

Visit Effingham: A Holiday Getaway

· FOR THE COUPLE ·

FRIDAY - ARRIVAL + EVENING CHEER

3 p.m. - Check in to the hotel or Airbnb of your choosing...

Complimentary breakfast, downtown views, indoors pools, a buzzing business center... Whatever your vibe, we've got options. Unpack, unwind... and let your romantic holiday getaway begin!

5:00 p.m. - An Authentic Italian Dinner at Lucia's

Share a cozy Italian dinner with authentic pasta, fresh sauces and thoughtful sides - perfect for reconnecting during the busy holiday season.

7:00 p.m. - All Aglow in Downtown Effingham

Sip a glass of wine at Village Wine before heading down Jefferson Ave. to view Light up the Lawn on the Courthouse Square. Twinkling lights, festive décor and sparkling photo ops set the perfect holiday mood.

SATURDAY - ROMANCE + FESTIVE EXPLORATION

8 a.m. - A Pub-style Breakfast at Gabby Goat

Start your day with a savory breakfast at Gabby Goat. Indulgent dishes, fresh pastries and a full drink menu to kick off a day of holiday adventures.

10 a.m. - Shop Local in Downtown Effingham

Hand-in-hand, explore charming downtown boutiques, pick up gifts at Boots & Soles, The Thomas Shop and Baseball Card Connection, and enjoy the festive décor. Pick up a free Visitors Guide for a full listing.

12 p.m. - Light Bites & Festive Cocktails

Stop for a midday indulgence at Miracle Bar. Share seasonal cocktails, enjoy playful holiday décor and nibble on light bites in this over-the-top festive wonderland.

2 p.m. - Afternoon Exploration

Discover professional-grade cutting boards at John Boos & Co. Factory Showroom and add personalized engraving. Then peruse Country Peddlers or nearby boutiques for unique, unexpected holiday finds.

5 p.m. - Lakeside Dome Dining at Pinky's

Reserve a private dome by the lake for intimate dining. Seasonal cocktails, soup flights, and festive bites make this the perfect cozy moment.

7 p.m. - Tinsel & Tails Golf Cart Experience

Take a romantic golf cart ride through the sparkling lights at Cardinal Golf Course. Cocoa, s'mores, and holiday magic create a picture-perfect evening.

SUNDAY - A SLOW FAREWELL...

10 a.m. - Brunch at Firefly Grill

Indulge in a leisurely farm-to-table brunch with comfort food favorites and scenic views. Toast your weekend and savor your last slow moments together.