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Ziplining

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<https://www.hockinghillscanopytours.com/>

Hours of Operation: Mid-March through November. During the months of June - October, we are open 7 days a week.

0-70 feet off the ground!

~\$110/person (M-Th)

~\$130/person (Fri-Sun)

What are the qualifications to zip?

- Participants must weigh between 70 and 250 pounds. Please note: Due to weight restrictions related to our outdoor activities, all participants will be weighed at check-in, on a discreet, one way scale.
- The minimum age is 10 years old. Children between the ages of 10 - 15 must be accompanied by an adult, but must be able to participate independently of the adult.
- A responsible adult must be on the grounds for all participants under the age of 15.
- Every participant must sign a Waiver and Release Form.
- Participants under the age of 18 must have a signed waiver by a parent or legal guardian. If the signer is not present, a photocopy of the signer's drivers license must accompany the signed waiver.
- Closed-toe shoes are required.
- Our activities are designed for use by participants of average mobility and strength, and who are in reasonably good health.
- No one under the influence of alcohol, illegal drugs, or impairing legal drugs, will be allowed to participate in the tour.
- No pregnant women will be allowed to participate in the tour.
- Hocking Hills Canopy Tours reserves the right to exclude anyone from participation for medical, safety, or other reasons.

What should I wear?

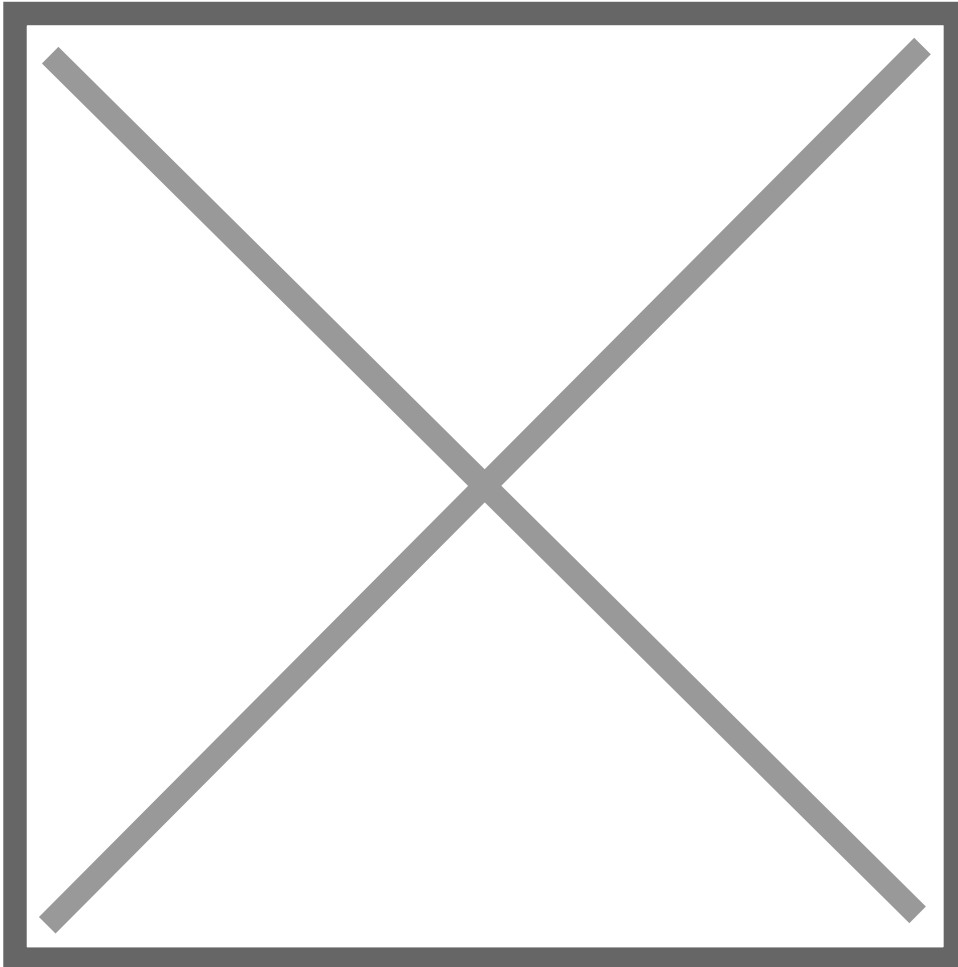
You will need to wear closed-toe shoes. Wear comfortable clothing, but please avoid loose clothing (no scarves, etc.). Long hair needs to be tied back. Women should not wear skirts. Dress for the weather forecasted. We do operate in the rain, so please be prepared. Please do not wear any dangling jewelry. Also, please remove all things from your pockets, such as cell phones and wallets.

We do have a secure place to store your valuables, but we prefer that you leave valuables at home or locked in your car. Hocking Hills Canopy Tours is not responsible for property lost, damaged, or stolen during your tour.

Guided Tours

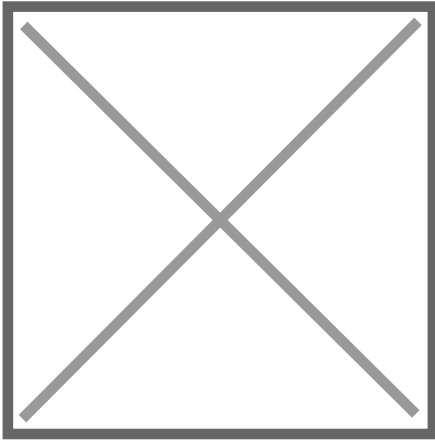
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Guided Tours Galore!



