

Saline County, Hot Springs, & Little Rock Attractions

Saline County Attractions

Alcoa Exchange

7321 Alcoa Road
Bryant, AR 72022
Phone: 501-860-6920

This upscale power retail center is located at I-30 and Alcoa Road in Bryant, Arkansas. This mall is anchored by 26 stores like Target, Kohl's, Kirkland, Rue 21, and other nationally known tenants. It has a contemporary expression.

Bauxite Community Hall

6707 Benton Road
Bauxite, AR 72011
Phone: 501-557-9802

It was built in 1926 for the employees of the Aluminum Company of America. It serves as a reminder of the people who live and worked in the area, and celebrates the city and its history. It displays artifacts and memorabilia illustrating this company town's unusual past.

Cinemark Tinseltown USA

17314 I-30 North
Benton, AR 72019
Phone: 800-326-3264

Neighborhood movie theatre located right off of I-30 in Benton.

Enterprise Lanes and Recreations

1515 Military Road
Benton, AR 72015
Phone: 501-776-8300

This is a bowling adventure of a lifetime. They have state-of-the-art facilities. It offers billiards, a pro-shop, and a great snack bar. It offers lanes at reasonable prices and there is a great selection of shoe sizes. They also offer leagues and lessons for all ages.

The Gann Building

218 South Market Street
Benton, AR 72015
Phone: 501-778-5513

This building is constructed of bauxite from local mines and is the only known structure of its' kind in the United States. Built in 1893, it served as the off of Dr. Dewell Gann, Sr., until he donated it to the City of Benton. This is home to the Gann Museum and has many exhibits about the local history.

Harbor Island Adventure Golf

17250 I-30 North
Benton, AR 72019
Phone: 501-860-6700

This facility offers a high-end, 18-hole miniature golf adventure. The project features creative and challenging miniature golf set in a Hawaiian theme environment, surrounded by lush vegetation and native plants. The Island Adventure Golf includes nine ADA accessible holes and a putting green. And the facility will offer a proven mix of island style miniature golf integrated with a combination of challenging holes, stunning water features and tropical landscaped foliage that the whole family will enjoy.

The Royal Players

111 South Market Street
Benton, AR 72015
Phone: 501-315-5483

It is a local community theatre group that performs downtown in a converted movie theatre. It draws a large group of talent in central Arkansas and produces five or six plays a year.

Saline County Courthouse

200 North Main Street
Benton, AR 72015
Phone: 501-303-5729

With its landmark clock tower, it has been expanded and renovated since its 1902 completion. It has a tree-covered square with a gazebo and brick-paved Veterans War Memorial at its center. It is an important part of Benton's rich history.

The Soppach House

123 North Market Street
Benton, AR 72015
Phone: 501-778-3770

This is Benton's oldest surviving building. It is believed to have been occupied by Confederate and Union troops during the Civil War. Restored to its original state, it is open to the public upon special request.

Hot Springs Attractions

The Gangster Museum of America

510 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71901
Phone: 501-318-1717

A unique look at the lives and times of the country's most notorious mobsters who flocked to Hot Springs in the '20s, '30s, and '40s. Learn about Al Capone, Lucky Luciano, and Owen Vincent Madden. Enter the world of casino gambling at an exhibit featuring actual equipment from former clubs on Central Avenue. Here there is an elaborate audio-visual experience.

Garvan Woodland Gardens

550 Arkrigde Road
Hot Springs, AR 71913
Phone: 501-262-9300

Garvan Woodland Gardens, Arkansas' premier botanical garden is located on 210-acre peninsula on Lake Hamilton. The Garden features a Welcome Center, Outer Space Gift Shop, a four-acre Asian rock and stream garden (The Garden of the Pine Wind), the Full Moon Bridge, Verna C. Garvan Pavilion designed by E. Fay Jones and Maurice Jennings, 20-foot tall Canopy Bridge, waterfalls, springs, cascading streams, Japanese Maple Hill, Border of Old Roses, ADA accessible paved trails and hundreds of thousands of plantings.

Hot Springs Haunted Tours

334-B Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71901
Phone: 501-339-3751

Mid-America Science Museum takes pride in offering a truly spooky haunted house experience. Even if you've been through our ghoulish precincts before, you know you will be terrified anew, because there's always some unpleasant surprise around the next corner.

Hot Springs National Park

369 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71901
Phone: 501-624-2701

The first federally protected area in the nation's history, Hot Springs National Park features amazing 143° thermal waters, rich history and beautiful architecture. Enjoy gorgeous Arkansas hiking trails. Tour the historic Fordyce Bathhouse and Visitor's Center, or enjoy a relaxing Hot Springs spa.

Josephine Tussaud Wax Museum

250 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71901
Phone: 501-623-5836

Experience the timeless fascination of a journey into the past through the Seven Magic Worlds of Josephine Tussaud Wax Museum. Visit our unusual gift shop. Everyone has a front row ticket. They Seem Alive. Bring your camera. "The Clintons are here."

Magic Springs

1701 East Grand Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71901
Phone: 501-318-5370

A theme park and a water park for the price of one. Magic Springs, the only theme park located in a national park, is the best entertainment value in the region. Along with Crystal Falls Water Park, there are 25 new rides. Located in the scenic foothills of the Ouachita Mountains, a day at Magic Springs & Crystal Falls is sure to be a hit with the entire family.

Mid-America Science Museum

500 Mid America Blvd
Hot Springs, AR 71913
Phone: 501-767-3461

This is Arkansas' largest hands-on science center and the state's first Smithsonian Affiliate. With over 100 engaging, hands-on exhibits that explore the wonders of energy, matter, life and perception, the Museum seeks to spark curiosity and enhance scientific understanding through inquiry, observational skills and discovery learning. Experience exhibits like Underground Arkansas, Energy Island, Laser Shows, the Virtual Reality Simulator, and much, much more.

National Park Aquarium

209 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71901
Phone: 501-624-3474

This is Arkansas' largest fish and reptiles exhibit. See how the other two-thirds of the world live. All Arkansas fish plus many saltwater species are displayed in their natural habitats. Also, there many reptiles and a 90 lb. snapping turtle. There is unique gift shop on premises.

