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Spring/Summer 2023 OFFICIAL VISITORS GUIDE

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WHAT'S THIS FLAG?

You have likely seen the red, white and blue banner waving around the city – a sense of civic pride in Wichita. Here’s a little more about it:

- Alternating red and white rays symbolize the path of freedom to come and go as one pleases
- Stitched on the blue circle is a Navajo symbol for “hogan” or permanent home
- The blue disc represents happiness and contentment
- Wichita’s city flag was officially adopted in 1937

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BEINSPIRED

THE 2023 OFFICIAL WICHITA VISITORS GUIDE IS THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE SOURCE OF VISITOR INFORMATION AVAILABLE.

Wichita is a place where art aficionados, history lovers, self-proclaimed foodies and outdoor adventurers all find a lot to love. From unique experiences with wildlife to endless opportunities to immerse yourself in arts and culture, there is plenty to explore.

There’s a ton of great information here – but more than inform you, it’s meant to inspire you.

Before you head to Wichita, spend some time on VisitWichita.com to start planning your adventure in the Heart of the Country. You’ll find inspiration on things to do and where to eat, sample itineraries, travel tools, guidance on where to stay and more.

SUSIE SANTO
President & CEO, Visit Wichita

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Events
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Plan your trip at VisitWichita.com, Wichita’s top online resource for visitor information. Find the latest:

- sample itineraries
- interactive maps
- great hotel options
- blog articles
Whether you're a kid or a kid at heart, grab your markers and add color to your life with this Wichita coloring sheet. It’s great for kids, or let’s face it, a much needed anxiety-reducing coloring session for you.

SHARE IT ON SOCIAL
We’d love to see your masterpieces, and may share some submissions on our social media stories. Share a photo of your finished coloring page with us by using hashtag #visitwichita and tagging us!

Color it!
EXPLORATION PLACE
THE SEDGWICK COUNTY SCIENCE AND DISCOVERY CENTER
DYNAMIC EXHIBIT GALLERIES INCLUDING THE ALL-NEW HEALTH INSIDE OUT
THE LARGEST DOME THEATER IN KANSAS
LIVE SCIENCE SHOWS
CAMPS AND EDVENTURES
AND MORE!
exploration.org

Visit 1870s Wichita at Old Cowtown
OLD COWTOWN MUSEUM
WICHITA, KANSAS
Explore 23 acres of living history
1865 W Museum Blvd | 350-3323 | OldCowtown.org

Mid-America All-Indian Museum
SHARING THE CULTURE
650 N Seneca | 350-3340
TheIndianMuseum.org

WICHITA ART MUSEUM
Restaurant | Store | Galleries Galore

$1 OFF GENERAL ADMISSION
MUSEUMS ON THE RIVER/WICHITA
VALID AT: EXPLORATION PLACE • OLD COWTOWN MUSEUM • MID-AMERICA ALL-INDIAN MUSEUM • WICHITA ART MUSEUM
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Meet a Local
Bradley S.E. Dyer Jr.
Community Leader

Something I’ve always been impressed with, and think Wichita must given credit for, is creating a breakthrough in the revitalization of downtown. Today, there is always an event or activity taking place there and the vibrancy of a city’s downtown can in many cases speak to the growth and health of the city itself.
Wichita, the Heart of the Country, is the largest city in Kansas. Our vibrant city radiates friendliness and ingenuity as the Air Capital of the World. From the passionate locals you meet at the 50-plus attractions to the more than 1,200 eateries, kindness and energy greets you at every turn.

The Keeper of the Plains, a 44-foot steel sculpture, looms tall with outstretched hands and is the most recognized symbol of the city’s traditions. Today the sculpture gives the community and those who visit it a sense of unity, belonging and optimism.

Visitors also love the diversity of experiences from behind-the-scenes animal encounters and innovative breweries to dynamic concert venues and multiple shopping districts.

Visit Wichita, today, and fall in love with our city. Learn more at VisitWichita.com or find us on social media at #heartofthecountry.
WAYS TO EXPERIENCE THE KEEPER

RING OF FIRE
The Keeper of the Plains is majestic in any light, but it is most impressive to see during the 15-minute ring of fire at 9 p.m. (spring and summer), weather permitting.

CULTURAL CENTER
The American Indian sculpture was created by internationally-acclaimed Native American Artist Blackbear Bosin (1921-1980). The Mid-America All-Indian Museum houses one of the largest Blackbear Bosin collections, a gallery of nations and a gift shop featuring artists’ works.

