
7:00 p.m. — Truck & Tractor Pull
- Thursday, October 10, 1:30 p.m. — Harness Races  
7:30 p.m. — Combine Demolition Derby
- Friday, October 11, 7:30 p.m. — Smash-It Demolition Derby
- Saturday, October 12, 7:30 p.m. — Smash-It Demolition Derby



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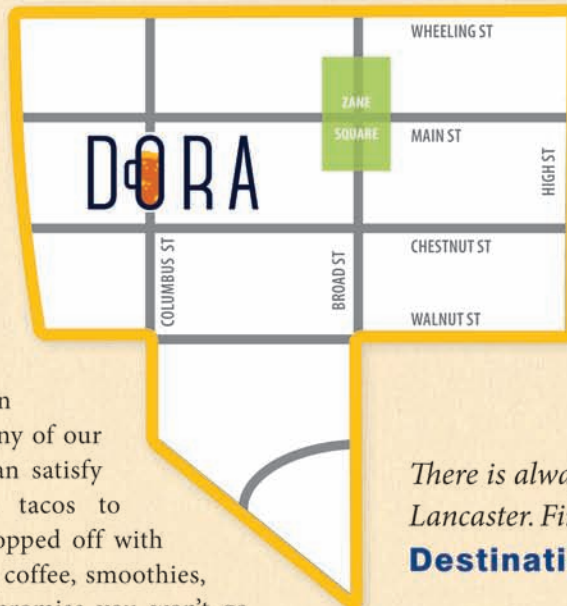
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Downtown Lancaster is the perfect destination for shopping, dining, entertainment, and spa services. Historic Downtown Lancaster boasts a variety of cultural amenities with plenty of green space, public art, and museums within a walkable ten-block radius.

Compact and rich in historic architecture, walk the tree-lined streets and discover the beauty of the Square 13 Historic District while taking advantage of the Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA). You can stroll with your refreshments from any one of the fourteen liquor license holders including Double Edge, our terrific hometown brewery, within the DORA. at any of our fourteen unique eateries that can satisfy any gastronomic whim from tacos to steaks, vegan to barbeque, all topped off with scrumptious pastries, ice cream, coffee, smoothies, and gluten-free delicacies. We promise you won't go away hungry!



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# Across the County

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Situated just 30 minutes from Columbus and Hocking Hills, Fairfield County is a destination in central Ohio spanning over 500 square miles. Across its communities, you'll find historic downtowns, charming villages, and lakefront neighborhoods, each with its own distinct character and charm.

## LANCASTER

As one of Ohio Magazine's *Best Hometowns*, you're sure to find the perfect spots to live, work, or play in the heart of Fairfield County. Widely known as the *Gateway to the Hocking Hills*, Lancaster holds natural beauty, a vibrant downtown, historical significance, and so much more. **Charles Alley Memorial Park** is a must-see, offering two lakes, a nature center, a covered bridge, and miles of hiking and walking trails. Downtown Lancaster features a wealth of locally-owned businesses and restaurants, like **Keller Market House** and **O'Huids Gaelic Pub**. While in the area, grab lunch from **Provisions Bakery & Deli** and dessert at **Whit's Frozen Custard**, check out the many museums highlighting everything from art, to glass, to Civil War history. Many of these museums, including the **Sherman House**, **Georgian Museum**, and **Decorative Arts Center of Ohio**, are part of the **Square 13 Historic District**, which showcases exquisite, stylistic architecture. Of course, a trip to Lancaster isn't complete without a quick hike to the top of **Mt. Pleasant** in **Rising Park**, where you can overlook the entire city and on clear days, even see the Columbus skyline!

## PICKERINGTON

Pickerington, a diverse suburban community on the east side of Columbus, is a true foodie haven not far from the big city. Find your next favorite dinner spot at local restaurants like **Hangry City Grille & Spirits** or **Omezzo Italian**. Or, try one of the many eclectic restaurants that can satisfy any palette, like the **Jhapali Kitchen and Bar** or **Twinado Kitchen's Jerk Shack**. Also offering a vibrant downtown area, Pickerington frequently hosts shop hops and other special events, like the annual **Oktoberfest**, **Cruise & Brews**, **Pet Fest**, **Wizard Faire**, and the **Holiday Gathering**. Browse shops, boutiques, or grab a pint at **Combustion Brewery & Taproom**. If craft brews aren't your style, you can stop by **Sorso Coffee** or **Porters Coffeehouse & Bakery** locations to get a cup of joe to go, or **FiiZ Drinks** for specialty beverages and snacks. Explore fun for the whole family – including an arcade and bowling alley at **Rule 3**, parks, a weekly farmers market, the **American Motorcycle Association Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum**, and more.