Oaklawn

2705 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71901
Phone: 501-623-4411

Remember Smarty Jones? Few outside of Arkansas remember that this great horse story started in Hot Springs, AR at Oaklawn. It is a horse racing track and they've expanded to include electronic gambling like craps, poker, blackjack and slot-like machines.

Tiny Town

374-Whittington Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71901

Phone: 501-624-4742

Interactive model railroad, you operate the trains! See the trains go through scenes of 22 states, including Niagara Falls, Mount Rushmore and the Colorado Rockies. This model railroad is completely animated with hundreds of moving parts. It has been hand carved and handcrafted by Moshinskie family for over 75 years

Little Rock Attractions

Aerospace Education Center & IMAX Theatre

3301 East Roosevelt Rd.

Little Rock, AR 72206

Phone: 501-376-4232

Website: www.aerospaced.org

Hours of Operation: Tues - Thur 9:00am-5:00pm * Fri 9:00am-9:00pm * Sat 11:00am-9:00pm * Sun 11:00am-5:00pm

The Aerospace Education Center, through its changing exhibits, educational workshops and summer programs, has continued to expose students to a diverse field of scientific inquiry related to aviation and the space sciences. The Aerospace Education Center is home to the IMAX Theatre, a digital state of the art EpiSphere Dome, and host to the aviation and aerospace exhibits, including an original Sopwith Camel and a replica of the Wright Flyer. The IMAX Theater offers a wide variety of science related films.

EpiSphere Digital Dome

As part planetarium and part digital theater, the applications for this one of a kind venue are limited only by the imagination. Envision a place where you can study systems within the human body, tour the universe, or whirl into the center of a tornado- all while remaining in (or on the edge) of your seat.

AR Sports Hall of Fame

#3 Alltel Arena Way

North Little Rock, AR 72114

Phone: 501-663-4328

Website: www.arksportshalloffame.org

Hours of Operation: Mon – Sat 10:00am - 4:00pm * Open Sundays during the summer 1:00pm - 4:00pm

The Arkansas Sports Hall of Fame is a Museum of recollections from over four decades of induction ceremonies honoring the athletic greats of Arkansas, through recognition, and acknowledgement of those persons who, through outstanding achievement and accomplishments in any form of endeavor, have brought honor, prestige, and fame to the state. Included in the museum, is an 88-seat-theatre where a video presentation of Arkansas sports memories will be shown and Arkansas sports legends will provide lectures on special occasions, an interactive broadcast booth where visitors can record their own play-by-play broadcast of a sporting event, and a gift shop where Arkansas sports novelties can be purchased.

Arkansas Arts Center

501 E. 9th Street
Little Rock, AR 72202
Phone: 501-372-4000
Website: www.arkarts.com
Hours of Operation: Tues - Sat 10:00am-5:00pm * Sun 11:00am-5:00pm

Located in historic MacArthur Park, the Arts Center features elegant art galleries that showcase the Center's acclaimed collection. For over 30 years, the Arkansas Arts Center has been steadfastly committed to building a collection of unique works on paper, primarily American and European, from the Renaissance to the present. Among the most recognizable works in the collection are sheets by Cézanne, Van Gogh, Jackson Pollock, Georgia O'Keeffe, Alison Saar, Rembrandt and Rubens. The collection also features 135 drawings and watercolors by the Post-Impressionist Paul Signac, over 100 Post-Minimalist drawings, Arthur Dove's Sketchbook "E", and nearly 80 works by Will Barnet. In addition to the collection and prominent exhibitions throughout the year, the Museum Shop features unique gifts and interesting works by regional artists.

Arkansas Children's Theatre

The Children's Theatre is a professional theatre company that presents children's classics for the stage September through May. The Museum School offers a unique learning environment for the arts for students of all ages. Classes offered include art history, drawing, jewelry, painting, photography, pottery and woodworking.

Arkansas Governor's Mansion

1800 Center Street
Little Rock, AR 72206
Phone: 501-682-0062
Website: www.arkansasgovernorsmansion.com
Hours of Operation: Scheduled Tours Tuesday mornings, from 10:00 am – 11:30 am, and Thursday afternoons, from 1:00 pm-2:30 pm; must call for appointment, subject to availability
Free admission

A symbol of our State's rich history, beautiful natural resources, and the spirit of our dedication to serving others, for more than 50 years, the Mansion has been the focal point of the First Family's public events, including state dinners, luncheons, and other celebrations. Eleven of Arkansas's 45 Governors have lived in the Mansion with their families and pets, and the rooms and grounds of this home hold the memories of their rich history. Each heirloom, painting, and architectural feature adds a sentence to that story.

Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum

100 Riverfront Dr.
North Little Rock, AR 72119
Phone: 501-371-8320
Website: www.aimm.museum
Hours of Operation: Sun 1:00pm-6:00pm * Thur - Sat 10:00am-6:00pm * Closed Mon - Wed
Open Labor Day, 10am-6pm.

Home to the USS Razorback, the longest-serving submarine in the world, is the Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum. More than just a military museum, it also offers a research library, a theater, and a large museum area. With several guided tours,

AIMM's focus is to commemorate America's rich naval and maritime heritage through the preservation and exhibition of historic naval vessels with an emphasis on the era of World War II through the present.

USS Razorback Submarine

USS Razorback, a Balao-class submarine of the Sandlance variant, was built at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, Maine. Her keel was laid on 09 September, 1943. Razorback was constructed in Drydock #1 at the shipyard, and she was launched, along with two sister ships (USS Redfish (SS 395) and USS Ronquil (SS 396)) on 27 January, 1944. USS Scabbardfish (SS 397) was also launched at the shipyard that day. This was the largest single-day launch of US submarines ever. Razorback conducted five combat patrols during World War II, sinking Japanese vessels, capturing Japanese POWs and rescuing American pilots who had been shot down. At the end of WWII, she was one of only 12 submarines selected to be present in Tokyo Bay when the Japanese surrender was signed.

