



Grant COUNTY INDIANA



Marion • Fairmount
Gas City • Upland

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Grant County, Indiana, is home to nifty attractions, outtasight events and rebellious celebrities. Whether it's saddle shoes, cars, James Dean, motorcycles or Garfield, we love everything classic and cool. Marion, Gas City, Fairmount, Upland and our other towns are chock-full of nostalgic goodies and memorable sights.

Classic Cool Catalog

- ☐ Take a selfie with everyone's favorite fat cat on the Garfield Trail.
- ☐ Leave your mark and some love on James Dean's grave.
- ☐ Savor a strawberry shortcake sundae from Ivanhoes.
- ☐ Check out the 1916 wooden caboose, restored parlor car and mail car along the Sweetser Switch Trail.
- ☐ Stroll across the historic Matthews Covered Bridge.
- ☐ See the cornfield track where Harley Davidson motorcycles earned the nickname "hog."
- ☐ Order the traditional British fish 'n chips at Payne's Restaurant (And, keep the little British flag!)
- ☐ Float down the lazy river at Splash House.





Cardinal Greenways

Attractions

Cardinal Greenways, Marion **cardinalgreenways.org**

17 miles of uninterrupted trails, made for biking, hiking and leisurely strolls.

Fairmount Historical Museum, Fairmount **jamesdeanartifacts.com**

Artifacts from James Dean and Garfield creator, Jim Davis. Gift shop and tours.

The Gardens of Matter Park, Marion

gardensofmatterpark.com

Blissful butterfly garden, whimsical children's garden and stunning botanical features.



James Dean Birth Site Memorial, Marion

A beautiful granite monument marks the site where Dean was born at 2 am on February 8, 1931.

James Dean Gallery, Fairmount **jamesdeangallery.com**

Collection of memorabilia paying tribute to the 50's hometown hero.

Matthews Covered Bridge, Matthews

Historic timbered bridge, restored to all its 1877 glory.

Quilters Hall of Fame, Marion **quiltershalloffame.net**

Exhibition of quilts that honor the art of quilting.

Splash House Water Park, Marion **splashhouse.org**

Coollest swimming hole around with waterslides and a wave pool.



Catch up with the fat cat
on the Garfield Trail.

FollowTheFatCat.com



Shopping

Design Studio 407, Marion
fb.com/LindaHarmonYourPartnerInDesign/

Unique artistic treasures and vintage finds. Blinds, shutters, drapery, design consultations, art, gifts, and home decor.



Jakes Antiques, Marion
fb.com/jakesantiques
A wide selection of antiques and collectibles.

Jan's Floral & Gifts, Sweetser

fb.com/jansfloraldesigns1
Home décor, primitive signs, furniture and garden items.



Mama Pearson's Soaporium, Gas City
mamapearsons.com
Handcrafted soaps and skincare treasures.

Paper Rose, Swayzee
bit.ly/PaperRoSe

Cottage style/shabby chic furniture, vintage look paper goods and jewelry made from vintage pieces.

Rachel's Taste of Indiana, Converse
fb.com/rachels-taste-of-indiana

All Indiana Grown products! Food and goods plus hand-crafted items from all across our great state.

The Red Rooster, Converse
bit.ly/redroosterconverse

Vintage antiques, upcycled rustic treasures, furniture, knick-knacks and art.

Timber & Thread Co., Fairmount
fb.com/timber.threadco

Repurposed antiques, shabby-chic fashion and cottage décor.





The Bridge Cafe

Dining

Bad Dad Brewery **baddadbrewery.com**

Brick oven pizza, sandwiches, and brews.



The Branch, Fairmount **thebranchfairmount.com**

Soups, salads, sandwiches and coffee in a warm, welcoming atmosphere.

The Bridge Cafe, Upland **thebridgeupland.com**

Freshly baked pastries, bold sandwiches and soups.

Brooks Upper Crust Pizza, Marion **brooksuppercrustpizza.com**

Locally-owned, family-friendly restaurant serving pizza and deli sandwiches

Grains & Grill Restaurant, Fairmount **grainsandgrill.com**

Made-from-scratch comfort food with an upscale twist.

Hostess House, Marion **hostesshouse.org**

Scrumptious luncheon dishes and desserts at a stunning historic home.



Ivanhoes Drive In, Upland **ivanhoes.info**

Good ol' fashioned burgers, fries and ice cream.

Jefferson Street BBQ, Converse **jeffersonstbbq.com**

Succulent, locally-sourced BBQ with all the fixin's.



Payne's Restaurant, Gas City **fb.com/paynesrestaurant**

Innovative and health conscious English-inspired cuisine.



The Branch

Coffee

The Abbey Coffee Co., Marion

[fb.com/theabbeycoffeeco](https://www.facebook.com/theabbeycoffeeco)

Cappuccinos, lattes and frappes.

The Branch, Fairmount

thebranchfairmount.com

A place to enjoy good coffee, great food and meaningful conversation.

Cool Beans, Fairmount

bit.ly/coolbeansfairmount

Coffee, donuts, ice cream and milkshakes.

Jax Café, Marion

jaxcafe.me

Espressos, custom brews, sweet tea and more with a college campus vibe.

Midwest Coffee Roasting Company, Marion

bit.ly/midwestcoffee

Custom roasted coffees, iced coffees and delicious baked goods.

Sender Café, Marion

[fb.com/sendercafe](https://www.facebook.com/sendercafe)

Coffee shop and vegan café in the heart of downtown Marion.





Ivanhoes Drive In

Sweets & Treats

The Big Dipper, Converse
fb.com/conversebigdipper
 Sundaes, shakes and cones.



Country Café & Bakery, Marion
fb.com/mylocalgrower
 Handcrafted jams and jellies with homemade baked goods.