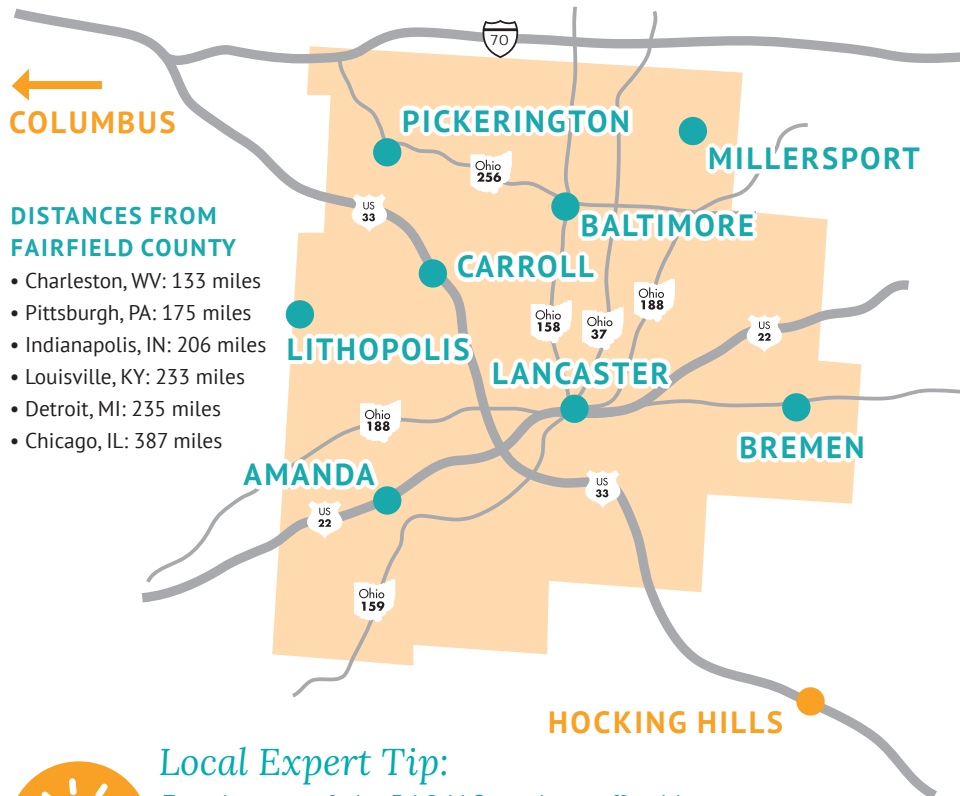


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## MILLERSPORT (BUCKEYE LAKE)

Escape to the lake in Millersport, Ohio! If you're looking for your next favorite coffee spot like **Millersport Coffee**, or the best place to grab a relaxing crafted cocktail after a fun day on the water like the **Hereinafter Cocktail Tavern**, Millersport has it all. This lively lake town is also the perfect spot to indulge in a sweet scoop from **Weldon's Ice Cream Factory**, located right along the canal. Specializing in outdoor recreation equipment, **LakeBound Outfitters** has all your lake day needs, from kayak rentals to fishing poles, camping gear, and more. Millersport is also home to the annual **Sweet Corn Festival**, a great location to spend a getaway on the lake, and the ideal spot to shop at local businesses like **Buckeye Lake Place** or **Millersport Flowers**.