Arkansas Queen

100 Riverfront Park Drive

North Little Rock, AR 72214

Phone: 501-372-5777

Website: www.arkansasqueen.com

See the beautiful Arkansas River from the decks of the elegant Arkansas Queen. View Little Rock and North Little Rock in an entirely new light. You'll see the Clinton Library, the "Little Rock", the metropolitan skyline and the beautiful parks along the shore. The Arkansas Queen offers themed lunch and dinner cruises, champagne brunch, as well as sightseeing tours.

Arkansas Repertory Theatre

601 Main St

Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: 501- 378-0445

Website: www.therep.org

The Arkansas Repertory Theatre produces a diverse body of theatrical works ranging from contemporary comedies to cutting edge dramas and from musical theatre to the classics of dramatic literature. The season runs almost 12 months in a comfortable theater where the atmosphere created by the intimate setting lends itself to a remarkable personal experience for the audience during performances.

Arkansas River Trail

Phone: 223-6404

Website: www.rivertrail.org

Currently over 17 miles of beautiful trails and walking paths, the Arkansas River Trail, allows the sister cities of Little Rock and North Little Rock to connect people, enabling them to walk or cycle. When completed, the Arkansas River Trail will reach from downtown Little Rock to Pinnacle Mountain State Park on the southern shore, and from downtown North Little Rock to Cook's Landing on the northern shore. A fourteen-mile loop was created with the addition of the Big Dam Bridge, a pedestrian bridge crossing the Arkansas River at Murray Lock and Dam, and the Junction Bridge, a renovated railroad bridge located in the River Market District downtown.

Arkansas Skatium

1311 S. Bowman Rd.

Little Rock, AR 72211

Phone: 501-227-4333

Website: www.arkansasakatium.com

Hours of Operation: Tue, Thur, Friday 8:00pm-10:00pm * Sat 9:00am-11:00pm * Sunday 1:00pm-12:00am * Closed Mon & Wed

Fun for the Entire Family, the Arkansas Skatium offers roller skating, ice skating, broomball and so much more.

Arkansas State Capitol

One Capitol Avenue & Woodland

Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: 501-682-5080

Website: www.sosweb.state.ar.us/virtual_tour_02

Hours of Operation: Mon - Fri 7:00am to 5:00pm

Free admission

Capitalize on Your Visit! No trip to Little Rock is complete without a stop at the Arkansas State Capitol. Designed in the Neo-classical style, the building was built over a century ago as a replica of the US Capitol and has been used in many movies as a stand in. The States Capitol features Arkansas granite and six bronze doors and three chandeliers crafted by Tiffany's of New York. Free audio tours are available. Also located on the State Capital grounds are the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the Little Rock Nine Statues "Testaments".

Arkansas Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Located on the southeast corner of the capitol grounds, a lasting tribute to the over 60,000 Arkansans who served; and over 600 sons of this State who lost their lives; and the 22 men still listed as missing in action as a result of the war.

***Testaments*-Statue of the Little Rock Nine**

"Testaments," the Civil Rights Memorial sculpture of the Little Rock Nine, African American students that courageously integrated Little Rock Central High School in 1957. Situated on the northern side of the building, it faces the Governor's office window. It is the only Civil Rights Memorial located on any State Capitol grounds in the south.

Arkansas Studies Institute

401 President Clinton Avenue

Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Phone: 501-320-5700

Fax: 501-537-4559

Website: www.cals.lib.ar.us/arstudies

Hours of Operation: Research Room: Mon – Thur 9:00am-8:00pm * Fri – Sat 9:00am-6:00pm * Sun 1:00pm-5:00pm

Hours of Operation: Art Galleries Mon – Sat 9:00am-5:00pm

Free admission

The state's largest free-standing facility dedicated to the study of Arkansas. Here students, scholars, and anyone interested in Arkansas history can gather to learn more about the people, places, and events that shaped the state's past and guide its future. The expanded research resources include the papers of seven Arkansas governors, as well several hundred additional collections. The ASI is also home to the Butler Center's Encyclopedia of Arkansas History & Culture, a rich online source of information about the state.

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra

P.O. Box 7328

Little Rock, AR 72217

Phone: 501-666-1761

Fax: 501-666-3193

Website: www.arkansassymphony.org

The Arkansas Symphony Orchestra performs more than thirty concerts at Robinson Center Music Hall each year, including all concerts within the Stella Boyle Smith Masterworks Series, the ACXIOM Pops LIVE! Series, the River Rhapsodies Chamber Series, and numerous special events including The Masters and ACXIOM Super Pops. Intrinsic to the ASO are its resident ensembles, the Quapaw Quartet, the Rockefeller Quartet, the Sturgis Quartet, the ASO Arts Partners and the Arkansas Symphony Youth Orchestras.

Audubon Nature Center

201 East Markham Street Suite 450

Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: 501- 244-2229

Website: www.ar.audubon.org

Located in East Little Rock, the Audubon Nature Center is acreage surrounding both the city-owned Fourche Creek wetlands and the unique soils and plants of Granite Mountain in adjacent Gillam Park. The 2,000 acres available for use by the Nature Center offer a vast and richly diverse "lab" for people to learn about conservation, restoration, wildlife and plants.

Fourche Creek

Website: www.fourchecreek.org

The Fourche Creek Watershed is arguably the most important urban watershed in the state of Arkansas. The watershed drains and filters runoff from Little Rock, Arkansas' capital. The Fourche Creek watershed includes six third-order streams and nine primary tributaries. The watershed stretches across the length of the city of Little Rock and includes several large, isolated, urban wetlands. The creek system empties into the Arkansas River just south of downtown Little Rock and immediately below the city's wastewater treatment facility.

Belgian Meadows Farm

Lawson Road (West Little Rock, minutes from I-430)

Little Rock, AR

Phone: 501-821-3283

Website: www.belgianmeadows.com

Arkansas is known for its natural beauty and abundant agriculture, and the stunning scenic views of the Natural State surround Little Rock with rolling hills, farmland and river trails. Belgian Meadows Farm offers a multifaceted Agritourism

opportunity showcasing great educational options. The farm is approximately 200 acres of lush rolling hills, ponds, a covered pavilion for outdoor events and a small stocked fishing lake.