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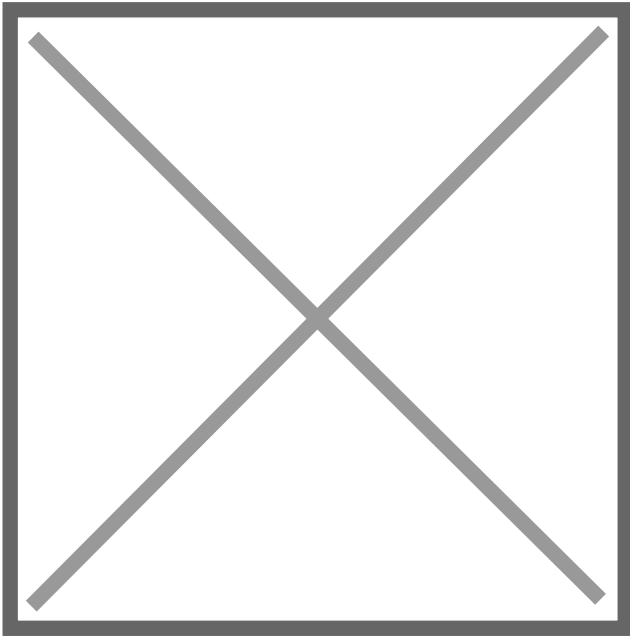
Nestled in the heart of Ohio, Hocking Hills is a breathtaking destination known for its stunning landscapes, lush forests, and enchanting waterfalls. For those looking to immerse themselves in nature while gaining insights from experienced guides, Hocking Hills offers a variety of guided tours that cater to all interests and adventure levels. Here's a rundown of the best-guided tour options available in Hocking Hills.



1. [Hocking Hills Canopy Tours](#)

Experience the thrill of zip-lining through the treetops with Hocking Hills Canopy Tours. This adventure offers several tour options, including:

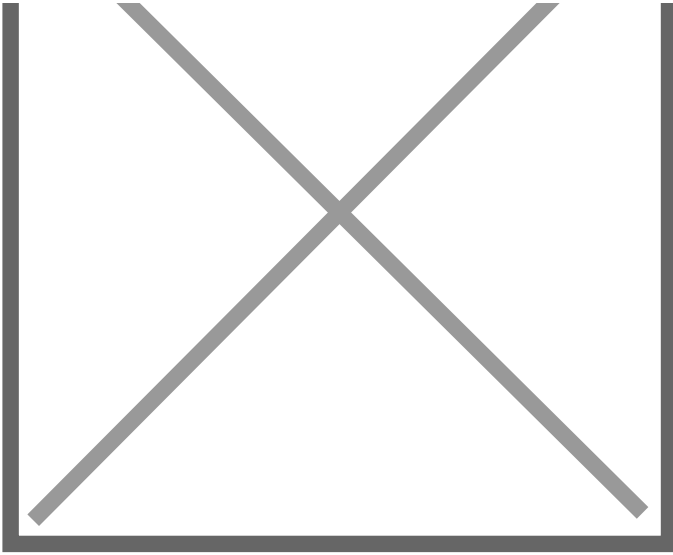
- Original Canopy Tour: A three-hour zip line experience with ten zip lines, five sky bridges, and a rappel.
 - X-Tour: A more extreme version of the canopy tour with higher, longer, and faster zip lines.
 - Dragonfly Tour: Specifically designed for families with children, this tour offers a milder but equally exciting adventure.
 - The Rockbridge Encounter: As the name implies, Rockbridge is a natural geological bridge formed by time, sand, and water. It is among the most spectacular formations in the Hocking Hills and is 100 feet long, making it the largest natural rock bridge in Ohio. This interpretive guided adventure begins and ends with an open-air, 1.5-mile scenic nature drive. However, the heart of the tour is experiencing the rock bridge and the stunning beauty of the Hocking Hills.
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2. Hocking Hills Adventure Trek

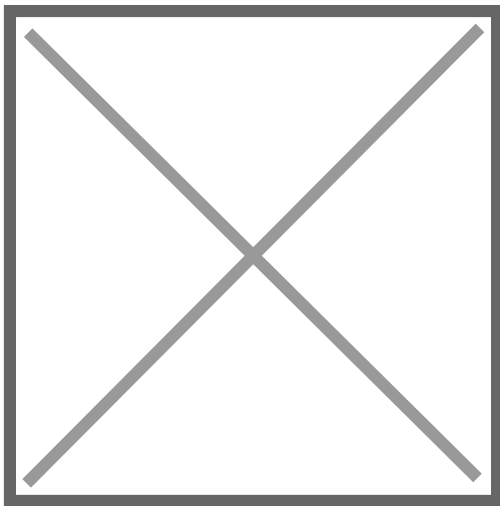
Hocking Hills Adventure Trek provides guided hikes and treks through the region's most iconic spots for those who prefer exploring on foot.

