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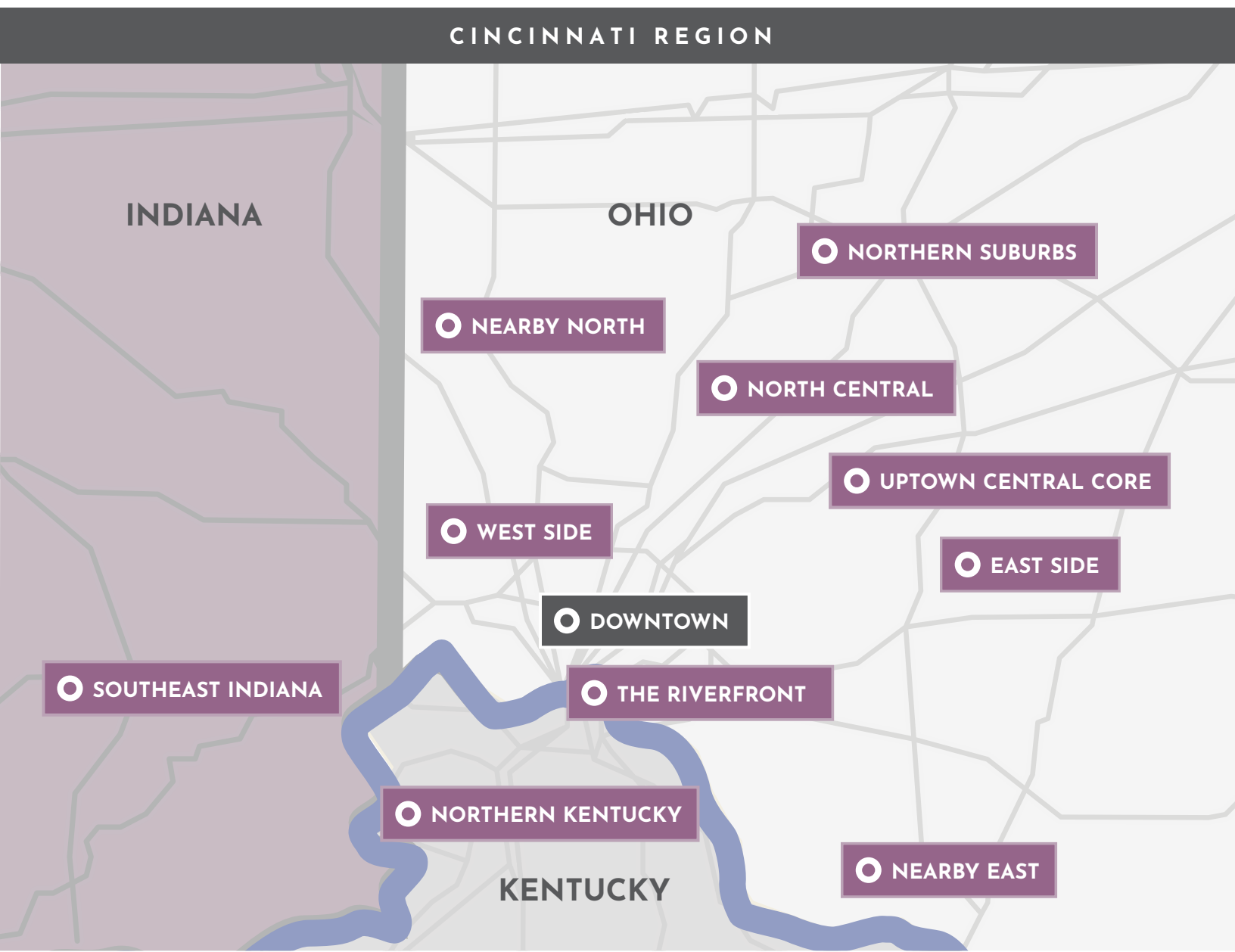
The Cincinnati region is home to 70+ unique neighborhoods, each with its own personality. This guide organizes the region into 11 distinct geographic areas and highlights several neighborhoods in each. Spend a few hours or even a day exploring the communities to discover what makes each one so special!

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NEIGHBORHOOD MAP

The Cincinnati region's 15-county, 3-state area is all about the neighborhoods, with each offering its own distinct vibe. You'll find strong communities where neighbors connect in ways big and small, from sharing a cup of sugar to bonding together for important causes. Whether you're seeking the solace of spacious greenspace or the hustle and bustle of urban living, you're sure to find your people—and your place here!



DOWNTOWN

Downtown Cincinnati includes the **Central Business District**, **Over-The-Rhine (OTR)**, **Pendleton**, and the **West End**. From Music Hall to Union Terminal to the most intact historic district in the country, Downtown has a trending arts scene, murals everywhere, global cuisine, bars with amazing views, a new soccer stadium, and a calendar packed with events.

CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT

Here, you'll find the heartbeat of Downtown where corporate headquarters and businesses thrive alongside vibrant public spaces and urban living. From **Fountain Square** to **Court Street**, this neighborhood brings people and cultures together and is home to some of Cincy's largest events like **Taste of Cincinnati** and **BLINK®**. World-class museums, performing arts centers, and a progressive food scene attract tourists and locals alike.

