



Road Tripping

THROUGHOUT THE USA TIPS

The pleasure of road trips is that you're in control of the aspects of the trip. It can be one stop- an hour or two away from home, or multiple stops- many hours away from your home. With COVID-19 shaking up travel, road trips will be many Americans go-to vacation style. Below are a few things to take into consideration when planning a road trip:

- 1) Determine what type of activities you want to do, i.e. beach, mountains, museums, adventure, history, food, etc?
- 2) What type of road trip do you want? One stop or multiple stops? The length of the trip? How long you're willing to drive per day?
- 3) Safety- which activities, lodging, and restaurants lend to social distancing and safe cleaning practices?



Stop Ideas by region

West Coast

Drive the scenic **Pacific Coast Highway** that stretches from San Diego to San Francisco:

- **San Diego:** Balboa Park, including the San Diego Zoo
- **Big Sur:** Amazing views of the scenic coast
- **San Francisco:** Full of food & culture and so close to Sonoma and Napa

Become One With Nature:

- Yosemite National Park
- Lake Tahoe
- Grand Canyon/Sedona
- Page/Lake Powell Arizona- Antelope Canyon and Horseshoe Bend



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Midwest

Missouri- Branson is nestled in Ozark Mountains and 3 beautiful lakes

Illinois

Legoland Discovery Center in Schaumburg (which has great shopping!)

Starved Rock State Park- trails, sandstone cliffs, and waterfalls

Indiana- Indiana Dunes National Park, 15 miles of beaches and dunes

Michigan- Belle Isle Park in Detroit, one of the oldest aquariums in the USA

Minnesota- Duluth has the only freshwater aquarium in the USA

Ohio- Hocking Hills State Park offers ziplining, rafting, hiking, waterfalls, etc

South Dakota- Badlands National Park (watch wildlife) and Mount Rushmore

Wisconsin- Lake Geneva is a quaint city with a beach & adventurous activities

The South

Tennessee:

Memphis: National Civil Rights Museum, Memphis Zoo, Beale Street

Chattanooga: kayak, whitewater rafting, rock climb and other activities

Georgia:

Lake Lanier/Chateau Elan (winery)

Savannah- full of culture, beaches, and adventurous activities

Alabama-Panhandle region has beaches and paved bike trails

Louisiana- RiverView Park has interactive water fountain and a waterfall

Texas:

San Antonio- historic architecture, with a mix of Spanish and U.S culture Find fun activities like Bridge Caverns, SeaWorld, and Six Flags

Texas Hill Country- 2nd most visited wine country in the USA

Arkansas- Ozarks offer hiking, mountain biking, rock climbing, floating, etc.

Oklahoma- Mercantile on Main Street



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East Coast

New York- Hudson Valley is rich in history, especially the revolutionary war

Boston- Freedom Trail includes 16 historic sites

Pennsylvania- Lancaster is an Amish farmland with artist & galleries

Rhode Island- Block Island is a quaint town with impressive cliffs

Maryland- Ocean City offers beaches, paddleboarding, surfing, etc.

Virginia- Shenandoah Valley has wildlife, birds, and picturesque mountains

Kentucky- Bourbon Country between Louisville and Lexington

North Carolina- Ashville/Lake Lure has wineries, mountains and adventures

South Carolina- Charleston's rich history and nearby beaches (Folly Beach)

Florida:

- Destin- beautiful beach town with clear blue water and resorts
- Amelia Island has beach, wildlife, and scenic waterways
- St. Augustine- America's oldest city
- Ocala National Forest- 600 lakes, rivers, and springs

COVID-19 Travel Tips

- Double check if the state(s) require a self-quarantine period
- Double check if the activities you want to do are open & the precautions they're taking to protect against COVID-19
 - social distancing potential and number of guests allowed at a time
 - sanitation procedures
 - be sure to bring your mask and hand sanitizer
 - wash, Wash, Wash Your Hands!