PLAZA AREA
The sculpture is surrounded by Keeper of the Plains Plaza, which features exhibits depicting the Plains Indians' way of life. Access to the plaza area is through the Mid-America All-Indian Museum during the day or through two bow-and-arrow-inspired cable-stay bridges from either the intersection of west Central Avenue and Nims Avenue or on McLean Boulevard.
Keeper of the PLAINS

Make sure you visit the pride of the city and the most photographed attraction in town

PRIDE OF WICHITA

One of the most iconic images of Wichita, the Keeper of the Plains is a 44-foot, 5-ton weathered steel sculpture looming tall with outstretched hands. This gift gives the community and those who visit it a sense of unity, belonging and peace.
SENSORY-FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES IN WICHITA

Free, outdoor fun at Great Plains Nature Center

Advanced Learning Library’s STEAM Learning Garden

Pedal boats, a train ride and more at O.J. Watson Park

Kid-approved menu and playground at Stearman Field Bar & Grill

OUTDOOR EXPLORER
- Sedgwick County Park
- Botanica Wichita
- Tanganyika Wildlife Park
- Sedgwick County Zoo

ACTIVE ADVENTURER
- Chicken N Pickle
- Bar2Bar MX Park
- Bliss Climbing & Fitness
- Aviate Extreme Air Sports
- Topgolf

INTERACTIVE EXPLORER
- Field Station: Dinosaurs
- Exploration Place
- B-29 Doc Hangar, Education and Visitors Center
- Kansas Aviation Museum
- The Selfie Spot on Douglas
- Blade & Timber, Axe to Grind or Kiss My Axe

Adaptive and diverse art programming at CityArts

Riverside Park: See animals – minus the crowds – at the park’s wildlife exhibits

STEARMAN FIELD BAR & GRILL

CHICKEN N PICKLE

Field Station: Dinosaurs

KANSAS AVIATION MUSEUM

FIELD STATION: DINOSAURS

Danielle Robinson
TOP 10 FREE ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES

1. Ring of Fire at the Keeper of the Plains Plaza
2. Interactive splash fountains located at Old Town Plaza
3. General admission to Wichita Art Museum is free, all year round, to everyone only special exhibitions have a ticket price
4. Liquid fireworks aka Fountains at WaterWalk
5. Always free outdoor sculpture collection at Ulrich Museum
6. Exhibits and trails at Great Plains Nature Center
7. Burn energy at Advanced Learning Library’s STEAM Learning Garden
8. Picnic and play at Naftzger Park
9. Discover murals and bronze sculptures around downtown
10. Experience Old Cowtown Museum, Sundays are free

HISTORY & CULTURE
- Old Cowtown Museum
- Mid-America All-Indian Museum
- The Kansas African American Museum
- Museum of World Treasures
- Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum

INDOOR FUN
- Dave & Buster’s
- Alley Indoor Entertainment
- Northrock Lanes
- West Acres Bowling
- All Star Sports/Adventures

Scan here for more family-friendly ideas
cool off at these waterparks

- **Blast Off Bay** is an out-of-this-world sci-fi waterpark with tube slides, arcade games and indoor surfing machine
- **Splash Aqua Park** has inflatable slides, runways, jumping pillows, connected and floating in a refreshing lake
- **Rock River Rapids** features a treehouse-themed spray ground, waterslides and lazy river
- **YMCA**s with four outdoor waterparks in the area offer day passes starting at $10
- **Tanganyika Falls** has animal-themed slides, waterfalls and sprayers

SEDGWICK COUNTY ZOO
- One of the Top 10 largest zoos in the U.S. and the state's most-visited outdoor attraction
- Home to more than 3,000 animals of nearly 400 species
- Named one of the "10 Best Attractions in Kansas" by USA Today

THREE GREAT PARKS TO LEARN

**McAdams Park**
- See the life-size sculpture of baseball legend **Jackie Robinson**
- Features hike and bike trails, a playground and football field named after Wichita native **Barry Sanders**

**Hattie McDaniel Memorial**
- A memorial for Wichita-born actress known for her role in "Gone With the Wind" stands across the street from the site of her childhood home

ABOUT LOCAL BLACK HISTORY

**Redbud Trail**
- 11.5 miles of this biking and walking trail fall within the city
- Three art and history filled rest plazas tell the stories of the people who live in those neighborhoods: 9th & Hillside, 13th & Roosevelt, 17th & Oliver
- Intersects with K-96 Bicycle Path which links to McAdams Bike Path and more
- Memorializes the 1965 Piatt Street KC 15 plane crash and the success stories of mostly African American local elected officials, famous athletes and business owners
RIVERSIDE PARK
- Play and explore at the Kansas Wildlife Exhibit in Central Riverside Park, one of three separate park areas in the heart of the city which features more than 25 species in eight naturalistic enclosures.

