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RACING
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FIND US!

Southern Juniata County is located in Central Pennsylvania midway between State College and Harrisburg



MIFFLINTOWN | PORT ROYAL | EAST WATERFORD
PENNSYLVANIA



**WELCOME TO
SOUTH JUNIATA COUNTY!**

ALL THERE IS TO DO SOUTH OF PA-322

Like an everchanging kaleidoscope, every mile of South Juniata County presents itself to the eye like a new scene. To the thousands who travel along the banks of the Juniata River and through the mountains and valleys that make up this area, the scenery and activities are a source of never-ending delight.

Once inhabited by many tribes of Native Americans, the forests and waters were the haunts of the original people who have left a special mark on the county with their melodious names including Tuscarora and Juniata.



SAY IT WITH ME...

JOO-NEE-AT-UH

The early settlers also helped create the rich and varied heritage we know today. Once a bustling hub on the Pennsylvania Canal and the Pennsylvania Railroad, Juniata County is easily accessed from most major cities within a few hours via modern highways.

Browse our self-guided tours featuring three of the biggest attractions in the southern end of the county. These itineraries will introduce you to local businesses, historic sites, delicious food, and lodging ideas, all located south of Route 322.

It is the true "heartland" of Pennsylvania and finding its hidden charms amid the sweeping landscape is worth the journey!



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SPEED PALACE TAILGREAT!

PORT ROYAL SPEEDWAY Known as “The Speed Palace,” Port Royal Speedway is arguably the premier half-mile dirt track on the East Coast, if not the country. The track is host to a jam-packed race schedule of sprint car and stock car races throughout its 8-month season.

The fan-friendly venue has undertaken several major projects that gives fans an experience that puts them close to the drivers and cars - a big attraction even when they aren't going around the track.

For those who choose to travel by RV or camper, the track's camping area will enhance the overall experience at the track. Set your camping area up for the weekend and visit the following locations to supply your tailgate with the freshest food or tastiest drinks from the area.

RISE 'N SHINE

IHOP in Mifflintown will serve you breakfast any time of day.

POUR DECISIONS

HAZARD'S DISTILLERY Great times start with Hazard's. This micro-distillery is producing hand-crafted batches of artisan whiskey and moonshine. Their tasting room pays homage to the building's former life as a car garage.

Make it a party by stopping by **ROYAL BEVERAGE** to pick up your choice of craft, domestic, and import beer, spirits, and non-alcoholic beverages.

RACE DAY GRUB

BENNER'S BUTCHER SHOPPE

This custom butchering and curing shop specializes in farm beef and pork. Select from a great variety of a freshly cut meats.

LOGGIES HOAGIES Known locally to have the best Philly-style cheesesteaks around!

TURBETT BACK 40 Pack a ton of flavor into your next tailgate with their line of gourmet sauces and dips. Seafood available in the freezer section.

TYSON HILL OIP Best pizza in town.

LODGING

BUTTONWOOD CAMPGROUND, RIVER'S EDGE RV PARK AND CAMPGROUND, and the **CHRISTIAN RETREAT CENTER** are nearby for more RV camping.

Gather your race family and head to either **13 OAKS CABIN** or **MILEPOST 142** for accommodations surrounded by the area's natural beauty.

THE ECONO LODGE offers 47 individually furnished guestrooms.

ADDITIONAL LANDMARKS

JUNIATA COUNTY COURTHOUSE

The Juniata County Courthouse is nearly 150 years old, yet still plays a vital governing role. Constructed of 425,000 good bricks and 20,000 pressed bricks, the courthouse was completed Jan. 1, 1875. The building was completed as designed with the addition of a bell tower, clock, furniture and more for a total cost of \$63,000. A revolving display of county artifacts is on display in the hallways by the Juniata County Historical Society.