OVER-THE-RHINE

Stroll through blocks of Italianate architecture in this historic neighborhood brimming with a wide variety of specialty stores, eateries, and bars. Explore Ohio's oldest continuously operated public market, **Findlay Market**, and enjoy a variety of local foods and global flavors. Catch a performance at the **Cincinnati Shakespeare Company** or visit the historic **Music Hall** for a concert by the **Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra**, both located within Over-The-Rhine's bustling dining and entertainment district. Beautiful **Washington Park**, located next to Music Hall, offers a large event lawn and ideal gathering space for movie nights, live music, festivals, and other events. Locals flock to OTR for its fun and lively atmosphere.



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DOWNTOWN

PENDLETON

Just to the east of OTR, Pendleton is a small but growing artists' neighborhood with just the right balance of quaint coffee shops, eclectic art galleries, streeteries, and lively nightlife. Discover over 250 local artists at the **Pendleton Art Center** located in an 8-story warehouse in the heart of the neighborhood. For live music and entertainment, visit the **Hard Rock Casino Cincinnati** celebrating rock & roll history, including many of Cincinnati's music legends, including Hank Williams, Rosemary Clooney, the Isley Brothers, Bootsy Collins and more.

WEST END

This historic neighborhood has experienced significant growth and re-development in the last five years with the addition of the state-of-the-art **TQL Stadium**—home to **FC Cincinnati**, our major league soccer team. A few blocks away, one of the Queen City's most treasured landmarks, **Union Terminal** is the home of the **Cincinnati Museum Center** which offers the **Cincinnati History Museum**, the **Museum of Natural History and Science**, and the **The Children's Museum**.

The Connector is an electric-powered streetcar that operates along a 3.6-mile loop connecting Cincinnati's Over-the-Rhine and Banks neighborhoods via the Central Business District. It is free to ride!



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DOWNTOWN HIGHLIGHTS

- 300+ ArtWorks Murals
- Aronoff Center
- Cincinnati Museum Center
- Cincinnati Shakespeare Company
- Contemporary Arts Center
- Court Street Plaza
- Findlay Market
- Fountain Square
- Hard Rock Casino Cincinnati
- Know Theater
- Memorial Hall
- Music Hall
- Pendleton Art Center
- Taft Museum of Art
- TQL Stadium
- Washington Park
- Ziegler Park

THE RIVERFRONT

One of the best things about the Cincinnati region is our location on the Ohio River. Whether you're in Downtown Cincy or in Northern Kentucky, our bridges make it easy to stay connected and enjoy all the amenities of a thriving waterfront area.

THE RIVERFRONT DISTRICT

With acres of multiple shoreline parks, two entertainment venues, two sports stadiums, and a variety of restaurants with spectacular river views, Cincy's riverfront is always humming with activity. **The Banks** is an entertainment area along the Cincinnati side of the river with a thriving dining and bar scene, and home to a **DORA** (Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area) district. Next to The Banks is **Smale Riverfront Park**, one of the top-rated riverwalks in the nation. Along with great biking and walking paths, water features, **Carol Ann's Carousel**, swings, and greenspace, visitors can enjoy beautiful views of the Ohio River and the historic **John A. Roebling Suspension Bridge**. **Bengals** and **Reds** fans flock to the area on game days, and concert-goers fill the new **Andrew J. Brady Music Center** and the **Heritage Bank Center** when the hottest performers come to town. **Sawyer Point Park** and **Yeatman's Cove** are home to some of Cincinnati's most iconic celebrations—the **Western & Southern/WEBN Riverfest** with one of the largest firework displays in the Midwest, and **Oktoberfest-Zinzinnati®**, one of the largest Oktoberfests in the world!



COURTESY OF THE BANKS



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THE RIVERFRONT HIGHLIGHTS

- Andrew J. Brady Music Center
- Carol Ann's Carousel
- Great American Ball Park
- Heritage Bank Center
- John A. Roebling Suspension Bridge
- National Underground Railroad Freedom Center
- Paycor Stadium
- Sawyer Point Park and Yeatman's Cove
- Sawyer Point Pickleball Courts
- Serpentine Wall
- Smale Riverfront Park
- The Banks
- The Purple People Bridge

UPTOWN CENTRAL CORE

Right outside of Downtown Cincinnati, you'll find yourself in the **Uptown Central Core** area. This includes communities like **Avondale, Camp Washington, Clifton, and Northside**—our city's most eclectic collection of neighborhoods. Here you'll find some of Cincy's best ethnic food, an indie theater, and two of the region's major universities.

AVONDALE

Northeast of Downtown Cincinnati, Avondale is flanked on the west by the **University of Cincinnati College of Medicine** and #1 ranked **Cincinnati Children's Hospital** (*USA Today*, 2023), and on the east by **Xavier University**. Area parks include **Rockdale Urban Learning Garden, Hauck Botanic Garden, the Civic Garden Center of Greater Cincinnati** and one of the Queen City's gems, the **Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden**—ranked by *USA Today* (2021, 2022) as the #1 Zoo in the Nation and home of the world famous hippo, Fiona.

CAMP WASHINGTON

Located just a few miles north of Downtown Cincinnati, Camp Washington is largely an industrial area that is seeing a rebirth as an up-and-coming arts and culture hub. Places like **CampSITE Sculpture Park**, a free outdoor sculpture park filled with works designed by local residents, and the **American Sign Museum**, the largest public museum dedicated to signs in the U.S., are helping reframe the neighborhood into a creativity-driven community. Cincinnatians continue to flock to the neighborhood cornerstone, **Camp Washington Chili**, which has been serving their award winning chili to "Chili-heads" from Cincinnati and all over the world since 1940.