Explore Fairfield County's other unique villages like **Amanda** to grab a sweet treat from **Clearcreek Cakes and Bakes** and visit the **Amanda Roller Rink** for a family-fun throwback. Satisfy all your caffeine cravings with **Juniper + Ivy** in **Baltimore**, or grab a cone from **Schaffner's Drive-In**, and make sure to visit the **Baltimore Festival** every August for live entertainment, games and rides, a cruise-in, and more. If you're hiking in the Hocking Hills, journey to **Bremen** for a bite from **Rushcreek Pub & Grub** and explore the community museum that features the **Mericle Pioneer Room**. **Carroll**, another village known for its charm, offers exciting things to do and see, including the **Ohio & Erie Canal Historical Mural** and **Antiques on High**, which features high-quality antiques and vintage motorcycles! After, grab a hot slice from local staple, **Shirky's Pizza Zone** or wings, salads, burgers and more at the **Fillin' Station**. Travel back in time with the picturesque **Wagnalls Memorial Library** in **Lithopolis** and don't miss the annual **Honeyfest** celebration every September. This unique event offers live music, crafts, vendors, contests, and of course, lots of honeybees!



- DISTANCES FROM FAIRFIELD COUNTY**
- Charleston, WV: 133 miles
  - Pittsburgh, PA: 175 miles
  - Indianapolis, IN: 206 miles
  - Louisville, KY: 233 miles
  - Detroit, MI: 235 miles
  - Chicago, IL: 387 miles



### Local Expert Tip:

To explore more of what Fairfield County has to offer, visit us in October when we host the Trail of Scarecrows. This annual, county-wide event will take you to other communities like Sugar Grove, Pleasantville, Rushville, West Rushville, and Thurston!




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### LAND.

Find more outdoor adventure with **3XP Tours** which includes biking along the shore, kayaking across the lake, and ending with a refreshing drink at a local pub or restaurant afterward! Other outdoor opportunities include biking along the **4-mile shoreline path**, walking trails, exploring **Brooks Park**, swimming at **Fairfield Beach** or **Crystal Beach**, year-round fishing, and the best birding spots in central Ohio.

Take a quick break from the lake and shop locally at the businesses in Fairfield, Licking, and Perry Counties, including **Melissa & Patti's Unique Finds, Oak Creations, Buckeye Lake Place, and The Yellow Sundress Resale Boutique**.

### LEISURE.

Buckeye Lake's food scene is continuously growing! Start your lake day adventure with a pick-me-up from **Buckeye Lake Coffee Company, Millersport Coffee, or Coffee Shack Coffee Roasters & Cafe**. For lunch or dinner, indulge in delicious cuisine at the **Blue Heron Kitchen & Pub** or a gourmet burger from **Horvath's Harbor**. Grab a drink and enjoy beautiful sunsets at the **Buckeye Lake Winery**, a craft brew from the **Buckeye Lake Brewery**, or a relaxing cocktail from the **Hereinafter Cocktail Tavern**. To satisfy your sweet tooth, stop by **Weldon's Ice Cream Factory, Hank & Stella's Olde-Fashioned Frozen Custard, Dips on the Lake, or Dockside Donuts**.



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## ANNUAL EVENTS

**May** - Pirate Fest (5/18)

**June** - Wine & Woodies Antique & Classic Boat Show (6/15)

**July** - Buckeye Lake Area Star Spangled Tradition (BLASST) (7/3),  
4th of July Boat Parade (7/4)

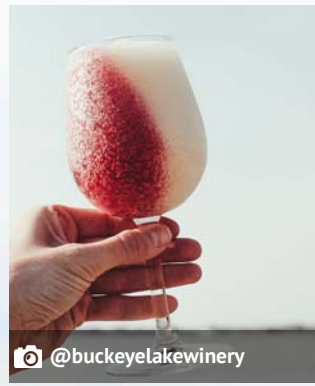
**August** - Buckeye Lake Pub Paddle 8/10

Buckeye Lake Tour of Homes (8/11)

Tour de Buckeye Lake (8/17), Millersport Sweet Corn Festival (8/28-8/30)

Thornville Backwoods Fest (8/20-8/22)

**January** - Winterfest (1/25/25), Polar Plunge (1/26/25)



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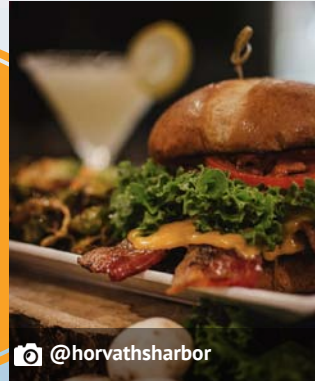


### Local Expert Tip:

For more information, check out [EscapeToBuckeyeLake.com](https://www.escapetobuckeyelake.com), download the mobile app, sign up for the monthly newsletter and follow along on Facebook & Instagram (@EscapeToBuckeyeLake)!