- Rock Climbing and Rappelling Trek
 - Edible Forest Trek - Hocking State Forest (1 to 2 hours)
 - Parachute Rock Trek (4 hours)
 - Little Rocky or Sheick Hollow Nature Preserve Trek (4 -5 hours)
 - Grandma Gatewood Trek ~ Ash Cave to Old Man's Cave (one way / 6 miles, 4.5 to 5 hours)
 - At-Your-Cabin Trek - Edible Forest or naturalist interpretation right where you're staying.
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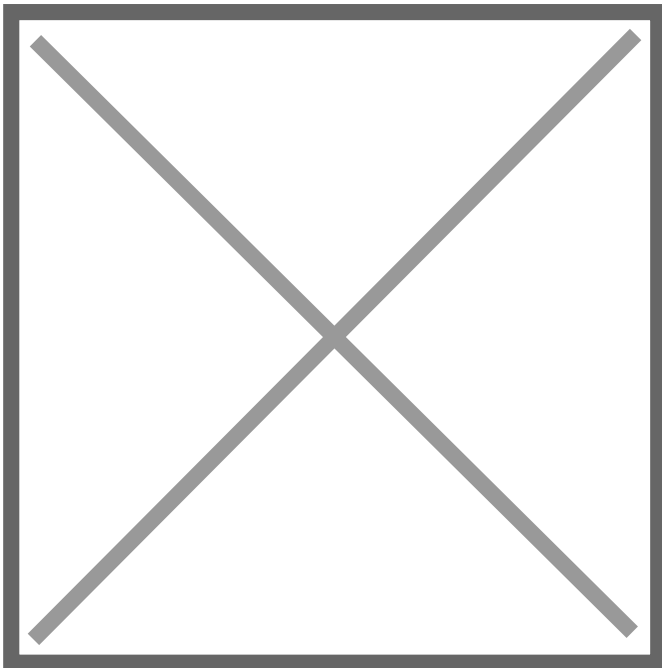
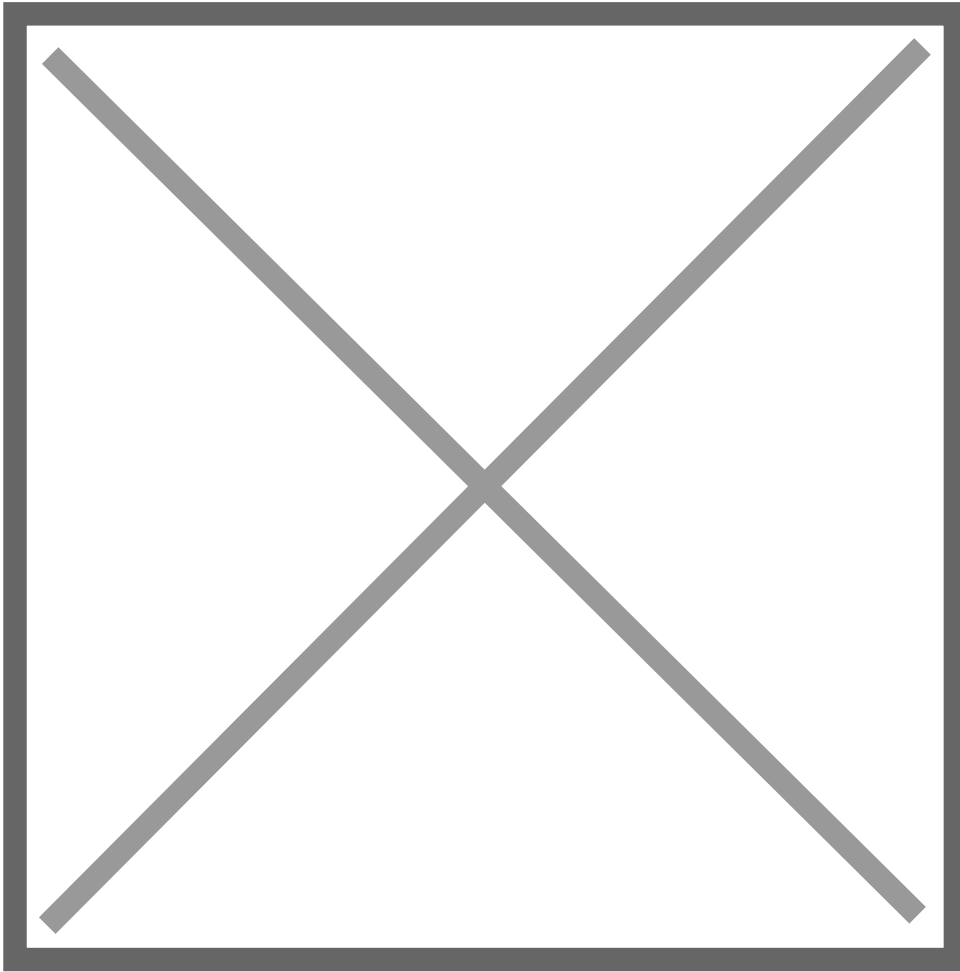
[3. Hocking Hills Scenic Air Tours](#)

See the stunning landscapes of Hocking Hills from a bird's-eye view with Hocking Hills Scenic Air Tours. 20, 30, and 45-minute rides are available.



[4. High Rock Adventure Tours](#)

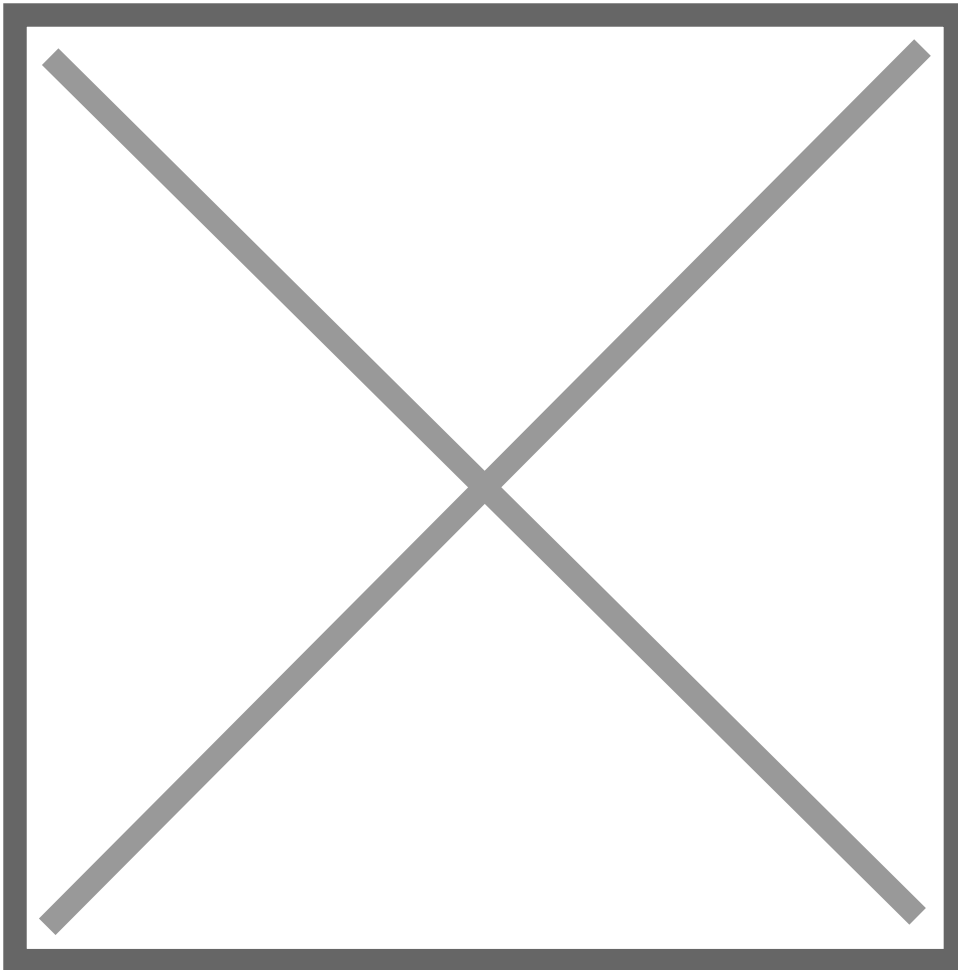
High Rock Adventure Tours is an adventure and nature-eco tour company featuring on-site, fully guided natural Rock Climbing, Rappelling, Rock Challenge Tours, Ecotours-Edible & Medicinal Plant Tours. Experience our one-of-a-kind Rock Challenge Tour, a natural Rock obstacle course with bouldering style climbs, mini rappels, crawls, squeezes, and more.