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK
- Features 19 memorials representing six wars and every branch of the military.
- This 4.5-acre park is just one of three in the country that houses a Berlin Airlift Memorial.

LIQUID FIREWORKS
- See “liquid fireworks,” a 15-minute choreographed show at the Fountains at WaterWalk.

GREAT PLAINS NATURE CENTER
- Investigate native Kansas wildlife while discovering the 240-acre Chisholm Creek Park via two miles of trails through wetlands, prairie and riparian habitats.

TANGANYIKA WILDLIFE PARK
- Touch and feed many of the animals in its collection, including the ring-tailed lemurs, lorikeets and the pygmy hippopotamuses.
- Go behind-the-scenes with a rare okapi or swim with African penguins.

Scan here for more family-friendly ideas.
RECREATION

**Bowling**
- **Northrock Lanes** is the largest bowling center in the state with an arcade and sports grill
- **West Acres** offers both bowling and cosmic bowling Friday and Saturday evenings
- Bowl or hit the arcade at **The Alley Indoor Entertainment**

**The Sandbox at Derby**
- Offers new year-round beach volleyball, cornhole and pickleball complex

**Topgolf**
Wichita’s new sports entertainment complex features a high-tech golf game that everyone can enjoy

**All-Star Sports and All-Star Adventures**
Amusement rides, arcade games, miniature golf and laser tag at both locations

**Bliss Climbing and Fitness**
Wichita’s only full-service, indoor rock climbing gym with 38-foot top-rope and lead climbing area, and a 15-foot bouldering area with top-outs

**Golf Courses**
Try disc golf, FootGolf, neon night golf or stick with traditional golf at one of the municipal courses. For a complete list of golf courses, go to VisitWichita.com/golf

**Trampoline Parks**
Jump into an indoor playground at **Urban Air Trampoline** or **Aviate Extreme Air Sports**, featuring rope courses, foam pits, dodgeball, obstacle courses and more

EVENTS

**Prairie Fire Marathon**
A Boston qualifier, the **Prairie Fire Marathon** and half marathon happens each spring and fall

**Wichita Open**
On the path to the PGA Tour, the premier **Korn Ferry Tour Wichita Open** takes place at **Crestview Country Club**, June 8-18

**NBC World Series**
Experience more than 88 years of baseball history as the **National Baseball Congress** brings collegiate and amateur talent to Wichita

**US Youth Soccer National Presidents Cup**
July 6-12, cheer on top youth sports athletes from across the country

**The Basketball Tournament (TBT)**
Relive a college basketball atmosphere in July 2023

**Wichita Wind Surge Opening Night**
Affiliated minor league baseball returns in its third season to Wichita at downtown **Riverfront Stadium** on April 11
WICHITA THUNDER
PRO SPORTS

WICHITA REGULATORS
Catch fast-paced, professional indoor football at Hartman Arena

WICHITA SKY KINGS
A new pro-TBL (The Basketball Tournament) playing at Charles Koch Arena

WICHITA WINGS
This Major Arena Soccer League team plays its home games at Hartman Arena

WICHITA WIND SURGE
- Minor League Baseball is back in Wichita with the Double-A Wichita Wind Surge at the new, state-of-the-art Riverfront Stadium
- Experience fan-friendly amenities such as a play area for kids, fireworks on Friday nights and concession stands with field views

WICHITA THUNDER
The Thunder, a minor-league ECHL team that plays at INTRUST Bank Arena, has won three championship titles, and has ranked in the top three in the league 12 times since 1992

COLLEGE SPORTS
Wichita is home to Wichita State University Shockers, Friends University Falcons and Newman University Jets

Scan here for sporting event details
MUSEUMS ON THE RIVER

OLD COWTOWN MUSEUM
Immerse yourself in the sights, sounds and activities common to a Midwestern cattle town like staged gunfights, working blacksmiths and an active saloon.

WICHITA ART MUSEUM
Get lost in one of the state’s largest art museums housing one of the country’s finest collections of American art and three centuries of paintings and sculptures.

MID-AMERICA ALL-INDIAN MUSEUM
See traditional American Indian artifacts, artwork and top-notch exhibits; shop for authentic clothing, jewelry and more.

