



Warren County - Ohio's Largest Playground

Where there's more to do in a 30-mile radius than anywhere else in Ohio!

Located just north of Cincinnati, Ohio, Warren County is home to Kings Island, Great Wolf Lodge, The Beach Waterpark, Ozone Zipline Adventures and more.

New In 2012

Hawaii's "Sister" Zipline Tour Expands

- **Ozone Zipline Adventures**, the Midwest's largest zipline tour, adds a **New River Tour**: two new 1,500 foot ziplines which will fly riders across the scenic Little Miami River at heights of more than 200 feet, landing on a platform at Fort Ancient. Ozone is an educational eco-adventure which allows hands-free riders to choose from three tour options, and take flight across more than two miles of cables and traverse eight sky bridges. Also new for 2012, Full Moon Night Zipping. This nighttime adventure takes place on the weekend closest to the full moon every month.

Soak City Waterpark: Bigger, Better, Wetter

- **Kings Island**, the Midwest's largest amusement and waterpark, just got bigger with the addition in 2012 of **Soak City Waterpark** (free with park admission) which will expand and feature a massive new Wave Pool and Action River, new entrance, more amenities and lounging areas.

Midwest Tennis: Fan Friendly, Affordable & the Largest Summer Event Outside of the U.S. Open

- **The Western & Southern Open** unveils a new food court and retail space in 2012 and day pass tickets as low as \$10. The event is the oldest U.S. professional tennis tournament still played in its original city and is **one of only five events in the world** (aside from Grand Slams) where fans can simultaneously see a Masters 1000 event on the men's ATP World Tour and a Premier level event for the Women's WTA Tour.

Award Winning Winery Expands to Beer

- Valley Vineyards, southwest Ohio's largest estate winery (and home to the best red wine in Ohio according to the Department of Agriculture and the Ohio Grape Industries) will launch **Ohio's newest nanobrewery**, "Cellar Dwellers," (only the second estate winery/brewery in Ohio). Cellar Dwellers Brewery will offer American pale ale, English India pale ale, a light lager and quarterly seasonal beers.

Record-Breaking Fun!

- Dinosaurs Alive! at Kings Island is the **world's largest animatronic dinosaur park** with its more than 60 life-sized dinosaurs along a Jurassic forest walking trail. Coaster enthusiasts enjoy The Beast, the **world's longest wooden roller coaster** which travels 65 mph. Planet Snoopy, named best kids zone eleven years in a row, features **more kids coasters than any other park in the world**.
- **Fort Ancient, the largest prehistoric Native American hilltop enclosure in the U.S. to be featured on Ancient Ohio Trail, events and mobile app.** Nestled 245 feet above the Little Miami River, Fort Ancient is the largest and best-preserved hilltop enclosure in the U.S. This 2,000-year-old monument also is on the list for inclusion to be nominated for World Heritage Status.

- **Largest Horse-Drawn Carriage Parade in the U.S.** is held in Lebanon, Ohio each year. The Historic Lebanon Horse-Drawn Carriage Parade (Dec. 1) features more than 100 horse-drawn vehicles, from carriages, buggies, carts, wagons and a fire engine, according to event organizers.

Eco-Tourism

- **Marvin's Organic Gardens**, the Midwest's largest USDA certified organic garden, follows eco-friendly growing methods and regularly offers free lectures and classes to learn more about organics. Volun-tourism opportunities are available and include harvesting crops from the "Giving Garden" where 50 percent or more of the crops are given to local food pantries.
- The **Little Miami State Park trail corridor, Ohio's longest state park**, offers bicycling, hiking, cross-country skiing, rollerblading, backpacking, horseback riding and canoeing the federally designated Scenic Little Miami River. Visit nearby **Caesar Creek State Park and Gorge** for more outdoor fun, including geo-caching, **collecting 400 million year old fossils** and birding.

Living History

- **Springboro, Ohio**, is known as one of the "**busiest routes**" along the **Underground Railroad**. Walking tours guide visitors to more than 50 historic homes and documented safe houses. Stay at the Wright House Bed and Breakfast, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The former safe house allows guests a glimpse into the past with an authentic hiding places and symbolic white-washed chimney.
- Lebanon, Ohio is home to the iconic **Golden Lamb Inn and Restaurant**, Ohio's oldest inn. The nearby **Warren County History Center** is home to one of the largest displays of Shaker artifacts in the country, and **Glendower Mansion**, former home to two Civil War heroes, offers tours, civil war re-enactments and events.
- **Caesars Creek Pioneer Village's Civil War Re-enactment** (Sept. 29-30, 2012) is slated to be one of the largest in Ohio. Soldiers representing infantry, artillery, and Calvary units square off in the battle field twice daily.
- **Waynesville is Ohio's Most Haunted Village** offering year-round "historical haunted" walking tours of famous haunts. The village also is known as the "**Antique Capital of the Midwest.**"

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