

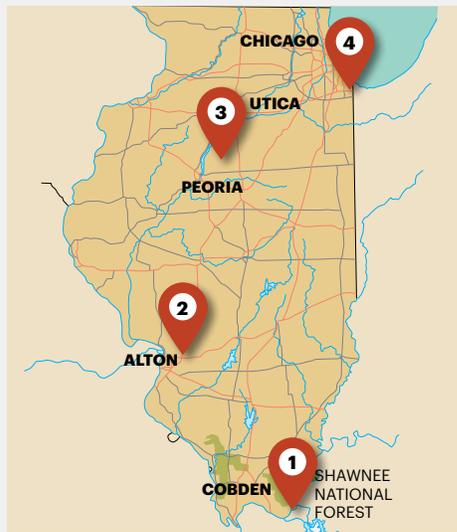


Illinois Made Outdoor Adventures

Uncover an outdoor adventure that's uniquely Illinois with this exclusive Illinois Made itinerary. Explore like a local. Find hidden gems. Taste local flavors. And discover the real Illinois.

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Nothing Inspires Quite Like The Outdoors. Pepper Your Next Outdoor Adventure With Some Uniquely Illinois Flair From Our Makers, Creators, Artisans And Innovators.

1. SOUTH TO THE SHAWNEE NATIONAL FOREST – HEAD FOR THE HILLS

There's something special in this region that brings out the urge to create.

Garden of the Gods

With its massive pillars of sandstone and scenic bluff overlooks, Garden of the Gods is one of the most inspiring views of the Midwest. A garden truly made for men, but of the gods.

Cave-in-Rock State Park

At Cave-In-Rock in southern Illinois, atop the high bluffs overlooking the scenic Ohio River, the heavily wooded park is named for the 55-foot-wide cave that was carved out of the limestone rock by water thousands of years ago.

Alto Vineyards Winery & Tasting Room

Experience a 30 year legacy of delicious Illinois wines.



2. ALTON ADVENTURES

Scenic rides and organic brews.

Sam Vadalabene Bike Trail

An Illinois Made scenic byway that offers some of the most essential Illinois vistas.

Old Bakery Beer

Take another break from adventuring for some brewing exploration at a 100% organic craft brewery. Old Bakery Beer in Alton takes its name from its building, a bakery in the late 1800's. The region's only 100% certified organic craft brewery, Old Bakery combines tasty seasonal food with local brews and beautiful views of the river. Don't miss their new monthly limited-release brews made with locally foraged ingredients.



3. NATURAL BEAUTY AND WILDLIFE IN PEORIA AND UTICA

Illinois prairie, miles of forest trails and craft wine.

Wildlife Prairie Park

Experience the Illinois prairie as it was intended, with 2,000 acres of natural habitat.

Starved Rock State Park

Starved Rock Park is a world apart from anything else in Illinois! You will know it the minute you enter the park, as you wind your car through the towering trees. Amazing waterfalls are active in the spring and after heavy rains. We have 13 miles of trails to explore and the Illinois River offers fishing (ice fishing, too), boating, extraordinary views and great places to relax.

Illinois Sparkling Co.

Illinois Sparkling Co. is an independent craft winery obsessed with making amazing sparkling wines. They use 100% Illinois grapes and a hands-on, labor-intensive, centuries-old winemaking method at their winery in Peru, Illinois. We know. It sounds crazy. It's worth it.

Toraason Glass

Pick up a hand-made glass souvenir, from functional to one-of-a-kind creations.



4. CHICAGO & BEYOND

It's all about the water with our pick of river adventures.

Urban Kayaking in Chicago

Paddle through Illinois' canyon of skyscrapers in the city where the trend began. Urban Kayaks has a wide range of paddling options at three unique Chicago locations. No matter your experience, age or fitness level, Urban Kayaking has the experience that's right for you.

Heritage Bicycles

Pick up an Illinois original, and take it on a ride around Illinois' picturesque man-made lakefront. Heritage is a mash-up of two concepts and cultures that really go hand in hand: bikes and coffee. Whether you come in to fix a flat, grab a latte or new Yakkay helmet or try the latest seasonal options from their own Heritage Coffee, you'll feel at home in Chicago's original bike café.

Navarro Canoe Co.

Finish off your adventures on one of America's greatest rivers. Stop by Navarro Canoe Co. for one of their expertly crafted and world-renowned handmade canoes, and take it for the ultimate test-ride on the Mighty Mississippi.