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COURTESY OF CAMPSITE SCULPTURE PARK



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UPTOWN CENTRAL CORE

CLIFTON

Best known as home to the **University of Cincinnati**, Clifton has two distinct areas. North of campus is the **Gaslight District**—still lit by original gas lamps along the streets—a quaint, leafy area known for cafes and other casual dining options along bustling Ludlow Avenue. The long-running indie **Esquire Theatre** is a neighborhood staple. Bordering campus is **Burnet Woods**, a popular park with 90 acres of trails, picnic areas and greenspace. South of campus is **Clifton Heights**, a laid-back area around McMillan and Calhoun streets popular with students for its late-night bars, budget eateries, and cafes.

NORTHSIDE

Known for its upbeat culture, urban vibe, and a history of community activism, Northside offers residents and visitors the opportunity to support dozens of independently owned businesses. Grab a vegan chili mac at **Melt** or relax in **Sidewinder Coffee's** courtyard with a cup of fair-trade coffee. The walkability and social connections of Northside make it a popular destination for artists, musicians, college students, young families, and long-time residents. The area caters to a multitude of lifestyles as evidenced in their annual **Northside 4th of July Parade** and **Rock 'n' Roll Carnival**, both showcasing some of the city's biggest and brightest personalities and eccentricities.



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COURTESY OF UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

UPTOWN CENTRAL CORE HIGHLIGHTS

- American Sign Museum
- Burnet Woods
- CampSITE Sculpture Park
- Camp Washington Chili
- Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden
- Civic Garden Center of Greater Cincinnati
- Esquire Theater
- Hauck Botanic Garden
- Mt. Storm Park
- Rockdale Urban Learning Garden
- Taft's Brewporium
- University of Cincinnati
- Urban Artifact
- Xavier University

EAST SIDE

The East Side is home to some of Cincinnati's most unique and historic neighborhoods. In **Hyde Park**, **Madisonville**, **Mariemont**, **Mt. Adams**, **Mt. Lookout**, **Oakley**, **O'Bryonville**, and **Walnut Hills** you'll find lush parks, quaint town squares, family-friendly attractions, and a bustling foodie scene.

HYDE PARK

Centered around a charming two-block long square—**Hyde Park Square**—this neighborhood offers trendy shopping, a weekly farmers market, and foodie fare in a walkable community filled with joggers, strollers, and shoppers. A small park in the middle of the square is the perfect spot to enjoy a scoop of black raspberry chip from **Graeter's** original ice cream shop.

MADISONVILLE

Known for its diverse community and revitalized business district, Madisonville offers a mix of historic homes, modern apartments, and a variety of dining options. Pop into the charming **French Rendezvous** for a fresh-baked croissant, pick up authentic mexican fare at **Mazunte Mercado**, or sample a variety of cuisines at **Element Eatery Food Hall**. Thirsty? Try a classic coffee drink at **Mom 'n' Em Coffee and Wine Bar**, named one of the best coffee shops in the U.S. by *Food and Wine*.

MARIEMONT

The Village of Mariemont is one of but a few planned communities in the United States. The first thing visitors notice when arriving in Mariemont are its tree-lined streets, Tudor-style buildings, and historic charm. Modeled after quaint English garden neighborhoods, Mariemont has a strong sense of community with its **South 80 Trails and Community Gardens**, **Art at the Barn**, and independent movie house, **Mariemont Theater**.

MT. ADAMS

Perched high on a hill overlooking Downtown Cincinnati, Mt. Adams is an urban village nestled next to Eden Park. Reminiscent of Sausalito, CA, this neighborhood has cozy pubs and restaurants, hangouts for live music, unique architecture, and some of the best views of the Cincinnati skyline.

MT. LOOKOUT

The Mt. Lookout area takes its name from the historic 1800's **Cincinnati Observatory**, which offers tours and stargazing nights. Home to acres of greenspace, **Ault Park** features elaborate gardens and nature trails, while nearby **Alms Park** is known for dramatic views of the Little Miami and Ohio rivers. Locals frequent their favorite eateries and bars that line **Mt. Lookout Square** like **Zip's Cafe**, a classic burger joint serving Cincinnatians for nearly 100 years.



EAST SIDE

OAKLEY

This lively and booming neighborhood anchored by **Oakley Square** is home to popular craft beer spots like **MadTree Brewing**, **The 20th Century Theater** concert venue, and a host of shopping hot spots. Just past the historic square is **Oakley Station** with a mix of new retail stores, restaurants, and residences. Oakley is an ever-evolving neighborhood that is ideal for those who enjoy a family-friendly environment with all the amenities of an urban lifestyle.

O'BRYONVILLE

Situated on Madison Road, O'Bryonville's tree-lined sidewalks beckon visitors to spend an afternoon browsing the boutiques and galleries. Stop in at one of the wine bars, coffee houses, eateries, or satisfy your cravings for a sweet treat at one of Cincinnati's favorite bakeries, **The BonBonnerie**.

WALNUT HILLS

Located just 2 miles northeast of downtown Cincinnati, Walnut Hills has been known for its cultural, ethnic, religious, and socio-economic diversity since its founding in 1804. The neighborhood played a key role in history as part of the **Underground Railroad** and home to **Harriet Beecher Stowe**. Today, Walnut Hills is known for **Eden Park**, a beautiful urban oasis with amazing views of the Ohio River. Located within Eden Park are the **Cincinnati Art Museum**, **Krohn Conservatory**, **Seasongood Pavillion**, and **Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park**.