Big Dam Bridge

Riverfront Drive & Murry Park

Little Rock, AR 72202

Phone: 501-340-6800

Website: www.bigdambridge.com

Experience the longest pedestrian and bicycle bridge in the World, built specifically for that use. Elevated up to 90 feet above the Arkansas River, the Big Dam Bridge connects approximately 17 miles of scenic riverside trails in the cities of Little Rock and North Little Rock, and assists in the connection of 70,000 acres of various city, county, state and federal park land.

Celebrity Attractions

300 S Spring St # 100

Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: 501- 244-8800

Website: www.celebrityattractions.com

Dedicated to bringing Broadway and MORE to Little Rock, Celebrity Attractions is a presenter and producer of major theatrical, musical and family entertainment across the Midwest. Celebrity Attractions, in association with local partnerships, presents nationally touring Broadway seasons each year to the Robinson Center Music Hall in downtown Little Rock.

Daisy Bates Home

1207 W. 28th Street

Little Rock, AR 72206-2817

Available for tours, must call ahead to schedule

Daisy Gaston Bates was an advisor to the Little Rock Nine and Civil Rights Activist, and her home is registered as a National Historic Landmark. During the desegregation crisis, the Bates' home became the official pick-up and drop-off site for the Little Rock Nine's trips to and from Central High School each school day, and consequently, a gathering spot for the Nine and members of the press.

Diamond Bear Brewery

323 Cross Street

Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: 501-708-BREW

Website: www.diamondbear.com

Hours of Operation: Public Tours Saturday 2:00pm & 4:00pm

Free admission

As Little Rock's finest Production Brewery, Diamond Bear styles of beer are produced in the old time honored traditional methods of European brewers, using only two-row malted barley, hops, yeast and great Arkansas water. Being brewed locally gives the beer a great advantage in "freshness" while still capturing some of the world's most famous styles of beer without the use of adjuncts or preservatives!

Dickey Stephens Ballpark

400 West Broadway Street
North Little Rock, AR 72114
Phone: 501-664-1555
Website: www.travs.com

The Arkansas Travelers enjoy one of the longest running histories of any minor league franchise, and with its new home in the state of the art Dickey Stephens Ballpark, the history continues. Dickey-Stephens Park has 5,800 fixed seats, but when you add in the 24 luxury suites, three private dining areas and the grass berms, there is room for over 7,000. It was named Ballpark of the Year by Baseballparks.com in 2007 for its combination of superior design, desirable site selection and fan amenities. The Travelers have been the Class AA affiliate of the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim since 2001.

EMOBA: Ernie's Museum of Black Arkansans and Performing Arts

1208 Louisiana
Little Rock, AR 72202
Phone: 501-372-0018
Hours of Operation: By appointment only February through September

Founded in 1993, EMOBA was the state's first black history museum dedicated to preserving the culture and heritage of African-American Arkansans. EMOBA is also home for Arkansas' scariest haunted attraction, the Haunted Cathedral, which opens each year in October.

The Hornibrook Mansion/Empress of Little Rock

2120 S. Louisiana St.
Quapaw Quarter Historic District
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206
Phone: 501-374-7966
Website: www.TheEmpress.com

The Hornibrook Mansion was completed in 1888 at the exorbitant cost of \$20,000 and used exclusively Arkansas materials. Designed by Max Orlopp and Casper Kusener, it has been described in the National register of Historic Places as the best example of ornate Victorian Architecture in Arkansas and the most important existing example of Gothic Queen Anne style regionally. In 1897, the Hornibrook Mansion became the Arkansas Women's College, the state's first. Between the Depression and the early 1940's the house stood vacant and became a nursing home in 1948. It was a private residence and apartments until 1994 when it was restored to become The Empress Bed and Breakfast.

Gator Park

11411 W. Baseline Road
Little Rock, AR 72209
Phone: 501-455-3750
Website: www.gatorparkfun.com
Hours of Operation Vary

Designed for the active child, Gator Park offers miniature golf, bumper-boats, go-karts, batting cages, video games and a snack bar. Just down the road is Gator Golf, with two 18-hole miniature golf courses.

Find out how much fun miniature golf can be. Bring the entire family to Gator Golf for an afternoon or evening of putting around. You don't even have to know how to play golf to have a great time!

Golf

Hindman Park

60 Brookview Drive

Little Rock, AR 72209-2017

Phone: 501-565-6450

Identified as the most challenging of Little Rock's municipal golf courses, this 103 acre, 18 hole course offers Tifdwarf Bermuda grass greens, rolling terrain and narrow tree-lined fairways. With its natural setting, Hindman has been certified as an "Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary," featuring a variety of wildlife.

Rebsamen Park

3400 Rebsamen Park Road

Little Rock, AR 72202

Phone: 501-666-7965

Nestled comfortably in a bend of the Arkansas River; this 18 hole championship course was designed to accommodate golfers of all levels. Rebsamen's open fairways and bent grass greens help frame some of Arkansas' most breathtaking views. A 9 hole executive course provides golfers a shorter playtime and offers Tif-dwarf Bermuda grass greens. The full service driving range enables golfers to warm up before a round or work on their swing anytime.

The First Tee

6100 Falls Blvd.

Little Rock, AR 72204

Phone: 501-562-4653

Website: www.thefirstteearg.org

Founded by the five major golf organizations to create affordable and accessible facilities for kids, with special emphasis on those who have not had access or exposure to the game of golf. The facility includes a championship nine-hole course, a nine-hole par-three pitch-and-putt course, a 15-acre driving range, a short game area and a putting course

War Memorial Park

5110 West Markham

Little Rock, AR 72205-3646

Phone: 501-663-0854

War Memorial Golf Course- With its location within the heart of Little Rock, this 90 acre, 18 hole urban executive course offers any golfer an opportunity to sharpen their skills. With its unique par 65 layout and Tif-dwarf Bermuda grass greens, War Memorial offers quality golfing that is convenient because of its location and playtime.