BOTANICA WICHITA
Explore more than 30 themed gardens and exhibits on 18 acres of stunning gardenscaping with over 4,000 species of plants both native and new to the region.

EXPLORATION PLACE
Inspiring the next generation of scientists and engineers, Exploration Place is the state’s premier science center.

WICHITA BASEBALL MUSEUM
Uniforms, photos and other artifacts chronicle Wichita’s storied baseball history inside this museum that opened in summer 2022 at Riverfront Stadium.

ARCHITECTURAL WONDER

FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT’S ALLEN HOUSE MUSEUM AND STUDY CENTER
- One of two Wichita masterpieces by iconic architect Frank Lloyd Wright. The second is the Corbin Education Center at Wichita State University.
- This Prairie Style home is open to the public through regularly offered tours, special events and more.

WICHITA-SEDGWICK COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM
See the museum’s collection of 70,000 artifacts embodying the area’s vibrant history from its settlement in the 1860s to the era of aviation and electric guitars.

Follow the scenic Arkansas River’s path through the heart of Wichita and encounter six impressive museums on the river.
THE KANSAS AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM
Displays stories of African Americans in Kansas and the impact of segregation in Wichita

KANSAS AVIATION MUSEUM
Preserves the heritage of Kansas aviation, proudly displaying 40 historical planes and a tourable control tower

B-29 DOC HANGAR & EDUCATION CENTER
Wichita is home to one of only two airworthy Boeing B-29s left in the world, nicknamed Doc

MUSEUM OF WORLD TREASURES
Explore one of the most complete T-Rex fossils in the world, marvel at Egyptian mummies and enter the battlefields of the world wars

OFF-THE-BEATEN PATH MUSEUMS WORTH A LOOK
1 Kansas Firefighters Museum and Fallen Firefighters Memorial
2 Great Plains Transportation Museum
3 The Original Pizza Hut Museum
Keepers on Parade

Mini versions of the city's iconic Keeper of the Plains sculpture are placed throughout the city, each created by a local artist with a unique design.

Douglas Design District

Art takes many forms around Wichita, but none give the city as urban a feel as the many murals decorating Douglas Design District. From positive messages to a surplus of Wichita pride, the vibrant paintings speak life into old buildings and engage the community in an appreciation for art.

Gallery Alley

This unique playground for the senses features intersensory art installations created by local artists.

Streetscapes

More than 30 bronze sculptures sit along the sidewalks and urban parks on Douglas Avenue.

HISPANIC HERITAGE ON DISPLAY

Discover the city's vibrant, diverse Latino art community in the NoMar District just north of downtown where you can explore murals and snap selfies.

FIRST FRIDAY ART CRAWL

Celebrate art on the first Friday of each month with special showings and receptions of local artists, all free to the public.
ART+GALLERIES

WICHITA ART MUSEUM
One of the state’s largest art museums offers free general admission in 2023 to see a top tier permanent collection of American art spanning three centuries—masterpieces by Mary Cassatt, Edward Hopper, Charles M. Russell and Dale Chihuly, among others.

MARK ARTS
The region’s art hub for classes and workshops in a variety of mediums, events and exhibits ranging from local to internationally juried shows.

CITYARTS
A community arts center offering classes, workshops, events and gallery exhibitions.

ENVISION ARTS GALLERY AND ENGAGEMENT CENTER
The nation’s first art gallery made by and for artists who are blind or visually impaired.

ART GALLERIES
Wichita has dozens of art galleries, including Karg Art Glass and Infinity Art Glass.

ULRICH MUSEUM OF ART
The region's source for modern and contemporary art including the Martin H. Bush Outdoor Sculpture Collection spread across Wichita State University.

Meet a Local
DELILAH REED
Local Artist
There's no shortage of galleries, art shops, and museums here in Wichita, there's something for everyone. There's so much diversity in artists and their artistic styles that a collector can easily find something that appeals to their tastes.
8 MUST-VISIT PERFORMING ARTS

DUNBAR THEATRE
- Opened in 1941, the theater was a welcome performing arts venue for African Americans to perform and go to during segregation.
- Volunteers are restoring the building to use as a community-based cultural performing arts center.

BALLET WICHITA
- The company produces a Ballet in the Park series that has been delighting audiences for almost 30 years.
- The event is free, open to the public, and is a 45-minute performance.

MOSLEY STREET MELODRAMA
- Boo the villain and cheer the hero at Wichita’s only audience-participation dinner.

CROWN UPTOWN
- See a concert or theatrical production at one of the largest Broadway-style stages in Wichita.

