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ONLY IN MISSOURI Oddities & Famous People

We have so many suggestions, you may have to extend your trip! Our MACVB Members have partnered together to offer you personalized itineraries to meet your needs. Looking for the unique? We have it! Need an excursion for a few days? Missouri professionals are here to help.

Cape Girardeau
St. Louis
Hannibal
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Clay County
Sedalia
Warrensburg
Pulaski County
Springfield
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St. Joseph
Callaway County



Experience a theme itinerary packed with a lot of great ideas, photo opportunities and laughs. Groups will be on board to visit locations featured in the movies and old stomping grounds of celebrities. There are plenty of oddities and roadside attractions to discover too.

Thank you for requesting additional information about the Only In Missouri Itinerary. Your information has been forwarded to the participating Destination Marketing Organizations. Please feel free to reach out to our members for additional details. We are excited to host your group in Missouri!

ONLY IN MISSOURI

Cape Girardeau Only in Missouri will you find a fictional town hidden throughout a real one! Cape Girardeau welcomed a little piece of Hollywood to town in the Fall of 2013 as Gillian Flynn's novel, *Gone Girl*, came to life. Cape Girardeau played the role of North Carthage, Missouri in the film directed by David Fincher that stars Ben Affleck, Neil Patrick Harris, Rosamund Pike, and Tyler Perry. Set off on the **Gone Girl Tour** to see familiar spots and get the behind the scenes scoop on cast and crew favorites while they were in Cape Girardeau.



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St. Louis See the world's only completely recycled museum when you visit the art-filled playground of **City Museum**, an intriguing mix of history, architecture and whimsy. One man's passion for collecting just about everything related to popular culture has created Blueberry Hill in The Loop neighborhood. In addition to its reputation for food and music, the restaurant is known as home to the world's best jukebox and eclectic collections that range from Chuck Berry's guitar to Howdy Doody items and old lunchboxes.

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Hannibal Famous Missourian Mark Twain put Hannibal on the map. His beloved novels are still read around the world, and visitors from all 50 states and over 70 countries come each year to see the place that inspired Twain's stories. Visitors can trace his footsteps as they visit **Mark Twain's Boyhood home**, take a riverboat ride on the Mighty Mississippi or explore **Mark Twain Cave**, the cave Twain made famous. While in Hannibal, visitors can discover the lives of other famous Hannibal natives, including the Unsinkable Molly Brown of Titanic fame, Baseball Hall-of-Famer Jake Beckley, and Cliff Edwards, the voice of Jiminy Cricket.



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Chillicothe That's the greatest thing since Sliced Bread! In Chillicothe, we know great things. In fact, we invented them. Sliced Bread was invented in Chillicothe in 1928. This innovation revolutionized the baking industry as well as the daily routine of households around the world. You can visit an original **Rohwedder Bread Slicing Machine** at the **Grand River Museum**, and see many other tributes to sliced bread throughout Chillicothe.

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Clay County The **Jesse James Birthplace**, Kearney, Missouri, was the birthplace and home to the famous outlaw, Jesse Woodson James and his older brother, Frank James. Jesse James, son of a Baptist minister, Reverend Robert James and his wife Zerelda, was born at the family home in 1847. Barely 16, he followed his older brother Frank into the Civil War. While Frank rode with Quantrill's guerrillas, Jesse rode with Bloody Bill Anderson. After the war ended, Jesse returned home and joined other former Confederate guerrillas in a life of outlawry that ended in 1882 when he was shot by Robert Ford.



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Sedalia Scott Joplin's Maple Leaf Rag was published by Sedalia's music publisher, John Stark in 1899. An unprecedented contract between a black man—the son of a slave, and a white man jump-started Ragtime as America's first truly original music and made Scott Joplin the "King of Ragtime." This contract, which provided royalties instead of a flat fee to a black composer for the first time, set a precedent in the music industry going forward. Visit 114 E. 5th Street, the location where the historic contract was signed and begin Joplin's Footsteps Tour.

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Warrensburg Best-selling author, Dale Carnegie, attended the University of Central Missouri, and a life-size bust has been erected on campus to celebrate his contributions in inspiring and learning to a greater degree. In Warrensburg, will you find the childhood home of musical prodigy, John William "Blind" Boone. Overcoming poverty, disability, and racism, he became a nationally known composer and musician. On October 28, 1869, the shot that rang out affected dog lovers everywhere and began the Old Drum Trial that ended in a final appeal before the Supreme Court of Missouri. A bust of Old Drum was commissioned by the family of a Supreme Court Judge that favored the trial.