[6. Haunted Hocking Hills Ghost Tours](#)

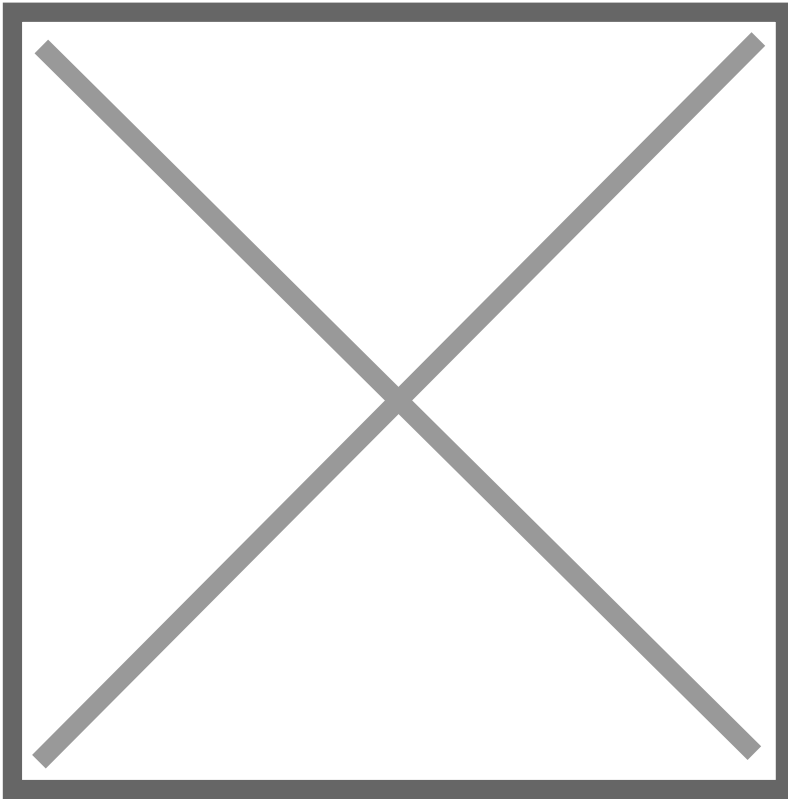
For those who enjoy a spooky adventure, Haunted Hocking Hills Ghost Tours offers a chance to explore the area's haunted history.

- Night Hikes: Guided hikes that delve into local legends and ghost stories, perfect for thrill-seekers.
 - Haunted Locations Tours: Visit known haunted spots in Hocking Hills with a guide who shares eerie tales and unexplained phenomena.
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7. [Kayak Tours](#)

Explore the waterways of Hocking Hills with guided canoe and kayak tours. [Touch the Earth Adventures](#) offers guided kayaking trips on local waters to explore the life of the area. They are environmentally conscious and support environmental causes. Instruction is provided by trained personnel, and all equipment is provided. No experience is necessary.



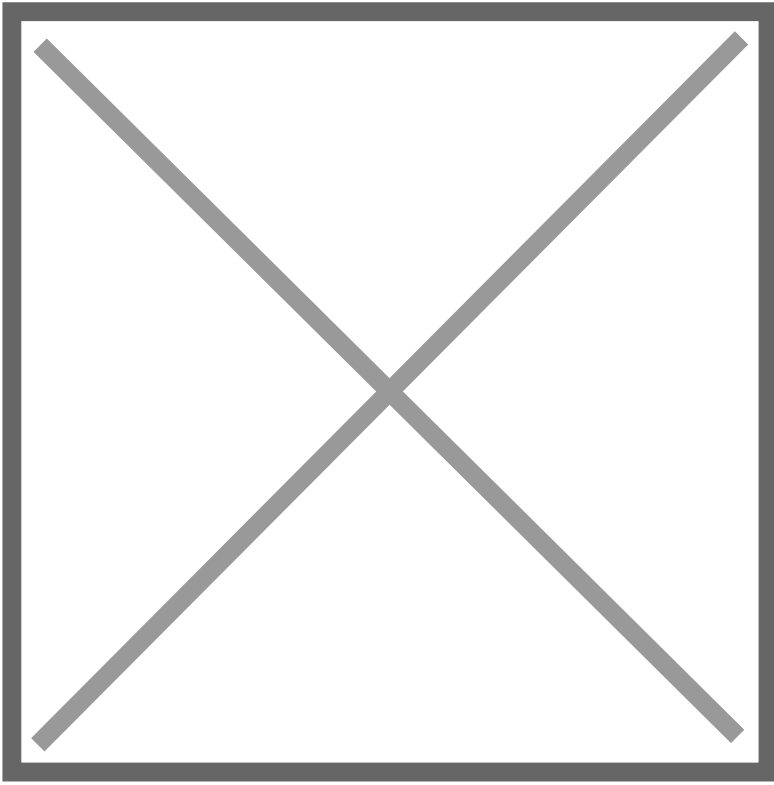
8. Travel Far Adventure Hard Tours

For the ultimate adventure seeker, Travel Far Adventure Hard Tours offers a range of exhilarating outdoor experiences in Hocking Hills. These tours are designed for each group to tailor the experience to you and your needs and desires!

Historical hike at Lake Hope

9. Appalachian Understories

Appalachian Understories provides natural and cultural-historical tourism in Appalachian, Ohio, hiring local guides, historians, and naturalists to create outdoor experiences for people. Their tours allow participants to enjoy the natural beauty of SE Ohio while learning about the rich cultural history of the region. There are tours available all year, all-inclusive weekend tour packages, and the option to have your private tour created for your event, business, etc.



10. Cork and Tap Excursions

Cork and Tap Excursions is your custom door-to-door charter serving greater Central and Southeastern Ohio. They bring you to the region's finest breweries, distilleries, and wineries on a personally curated trip. Please sit back, relax, and let them drive as you sample locally-made wine, beer, cider, and spirits. They have county-focused and custom excursion options for 4 or 6 hours. You're not limited to staying in one county, though. Each excursion includes up to 150 total miles, and we will work with you to build a route that includes your desired stops.

