

Walk Around Town

Parks are not the only interesting places to walk. Grant County's towns and villages have many historical sites and beautiful houses to see. Family sight-seeing walks are a wonderful opportunity to learn about your community and teach your child about the past.

Boscobel

Boscobel Walking Path

A walking trail along Sanders Creek.

Cassville

Historical Walking Tour 725-5855

Pick up a brochure at the Municipal Building Tourism Office and enjoy the architecture and style of buildings of historic Cassville, one of the oldest river towns along the Mississippi. <http://www.cassville.org>

Cassville Bluffs State Natural Area 784-3606

Sand Lake Lane off Hwy 133 south of Cassville
244 acres of bluff lands, lowland forest and prairie owned by the Mississippi Conservancy and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. Open to the public for hiking, wildlife observation, cross-country skiing and hunting.
www.mississippivalleyconservancy.org

Nelson Dewey State Park 725-5374

Cty Rd VV west of Cassville
Scenic overlooks, Indian mounds, native prairie, bird watching, hiking and picnic grounds. <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/parks/specific/nelsondewey/>

Cuba City

Parade of Presidents

Main Street
Flags and shields for each of our nation's presidents line Main Street.

Dickeyville 568-3119

Dickeyville Grotto

305 W. Main Street
A religious and political shrine built around 1925 by Father Mattias Wernerus, a Catholic priest. www.dickeyvillegrotto.com

Fennimore

Oakwood Nature Park

Bronson Blvd - located just off U.S. Hwy 18 East
45 acres of trees and wildflowers native to the area with over 3 miles of hiking trails, RV parking area with electric hookups, pavilion available.
www.fennimore.com/fennparks-rv.html

Hazel Green

Hwy 80

Look for the Wisconsin House, a former stagecoach stop; the Simison brick building; and the Opera House/Town Hall.

Lancaster

Grant County Courthouse

130 W. Maple Street

The courthouse's octagonal copper and glass dome sparkles over downtown Lancaster. Open during business hours; self-tour information available. The first Civil War monument (1867) ever erected in Wisconsin stands on the grounds.

Historical Homes 723-2820

Pick up an informational pictorial booklet entitled, "Lancaster's Historic Courthouse Square" at City Hall (206 S. Madison St.) and enjoy an interesting walking tour of 31 different historical highlights on or near the Grant County Courthouse Square.

Nelson Dewey Gravesite

S. Jefferson Street

Learn about the tragic life of Wisconsin's first governor from the marker at his modest grave site.

Muscoda

Ellis Nelson Sculptures

See scraps of iron and pieces of steel come to life in the form of animals, prehistoric dinosaurs and moving contraptions. Local welder Ellis Nelson has earned a reputation as a creative welder and artist.

Platteville

Katie's Garden and Platteville Community Arboretum

275 W. Business Hwy 151 778-1131

Located on the Platteville Chamber of Commerce property, it offers a peaceful setting along the Rountree Branch Stream. This garden includes woodland gardens, native prairie and beautiful flower gardens that include a gazebo, picnic area and walking paths. www.plattevillearboretum.org/

World's Largest M

Located 9 miles NE of Platteville off Cty Rd B

A landmark in Southwest Wisconsin, residents and visitors climb the big "M" year round.

www.platteville.com

Potosi

Badger Hut Trail

Across from St. John Mine on Hwy 133

Well-preserved examples of how lead miners lived during the lead mining days, including several shelters that the miners used called badger huts.

Potosi Main Street

The longest main street in the world that doesn't cross an intersection.

Sinsinawa

Sinsinawa Mound and Retreat Center 718-4411

585 Cty Rd Z

The mother house of the Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters. Buildings include the Stone Building that was erected in 1846. Located on 450 acres of lush woodlands, orchards, vineyards, fields and gardens; including a labyrinth.

www.sinsinawa.org