WICHITA GRAND OPERA
- One of only 125 professional opera companies in the country, and one of only a handful in Kansas.
- Delivers performance after performance of top-notch productions with international artists.

AMERICAN THEATRE GUILD

ROXY’S DOWNTOWN
- Known for comedic, musical shows presented in a cabaret-style theater.
PERFORMING ARTS

WICHITA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

- From classical concert weekends to pops concerts, be enveloped by the magnificent music for all ages
- You’re sure to find a WSO event to fit your budget, schedule and musical tastes

MUSIC THEATRE WICHITA

- With an international reputation for excellence, MTWichita proudly produces all of its own sets, costumes and props
- Season begins in the summer and 2023 performances include “Rock of Ages,” “Red, White and Broadway,” “Disney’s Beauty and the Beast,” “Ragtime” and “Cats”

Meet a Local

BRIAN J. MARCUM
Artistic Director
Music Theatre Wichita

Music Theatre Wichita has been a staple in Wichita for more than 50 years and has witnessed the blossoming of the many performing arts institutions that now makes up Wichita’s rich artistic tapestry including various theatre and dance companies, orchestras, symphonies and a plethora of live music venues! We are honored to be part of this tapestry.
WICHITA'S CORE

From eclectic shops and urban art to exciting nightlife and incredible local flair, the core's neighborhoods are the true heartbeat of Wichita.

HOTELS

1. Ambassador Hotel Autograph Collection ............E7
2. Courtyard Wichita at Old Town ..................D8
3. Delano Bed & Breakfast ..............................F2
4. Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview ....................E5
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6. Hilton Garden Inn Downtown ....................E7
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DINING

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THINGS TO DO
UNIQUELY WICHITA
Food Experiences

Doo-Dah Diner
- A favorite of locals and celebrities that gets national attention serving gourmet comfort food

HomeGrown Wichita
- Locally-sourced food crafted with generosity and servant leadership

Jimmie’s Diner
- Old-fashioned favorites where the waitresses wear poodle skirts

The Kitchen
- Chef-run restaurant serving clean comfort food

Stearman Field Bar & Grill
- Enjoy a meal next to a landing strip and watch planes take off

NuWay Cafe
- Famous for its loose-meat sandwiches and root beer

Old Mill Tasty Shop
- Home to one of the state’s most complete soda fountains

Public
- Bringing the area’s finest ingredients to your table

ETHNIC EATS

Prost
- Authentic German fare in contemporary urban biergarten

Georges French Bistro
- Modern, upscale French cuisine in the heart of College Hill

Argentina’s Empanadas
- Located in downtown Wichita, serving savory, handmade empanadas

Also try:
- La Chinita Mexican Restaurant
- Viola’s Pantry
- Sabor Latin Bar and Grille

IL PRIMO ESPRESSO
The oldest coffeehouse in Wichita serving unique espresso

COFFEE DAZE
A new vibrant coffee shop in the heart of College Hill offering breakfast and lunch

REVERIE COFFEE ROASTERS
Wichita’s only full service specialty coffee roastery/cafe and craft viennoiserie bakery serving European style laminated pastries

Also try:
- Aroma Coffeehouse
- Churn & Burn
- Espresso To Go Go
- Fairmount Coffee Co.
- Kookaburra Coffee
- Leslie Coffee Co.
- Mokas Cafe
- Paradise Donuts
- The Donut Whole
Newport Grill
Specializes in fresh seafood, Kansas beef and steaks, cocktails and fine wines

Scotch & Sirloin
Known nationally for its prime rib, this fine-dining restaurant has served Wichita for more than 40 years

Vora Restaurant European
Enjoy French/Italian cuisine and old-world beers and cocktails

Also Try:
- 6S Steakhouse
- Bella Vita Bistro
- Cafe Bel Ami
- Chester’s Chophouse & Wine Bar
- Dōma
- First Mile Kitchen
- Larkspur Bistro and Bar
- The Sweet Spot
- YaYa’s Eurobistro

Also Try:
- Angelo’s Italian Restaurant
- B&C Barbeque Pub & Grill
- Chicken N Pickle
- Deano’s Grill and Tapworks
- Dempsey’s Biscuit Co. at Crutch BBQ
- Dempsey’s Burger Pub
- Emerson Biggins
- Fizz Burgers & Bottles
- Hog Wild Pit Bar-B-Q
- Hook & Reel
- Hurricane Sports Grill
- Station 8 BBQ
- Tanya’s Soup Kitchen