Pencil Sharpener Museum

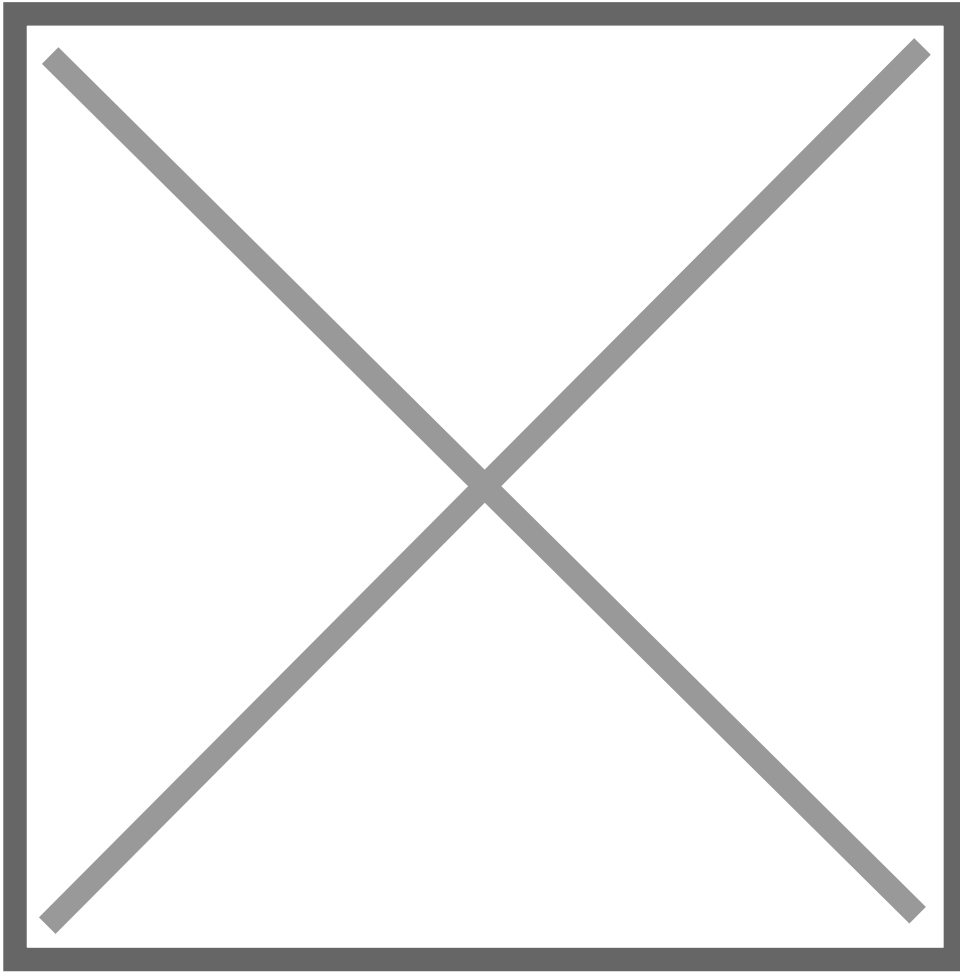
Pencil Sharpener Museum

Stop by the Hocking Hills Regional Welcome Center and visit one of the more unique museums you will see, the Paul A. Johnson Pencil Sharpener Museum. Reverend Paul Johnson began his collection more than 20 years ago. This amazing collection of more than 3,400 pencil sharpeners has been featured in national magazines and is reputed to be the largest collection in America. We recently added the collection of Frank Parades. Together the two collections are estimated to have about 5000 Pencil Sharpeners.

<https://www.explorehockinghills.com/things-to-do/arts-museums/museums/pencil-sharpener-museum/>

- 13178 State Route 664 S.
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Paul A. Johnson's Pencil Sharpener Museum



Welcome to the Paul A. Johnson Pencil Sharpener Museum

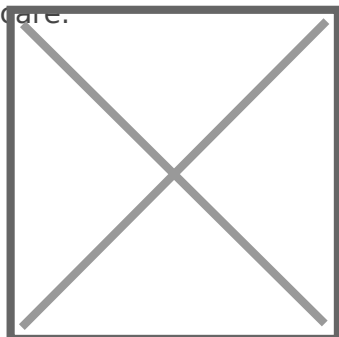
Step into one of Hocking Hills' most delightful surprises, the Paul A. Johnson Pencil Sharpener Museum. What began as a thoughtful retirement gift turned into a lifelong passion and a museum unlike any other.

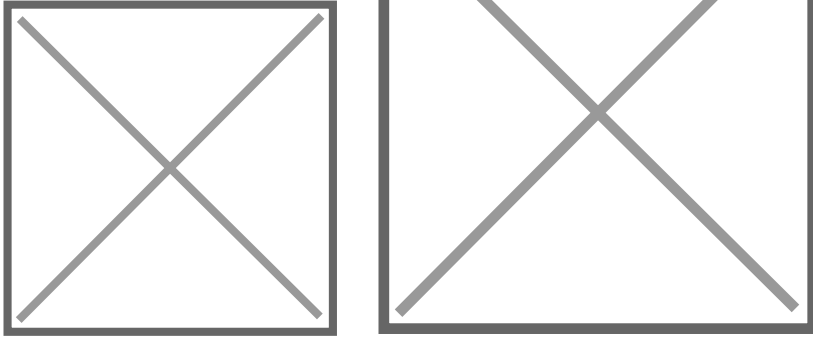
A Hobby Takes Shape

When Paul Johnson retired in 1988, his wife Charlotte encouraged him to find a hobby. She gifted him a few car-shaped pencil sharpeners and suggested he start a collection representing different modes of transportation. That small gesture sparked an unexpected fascination, one that eventually led to a collection spanning thousands of sharpeners from across the globe.

A Growing Passion

Paul's collection began with just a handful of pieces, but it quickly grew. Over time, he amassed 1,700 unique pencil sharpeners crafted from metal, wood, glass, and plastic. By the time of his passing in 2010, Paul had lovingly collected 3,450 sharpeners, all arranged and displayed with care.