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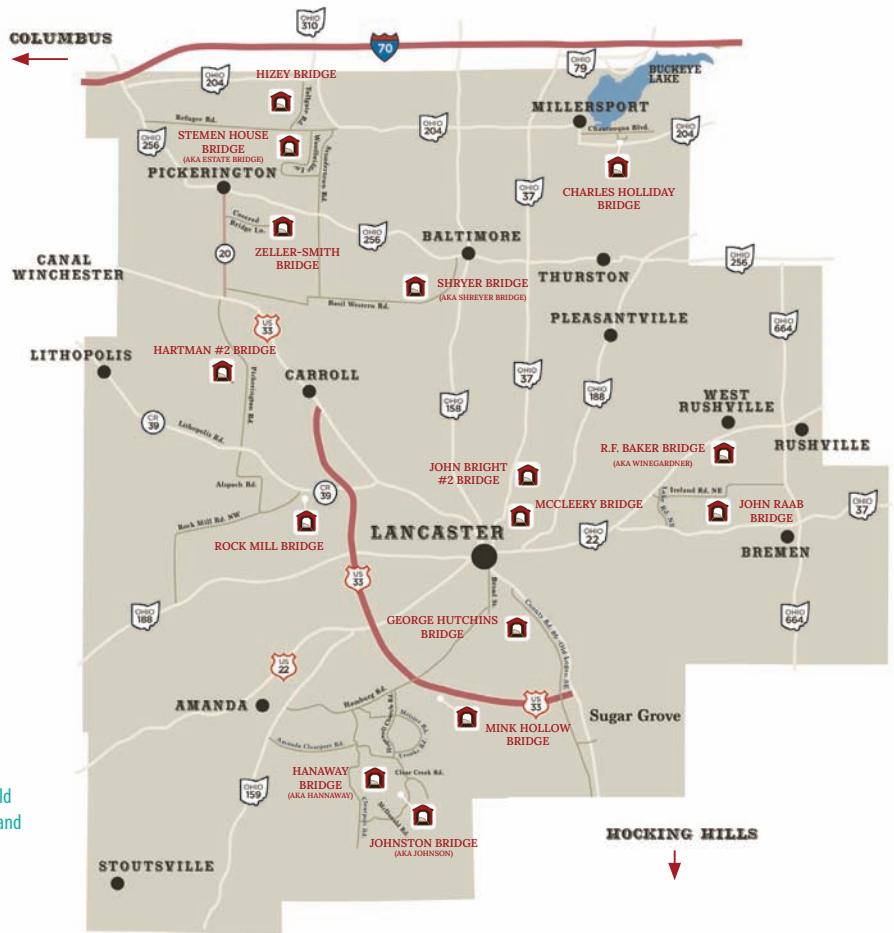




# Covered Bridge Trail



In Ohio, there are approximately 125 historic covered bridges, but did you know that Fairfield County has the most original covered bridges in the whole state? Use the map below to explore our 15 covered bridges and enjoy a relaxing day of sightseeing across our beautiful county!



## Local Expert Tip:

Check out several covered bridge models at the Fairfield County Visitor Center at 128 N. Broad Street, Lancaster, and grab a Covered Bridge Trail Guide to start exploring.



VISIT ALL 15 COVERED BRIDGES

## Rock Mill Days

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- Mambourg Park
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- Smeck Park
- Stebelton Park at Rock Mill
- Stonewall Cemetery Park
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- Zeller Park

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# Pints & Pinot

Whether you prefer grains or grapes, Fairfield County offers a wide blend of settings from downtown, to rural, or lakeside. Enjoy tasty craft beer in rustic taprooms or a refreshing glass of pinot made from Ohio and California-grown grapes on the rolling countryside.

## BREWERIES

Grab a Route 33 Brew Trail passport at any brewery and earn a stamp for each visit. Then, redeem your completed passport for merch!