Ziggy’s Pizza
Made-from-scratch pizzas with fresh ingredients and a full bar and patio

The Anchor
Known for its homestyle gastropub menu and ample selection of craft beers on tap

The Monarch
Unique, handcrafted soups and sandwiches in the Historic Delano District

Wichita is a foodie city! Scan for a complete list of where to eat
NORTONS BREWING CO.
Downtown brewery known for its open-air patio and addictive appetizer, "Bacon Crack"

CENTRAL STANDARD BREWING
Relaxed atmosphere, open patio and food trucks

WICHITA BREWING CO. & PIZZERIA
Wood-fired pizza and beer concept, multiple locations

HOPPING GNOME BREWING CO.
Area's first taproom with a beer-focused atmosphere and "buy local" mission

THIRD PLACE BREWING
Community-based gathering place with an outdoor patio, live music most weekends and food vendors

RIVER CITY BREWING CO.
Wichita's first brewery, menu reflects Kansas' heritage with Kansas-raised beef

POURHOUSE
Full menu and a dozen beers on tap, all brewed at Walnut River Brewing Co.

LIMESTONE BEER CO.
Focused on German and Belgian-style beers; located in Sweet Allie B's

TOR BREWING
Wichita's newest brewery creating unique excellent-tasting craft beers
Cocktails

Botanic
Find your happy place surrounded by plants and a relaxing vibe at GROW Giesen Plant Shop

Lava & Tonic
Wichita’s first immersive tiki bar

Dockum
A subterranean, upscale speakeasy

Mort’s Martini & Cigar Bar
All-seasons patio, offers over 160 martinis

The Monarch
An urban escape recognized among top whiskey bar rankings

Wineries

Grace Hill Winery
An authentic vineyard experience offering wine tasting tours

Alzavino Wine Tavern
A modern wine bar with self serve machines dispensing 1oz, 3oz, or 6oz pours

Kombucha

Apollo Fermentations
Brews kombucha with local, organic ingredients to provide the best quality and support to the community

Inspirit Kombucha Brewing Co.
A kombrewery with handcrafted, probiotic kombucha teas

Cider

White Crow Cider Company
Crafting modern hard cider in a variety of flavors and seasonal offerings

Find a great beer at one of these popular dining spots:
- The Anchor
- Bricktown Brewery
- Deano’s Grill & Tapworks
- The Hill Bar & Grill
- The Monarch
- Old Chicago
- Prost
- Public
- Pumphouse
- The Rusty Nail

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OLD TOWN

- The heartbeat of downtown, a district sought out for its restaurants, shops, clubs, theaters, galleries and museums
- Brick-lined streets, native limestone and historic lamp posts
- Converted brick warehouses hold more than 100 hip businesses and happening nightlife, including:
  - River City Brewing Co.
  - Emerson Biggins
  - Meddys
  - Mort’s Martini & Cigar Bar
  - Old Chicago
  - Pumphouse

LGBTQ+

- Wichita's largest LGBTQ+ dance club
- Located in Old Town

ALSO TRY
Rhonda's Place, J's Lounge and Drag Brunch on 2nd Sundays at Roxy's Downtown
LOCAL GEMS

THE ANCHOR
Known for its homestyle gastropub menu and ample and ever-changing selection of 59 craft beers on tap.

ARTICHOKE SANDWICHBAR
This Irish dive is a Wichita icon and the place to go for great live music, delicious sandwiches and a cold Guinness.

KIRBY’S BEER STORE
Share a drink, enjoy live music on the patio and play pinball with your friends or family.

LUCKY’S EVERYDAY
A favorite dive bar with a cozy, dark, cool vibe and a heated patio.

HEADSHOTS BAR & GRILL
Kansas’ first video game, cocktail bar serving pub food while offering over 1,000 video games.

Performances & LIVE MUSIC
Wichita’s music venues host national tours, regional acts and local favorites

- WAVE
- Orpheum Theatre
- The Loony Bin
- Hartman Arena
- INTRUST Bank Arena
- The Cotillion
- Crown Uptown Theatre
- TempleLive Wichita
UNIQUE SPECIALTY SHOPS

- Browse the unexpected, eclectic goods at Bungalow 26
- Find repurposed and whimsical treasures at Generations Antiques & Artisans or Paramount Antique Mall
- Write a handwritten letter at the Confetti Bar and Card Station at The Loud Cicada or shop for prints, stickers, jewelry and more
- Lucinda’s has cheeky, off the wall gifts, clothing, shoes and jewelry
- Twister City Harley Davidson offers a huge selection of Harley products
- Pick up artwork, lighting and home decor at Uniquities Home
- The Workroom is the place for local art and artisan accessories
- Dead Center Vintage is a vintage shop in the center of downtown

- Senseney Music a full line retail music store serving Wichita for more than 40 years
- Experience Wichita’s boutique plant shop, GROW Giesen Plant Shop where you can build your own terrarium at the DIY Plant Bar
- All Things Barbecue, renowned for its wide selection of grills, grill tools, sauces, and seasonings, patio furniture and more
- Create the perfect custom hat at Hatman Jack’s. Scan to learn more.