EAST SIDE HIGHLIGHTS

- Alms Park
- Ault Park
- Cincinnati Art Museum
- Cincinnati Observatory
- Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park
- Eden Park
- Element Eatery Food Hall
- French Rendezvous
- Harriet Beecher Stowe House
- Hyde Park Square
- Krohn Conservatory
- MadTree Brewing
- Mariemont Theater
- Mazunte Mercado
- Mom 'n' Em Coffee and Wine Bar
- Mt. Lookout Square
- Oakley Square
- The 20th Century Theater
- The BonBonnerie
- Zip's Cafe



NEARBY EAST

East of Cincinnati, you'll discover some pretty great neighborhoods to explore only 30 minutes or less from downtown—**Anderson Township, Batavia, Eastgate, Loveland, and Milford**. Enjoy one of the largest state parks in Ohio, a 200,000+ sq. ft. foodie's paradise stocked with international delicacies, or 70+ miles of a scenic paved bike path that happens to have more than a few craft breweries stationed along the way—in case you get thirsty!

ANDERSON TOWNSHIP

Bounded by the Ohio and Little Miami Rivers, Anderson Township is a suburban community with affordable living, cultural activities, and fantastic recreation. **Belterra Park Gaming** is a fully-integrated entertainment center in a beautiful setting along the river. Also located along the banks of the Ohio River is **Riverbend Music Center**, a popular outdoor amphitheater that Cincinnatians flock to in the summer months. Soak in the natural beauty of the area at one of the many neighborhood parks—**California Woods, Otto Armleder Memorial Park, Withrow Nature Preserve, W.M. Johnson Hills Park, and Woodland Mound**.

BATAVIA

Batavia is home to some of the region's premier recreational areas. As one of the largest state parks in Ohio, **East Fork State Park** offers a variety of outdoor fun with a 2,160-acre lake for boating, paddling, fishing, and swimming, as well as 4,870 wooded acres for hiking, horseback riding, mountain biking, and camping. Or check out **Wilson Nature Preserve**, with 145 acres of forests, fields, wildlife, and a 25-acre island in the Little Miami River that's great for exploring. For aviation enthusiasts, visit the **Tri-State Warbird Museum**, dedicated to the preservation of aircraft.



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COURTESY OF ANDERSON PARK DISTRICT



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COURTESY OF EAST FORK STATE PARK

NEARBY EAST

EASTGATE

This area is a shopper's mecca and home to **Jungle Jim's**—a mega grocery store where visitors can easily spend a day browsing the aisles stocked with over 180,000 products from around the world. Beyond shopping, Jungle Jim's offers store tours, food demonstrations, and lots of fun and attractions for the whole family. For more budget-friendly-retail therapy, checkout **Eastgate Mall** for a variety of shopping and dining options.

LOVELAND

Home to the nationally recognized **Little Miami Scenic Bike Trail**, historic downtown Loveland attracts a diverse crowd of outdoor adventurers, beer and BBQ enthusiasts, active families, and long-time residents. The business district offers a variety of trailside eateries, craft breweries, and a DORA (Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area). For outdoor recreation, enjoy a ride on the extensive bike trail, explore the Little Miami River with a paddling excursion from **Loveland Canoe and Kayak**, or go on a self-guided tour of the unique **Loveland Castle**.

MILFORD

Located along the banks of the Little Miami River, Milford is a lively community that promotes a laid-back lifestyle with plenty of opportunities for outdoor recreation on the river, the bike path, or at **ValleyView Nature Preserve**. Stop for a cold brew and enjoy the views from **Little Miami Brewing Company's** rooftop patio. Or explore historic downtown Milford, a treasure hunter's paradise with a myriad of art galleries, antique shops, and boutiques. Fancy an afternoon of bird-watching? **Cincinnati Nature Center** spans 1,022 acres of forests and meadows with 14 miles of hiking trails.



COURTESY OF LOVELAND CASTLE



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NEARBY EAST HIGHLIGHTS

- Belterra Park Gaming
- California Woods Nature Preserve
- Cincinnati Nature Center
- Eastfork State Park
- Eastgate Mall
- Jungle Jim's International Market
- Little Miami Scenic Trail/Loveland Bike Trail
- Loveland Canoe and Kayak
- Loveland Castle
- Otto Armleder Memorial Park
- Riverbend Music Center
- Tri-State Warbird Museum
- ValleyView Nature Preserve
- Wilson Nature Preserve
- Withrow Nature Preserve
- W.M. Johnson Hills Park
- Woodland Mound