Ivanhoes Drive In, Upland
ivanhoes.info
 100 varieties of tasty shakes and sundaes, plus good ol' fashioned family-friendly dining.

Ledbetter's Grand Fudge Shop, Converse
thegrandfudgeshop.com
 Homemade, mouthwatering fudge using real cream and butter.



Poppy's Xtreme Donuts, Marion
poppysxtremedonuts.com
 Specialty donuts in dozens of flavors. Espresso bar and iced coffees.



Sophie's Ice Cream Deluxe, Gas City
 Enjoy ice cream and banana splits at this outdoor eatery.



Haisley's Hideaway B&B

Lodging

Americas Best Value Inn redlion.com/marion-in

I-69 & SR 18, Exit 264
6138 E. Corridor Dr., Marion
(765) 664-5840

Best Western Plus bit.ly/bestwesterngascity

I-69 & SR 22, Exit 259
4936 S. Kay Bee Dr.,
Gas City
(765) 998-2331

Brick House Upland brickhouseupland.com

Renovated house near Taylor
University. Two bedrooms
and one bath.
1586 S 1st St, Marion
(765) 998-3076

College Inn Bed & Breakfast collegeinnbb.com

Private & shared baths.
3902 S. Washington St.,
Marion
(765) 667-9161

Comfort Suites bit.ly/comfortsuitesmarion

1345 N. Baldwin Ave./SR 9,
Marion
(765) 651-1006

Haisley's Hideaway B&B haisleyshideaway.com

Private baths.
1457 W 800 S, Fairmount
(765) 506-1228

Hampton Inn bit.ly/hamptoninnmarion

1502 N. Baldwin Ave./SR 9,
Marion
(765) 662-6656

Hart Motel

1411 N. Baldwin Ave./SR 9,
Marion
(765) 664-2304



Holiday Inn Express
bit.ly/holidayinnngascity

I-69 & SR 22, Exit 259
4914 N. Beaner Blvd., Gas City
(765) 674-6664



Holiday Inn Express & Suites
bit.ly/holidayinnmarion

1000 N. Baldwin Ave., Marion
(765) 573-6656

Old Oak Inn B&B,
oldoakinn.net

Private baths.
2213 W. 38th St.,
Marion
765-603-6681



Red Roof Inn
redroof.com/
property/in/Marion/RR1995

1615 N. Baldwin, Marion
(765) 573-5765

Rejoyce House, Upland
rejoycehouse.com

Steps away from Taylor
University. Three bedrooms,
two baths.



Super 8 Motel
bit.ly/super8gascity

I-69 & SR 22, Exit 259
5172 S. Kay Bee Dr., Gas City
(765) 998-6800





Events

Calling all greasers and gals! The biggest, boldest bashes in the state are in Grant County. These events are guaranteed to be a blast!

JUNE

James Dean Spring Run Car Show, Fairmount

Fabulous street rods, classics, muscle and special interest cars in James Dean's hometown.

JULY

Quilters Hall of Fame Celebration, Marion

Timeless art form celebrated through exhibits, workshops and appraisals.

AUGUST

Hog Daze Motorcycle Rally, Marion

Party along the Mississinewa River with music, bike shows, contests and hogs.



SEPTEMBER

Remembering James Dean Festival & James Dean Run Car Show, Fairmount

Old-school music, classic cars and look-alike contests in honor of the original, bonafide rebel.



SEPTEMBER

Fly/In Cruise/In, Marion

Variety of aircraft, classic cars, trucks, motorcycles and tractors topped off with the biggest pancake breakfast around.



Matthews Covered

Bridge Festival & Car Show, Matthews

Classic family-friendly festival mixing yesterday's nostalgia with today's fun.

Jonesboro River Rally, Jonesboro

Stunt riders, light show and live entertainment with Grant County's coolest bikers.

Ducktail Run, Gas City

Custom show with muffler rapping and flame throwing contests for all makes and models.

OCTOBER

Mississinewa 1812

7 mi. N of Marion.

War of 1812 living history event with reenactments, villages and craftsmen.



NOVEMBER-DECEMBER

Walkway of Lights, Marion

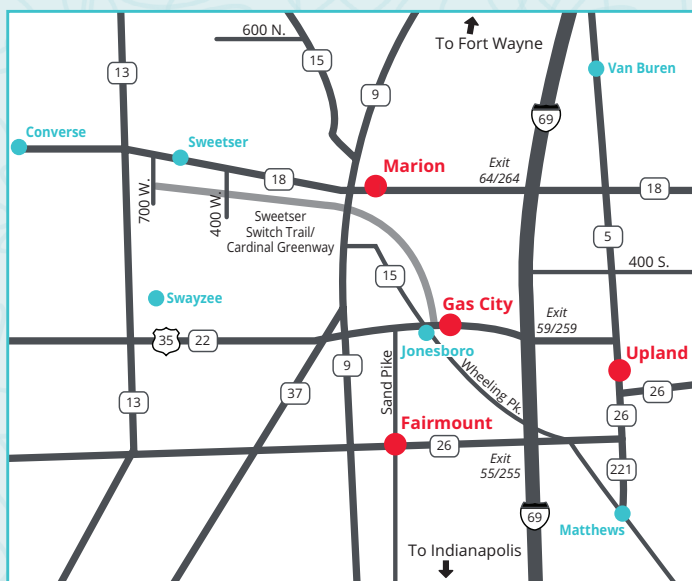
2.5 million dazzling Christmas lights and holiday fun.



Check out our events calendar for more information on these fab events. showmegrantcounty.com



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90 minutes north of Indy.**



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Swayzee • Sweetser • Van Buren**

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