



CELEBRATING 15 YEARS

How do you celebrate the 15th birthday of the Quilt Gardens? If you're like us, you throw an *epic birthday party* — all summer long from May 30 to September 15, 2022.

The Quilt Gardens unite the warm and welcoming communities of Elkhart County - Elkhart, Goshen, Middlebury, Nappanee, Bristol and Wakarusa - all located along the nationally-recognized Heritage Trail.

Since 2007, hundreds of dedicated volunteers come together annually to help produce this one-of-a-kind event that features over 1 million blooms! It's also been named the Indiana Tourism Association Best Festival and American Bus Association Best of the Best. *Did you know that it's free and open to the public, too?*

Birthday parties are the best when you see old friends and there's plenty of food and drink. *We've got both!*

SEWARD JOHNSON ON THE GUEST LIST

The Seward Johnson sculptures are coming back too! Five years after helping us celebrate the Quilt Gardens in 2017, the nationally renowned sculptor's works are returning to every Quilt Garden.

WELL CRAFTED GOODIES

From craft beers brewed on site to melt-in-your-mouth cinnamon rolls, from juicy fried chicken to authentic Neapolitan pizza, chefs, bakers and brewers create works of art on plate, mugs and baking pans.

It's a **PARTY 15** years in the making! Start celebrating at **QuiltGardens.com**

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36 HOURS ON THE HERITAGE TRAIL

Thrilling tales of Elkhart County's history and scenic stops in our close-knit communities — the handmade welcome mat is always out. Self-guided and go at your own pace, the Heritage Trail audio driving tour is your essential companion in Elkhart County.



TAKE THE 10-POUND TOUR

Amish Country home-cooked favorites are always on the menu in Elkhart County. Leave room for pie and other hand-crafted delectable sweets. From Indiana's largest restaurant at Das Dutchman Essenhaus (*Middlebury*) and the history of The Barns at Nappanee (*formerly Amish Acres, Nappanee*) and everything in between, good eats await.



ULTIMATE ROAD TRIP

Welcome to the RV Capital of the World. Elkhart County, Indiana is the birthplace of recreational vehicles, where innovators and entrepreneurs built their empires and some 80 percent of RVs made in the country are built. The possibilities only start with a visit to the RV/MH Hall of Fame and Museum (*Elkhart*).



GETTING TO ELKHART COUNTY IS AS EASY AS PIE

You'll find us halfway between Chicago and Toledo (*just a two hour drive in either direction*). Using a network of scenic limited access highways, you can arrive in less than a day's journey from the region's major cities and towns. We're also close to major metropolitan areas, interstates, highways and airports. Most of the major attractions along the Heritage Trail are within a 45-minute drive of I-80/90, the Indiana Toll Road.

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