Heifer International World Headquarters

1 World Avenue
Little Rock, AR 72202
Phone: 501-907-2600
Website: www.heifer.org
Hours of Operation: Mon - Fri 11:00am and 3:00pm
Free admission

Heifer International is a non-profit, humanitarian organization dedicated to ending world hunger and caring for the earth by providing livestock, trees, training and other resources to help struggling families around the globe. Since 1944, Heifer has helped 7 million families in more than 125 countries improve their quality of life and become more self-reliant. Headquartered in Little Rock, the new Heifer International Center reflects Heifer's dedication to sustainability in every square foot. Innovative environmental techniques are used to reduce energy and water consumption, and to conserve resources whenever possible through the use of local and recycled materials. In a 30 minute tour, visitors will learn about Heifer's mission, the "green" features of the building and Heifer's commitment to responsible use of resources.

Heifer Village

Heifer Village, which includes the Murphy Keller Education Center, is a place where visitors, staff, volunteers, and the international development community can come together to learn more about world hunger, poverty, solutions currently being employed to combat those problems, about Heifer and its mission, and help to seek solutions in the worldwide effort to end hunger and poverty. In addition to permanent exhibit space, the Heifer Village will provide a valuable educational resource for schools and a forum for individuals to come together to learn and discuss issues through ongoing daytime, evening and weekend programming.

Historic Arkansas Museum

200 E. 3rd
Little Rock, AR 72201
Phone: 501-324-9351
Website: www.historicarkansas.org
Hours of Operation: Mon - Sat 9:00am-5:00pm * Sun 1:00pm-5:00pm

Take time to tour the state's oldest neighborhood, where medicine came from the herb garden and the newspaper was printed on a hand-operated press. Historic Arkansas Museum celebrates Arkansas's cultural and material heritage with six galleries of Arkansas art and artifacts, an interactive children's gallery, Orientation Theater, museum store with Arkansas products and more. Four original Little Rock dwellings on the museum's grounds provide the setting as expert tour guides describe life on the Arkansas frontier and costumed Living History actors portray early Arkansans.

H.U. Lee International Gate and Garden

1 Statehouse Plaza
Little Rock, AR 72201
Attached to the Statehouse Convention Center

The H.U. Lee International Gate and Garden is an oasis of Korean culture, in the heart of downtown Little Rock. The gate and garden are not only tributes to Eternal Grandmaster H.U. Lee, founder of American Taekwondo Association, but also educates people about South Korea and salutes the Martial Arts.

IMAX 9 (Chenal)

17825 Chenal Parkway

Little Rock, AR 72223

Phone: 501-821-2616

Website: www.chenal9@dtmovies.com

The IMAX 9 state of the art theatre in West Little Rock has a 3D Auditorium, Stadium Seating, and Digital Sound.

Little Rock Air Force Base

1250 Thomas Ave.

Little Rock AFB, AR 72099

Phone: 501-987-3601

Website: www.littlerock.af.mil

This is the largest training and maintenance facility for C-130 aircraft. Call for a tour, or attend an open house. An air show is held each spring.

Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site & Visitors Center

2120 W. Daisy L. Gatson Bates Drive

Little Rock, AR 72202

Phone: 501-396-3000

Fax: 501-396-3001

Website: www.nps.gov/chsc

Hours of Operation: Daily 9:00am-4:30pm * Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day

Free admission

The new Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site Visitor Center opened in September 2007 to mark the 50th anniversary of the school's desegregation, when nine African-American students entered the school under federal troop protection. In 1957 the school became a crucial battleground in the struggle for civil rights. The nation watched as the "Little Rock Nine" attempted to enter the previously all-white school. With the help of television news, then in its infancy, the events commanded worldwide attention. Dramatic images of the conflict, along with the school's facade, seared themselves into the public's memory. Little Rock came to symbolize the federal government's commitment to eliminating separate systems of education for blacks and whites.

Little Rock Climbing Center

12120 Colonel Glenn Road, #7000

Little Rock, AR 72210

Phone: 501-227-9500

Website: www.littlerockclimbingcenter.com

Hours of Operation: Mon - Fri 12:00pm-10:00pm * Sat 10:00am-10:00pm * Sun 12:00pm-8:00pm

The Little Rock Climbing Center is the premier indoor rock climbing gym in Central Arkansas. It has over 4,000 sq.ft. of climbable terrain that is friendly to both the beginners as well as to the seasoned pro. This facility offers 27 belay stations, overhangs, slabs, roofs and arêtes, lead climbing area, bouldering cave, and climbing courses.

Little Rock National Cemetery

2523 Confederate Blvd

Little Rock, AR 72206

Phone: 501-324-6401

Website: www.cem.va.gov

Visitation Hours: Open daily from dawn until dusk

Located in the southeast section of Little Rock, early in the Civil War, the land that is currently the national cemetery was located outside city limits and was used for Union encampments. With Union troops still occupying the city in 1866, a portion of the new city cemetery was purchased by the government and set aside for military interments. On April 9, 1868, it was designated a national cemetery with the stated purpose to concentrate remains of Union dead who had been buried throughout Arkansas.

Little Rock Sightseeing Tours

Little Rock Tours

Phone: 800-933-3836

Website: www.littlerocktours.com

For decades, some of Arkansas' most unique landmarks and buildings have been making national debuts and headlines. From the 1957 crisis at Central High School to the Old Statehouse which served as the scene of President Bill Clinton's 1992 and 1996 election-night celebrations, to the nation's newest Presidential library, this Little Rock city tour will get you up close and personal with some of Little Rock's most famous and historical places.

Little Rock Visitor Information Center at Historic Curran Hall

615 E. Capitol Ave.

Sixth or Ninth Street

Little Rock, AR 72202

Phone: (501) 371-0076

Hours of Operation: Mon - Sat 9:00am-5:00pm * Sunday 1:00pm-5:00pm * Closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Day

Curran Hall is a beautifully restored historic home featuring gardens with plants and trees true to the 1840's antebellum time period. The information center offers helpful and friendly staff with loads of information on fun, food, and things to do in the Capital City.

Historic Arkansas Gardens at Curran Hall

Curran Hall features a garden landscape designated as the Marjem Ward Jackson Historic Garden. In developing a landscape plan to fit both the antebellum house and its 21st century adaptive use, the designer included styles and plant stock that were appropriate to Little Rock in the 1840's. In full bloom, the garden is breath-taking and is lovingly maintained by the Pulaski County Master Gardeners.