WEST SIDE

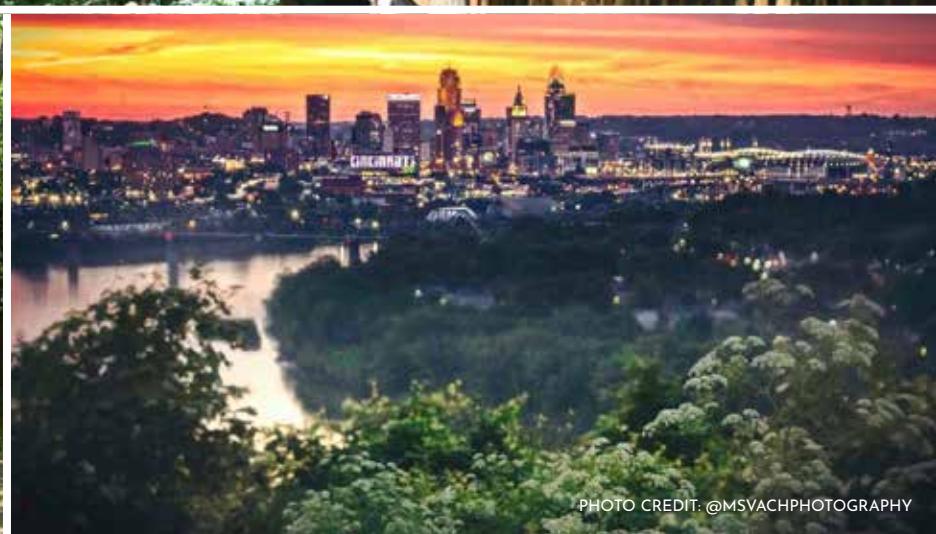
Minutes from downtown Cincy, the West Side has unrivaled city views, historic family homes, and a nearly 1,500 acre man-made forest. Neighborhoods like **Cheviot**, **Delhi**, **Price Hill**, and **Westwood** are rooted in deep traditions and home to classic Cincy creamy whips, chili parlors, and pizzerias.

CHEVIOT

Often recognized by locals as "The Heart of The West Side", Cheviot is home to many of the German-Americans and other ethnic cultures that inhabit the surrounding Cincy area. Known locally (and regionally) for its annual **Harvest Home Fair** parade and **St. Patrick's Day Pub Crawl**, this close knit community loves a reason to celebrate. In fact, **The Black Sheep Public House** is the only bar in Cincinnati officially certified to pour the perfect Guinness Pint.

DELHI

A welcoming and close-knit community, many Delhi residents have generations of their family still residing in the area. Delhi boasts an abundance of greenspace, and the neighborhood's parks—like the 334-acre **Embshoff Woods**—are the perfect hub for sporting events, family gatherings, and recreational leisure. **Mount St. Joseph University** is also tucked in this popular suburban neighborhood.



WEST SIDE

PRICE HILL

Just west of downtown Cincinnati you'll find one of the oldest outlying neighborhoods in the region, commonly referred to by locals as East Price Hill, West Price Hill, and Lower Price Hill. For authentic Cincy eats, **Price Hill Chili** is a West Side staple. Or for some of the best views in the area, dine at the popular **Primavista**, or meet up with friends on the massive patio at the **Incline Public House**. Enjoy a show at **Warsaw Federal Incline Theater**, Cincy's newest performing arts center. Explore **Mt. Echo Park**, a crown jewel of Cincinnati's award-winning parks system. This public park covers 84 acres of hiking trails, and yet again—breathtaking views.

WESTWOOD

Westwood is Cincinnati's largest neighborhood, both in terms of population and geography. Over the past decade, motivated community leaders have come together to develop the main business district including **Westwood Town Hall Park**, **Madcap Education Center**, **West Side Brewing**, and **Muse Café**. Bordering the Westwood neighborhood is **Mt. Airy Forest**, the largest Cincinnati city park at nearly 1,500 acres. A beautiful arboretum, multi-use trails, a disc golf course, and a public treehouse make the park a popular destination year-round. Nestled near the entrance to the park is another West Side staple, **Putz's Creamy Whip**.



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WEST SIDE HIGHLIGHTS

- Embshoff Woods
- Harvest Home Fair
- Incline Public House
- Madcap Education Center
- Mt. Airy Forest
- Mt. Echo Park
- Muse Cafe
- Price Hill Chili
- Primavista
- Putz's Creamy Whip
- Shawnee Lookout
- The Black Sheep Public House
- Warsaw Federal Incline Theater
- West Side Brewing



NORTH CENTRAL

No matter what your vibe is, you'll find it in our North Central neighborhoods like **Colerain Township**, **Glendale**, **North College Hill**, **Sharonville**, and **Wyoming**. From acres of amazing parks to up-and-coming urban eateries to fossil parks and festivals, you'll find endless opportunities for fun here.

COLERAIN TOWNSHIP

Part of the charm of Colerain Township is that it contains all of the amenities of a small city with the landscape of a rural area. In fact, half of the township is comprised of woodlands. Nearby is **Winton Woods** with 2,555 acres available for hiking, fishing, horseback riding, golfing, and camping. Or escape from the daily grind with a glass of wine at **Vinoklet Winery**, the only working winery in the area and home to 12 award-winning wines.

GLENDALE

Known for its quiet living and charming historic homes, Glendale's streets are lined with a beautiful canopy of trees, certifying it as a "USA Tree City". Nearby, explore the trails, formal gardens, prairies, forests, and wetlands at **Glenwood Gardens**. Families also love to spend an afternoon at **Highfield Discovery Garden** with its 25-foot Discovery Tree, Music Garden, and Trolley Garden.

NORTH COLLEGE HILL

North College Hill has progressed over the years from a farming community to a vibrant urban scene with a thriving business district and unique dining options. Check out **Brink Brewing Company**, **Marty's Hops and Vines**, **MashRoots Latin Street Food**, **Tortilleria Garcia**, and **El Camino Bakery** to name just a few establishments drawing visitors to the area.



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NORTH CENTRAL

SHARONVILLE

An easy 30-minute commute to downtown Cincinnati, Sharonville is home to a variety of recreation opportunities and a bustling business district. For outdoor explorers, hunt for fossils at **Trammel Fossil Park** or paddle a canoe around the lake at **Sharon Woods**. For indoor fun, race go-karts or test your aim with ax throwing at **Full Throttle Adrenaline Park**. Check out local favorites such as the **Root Beer Stand**—recognized as the best root beer in the Queen City with a signature brew made on-site since 1957.