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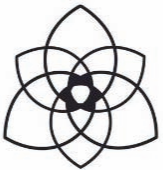


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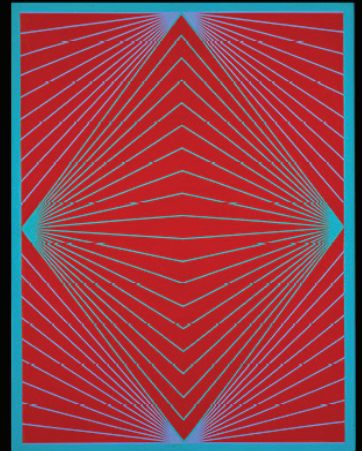
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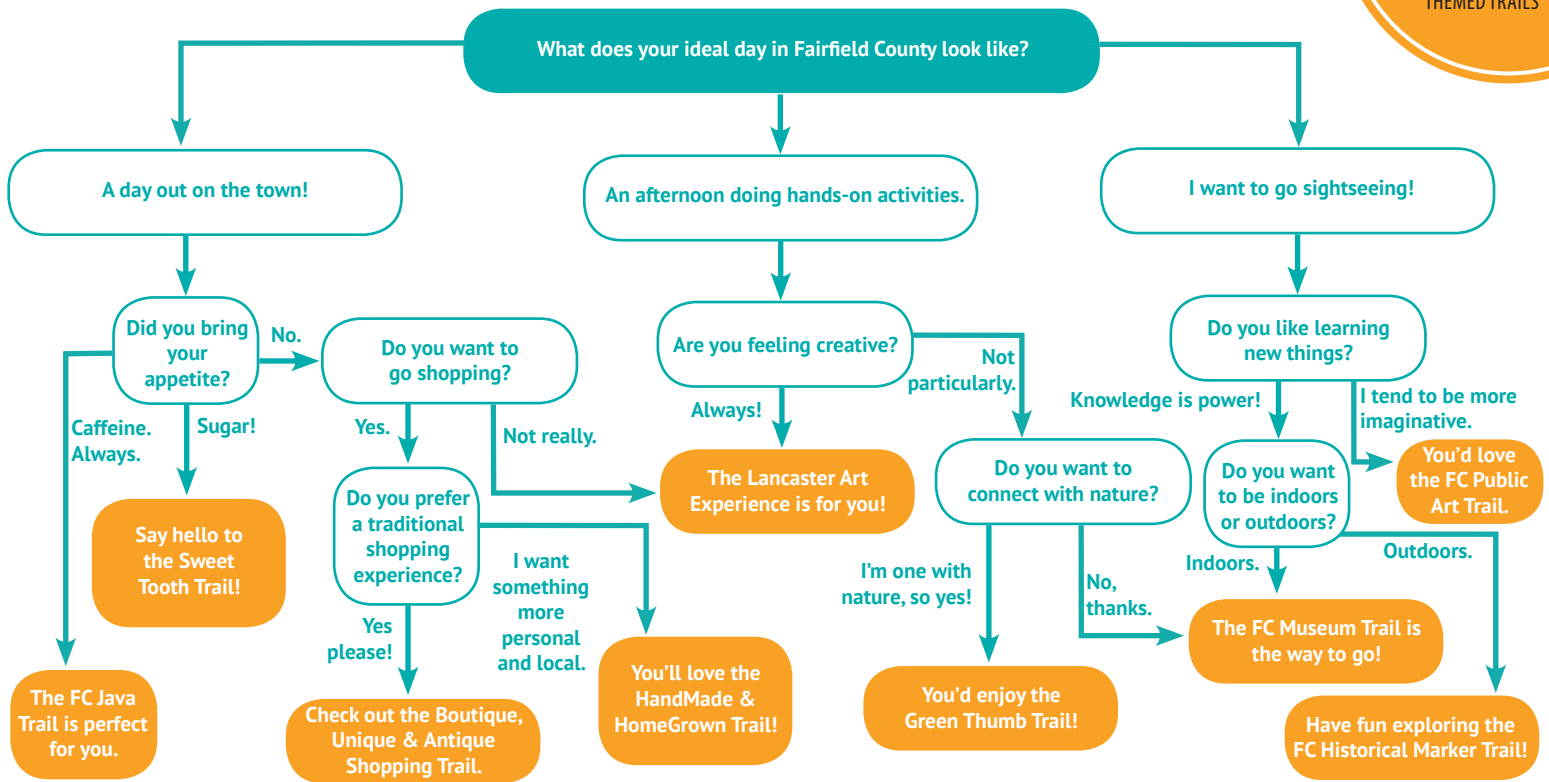