BOOK INDIAN MOUND

Early landowners and others, unaware and disregarding its significance to the Native American culture, scattered most of its contents over their fields or removed the artifacts. By the time the Pennsylvania Historical Commission performed an investigative dig in 1929, the plow and vandalism had significantly altered the mound's characteristic elements. A small monument marks the location of the former mound.

FORT BIGHAM

Placed in 1934, a monument for Fort Bigham was erected and dedicated to mark the area where the fort once stood. The fort was erected in 1754 by pioneer settlers who were captured and killed in 1756 by Native Americans. The fort was rebuilt in 1760 but was again destroyed in 1766. However, the inhabitants were warned by a friendly native of the coming attack and were able to escape unharmed.

BONUS IDEAS

4TH & MARKET

315 MARKET ST., PORT ROYAL

Naturals by Val's high-quality natural product line provides nurturing benefits to your body and is environmentally friendly! Find her homemade products inside this cute women-owned boutique.

RIVER VALLEY FLY FISHING

717-994-1233 @RIVERVALLEY_FLYFISHING

Offering full and half day float or wade trips on central Pennsylvania's premier trout and smallmouth bass waters.

STAN'S COFFEE COMPANY

624 W. MAIN ST., THOMPSONTOWN

Share your story and make great connections over a cup of coffee at the new Stan's Coffee Company in Thompsettown. The 1860s era home has been meticulously renovated and the owners are ready to show you the hospitality that this home's former owners were known for.



BARN QUILTS

For an added treat during your travels, add the Quilt Mural Trail to your itinerary. The trail is a loop of 8' square painted quilts, mounted on barns and buildings in three counties. For the downloadable map, visit perrycountyarts.org and select the public art option.

To ensure you have a great trip, we suggest calling ahead or visiting the social media pages and/or websites of the listed businesses to find out their hours of operation.

SPEED PALACE TAILGREAT

1. PORT ROYAL SPEEDWAY – 308 W. 8th St., Port Royal
2. IHOP – 33 Stop Plaza Drive, Mifflintown
3. HAZARD'S DISTILLERY – 26555 Route 75, Mifflintown
4. ROYAL BEVERAGE – 5530 William Penn Highway, Mifflintown
5. BENNER'S BUTCHER SHOPPE – 56 Platt Hollow Road, Thompsontown
6. LOAGIES HOAGIES – 316 Market St., Port Royal
7. ORIGINAL ITALIAN PIZZA-TYSON HILL – 27171 Route 75 N., Mifflintown
8. TURBETT BACK 40 – 25834 Route 75, Port Royal
9. RIVER'S EDGE RV PARK AND CAMPGROUND – 1274 William Penn Highway, Mifflintown
10. CHRISTIAN RETREAT CENTER 369 CRC Drive, East Waterford
11. 13 OAKS CABIN – Red Oak Lane, Honey Grove
12. MILEPOST 142 – 21132 Route 333, Thompsontown
13. ECONO LODGE – 29 Stop Plaza Drive, Mifflintown



Buttonwood Campground

RV THERE YET?

Stay at the nationally known, award-winning **BUTTONWOOD CAMPGROUND** and you will be surrounded by the best of Central PA's natural scenery. Located along the Juniata River, this fun-filled campground has a plethora of amenities to keep you entertained, including an on-site winery.

HANDPICKED

As the fourth-generation steward of this farm, Dan Love is committed to his family's heritage that runs as deep as the soil he farms. He is passionate about sharing his agricultural knowledge while providing his customers a locally grown, quality product.

LOVETWO EAT Farm Store offers their own beef, plus more than 15 local farmers' products including cheese, milk, ice cream, hickory syrup, pork, and even popcorn!

Tour the crop fields on a hay wagon ride, meet the many farm animals, and have a conversation with the farm hands. Be sure to meet Harry the miniature highlander, Theo the water buffalo, and Remington the zoonky. No admission for the animals -by donation.