Aida Stenholm specializes in individually handcrafted and made-to-order bags, accessories and custom shoes. Scan to watch how it’s done.

PAMPER YOURSELF
- A. Jay Health & Wellness
- Bohemia Healing Spa
- The Health Connection
- Healing Waters

SHOP LOCAL
Old Town Farm & Art Market brings local vendors together on Saturdays April–December in Old Town Square
BRADLEY FAIR

- Some of the city’s most popular outdoor shopping comprised of trendy boutiques, a top-of-the-line spa, exclusive dining and fashion favorite stores
- During the summer months, enjoy the live Summer Jazz Series

TASTY SHOPS

- See why Food Network’s Alton Brown called Nifty Nut House a "National Treasure"
- Local Roasters roasts coffee in small batches; bagged by hand
- Get your handcrafted, gourmet popcorn from The Popcorner or Kernel’s Popcorn Express
- Andy’s Frozen Custard makes fresh chocolate and vanilla custard every hour
- Wichita’s original gourmet coffee roaster, The Spice Merchant & Co., offers fresh coffee beans, teas and spices

FLAG SWAG

Don’t leave Wichita without flag swag or an iconic Keeper statue. Find ICT swag here:

- Bungalow 26
- Generations Antiques & Artisans
- Lucinda’s
- The Health Connection
- The Workroom
- Wichita Screen Printing
- Museum gift shops including Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum, Botanica Wichita, Mid-America All-Indian Museum and Wichita Art Museum

SHOPPING DISTRICTS

- Bradley Fair
- Revolutia
- Old Town Square
- NewMarket Square
- Delano District
- Douglas Design District
- Greenwich Place
- Towne East Square

Scan for a map of Wichita shops
DOWNTOWN HOTELS

AMBASSADOR HOTEL AUTOGRAH COLLECTION
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FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES BY MARRIOTT WICHITA DOWNTOWN
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HILTON GARDEN INN DOWNTOWN WICHITA
One of downtown's newest hotels within easy walking access to Old Town entertainment district

HYATT REGENCY WICHITA
The city's largest hotel is surrounded by fountains and walking paths along the Arkansas River

COURTYARD WICHITA AT OLD TOWN
Just steps from some of the finest restaurants, entertainment, theaters and museums

HOTEL AT OLD TOWN
This historic brick warehouse near Old Town attractions now boasts lavishly decorated suites, a beautiful atrium lobby and a classic piano bar

DRURY PLAZA HOTEL BROADVIEW
This remodeled historic Wichita landmark offers stunning views overlooking the Arkansas River

HOME2 SUITES BY HILTON WICHITA DOWNTOWN DELANO
Downtown's newest hotel with a firepit and sitting area with barbecue grills

HOTEL DINING
AVI Seabar & Chophouse
Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview

Chisholm’s American Beef and Ale House
DoubleTree by Hilton Wichita Airport

The Greatroom
Wichita Marriott Hotel

Harvest Kitchen | Bar
Hyatt Regency Wichita

Hilton Garden Grille
Hilton Garden Inn Downtown

The Green Mill Restaurant & Bar
Holiday Inn Wichita East I-35

Siena Tuscan Steakhouse
Ambassador Hotel Autograph Collection
STAY IN STYLE

Wichita has more than 8,100 hotel and motel rooms for every type of traveler.

ALOFT WICHITA NORTHEAST
One of Wichita’s modernly hip hotels, offering local art, live music and pet-friendly accommodations.

HOMEWOOD SUITES BY HILTON AT THE WATERFRONT
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HILTON GARDEN INN WICHITA
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HYATT PLACE AT WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY
New hotel at Innovation Campus within walking distance to Braeburn Square.

TRU BY HILTON WICHITA NORTHEAST
A contemporary, colorful hotel embracing simplicity and efficient rooms.

HOLIDAY INN WICHITA EAST I-35
Completely renovated, this full-service hotel is an excellent choice in east Wichita.