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# Fairfield County Event Calendar

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## SPRING EVENTS

### MARCH

#### Maple Tapping Festival

**March 9**  
**LancasterParks.com**  
Visit the log cabin to learn about the history of maple tapping in America, then stop by the sugar shack and see the evaporator in action as it cooks down the sap to make maple syrup. A pancake breakfast will be held at the nature center.

### APRIL

#### Spring at the Round Barn

**April 26 - 27**  
Join Vintage & Made Market for a fun, fresh, spring market filled with 150+ talented modern makers, purveyors of authentic vintage finds, mobile clothing boutiques, designers, growers, and bakers gathered from all across the Midwest.

### MAY-AUGUST

#### Friday Night Bandstand

**May 31 - August 9**  
**LancasterParks.com**  
Bring a lawn chair and your favorite dance partner to downtown Lancaster every Friday evening for great music, food trucks and family fun at these free concerts.

## SUMMER EVENTS

### JUNE

#### Spring Festival Car Show

**June 1 - 2**  
Visit the Fairfield County Fairgrounds for the 60th Annual Spring Festival Car Show by the Lancaster Old Car Club. Don't miss the fun festivities like the swap meet, 50/50 drawing, craft vendors, and more!

#### Bottoms Up

**June 21 - 23**  
**GayFadStudios.com**  
Bottoms Up is the nation's first event dedicated to the celebration of midcentury barware culture, focusing on Ohio's glass history that spans over 100 years. Experience a weekend of vendors, cocktail classes, museum exhibits, local business specials and events, live music, and of course, barware!

#### The Great Race

**June 23**  
**GreatRace.com**  
Join the 2024 Hemmings Motor News Great Race, the #1 Vintage Rally, in Lancaster! Starting in Owensboro, Kentucky, and ending in Gardiner, Maine, enjoy unique and retro autos as they make their way through Ohio's Best Hometown. The public will be able to visit with the participants and view the cars from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

### JULY

#### Picktown Palooza

**July 11 - 13**  
**PicktownPalooza.org**  
This 3-day celebration offers a national entertainment line-up, carnival rides, food vendors, Freedom 5k and kids' fun run, a car & bike show, and plenty of fun for the whole family.

#### Lancaster Festival

**July 18 - 27**  
**LancasterFestival.org**  
Explore the 40th anniversary of the Lancaster Festival for a wide variety of art and artists, concerts, and entertaining public programs in venues throughout the community during this 10-day annual celebration.

#### ArtWalk

**July 19**  
Experience downtown Lancaster's most popular night! Stroll through the beautiful historic area and enjoy the juried exhibitions of local and regional artists in over 30 downtown locations. Enjoy live music on stage, in business locations, and with talented street performers.

### AUGUST

#### Baltimore Festival

**August 1 - 3**  
**BaltimoreFestival.org**  
The Baltimore Festival is an annual event featuring live entertainment, rides, lots of food, pageants, and more.

#### Wands & Wizards

**August 8 - 10**  
**VisitFairfieldCounty.org**  
During this magical weekend, businesses and organizations across the county celebrate all things enchanting and mystical with specials and events.

#### Lancaster Brewfest

**August 17**  
**LancasterBrewfest.com**  
Sample an assortment of Ohio's best fresh craft beer, and enjoy live music, trivia, and other fun activities.

#### Tour de Buckeye Lake

**August 17**  
**BikeBuckeyeLake.org**  
Join your friends for this cool bike ride around the lake! Choose a route beginning and ending at the Millersport Sweet Corn Festival grounds in Millersport. Cool off after the ride with craft beer, delicious BBQ, and great live music on the outdoor stage.

## FALL EVENTS

### SEPTEMBER

#### Corvette Gathering

**September 8**  
**CorvettesOfLancaster.com**  
Admire beautiful corvettes from across the region on the streets of downtown Lancaster during the largest Corvette show in Ohio, with music, food, a silent auction, door prizes, and more.