RISE 'N SHINE

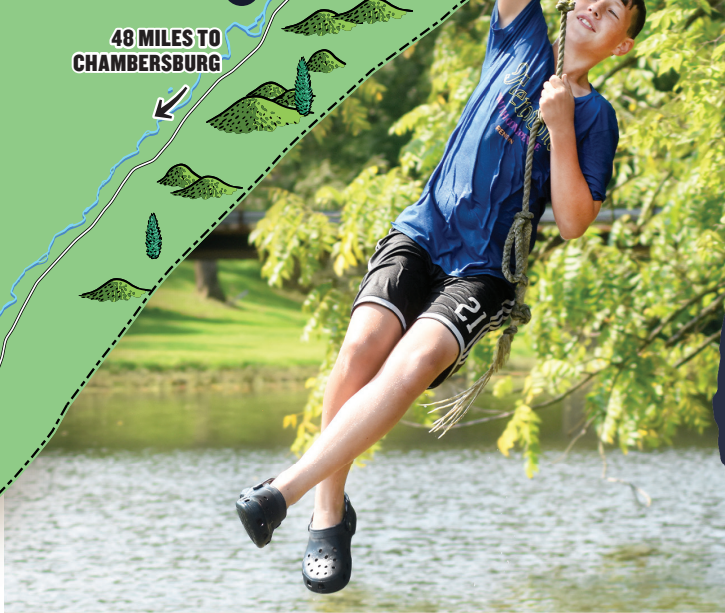
WALNUT CHEESE NOOK AND ONE WAY CAFE
Gourmet coffee. Fresh smoothies. Delicious pastries. Homemade breakfast.

HOMEGROWN GOODIES

JUNIATA VALLEY WINERY



48 MILES TO
CHAMBERSBURG



HANDPICKED

- 14. **LOVETWO FARM** – 417 Smokey Hollow Road, East Waterford
- 15. **JUNIATA VALLEY WINERY** – 19175 Route 35, Mifflin
- 16. **JUNIATA RIVER COMMONS** – 2218 William Penn Highway, Mifflintown
- 17. **BRUMMER'S HAPPY BREEZE FARM** – 316 Butchershop Road, Port Royal
- 18. **WALNUT CHEESE NOOK AND ONE WAY CAFÉ** – 17815 Route 35, Port Royal
- 19. **SPRUCE HILL LUNCH** – 21769 Route 75, Port Royal
- 20. **GUANTE FAMILY RESTAURANT** – III Bridge St., Mifflintown
- 21. **SUNRISE GREENHOUSE** – 9318 William Penn Highway, Mifflintown
- 22. **VILLAGE ACRES/WILDING HOPE** – 229 Cuba Mills Road, Mifflintown
- 23. **SARAH'S BLOOMERS** – 13617 Route 333, Port Royal
- 24. **MIFFLINTOWN FARMER'S MARKET** – Bridge Street, Mifflintown

RV THERE YET

- 25. **BUTTONWOOD CAMPGROUND** – 1515 E. River Road, Mifflintown
- 26. **JUNIATA JUNCTION** – 5813 William Penn Highway, Mifflintown
- 27. **HARSHBARGER'S SUB 'N MALT** – 716 Swamp Road, Mifflintown
- 28. **JACK'S DRIVE-IN TWIN SERVICE** – 8 Wilson St., Mifflin
- 29. **MIDWAY DRIVE-IN THEATER** – 1380 William Penn Highway, Mifflintown
- 30. **TUSCARORA ACADEMY** – 472 Academia Road, Mifflin
- 31. **THE LEHMAN COVERED BRIDGE** – 10966 Route 333, Mayer Road, Port Royal
- 32. **THE POMEROY-ACADEMIA COVERED BRIDGE** – 70 Mill Road, Port Royal
- 33. **LEWISTOWN NARROW'S CANAL PARK** – William Penn Highway, Mifflintown

ADDITIONAL LANDMARKS

- 34. **JUNIATA COUNTY COURTHOUSE** – I N. Main St., Mifflintown
- 35. **BOOK INDIAN MOUND** – 1547 Indian Mound Road, Mifflin
- 36. **FORT BIGHAM** – intersection of Route 75 and State Route 3006, Honey Grove

by the best of Central PA's natural scenery. Located along the Juniata River, this fun-filled campground has a plethora of amenities to keep you entertained, including an on-site winery.