Preserving the Legacy

Following Paul's passing, Charlotte made a generous decision—to relocate the museum and entire collection to the Hocking Hills Regional Welcome Center so that more people could enjoy Paul's remarkable hobby. The move was no small feat:

- ○ ○ Each shelf was numbered
- Every sharpener was photographed in its place
- Every item was boxed, labeled, and transported with care

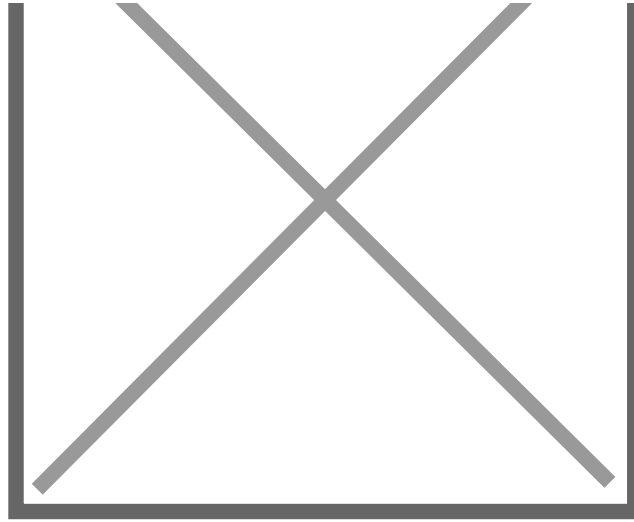
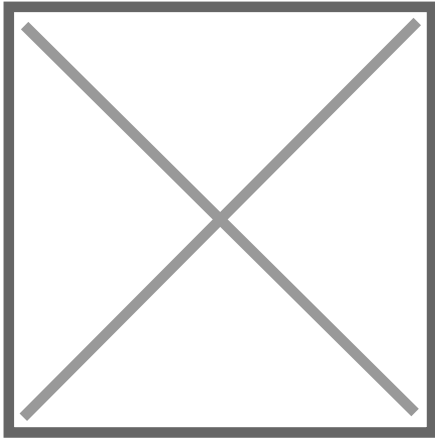
The museum structure itself was moved via flatbed truck and set on a carefully prepared timber foundation. Visitors watched in awe as this quirky piece of history found its new home.

Honoring the Original Arrangement

Once at the Welcome Center, the collection was restored to Paul's exact specifications. Thanks to detailed photographs, every sharpener returned to its original spot. Paul had thoughtfully grouped his pieces into themes like Animals, Holidays, Food, Games, History, Space, and Zodiac Symbols, turning the exhibit into a visual storybook of eras and ideas.

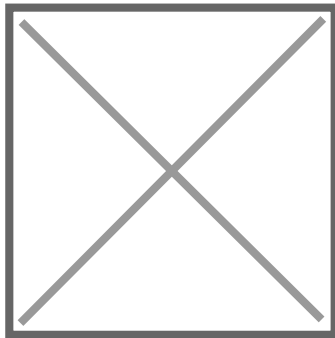
A Museum Reimagined

In 2022, the original shed that housed Paul's collection was replaced with a modern, fully accessible display space. The Grand Reopening took place in January 2024. Today, the collection is protected in museum-quality cases, allowing visitors to view each sharpener up close while preserving their delicate features.



An Unexpected Addition

That same year, the museum's story grew even richer with the arrival of a second extraordinary collection, gifted by the family of Frank Parades of Tampa, Florida. Frank's contribution brought the total to an estimated 5,000 pencil sharpeners, forming one of the most extensive public displays in the country.

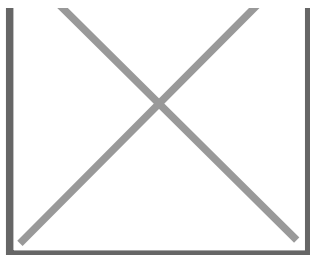


About Frank Parades

A passionate antique collector and car restorer, Frank loved sharing his 1913 Ford Model T and 1930 Ford Model A at shows across the Southeast. It was during a flea market visit for car parts that Frank discovered his first die-cast pencil sharpeners, beginning a hobby that would span continents and decades.

After retirement, Frank expanded his collection through global friendships with fellow collectors in the Netherlands, Asia, and across the U.S. West Coast. His sharpeners became his souvenirs—ranging from everyday die-cast models to rare antiques dating back to the early 1800s.

A Global Collection of Ingenuity

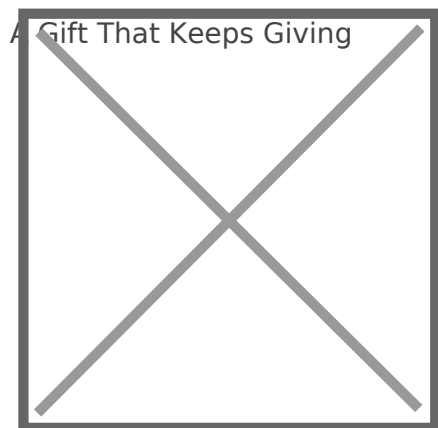


Frank was captivated by the craftsmanship of early pencil sharpeners, which

evolved from sandpaper and blade models to hand-crank mechanisms. Many of his pieces came from Valencia, Spain, where the Play-Me brand produced functional, intricately designed sharpeners.

Among Frank's most prized possessions were rare models from EMB Marti, famed for their elaborate detail and precision. Collectors often pay over \$100 for these vintage treasures, each one a tiny marvel of design.

Like Paul, Frank had an eye for detail—recognizing the subtle differences that make each sharpener special. No duplicates, no fillers—just thousands of tiny, unique works of art.



In late 2022, Frank's wife, Stephanie Parades, discovered the Paul

A. Johnson Pencil Sharpener Museum. Knowing instantly it was the perfect home for Frank's legacy, she generously donated his 1,500-piece collection to be displayed alongside Paul's.

"His eyes would light up with every new sharpener. Sharing that same wonder with others is the best way to honor him."— Stephanie Parades

A Tribute to Passion and Play

Together, the Paul Johnson and Frank Parades collections represent far more than novelty. They celebrate a shared joy in collecting, a love for storytelling through objects, and the beauty of finding wonder in the everyday.

Whether you're a serious collector, a history lover, or just curious about the unexpected, the Paul A. Johnson Pencil Sharpener Museum offers a one-of-a-kind experience in the heart of Hocking Hills.