Little Rock Zoo

1 Jonesboro Drive

Little Rock, AR 72205

Phone: 501-666-2406

Website: www.littlerockzoo.com

Hours of Operation: April – September 9:00am-5:00pm * October – March 9:00am-4:30pm

The Little Rock Zoo is home to over 725 of the world's most exotic animals. Experience the majesty of giraffes, elephants, and rhinos. Marvel at the strength and beauty of lions, tigers, and jaguars. Take a stroll and catch a glimpse of chimpanzees, orangutans, and gorillas. Or slither around to explore the snakes, amphibians and alligators. If you need a break from the action, stop in Café Africa for a bite to eat, or take a relaxing and scenic ride on the train. Don't forget to visit the Children's Farm, where you can get up close to sheep, goats, and more.

MacArthur Museum of Arkansas Military History

503 E. 9th St.

Little Rock, AR 72202

Phone: 501-376-4602

Website: www.arkmilitaryheritage.com

Hours of Operation: Tues - Sat 10:00am-4:00pm * Sun 1:00pm-4:00pm

Free admission

The MacArthur Museum of Arkansas Military History, located in the historic Arsenal Building, interprets our state's military heritage and honors the contributions of Arkansas servicemen and women, at home and abroad, who served in military conflicts from the state's territorial period to the present. The Arsenal Building, a National Historic Landmark and one of Little Rock's oldest surviving structures, was built in 1840 to protect Arkansans from Indian attack. It witnessed pivotal exchanges between Federal and Confederate forces during the Civil War and later became the birthplace of Five Star Army General Douglas MacArthur.

MacArthur Park

9th & McAlmont Street

Little Rock, AR 72202

Phone: 501-371-4770

Website: www.littlerock.org

MacArthur Park is the city's oldest municipal park. This historic downtown park houses the Arkansas Arts Center and MacArthur Museum of Arkansas Military History. Outdoor facilities include brick promenades, a pavilion, memorials, a bocce court and the scenic Contemplation Gardens.

Arkansas Korean War Veterans Memorial

The Arkansas Korean War Veterans Memorial located in MacArthur Park is dedicated to ensuring that future generations remember the Korean War Veterans; their proud and dedicated service, the legacy they continued, and the freedom they preserved. The names of 461 Arkansans killed in the Korean War, and six Arkansans who received the Medal of Honor are listed on beautiful black granite panels. The information panels surround impressive statues of combat soldiers, and Korean children.

Mosaic Templars of America

501 West Ninth Street

Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: 501- 683-3593

Website: www.mosaictemplarscenter.com

Hours of Operation: Tuesday- Saturday, 9 am to 5 pm, Museum Store closes at 4:30pm

Free admission

Established in 1883 as a fraternal organization, the Mosaic Templars of America provided insurance and other services to black businesses during the era of segregation. By 1900, Mosaic Templars industries grew to include an insurance company, a building and loan association, a publishing company, a business college, a nursing school and a hospital. The original headquarters building was destroyed in a fire in March 2005. Rebuilt to preserve the history, on September 20th, 2008, the Mosaic Templars Cultural Center and Museum opened to the public as a state-of-the-art facility with more than 8,000 square feet of interactive exhibit and education space.

Mt. Holly Cemetery

12th & Broadway

Little Rock, AR 72202

Phone: 501-376-1843

Website: www.cem.va.gov

Hours of Operation: Open Daily

Mount Holly Cemetery was established in 1843 and features Victorian-era statuary ranging from the more common angels and cherubs to a unique pair of two young girls memorializing two sisters who died in childhood and are buried there. Those buried in Mount Holly include at least 10 Arkansas governors, three U.S. senators, five Confederate generals, 20 Little Rock mayors, composers, newspaper editors, a Pulitzer Prize-winning poet and Quatie Ross, wife of Cherokee Chief John Ross, who died while traveling on the Trail of Tears.

Murry's Dinner Playhouse

6323 Colonel Glenn Road

Little Rock, AR 72204

Phone: 501-562-3131

Website: www.murrysdinnerplayhouse.com

Murry's Dinner Playhouse has been serving up food, fun and fabulous entertainment since 1967. Enjoy the all-you-can-eat buffet, and then take in the best of Broadway. Murry's offers a full season of Broadway's best comedies and musicals.

Museum of Discovery

500 President Clinton Ave., Suite 150

Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: 501-396-7050 or 800-880-6475

Website: www.amod.org

Hours of Operation: Mon - Sat 9:00am-5:00pm * Sun 1:00pm-5:00pm

At the Museum of Discovery you can explore the wonders of nature, science, technology and history. Build a robot at the Tech Lab, create crafts at the Imagination Station, learn about Arkansas's rich Native American history, discover the principles of light, electricity, and magnetism, explore the major parts of the body in the Health Hall or learn about forestry through Worlds of the Forest. Electric shows available on weekends.

Old Mill

Lakeshore Drive & Fairway Avenue
North Little Rock, AR
Phone: 501-791-8537
Website: www.northlr.org/attractions/old-mill

Remember the mill with its turning water wheel that appears during the opening credits of the 1936 legendary movie "Gone With the Wind"? Surprise! It's right here in Central Arkansas. The Old Mill is a reproduction of an 1800's water-powered grist mill and was built in 1933 by Dionicio Rodriguez. This three-acre site, officially known as the T.R. Pugh Memorial Park and Pugh's Mill, is more commonly known as the Old Mill. The mill, with a water wheel constructed of concrete but treated to look like wood, is surrounded by a road resembling an old wagon road and a rustic footbridge made of black locust tree limbs.