#### Millersport Sweet Corn Festival

**September 28 - 31**  
**SweetCornFest.com**  
This celebration of the harvest season features rides, concerts, parades, tractor pulls, a 5K, games, daily prize drawings, and of course, corn!

#### Lithopolis Honeyfest

**September 6 - 7**  
**LithopolisHoneyfest.com**  
Along with honey extractions, hive inspections, and honeybee information, there's live entertainment, arts & crafts vendors, kids' activities, and delicious treats.

#### Fall at the Round Barn

**September 13 - 14**  
**TheVintageAndMadeMarket.com**  
A family-friendly market filled with 125+ talented modern makers, purveyors of authentic vintage finds, mobile clothing boutiques, designers, growers & bakers gathered from all across the Midwest.

#### Frontier Spirit

**September 28 - 29**  
**FrontierSpirit.org**  
Come and experience the trials and tribulations that the first settlers in the Ohio Territory endured as they fought for and carved out a home. Frontier Spirit 1799 showcases the events and lives of these settlers featuring characters from early Fairfield County.

#### Oktoberfest

**September 27 - 28**  
**PickeringtonVillage.com**  
Held at Combustion Brewery & Taproom in partnership with the Pickerington Village Association, this outdoor, family-friendly event offers a morning Beer-Mile race, live music, games & outdoor activities, food trucks, cool costumes, and craft beer.

#### Sims Fall Festival

**September 27 - 28**  
**SimsFallFestival.com**  
Spend a cool fall day at the Sims Farm with a myriad of vendors, pumpkins, art, fireworks, mums, and more!

### OCTOBER

#### Trail of Scarecrows

**October 1 - 31**  
**VisitFairfieldCounty.org/Trail-of-Scarecrows**  
Admire scarecrows in all shapes, sizes, and themes during this annual month-long event. Search for the 250+ scarecrows and vote for your favorite in each community!

#### Days of Knights

**October 5 - 6**  
**TheDaysOfKnights.com**  
Explore the Middle Ages in the living history encampment. Passionate reenactors share their knowledge, and historical accuracy is stressed historical accuracy is stressed.

#### Fairfield County Fair

**October 6 - 12**  
**FairfieldCountyFair.org**  
Ohio's "last and best" county fair is your final chance to enjoy tasty fair food, jump on some rides, and be thoroughly entertained.

### OCTOBER-NOVEMBER

#### Freedom's Never Free

**October 31 - November 2**  
**FreedomNeverFree.com**  
This celebration honors our veterans, military, and first responders with a traveling memorial wall, USO dance, inspirational speeches, and more.

## WINTER EVENTS

### DECEMBER

#### Advent Window Walk

**December 1 - January 2**  
**VisitFairfieldCounty.org/listing/advent-window-walk/**  
A self-guided advent calendar in residential downtown Lancaster. For each night of December, a historic home will reveal a festive design in a newly decorated window.

#### Glass Town Countdown

**NYE Party**  
**December 31**  
**VisitFairfieldCounty.org**  
Join us in downtown Lancaster for food & drinks, fun activities, and a street party before the giant glass globe is lit and lifted high above Zane Square to ring in the New Year!

### JANUARY

#### Buckeye Lake Winterfest

**January 25**  
**facebook.com/BuckeyeLakeWinterfest**  
This annual celebration combines a prediction of spring's arrival with early morning fireworks, live music, food and shopping specials, an art show, a Polar Plunge, and more at locations around the lake.

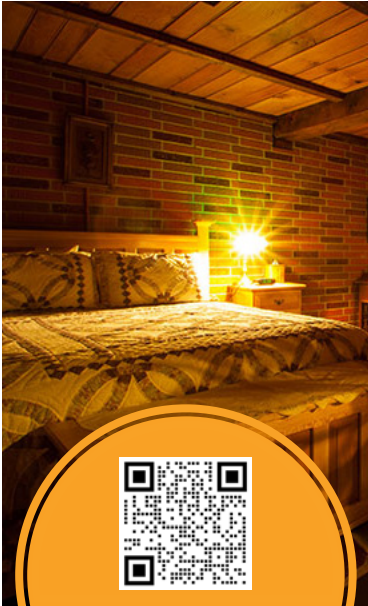


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