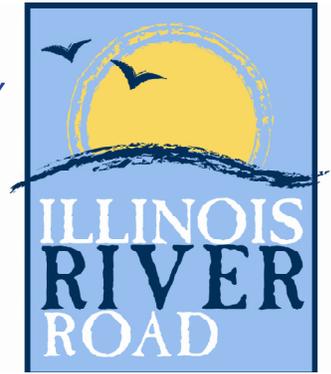


CENTRAL/NORTHERN BYWAY ITINERARY



Day One

- **Washington Square, Ottawa**

Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas convened in Washington Square in 1858 for the first of seven senatorial debates.

- **Ottawa's Mural Program**

A public art program erected large murals by world class artists on exterior walls of the Victorian commercial buildings in Ottawa's Historic Downtown.

- **Illinois Waterway Visitors Center, Ottawa**

The Illinois Waterway Visitors Center interprets the building and maintenance of this system, as well as the history of water transportation in Illinois, beginning with the Native American canoe and ending with modern transportation.

- **Lunch in Ottawa**

Visit www.experienceottawa.com for a listing of dining options.

- **Matthiessen State Park, Utica**

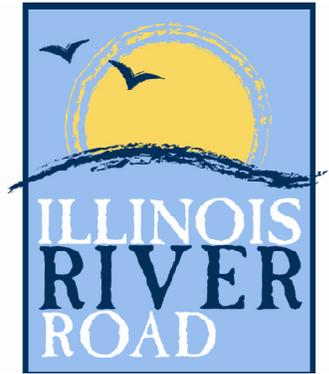
This state park is comprised of nearly 2,000 acres of prairies, bluff and deep ravine forests, as well as sandstone canyons cut by the still-rushing Vermilion River.

- **Village of Utica**

Shop the streets of Utica for great finds!

- **Dinner and Overnight in Ottawa**

For a list of dining facilities and overnight accommodations, visit www.experienceottawa.com.



Day Two

- **Hennepin Canal Parkway State Park**

Start your exploration at the Visitors Center near Sheffield. The primary usage along the 105-mile Hennepin Canal has always been recreational. Experience birding, hiking, biking, horseback riding or cross county skiing.

- **Princeton Main Street**

Two and a half miles of magnificent shopping! Unique specialty shops, antique malls and services. "So many shops...so little time!"

- **Lunch along Princeton Main Street**

Visit www.princeton-il.com for more information.

- **Hornbaker Gardens**

A family-owned and operated nursery specializing in perennial flowers. Large collections of hostas, daylilies, iris and other perennials draw plant enthusiasts from all over the Midwest.

- **Condit's Ranch and Stables**

Located on a high bluff overlooking the Illinois River Valley. Numerous outdoor recreational experiences are available including fishing and forested hiking/walking trails. Condit's Riding Stables offer one-hour guided trail rides over their awe-inspiring Timber Trail system.

- **Marshall State Fish & Wildlife Area**

At 3,000 acres, the Marshall Unit is the largest area and houses a boat launch and fishing access, along with a 3.25-mile nature trail system coursing through bluff and ravine hardwood forests.

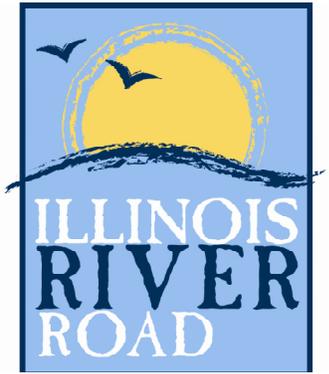
- **Travel south to Peoria along the Illinois River Road National Scenic Byway**

- **Kickapoo Creek Winery for dinner and tour**

A full-service winery with a tasting room and gift shop. Walk the grounds and visit the vineyard.

- **Overnight in Peoria or East Peoria**

For a list of overnight accommodations, visit www.peoria.org.



Day Three

- **Forest Park Nature Center**

500-acre Illinois nature preserve offering seven miles of hiking trails ranging from rigorous uphill courses to flatter, less strenuous paths. The center also features a natural history museum, spacious bird watching room and a nature store.

- **Wildlife Prairie State Park**

Discover the animals that called Illinois home during the pioneer days. This unique 2,000-acre zoological park is home to wolves, bison, black bear, cougar and much more. Food, lodging and gifts available.

- **Lunch on Peoria's Riverfront**

Alive with dining, shopping and entertainment! Whether it's a quick bite at a casual café or a relaxing dinner, there is something for everyone.

- **Spirit of Peoria**

Turn-of-the-century paddle wheeler available for sightseeing cruises, theme cruises, private charters and overnight excursions.

- **Grandview Drive**

Scenic drive on the Peoria bluffs overlooking the Illinois River. During a 1910 visit, Theodore Roosevelt purportedly called it the "World's Most Beautiful Drive."

- **George L. Luthy Memorial Botanical Garden**

A beautiful spot featuring five acres of landscaped gardens including the Woodland Garden, Children's Garden and the Tropical Conservatory.

- **Glen Oak Zoo**

The Zoo is home to more than 100 species of animals from around the world. An expansion of the zoo, almost tripling the size, will be completed in 2009!