Cannabis Museum

- 16050 Canaanville Rd.
Athens, OH 45701
- [\(740\) 331-4558](tel:(740)331-4558)

<https://www.explorehockinghills.com/things-to-do/arts-museums/cannabis-museum/>

Cannabis Museum is dedicated to the preservation and education of the hidden histories of the mainstream global culture, prohibition, and politics of cannabis and its countless uses in the United States and around the world.

OPEN WED-SAT: 12-5p and by appointment!

\$5/adult

<https://cannabismuseum.com/>

Shopping

Hocking Hills Candle Works

Stop in and pick up your favorite scent. We have 170 scents to choose from. Mix & match fragrances to create your personally-scented, one-of-a-kind pure soy candle in about 1 hour. Call for a reservation and to order a special scent. **Located inside Christmas Treasures.** Follow us on Facebook.

- 29205 Ilesboro Rd.
Logan, OH 43138
- [\(740\) 385-9537](tel:(740)385-9537)

<https://hockinghillscandleworks.com/>

Hocking Hills Rocks

Located in the High Rock Adventures office, enjoy shopping our hocking hills rock shop collection of polished and rough stones and showpiece rocks. You'll find a variety of points, soapstones, spheres, sensory stones, and more.

- 10108 Opossum Hollow Rd.
Rockbridge, OH 43149
- [\(740\) 385-9886](tel:(740)385-9886)

<https://www.highrockadventures.com/rock-shop/>

ALSO, CUSTOM TOURS: <https://www.highrockadventures.com/hocking-hills-ecotours/>

Hocking Hills Candle Company

The owner and founder of the Hocking Hills Candle Company, Greg Lupo, has been hand pouring candles since he was 8 years old. With decades of experience, he's turned his lifetime side hustle into a business that thrives. These beautiful hand poured candles started out as a request from Greg's mother, as a mother's day gift, and have grown into a passion that compliments the woodworking and metal work that he does today.

- 28750 Hide A Way Hills Rd.
Sugar Grove, OH 43155

- [\(740\) 652-8711](tel:7406528711)

<https://623f6385cc6b5.site123.me/>

Wind Chime Shop

Your visit to the Hocking Hills won't be complete without having the "Chime of your Life" at the Wind Chime Shop. Hundreds of wind chimes for that special gift. You will also find many collectibles & gifts. Follow us on Facebook. Stop in and pick up your favorite scent. We have 170 to choose from.

- 29205 Ilesboro Rd.
Logan, OH 43138
- [\(740\) 385-9537](tel:7403859537)

<https://www.windchimeshopsales.com/>

March & December

Monday - Saturday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Closed Sunday

April Thru November

Monday - Saturday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sunday 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

John Glenn Astronomy Park

John Glenn Astronomy Park

<https://jgap.info/>

Upcoming Programs

We do programs on Friday and Saturday nights from March through November, weather permitting.

Because we have limited space for cars, free parking passes are required on program nights.

Space is infinite, our parking area is not.

<https://registration.jgap.org/>

If the date you wish to go is marked "full" note that we often release additional passes for programs on the Wednesday before each weekend.

(The JGAP grounds are open for individual stargazing on non-program nights. Please feel free to come on in. Parking passes are not required. You may bring chairs, telescopes, cameras and tripods if you wish.)

The entrance to the John Glenn Astronomy Park is about 0.9 miles to the West of the Old Man's Cave Visitor's Center along route 664. Most visitors will take route 33 to Logan Ohio and exit on Route 664. The Hocking Hills State Park is 11 winding miles down this road.

Visitors who are coming from the southwest along route 664 will find the JGAP 3.8 miles from South Bloomingville.

Our *mailing* address is:

20294 S.R. 664, Logan, Oh, 43138

However this address, when placed in map apps or sites, such as maps.google.com, doesn't take you to the proper location. With your GPS unit or app, use the following address:

