

Food, Farm & Family Tradition

Explore Kentucky's agriculture heritage in and around Bowling Green.

This sample itinerary will give your group a glimpse of our past while previewing our future as it relates to food, farm and family tradition.

Head to one of the highest points in Warren County to launch day one at Jackson's Orchard where hundreds of apple and peach trees blossom with bounty. Then shop for homemade relishes, ciders, baking mixes, produce and more in the family's sizeable barn.

Next, return to the Victorian era with a visit to Riverview at Hobson Grove for a look at how a prosperous Warren County family once lived. Continue the historic home tour as you partake in a lovely lunch in the Mariah Moore house, the oldest brick residence in Bowling Green.

Then hit the Duncan Hines Scenic Byway that afternoon and take a break at the Porky Pig Diner in Pig, Kentucky for scrumptious homemade pies. Your group will enjoy passing beautiful farms and rolling hills on this drive honoring our famous son.

Stop by Pelly's Farm Fresh Market in quaint Smiths Grove as you return to Bowling Green for a peek at this family's operation and admire Eslie's garden creations. That night you'll enjoy a meal of Northwestern fare in a stunning log cabin at Montana Grille.

You'll head south to begin the second day with a trip to the country including a visit to Quail Hollow Candle Factory and Gift Shop in Allen County, then head to Haebeggar's Amish Market for a wide selection of homemade goods and a glimpse at this unique sect.

Next, journey to the quaint town of Austin and visit The Berry Patch and Garden Center where your group can pick strawberries from the hydroponic garden. After lunch, dine at the scenic Barren River Resort Lodge, then discover how Kenny Mattingly's family makes cheese the 'udder' way! Your last stop for the evening is back in Bowling Green at Cambridge Market for a home-style, southern meal.

The third day kicks off with a trip to the working farm operated by Western Kentucky University. Then go from student farms to Shaker farms as you visit the Shaker Museum at South Union. While you're in the Shaker community, you'll have lunch at the 1869 Shaker Tavern.

After lunch, snack time will take you to a family-operated dairy farm at Chaney's Dairy Barn for a taste of premium ice cream made on site. Next explore the history of cake-mix with a visit to the Kentucky Museum for an "Adventure in Good Eating" as you learn about the man behind the mix, native Duncan Hines. Dinner that night will be at the Catfish House.

Before departing on the fourth day, you'll want to stop by Kentucky Down Under and take part in some "chores" of an Australian sheep station and learn about the "Land Down Under."

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- The Berry Patch and Garden Center
- Barren River Lake State Resort Park
- Kenny's Country Cheese
- Cambridge Market
- Western Kentucky University Farm
- Shaker Museum at South Union



- Shaker Tavern
- Chaney's Dairy Barn
- Catfish House
- Kentucky Museum's

Recommended by Duncan Hines Exhibit



- Kentucky Down Under