Scan for a full list of hotels
Best Annual FESTS

**RIVERFEST**
Wichita's largest and longest-running tradition marks 51 years! Celebrate with fun activities for all ages, concerts, fireworks and festival food, June 2-10.
AUTUMN & ART
The juried art exhibit and sale welcoming 100+ artists takes place around a serene lake and features art demonstrations, live music and hands-on activities for children.

TALLGRASS FILM FESTIVAL
The largest independent film festival in Kansas showcases the best films from around the globe.

Meet a Local
ANGELA MARTINEZ
Director
Latinfest-ICT

Latinfest-ICT is a unique cultural experience — authentic foods, shopping, music, live performances and more. It’s a celebration of Hispanic/Latino culture you won’t want to miss!

These are some of the great events that happen every year. For current dates, times and locations scan here.

Ongoing Events
Wichita is the place to be for ongoing events like First Friday Art Crawl, Farm and Art Markets, 2nd Saturday, live music and more.
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48 HOURS IN THE Heart OF THE COUNTRY

A guide to getting the most out of your visit to Wichita. Check VisitWichita.com for hours and locations.

DAY 1 - ITINERARY

MORNING
- Try an old school or a quirky creation at The Donut Whole
- Pair it with a locally roasted coffee from favorites like Reverie Coffee Roasters or Espresso To Go Go.

MIDDAY
- Rent a pedal boat or kayak at Boats & Bikes on the Arkansas River. Discover the wonders of Exploration Place.
- Break for lunch in the Historic Delano District on the patio at Monarch.
- Stop at a couple of Delano’s retail shops before heading back along the river to Wichita Art Museum’s Art Garden or browse the gardens at Botanica Wichita.
- Find murals and dozens of other public art along Douglas Avenue.

EVENING
- End your afternoon at the Museum of World Treasures and then stroll Old Town, downtown’s brick-lined warehouse district.
- After dining at one of the district’s 40+ restaurants, check out a performance at Music Theatre Wichita or INTRUST Bank Arena.

DAY 2 - ITINERARY

MORNING
- Have breakfast at Doo-Dah Diner, and try banana bread French toast, crispy corned beef hash and Tanya’s Benny.
- Walk off breakfast at the Sedgwick County Zoo, the top outdoor attraction in Kansas.

MIDDAY
- With 11 restaurants to choose from, you’ll find something delicious for lunch at Bradley Fair. Save room for dessert at Cocoa Dolce Artisan Chocolates or Bakesale Treat Parlor.
- Take time to enjoy nearly 50 stores and shops or slip into one of the spas for a treatment.
- After lunch, soak up Wichita history at museums like Old Cowtown Museum and Kansas Aviation Museum. Find a slice of nostalgia at The Original Pizza Hut Museum.

EVENING
- Opt for a friendly game of pickleball at Chicken N Pickle or test your swing at Topgolf.
- No visit to Wichita is complete without experiencing the lighting of the fire pots at the 44-foot-tall Keeper of the Plains sculpture on the Arkansas River. See the city’s most iconic structure before calling it a night.

MY WICHITA, KS BUCKET LIST

We’ll help you get started with a must-do. After that, your bucket list is yours to personalize.

Keeper of the Plains

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FOR THE DIGITAL VERSION OF THE VISITORS GUIDE
LOCAL LINGO

ICT
You may hear locals saying “ICT,” or see it on signs and billboards around the city. So what on earth is this acronym Wichitans are so fond of? ICT is the airport’s call letters, and it’s also the most popular nickname and term of endearment for our great city.

Plus, when you learn Wichita is the Air Capital of the World, it’s no surprise those who call the city home are so fond of their airport’s call letters.

KELLOGG
You may hear Wichitans talking a lot about Kellogg. They’re not obsessed with cereals and snacks, they’re referring to where U.S. Highway 54 runs east and west through the city.

Speaking of east and west, any part of the city west of the Arkansas River is considered west side and anything east of the river is considered Wichita's east side.

THE TROLL
You never know what kind of hidden gems you can find in new cities. Everyone knows the Keeper of the Plains is the most iconic Wichita attraction, but around this magnificent monument lies a hidden treasure. See if you can find the Troll located somewhere along the river, nearby the Keeper of the Plains Plaza. The sculpture showed up in May 2007 hiding inside a huge grate by the Arkansas River.

A sleeping troll, created by local artist Connie Ernatt, can be found near the Koch Carousel Gardens at Botanica Wichita, too.

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