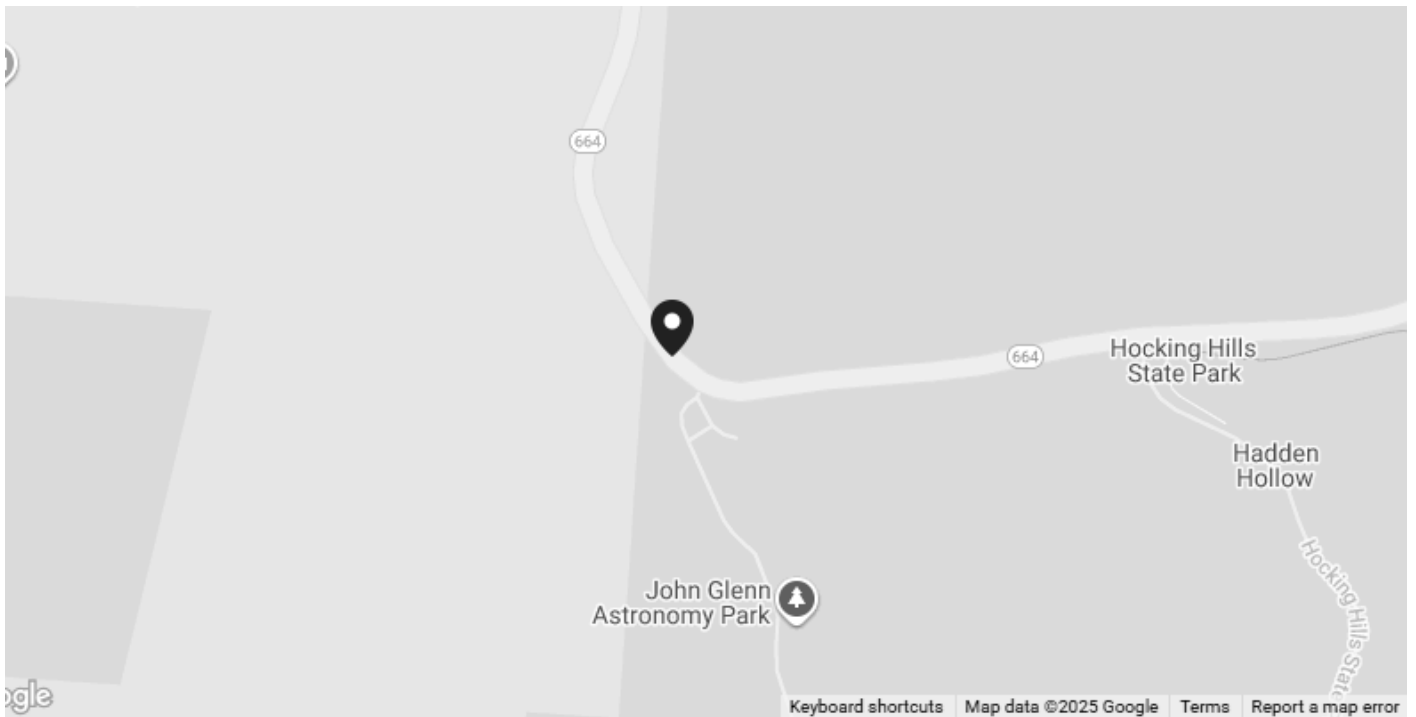
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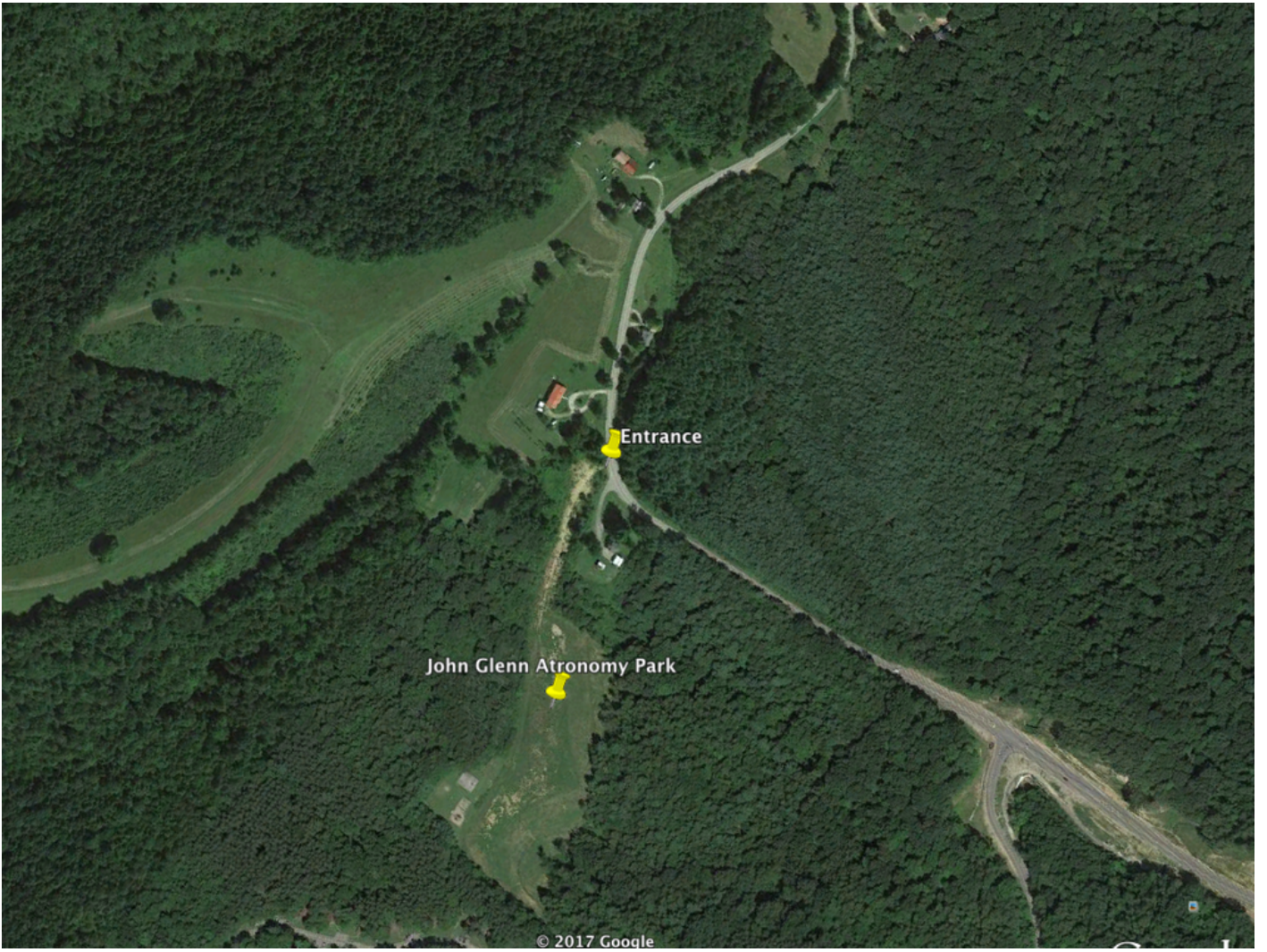
GPS devices will also bring you to the entrance with the following coordinates:

39 deg 26' N, 82 deg 33.2' W

Or, in decimal:

39.433226, -82.55412





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Hocking Hills Road Tour

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Hocking Hills Road Tour

Car & Driver Magazine named the roads in Hocking Hills as their “Midwestern driving roads of choice” when they brought the Aston Martin Vanquish here for a test drive in spring of 2013. According to *Car & Driver*, “The driving route is maybe the best in the world, this side of the Nürburgring.” Their route of choice was a loop on State Route 374 to State Route 56 to State Route 664 and back to State Route 374.

Collector car clubs, motorcycle clubs and folks just out for a pleasant country drive enjoy the beauty that abounds throughout the hills. *Car & Driver's* route of choice is just one of many breathtaking rides that can test the limits of both driver and vehicle.

The roads dip and twist through forests, over high vistas and around hairpin curves. Every season delivers its' unique beauty. Winter's touch is cliff and cave walls covered in ice beards and waterfalls frozen in suspended animation. Spring and summer explode with wildflowers and a million shades of green. As the summer crowds thin in September and fall colors wash the landscape in October the ride becomes truly resplendent.

Stop by the Hocking Hills Regional Welcome Center at 13178 State Route 664 S (US 33 & State Route 664) for maps, directions, suggestions and everything you'll need for a resplendent ride through the Hocking Hills.

[Laurelville Loop](#)

[Car and Driver / Scenic Byway Loop](#)

[Lake Hope Loop](#)

[Full Map \(PDF\)](#)

[Boucher](#)

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<https://www.atlasobscura.com/places/the-haserot-angel-cleveland-ohio>