Old State House Museum

300 W. Markham
Little Rock, AR 72201
Phone: 501-324-9685
Website: www.oldstatehouse.com
Hours of Operation: Mon-Sat 9am-5pm * Sunday 1pm-5pm
Free admission

The historic Old State House opened in 1836, serving as Arkansas's first state capitol building until 1911. This Greek Revival-style structure is nationally recognized as the backdrop for President Bill Clinton's 1992 and 1996 election-night celebrations. Today, the building houses a museum of Arkansas history. Permanent exhibits include: Pillars of Power, exploring the history of the Old State House; Arkansas's First Families, featuring 30 Arkansas First Ladies' gowns; Grandmother's Cottage, and a hands-on children's exhibit; the Arkansas Wilderness gallery and the 1836 and 1885 House of Representatives chambers.

Peabody Hotel Ducks

3 Statehouse Plaza
Little Rock, AR 72201
Phone: 501-906-4000
Website: www.peabodylittlerock.com

Want to watch the famous parade of ducks? Each morning at 11 o'clock the clan departs their Royal Peabody Duck Palace and heads via a red carpet to the ducks' daytime home, a marble fountain in the hotel lobby, where they frolic all day and then return to their Palace at 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

Pinnacle Mountain State Park

11901 Pinnacle Valley Rd.
Roland, AR 72135
Phone: 501-868-5806
Website: www.arkansasstateparks.com/pinnaclemountain

Spend the afternoon at one of Arkansas's most breathtaking spots. Elevated more than 1,000 feet above the Arkansas River Valley, the cone-shaped peak of Pinnacle Mountain is a central Arkansas landmark. Once up top, a fairly easy hike up the western slope, the scenery can't be beat. The park offers more than 40 miles of hiking trails, the Arkansas Arboretum, a playground and plenty of picnic tables.

Playtime Pizza

600 Colonel Glenn Plaza Loop

Little Rock, AR 72110

Phone: 501-227-7529

Website: www.playtimepizza.com

Hours of Operation: Mon - Thur 4:00pm-10:00pm * Fri – Sat 11:00am-12:00am * Sun 11:00am-10:00pm

Playtime Pizza is a 7000 Sq. Ft. family entertainment center that combines great food and family fun. It features an unlimited pizza buffet which also includes pasta dishes, family favorites, salads, desserts and beverages. The fun side of Playtime Pizza includes a two story game arcade with over 140 of the newest video, interactive and merchandising games, an indoor go kart track, indoor bumper cars, a black-light laser tag arena, a black-light mini-golf course and 6 lanes of mini-bowling.

Political History Audio Tour

Download the free audio tour at www.littlerock.com/audiotour

Discover the people and places that helped shape our great state in this fascinating Arkansas Political History walking tour that includes 23 locations throughout historic downtown Little Rock. Look for the numbered decals on the sidewalk that correspond with the tracks on the audio tour file. Explore Ambitious 19th Century Adventurers, Native American Families, Fighting Alley and Hell's Half Acre Judges, Legislators, and Mayors. Press play and you're off on an old/new adventure!

Quapaw Quarter Historic Homes

615 E. Capitol

Little Rock, AR 72202

Phone: 501-371-0075

Website: www.quapaw.com

A lot of Little Rock's history - from frontier days to the early years of the 20th century - is encompassed by the Quapaw Quarter, a nine-square mile area which includes Little Rock's central business district and adjacent residential neighborhoods. The Quapaw Quarter is most closely associated with the neighborhoods surrounding MacArthur Park, the Arkansas Governor's Mansion, and Central High School. Most of the city's oldest buildings, including some that date from before the Civil War, are found within the boundaries of the MacArthur Park Historic District. Homes in the Governor's Mansion Historic District generally date from about 1880 to 1920, and they comprise an outstanding collection of Queen Anne, Colonial Revival and Craftsman architecture. The Central High Neighborhood was established as a National Register Historic District in 1996. While the oldest surviving house dates from 1870, most of the buildings in this district date from 1890 to 1930. The majority of restored buildings in the Quapaw Quarter serve as private homes or businesses. Although they are not open to the public, they can be enjoyed from the street or sidewalk via driving or walking tours

River Market District

400 President Clinton Ave.

Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: 501-375-2552

Website: www.rivermarket.info

Located in the heart of downtown Little Rock, the River Market District, by day, offers a market hall with an exciting mix of food vendors that will entice your senses and fit any taste buds. You can also shop for fresh fruits and veggies, visit several art galleries and souvenir stores, dine at a variety of restaurants, take a trolley ride or stroll through the park, take in multiple pieces of public sculpture, experience several museums and attractions, or enjoy the incredible view of the river.

Looking for a night out on the town? The downtown area is the best place to find live entertainment and local music. Offering entertainment from acoustic, techno, alternative, piano bars, rock, jazz, classical and country-we love music and we've got it all. If a lively, high-energy atmosphere is what you are looking for, the District's plentiful bars and pubs offer a night on the town you'll never forget!

Farmers' Market

The Farmers' Market has been a unique shopping experience since it began in Downtown Little Rock in 1974.

These days, the Farmers' Market makes its home in the River Market's two out door, open-air pavilions overlooking Riverfront Park. The Market is filled with farmers selling farm-fresh produce, from early morning until mid-afternoon, each Tuesday and Saturday, May through October.

Riverfront Park

200 Ottenheimer Plaza

Little Rock, AR

Website: www.rivermarket.info

Art Along the River

Stroll through River Front Park and let your mind and soul become enriched by the many works of art planed along the path to the Clinton Presidential Center. Inspired by the themes of President Clinton's acceptance speech at the 1996 Democratic convention, these sculptures (including "Touch the Sky", "Eagle of the Rock", and "Harriet Tubman" to name a few), illustrate our common values and the wonderful quality of life to be found here in Arkansas.

Civil War Marker

Located in Riverfront Park, this is the location where the main body of Steele's army entered Little Rock on September 11, 1863 with the 3rd Minnesota Regiment in the vanguard, crossing the river on a pontoon bridge at the approximate location of the present day Main Street Bridge.

Junction Bridge

As an integral part of the Six Bridge skyline and riverfront development in both Little Rock and North Little Rock, the Junction Railroad Bridge for pedestrian and bicycle use, links both sides of the Arkansas River Trail. Access to the bridge is via a walkway (handicap accessible) directly behind the River Market pavilion on the Little Rock side and from Washington Street near the arena on the North Little Rock side.