WYOMING

Wyoming is a small (2.87 square miles) yet distinctive neighborhood where the community comes together often for celebrations, concerts, festivals, and holidays. A vibrant and expanding restaurant, retail, and special event scene draws both locals and people from across the region. Located in the heart of the business district is the much-loved gathering spot, **Wyoming Community Coffee**. A few blocks away is the **Wyoming Fine Arts Center**, one of the region's premier community art centers offering programs in both creative and performing arts.



NORTH CENTRAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Brink Brewing Company
- El Camino Bakery
- Full Throttle Adrenaline Park
- Glenwood Gardens
- Highfield Discovery Garden
- Marty's Hops and Vines
- MashRoots Latin Street Food
- Sharon Woods
- The Root Beer Stand
- Tortilleria Garcia
- Trammel Fossil Park
- Vinoklet Winery
- Winton Woods
- Wyoming Community Coffee
- Wyoming Fine Arts Center

NORTHERN SUBURBS

North of the city are top-rated communities like **Blue Ash, Liberty Township, Mason, Montgomery, and West Chester**. With welcoming neighborhoods and bustling business districts, the Northern Suburbs are a perfect balance of endless entertainment and tranquil living.

BLUE ASH

Just 20 minutes from downtown Cincinnati, Blue Ash offers a unique blend of small-town charm and big-city amenities. Experience a breathtaking 360-degree view of the region in the **Observation Tower** at **Summit Park**, a 130-acre world-class park that has a variety of eateries, walking trails, and a large greenspace for free year-round concerts, events and activities. Summit Park is also home to one of Cincy's biggest fireworks celebrations—the always epic **Red, White & Blue Ash** extravaganza. A must-stop for visitors looking to try Cincinnati chili is the iconic **Blue Ash Chili**. If you're looking for live music, grab a pint and some smokey BBQ at **Fretboard Brewing Company** while jamming out with some fantastic local bands. Blue Ash is the perfect site for your next adventure.

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP

Liberty Township is located a half hour north of downtown in the center of the fast-growing Cincinnati-Dayton metroplex. Here, residents and visitors have an eclectic range of dining and shopping options, entertainment venues and 12 parks. Mixed-use lifestyle center **Liberty Center** is in the heart of the area and blends community with local businesses. For the adrenaline junkies, experience the thrill of skydiving without the risks of jumping out of a plane at the **iFLY Cincinnati** indoor skydiving center.

MASON

Mason is a thriving suburb known for its popular attractions like **Kings Island** amusement and water park, a thrill-seekers paradise featuring over 100 rides. **Great Wolf Lodge** resort also offers a variety of family fun with an indoor water park. For tennis enthusiasts, thousands of fans descend upon Mason every August to watch the world's top-ranked tennis stars compete at the **Cincinnati Open** tennis tournament. Come to Mason and stay for the fun!



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COURTESY OF KINGS ISLAND

NORTHERN SUBURBS

MONTGOMERY

Nestled 20 minutes north of downtown, Montgomery is one of the oldest settlements in the Cincinnati region and one of the most walkable communities in the area with over 30 miles of sidewalks giving residents easy access to all the neighborhood has to offer. Montgomery's business district maintains its 19th-century charm with unmistakable architecture, reputable dining and preserved character. The newly-developed **Montgomery Quarter** has become a destination for foodies with new additions like **Livery**, **Kozue**, **Kitchen Social**, and **Bru Burger**. Or for a taste of some Cincy classics, stop in at the original **Montgomery Inn** for barbecue ribs, and **Aglamesis Bros. Ice Cream** for a sweet treat. There is something for everyone in Montgomery.

WEST CHESTER

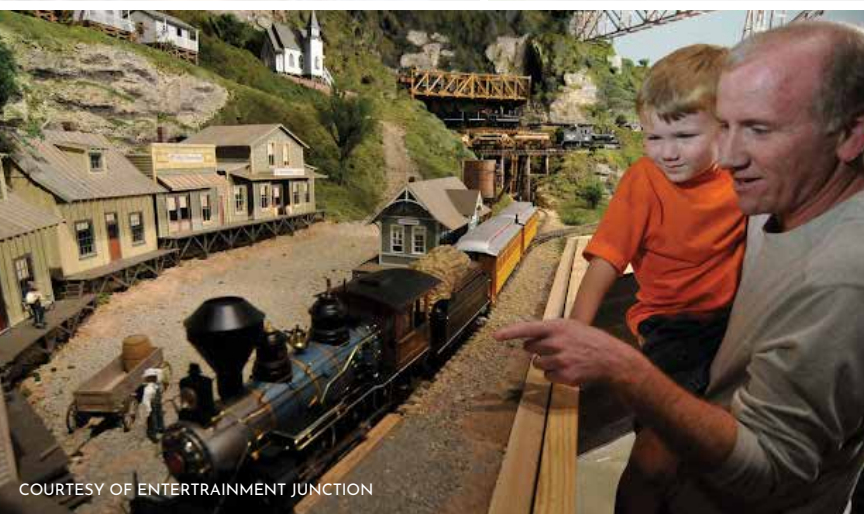
A blend of residential, professional and recreational development has made West Chester a place "Where Families Grow and Businesses Prosper." In the heart of the community is **Voice of America MetroPark**, a 435-acre park featuring a 35-acre stocked lake, nine miles of combined paved and natural trails, acres of athletic fields, a massive sledding hill, a large natural meadow area, and Wiggly Field Dog Park. Train enthusiasts come from all over the country to **EnterTRAINment Junction**, the largest indoor model train display in the world, featuring over 80,000 square feet of unique displays. Are you a fan of Scandinavian design and Swedish meatballs? Head to **IKEA** for budget-friendly furniture, accessories, and, of course, meatballs.