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Pulaski County **FROG ROCK** - W.H. (Waynesville Hill) Croaker sets along Historic Route 66 overlooking the town of Waynesville. This is a huge rock painted like a frog is just one cool attraction you will see as you get your kick's on Route 66!

SUGAR BOWL BLUFFS - Beautiful bluffs of 200 foot tall bluffs of Gasconade dolomite overlook the Big Piney River in Devils Elbow. The view from the 1923 bridge is known as the Sugar Bowls for their unique shape. They are the reason Devil's Elbow is considered one of the "Seven Wonders of Missouri."

URANUS ON ROUTE 66 - A bizarre and unique "town" along the Mother Road offering up a "classic" roadside stop with towering dinosaurs, Sputnik, mariachi band, vintage cop car and fire truck, space ship, aliens, and more.

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Springfield Oddities in Springfield include: **Fantastic Caverns**, America's ride-through cave. Bass Pro Shops and **Wonders of Wildlife** - Dive into the excitement of the world's oceans, lakes and streams The 350,000-square foot museum's Great Oceans Hall features boats used by Ernest Hemingway & Zane Grey and is home to a 300,000-gallon "open ocean" habitat of saltwater marine life. Go eye-to-eye with wildlife and discover the greatest collection of record-setting big game animals ever assembled. **NRA National Sporting Arms Museum** and **Archery Hall of Fame** Over 1,000 firearms that trace the history of hunting, conservation and freedom.



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Joplin Notables in history **George Washington Carver, Thomas Hart Benton, Bonnie & Clyde, Mickey Mantle & Langston Hughes** all have left their mark along Joplin's Route 66. Your group will be the primary focus of Joplin's hospitality industry professionals, we are ready to be a memorable experience on your groups trip to Joplin. Leave a mark in the history books in Joplin.

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Washington Washington, Missouri has long been known as the “**Corn Cob Pipe Capital of the World.**” And, in fact, General MacArthur made us famous! The Missouri Meerschaum Company – the world's oldest and largest manufacturer of cool, sweet-smoking corn cob pipes – began the tradition in 1907 for which Washington became famous. Still giving tours and presentations at the original and only corncob pipe factory in the world!



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Independence Retrace the Steps of an American Legend -Harry Truman was a hometown Independence boy and straight-talking Midwesterner who became one of America’s greatest and most beloved presidents. He loved it here so much, he returned home to Independence after serving in the White House. Here, you can walk through his neighborhood and see the route he walked once he was out of office. Stop in the soda fountain where young Harry had his first job and enjoy some delicious treats. See the sites where this world leader went to school, met his wife, had an occasional glass of whiskey and played penny-stakes poker. Don't miss the Harry S. Truman Library and Museum, Truman Home and the little-known, but very surprising Truman Courtroom and Office. Get the straight story on this straight shooter with an authentic look at real history, right here in Independence, Missouri.

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St. Joseph The guided tour of the **Walter Cronkite Memorial** is dedicated to the life of one of St. Joseph’s greatest native sons. The permanent memorial is a collection of items designed to honor the legendary CBS News anchor, born in St. Joseph, MO on November 4, 1916. Tour a replica of the CBS newsroom where Mr. Cronkite reported the nightly world news. You can actually sit in his chair and experience what it was like to report to millions across America. Then, head over to the home of our most infamous outlaw, **Jesse James**. He only lived in this home for 100 days with his wife and children before fellow gang member, Robert Ford, shot and killed him on April 3, 1882.



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Callaway County In Fulton, Missouri, walk through a 32-foot section of the **Berlin Wall** the largest section of the wall to be found outside of Berlin. The sculpture sits next the Church of St. Mary of Aldermanbury, the only Sir Christopher Wren church in the U.S. View the "Breakthrough" sculpture for the **National Churchill Museum** which honors Churchill's 1946 visit Fulton's Westminster College. His "Sinews of Peace" address, more commonly known as the "Iron Curtain" speech, was the harbinger of the Cold War between the United States and Russia. A 20-minute concert is available by appointment for groups. \$75 fee. Church and museum admission \$7.50 - \$8.50. More information www.nationalchurchillmuseum.org

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