La Petit Roche Plaza

Benard de la Harpe, who is believed to have traveled about 50 miles above the present sites of Little Rock and North Little Rock, described the area when writing about his journey. He noted a landmark on the north bank of the Arkansas River, which he referred to as the "French Rock" (now known as "big rock"). The first outcropping of rock

along the riverbanks above its mouth on the south bank came to be known as the "Little Rock." Located on Riverfront Park, relive history and discover the La Petit Roche.

Peabody Park, An Adventure in Play!

Located west of the Junction Bridge and north of the Wellness Walkway in Riverfront Park, Peabody Park is a unique play environment, designed with help from children, it encourages imagination, exploration and discovery. Some of its many wondrous features include several outdoor and underground tunnels, large native stones for climbing, a spray pad, large slide, and the Ozark Pavilion.

Vogel Schwartz Sculpture Garden

This dynamic garden is located east of the Peabody Hotel near the Forever a Rose Garden and the Jack Fleischauer Garden. It has become the recent home of seven new pieces that will join a dozen other sculptures in the park and along President Clinton Avenue that have been installed since 2004. The sculpture garden features natural terraces and walkways. There is a space to host receptions, weddings or other events as well as to allow visitors to enjoy the sculptures in solitude. The sculpture garden is made possible through the support of the Vogel Schwartz Foundation.

River Rail Electric Street Car Trolley

Central Arkansas Transit Authority
901 Maple North Little Rock, AR 72114
Phone: 501-375-6717
Website: www.cat.org

See the sights in downtowns Little Rock and North Little Rock with ease aboard a historic replica streetcar trolley. Making several stops in both cities, you will love the scenic route which covers the River Market District in Little Rock and the Argenta District in North Little Rock. Fares vary and kids under 5 ride FREE! Day Passes Available.

Villa Marre

1321 S. Scott Street
Little Rock, AR 72201
Phone: 501-371-0075

Snap a Shot with the Sugarbakers! Considered a local Little Rock landmark, the circa 1881 Villa Marre, a Second Empire/Italianate home gained fame when, in the 1980's, television producers and former Arkansas residents Harry Thomason and his wife, Linda Bloodworth-Thomason used the home's exterior to depict the Sugarbaker design firm on the couple's CBS television series "Designing Women." Formerly a house museum, the Villa Marre, is now a private residence and no longer opens for tours, but you can take a photo of its famous exterior!

Wild River Country

6820 Crystal Hill Rd.
North Little Rock, AR 72118
Phone: 501-753-8600
Website: www.wildrivercountry.com
Hours of Operations: Vary

Cool off and have a blast during steamy summers at this sprawling water park, which includes slides, a wave pool, inner tube rides, a family raft ride, a roller coaster water ride and a "splash zone" with water tag and bungee rope.

Wildwood Park for the Performing Arts

20919 Denny Road

Little Rock, Arkansas 72223-9279

Phone: 501.821.7275

Website: www.wildwoodpark.org

Hours of Operation: Vary

Wildwood Park for the Performing Arts is the largest park dedicated to the performing arts in the South. The annual Wildwood Festival in June draws opera, jazz, cabaret, blues, gospel, big band, dance and literary artists. Its EPIC program (Every Person Is Creative) is becoming a national model for integrating performing arts into school curricula. Special events, such as the annual Wildwood Wine & Food Celebration in March, are held throughout the year.

William J. Clinton Presidential Center & Park

1200 President Clinton Ave.

Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: 501-374-4242

Website: www.clintonpresidentialcenter.org

Hours of Operation: Mon - Sat 9:00am-5:00pm * Sun 1:00pm-5:00pm

Experience the nation's newest and most innovative presidential library also houses the largest collection of presidential artifacts in history. The Clinton Presidential Center and Park include the Clinton Presidential Library, the University of Arkansas - Clinton School of Public Service, and the Clinton Presidential Foundation, Little Rock office. In addition to the archival collection and research facilities, the library features interactive exhibits, replicas of the Oval Office and the Cabinet Room, and other educational opportunities. Permanent exhibits utilizing photographs, videos and interactive stations include a 100-foot-long timeline presenting the day-to-day work of the President and alcoves highlighting domestic and foreign policy efforts and achievements. Traveling exhibits to the library have included, the Emancipation Proclamation, White House in Miniature, Art of the Chopper, Peter Max Paints America, and many others.

Willow Springs Water Park

3903 Willow Springs Road

Little Rock, AR 72206

Phone: 501-888-4148

Website: www.willowsprings.net

Hours of Operation: Mon - Sat 10:00am-8:00pm * Sun 12:00pm-8:00pm

One of Little Rock's oldest water attractions, Willow Springs, was built in 1928. It is a sandy bottom spring and well fed lake. The water is chemically treated, chlorinated, pH balanced, and clear. Your own food and drinks are welcome in the park for a fun picnic, or grab a meal at our Upper Deck Café. Some highlights include: a 400 ft waterslide, log roll and water trampolines, water sports, kiddy pool and playground area.

Witt Stephens Jr. Central Arkansas Nature Center

500 Clinton Avenue, Suite 216

Little Rock, AR 72201
Phone: 501-907-0636
Website: www.centralarkansasnaturecenter.com
Free admission

The Witt Stephens Jr. Central Arkansas Nature Center is focused on the wide variety of outdoor recreational opportunities that Arkansas's fish and wildlife resources provide. The location along the Arkansas River allows many watchable wildlife activities within an urban area. Basking water turtles, butterflies and migrating pelicans are common sights. A portion of the Arkansas River Trail crosses the site, offering more options for exploration. The grounds of the center include beds of native plants found throughout the state, while the main building includes an exhibit hall, aquariums, gift shop, theater and special educational programs.

The Wonder Place

10301 N. Rodney Parham, Breckenridge Village Shopping Center
Little Rock, AR 72227
Phone: 501-225-4050
Website: www.thewonderplace.com
Hours of Operation: Mon - Sat 9:00am-5:00pm

Imaginative places where your child can create, dream, wonder and explore. The Wonder Place is a unique, creative play experience designed just for kids 8 years old and under. It also offers a toy store full of unique and educational toys, including Haba Toys!