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COURTESY OF ENTERTAINMENT JUNCTION

NORTHERN SUBURBS HIGHLIGHTS

- Aglamesis Bros. Ice Cream
- Blue Ash Chili
- Cincinnati Open
- EnterTRAINment Junction
- Fretboard Brewing Company
- Great Wolf Lodge
- iFLY Cincinnati
- IKEA
- Kings Island
- Liberty Center
- Montgomery Inn
- Montgomery Quarter
- Summit Park
- Voice of America MetroPark

NEARBY NORTH

Not quite a Cincinnati suburb, but definitely close enough to be considered “near” are blossoming towns like **Hamilton**, **Lebanon**, **Middletown**, and **Oxford**. Here you’ll find stunning historic homes, cobblestone streets, just about any woody activity you could ever dream of, a retro drive-in, and a donut trail.

HAMILTON

With a growing arts scene, a world-famous sculpture park, and plenty of locally-brewed beer, Hamilton is experiencing quite the renaissance. **Pyramid Hill Sculpture Park & Museum** features over 300 acres of monumental art in nature—great for a walk, picnic, and art gazing. **RiversEdge Amphitheater** on the Great Miami River hosts free outdoor concerts all summer long. Or, enjoy the timeless **Holiday Auto Theatre Drive-In**, entertaining carloads of movie goers for over 60 years. Stop in **Immortal Vibes** guitar bar where you can catch a musical act and check out the wall of vintage guitars. Then head over to **Pinball Garage** with over 40 pinball machines and 24 beers on draft. There’s a lot of fun to be had in Hamilton!

LEBANON

A quintessential, all-American town with both Cincinnati and Dayton less than an hour away, Lebanon has been a gathering place in the area for over 200 years. Here you can enjoy a meal at the historic **Golden Lamb Inn**, then stroll along the brick sidewalks downtown where you’ll find shops, antique stores, and the nostalgic **Village Ice Cream Parlor**. Take a ride on the **Lebanon Mason & Monroe Railroad** where you’ll enjoy festive experiences aboard a vintage train. For the ultimate holiday treat, don’t miss Lebanon’s **Annual Holiday Parade** featuring more than 100 horse-drawn carriages adorned with colorful lights. There’s no shortage of fitness opportunities here, featuring **Countryside**, the world’s largest YMCA. Or, take your bike to **Lebanon Bike Park**, with 112 acres of outdoor bike trails, courses and jumps for riders of all skills and abilities.



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NEARBY NORTH

MIDDLETOWN

Formerly a booming steel town, Middletown is placed, quite literally, in the “middle” of Cincinnati and Dayton, on the banks of the **Great Miami River**. Middletown boasts big city amenities with a small town feel. Plus, it hosts several locations along the **Butler County Donut Trail**! In Middletown you’ll find the perfect mix of historic architecture (**Main Street**, featuring the **Sorg Mansion** and **Sorg Opera House**, is not to be missed) and new development. Visit Middletown’s **Smith Park** in the summer for baseball diamonds, soccer fields, a splash pad, skate park, playgrounds, and a fishing lake. In the winter Smith Park hosts **Light Up Middletown**, one of the areas largest drive-through holiday light displays. Thrill seekers head to **Start Skydiving** at **Middletown Regional Airport**, the #1 ranked skydiving drop zone in the world.

OXFORD

Home to the main campus of **Miami University**, Oxford is a picturesque college town known for its cobblestone streets, historic architecture, vibrant community, and academic atmosphere. Head uptown on **High Street** for shopping, coffee, and dining. You won’t want to miss the famous **Bagel & Deli**, world-renowned for their steamed bagel sandwiches and subs. Catch a musical act at **Brick Street**, a favorite Oxford tradition for students and residents alike. Or, cheer on the **Miami Redhawks** at a myriad of sporting events, from ice hockey to football. Nearby is **Hueston Woods State Park**, a popular area for hiking, fishing, water sports, and camping.



COURTESY OF MIAMI UNIVERSITY



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NEARBY NORTH HIGHLIGHTS

- Bagel & Deli
- Brick Street
- Butler County Donut Trail
- Countryside YMCA
- Golden Lamb Inn
- Holiday Auto Theatre Drive-In
- Hueston Woods State Park
- Immortal Vibes Guitar Bar
- Lebanon Bike Park
- Lebanon Horse Drawn Carriage Parade
- Lebanon Mason & Monroe Railroad
- Miami University
- Pinball Garage
- Pyramid Hill Sculpture Park & Museum
- RiversEdge Amphitheater
- Smith Park
- Sorg Opera House
- Sorg Mansion
- Start Skydiving / Middletown Regional Airport
- Village Ice Cream Parlor

NORTHERN KENTUCKY

In Northern Kentucky you'll find cities like **Bellevue**, **Covington**, **Florence**, **Fort Thomas**, and **Newport**. There's lots to love about living on this side of the Ohio River, like the amazing view of the Cincinnati skyline, the world's only ventriloquist museum, the historic residential districts, and the official gateway to the Kentucky Bourbon Trail.