Play in the Juniata River, the swimming pool, or the mini golf course. Take a hayride or participate in one of their many themed weekends and golf cart parades. Mid-season wristband packages give campers daily use of river innertubes, the jumping pillow, pedal karts, and laser tag. Reserve early!

RISE 'N SHINE

JUNIATA JUNCTION Start the day with a hearty breakfast at Juniata Junction. Take your time selecting from their large menu.

SCOOPER DOOPER

HARSHBARGER'S SUB 'N MALT Nostalgia is being served at this 1950s themed restaurant and ice cream parlor. Choose from old-fashioned milkshakes, sundaes, parfaits, or a good ole' float. Lunch and dinner are served, too.

JACK'S DRIVE-IN Nothing better than stopping by this ice cream shop on a warm summer's night. Try the Jackpot Sundae Boat!

MOVIE NIGHT

MIDWAY DRIVE-IN THEATER This drive-in movie theater, serving the Juniata River Valley since 1950, plays first-run movies all summer long. Grab some snacks at the concession stand and enjoy the evening outdoors. Visit their Facebook page for the weekly movie announcement.

HISTORICAL PURSUITS

TUSCARORA ACADEMY This site is home to the Juniata County Historical Society's Museum. Exhibits include an old-fashioned post office, general store, doctor's office, Native American artifacts, and artwork. Open Sundays June-August from 1-4 p.m.

COVERED BRIDGES Juniata County is home to four covered bridges, with two located in South Juniata County. **THE LEHMAN COVERED BRIDGE**, and the **POMEROY-ACADEMIA COVERED BRIDGE**, the longest one in PA.

LEWISTOWN NARROWS CANAL PARK

Discover the Pennsylvania Mainline Canal System history while viewing remnants of one of the lift locks and lock keeper's house. Informational signs and markers will inform hikers along the three-mile, out and back hike.



Homemade breakfast.

HOMEGROWN GOODIES

JUNIATA VALLEY WINERY

Visit the 19th century estate and taste their Traminette, made with the white grapes grown in the on-site vineyard. The winery also hosts a Friday Night Music series during the summer.

JUNIATA RIVER COMMONS

Discover the abundance of food, flowers, and artisans in the Juniata River Valley under one roof at the new market, café and gathering space.

BRUMMER'S HAPPY BREEZE FARM

The three-generation farm sells only what they grow. Known for their potatoes, they also grow a variety of produce, fresh flowers, and they specialize in 100% Berkshire Pork.

MIFFLINTOWN FARMER'S MARKET

Find the farms listed in this brochure and more at the downtown Mifflintown market on the second Saturday of each month, June through October.

FARM TO FORK

SPRUCE HILL LUNCH Known for their famous homemade pies, this charming restaurant will take you a step back in time.

GUANTE FAMILY RESTAURANT This Hispanic restaurant presents a menu featuring diverse Latino flavors from around the world while sourcing as much as possible from our local farmers and butcher shops.

BEST BUDS

SUNRISE GREENHOUSE Open year-round, this Amish-owned greenhouse offers a vast selection of flowers, trees, shrubs, and garden vegetables. Bring cash or good check. Closed Sundays.

VILLAGE ACRES Celebrating more than 30 years of organic certification, this farm produces organic vegetables, berries, flowers, and pastured livestock. Wilding Hope, their seasonal cut flower division, offers design workshops, flower bar events, and u-pick gardens.

SARAH'S BLOOMERS A wide variety of annuals and perennials and a gift shop inside a yurt.