BELLEVUE

Bellevue is a quaint town along the Ohio River with its own unique charm. Bustling Fairfield Ave is home to an array of local favorites—like **Schneider's Sweet Shop**, an old-fashioned candy and ice cream store, and **Avenue Brew**, a diner which has been serving residents for years. Or, stop in at newcomer **Darkness Brewing** which specializes in unique and dark, experimental craft beer styles and offers a fun, beercentric Sunday brunch. Relax at **Bellevue Beach Park**, a gem of a park right on the Ohio river and home to the town's summer concert series.

COVINGTON

Located just across the river from Cincinnati, Covington offers an array of unique shops, street art, restaurants, bourbon bars, and craft breweries. **MainStrasse Village** is a German American historic neighborhood known for its storybook charm. Here, you'll also find several stops on **The B-Line®**, Northern Kentucky's self-guided bourbon tour. In the heart of the village is the **Carroll Chimes Bell Tower**, complete with a carillon and a working glockenspiel. **Devou Park** is a large urban park and public golf course offering beautiful views of Cincinnati and the Ohio River. Take a stroll across the historic **John A. Roebling Suspension Bridge**, which spans the Ohio River and connects Covington to Cincinnati. A few blocks away, grab a latte and browse the aisles at **Roebling Books & Coffee**.



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FLORENCE

Florence isn't shy about welcoming visitors. Its iconic landmark is a water tower painted with the friendly phrase "Florence, Y'all." In fact, the city's independent league baseball team even adopted the phrase **Florence Y'all** for their team name. Cheer them on at **Thomas More Stadium** from April to September. For natural history enthusiasts, don't miss **Big Bone Lick State Historic Site** where visitors can see still-active salt springs, a re-created Pleistocene marsh, 20,000-year-old fossils, and even a herd of bison.

FORT THOMAS

Built on a series of hilltop ridges overlooking the Ohio River, Fort Thomas is a close-knit community where tree-lined streets and well-maintained neighborhoods contribute to the city's appeal. Enjoy a range of recreational opportunities at **Tower Park**, more than 80 acres of lush forest, sport facilities, playgrounds and hiking/bike trails. For history buffs, delve into the city's rich history at the **Fort Thomas Military and Community Museum**.

NEWPORT

Newport's riverfront is a bustling hub of activity, featuring an array of entertainment options such as the **Newport Aquarium** and the iconic **Newport on the Levee**, an entertainment complex with restaurants, shopping, and nightlife. Grab a takeout meal and enjoy the view from **Bridgeview Box Park**. Take in the live music scene at **Southgate House Revival** or **Thompson House** featuring local and touring acts. Stop by **Prohibition Bourbon Bar**, home to the world's largest bourbon collection, or experience the area's German heritage with brats and bier at **Hofbräuhaus**.



COURTESY OF FLORENCE Y'ALLS



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NORTHERN KENTUCKY HIGHLIGHTS

- Bellevue Beach Park
- Big Bone Lick State Historic Site
- Bridgeview Box Park
- Carroll Chimes Bell Tower
- Devou Park
- Florence Y'all / Thomas More Stadium
- Fort Thomas Military and Community Museum
- Hofbräuhaus
- John A. Roebling Suspension Bridge
- MainStrasse Village
- Newport Aquarium
- Newport on the Levee
- Prohibition Bourbon Bar
- Purple People Bridge
- Roebling Books & Coffee
- Schneider's Sweet Shop
- Southgate House Revival
- The B-Line®
- Thompson House
- Tower Park
- Vent Haven Museum (Ventriloquism)

SOUTHEAST INDIANA

Towns like **Aurora**, **Lawrenceburg**, and **Rising Sun** are less than an hour west of downtown Cincinnati and are ideal for those who love a smaller town feel or great outdoor living. These historic river towns are perfect for antiquing, skiing, and even cliff diving!

AURORA

Aurora is nestled along the Ohio River and is known for its scenic riverfront location and small town charm. Explore the quaint shops, cafes, and top-notch dining in the historic district. The **Hillforest Mansion**, a National Historic Landmark, is a notable structure in the area and serves as a museum today, showcasing the history of the region. Aurora brings residents and visitors together with various community events and festivals throughout the year like the **Aurora Farmers Fair**, one of Indiana's oldest festivals.

LAWRENCEBURG

Lawrenceburg is a popular river town destination with a vibrant business district and plenty of options for indoor and outdoor recreation. Visitors can try their gaming luck at **Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg**. Motorsports fans can enjoy dirt track racing at **Lawrenceburg Speedway**. **Perfect North Slopes** is a popular destination for winter sports enthusiasts offering skiing, snowboarding, and tubing during the winter months. If you're an antique lover, don't miss the **Tri-State Antique Market**—Indiana's largest such market—at the Lawrenceburg Fairgrounds the first Sunday of each month, May through October.

RISING SUN

Like many towns along the Ohio River, Rising Sun has a rich history and played a role in trade and transportation along the river in the 19th century. Today, the town is known for its picturesque riverfront, local shops and restaurants, and Vegas-style gaming and entertainment at **Rising Star Casino Resort**.



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COURTESY OF RISING SUN

SOUTHEAST INDIANA HIGHLIGHTS

- Aurora Farmers Fair
- Hillforest Mansion
- Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg
- Lawrenceburg Speedway
- Perfect North Slopes
- Rising Star Casino Resort
- Tri-State Antique Market