



RETAIL THERAPY

From hand-crafted to creatively repurposed, the Heritage Trail's lined with shop-portunities. Here's a sampling of what might tempt you.

DAY ONE (Elkhart, Wakarusa and Nappanee)



Not-too-shabby chic meets retro retail in the **Beardsley Avenue Antique District**. Here you'll find **Antiques on Beardsley** (816 W Beardsley), **Tchotchkes, Antiques & More** (1000 W Beardsley) and **820 Antiques** (820 N Ward). Downtown, restyle any room with blasts from the past at **The Black Crow on Main** (224 S Main) then head over to **b on the River** (333 NIBCO Parkway) for home accents with a French country cottage feel.

Drive south on State Road 19 into Wakarusa. Every candy you craved as a kid is bound to be on the shelves at the **Wakarusa Dime Store** (103 E Waterford). They stock 450 kinds. Take your sweet stash on the road into Nappanee. Racks of hand-stitched quilts surround the pot-bellied stove at **Amish Acres Greeting Barn** (US Highway 6).

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Looking for Amish-made and locally owned. Check out **Coppes Commons** (401 E Market). This historic former furniture factory houses a collection of locally owned shops that feature fresh from the oven baked goods, hand-woven rugs and antiques. Find hand-crafted heirloom quality furniture at **Homestyle Furniture Shoppe** (1359 W Market).

>> **Worth the trip ...** Need a woodstove, harness or grill for your campfire? Rural locations and eclectic inventories are the rule at the 50+ stops among Nappanee's Countryside Shoppes. Get a free map at the **Nappanee Center** (302 W Market).



DAY TWO (Middlebury and Goshen)

Downtown shops pack fun and functional stuff between wood floors and tin ceilings. **Varns & Hoover Hardware** (101 N Main) stocks everything from rakes to Radio Flyers. Customers have been shopping here since 1886.

Gohn Brothers (105 S Main) sells plainly styled Amish clothes and the fabrics to make them. More contemporary fashions, and a tempting array of accessories, are on display at the **Cinnamon Stick** (102 S Main).

The Middlebury Mercantile (108 S Main Street) is one-stop shopping in the heart of downtown. Here you'll find Amish crafted hardwoods & home décor at **Legacy Home Furniture**, herbs and more at **Chupp's Herbs** and a great stop for lunch, a snack or a cup of Joe, the **Legendary Grind Café & Coffee Bar**. Take a short drive to **Old Creamery Antiques** (333 N Main) for some antique garden ornaments or vintage fishing tackle. Head on over to **The Toy Store at Martin Ace Hardware** (Corner of SR 13 & US 20) two charming, nostalgic gift shops filled with eclectic gifts, home décor, fashion accessories, gourmet foods and vintage toys.

>> **Worth the trip and extra time ...** **The Village Shops at Das Dutchman Essenhaus** (240 US 20). Here you'll find five unique shops located in original farm outbuildings filled with the latest fashions, home décor, quilts, fabric, furniture and more. You'll be temptingly close to the restaurant/bakery so you might reward yourself with a tasty treat (we recommend the caramel Long Johns) or a family-style feast after your shopping foray. You can even take a carriage ride or play a round of miniature golf.



Continue on to Goshen via the scenic County Road 22 and the **Old Bag Factory** artisans' complex (1100 N Chicago). It's home to artisan galleries and specialty boutiques. Every gorgeous piece at **Goertzen Pottery** is wood-fired, richly colored and fully functional. Turkish jewelry designer **Gamze Neer** crafts beautiful baubles from Victorian cameos to Art Nouveau bracelets.

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Head to downtown Goshen. The easy walkable downtown Main Street is a magnet for creative young entrepreneurs and filled with eclectic shops, specialty boutiques, cozy cafes, and lively entertainment.

We suggest you check out **Found**, (208 S Main Street) where you'll discover unique, hand-woven, hand-crafted, and hand-selected international items from around the world. Do your tastes run more to small-town personal service? **Woldruff's Footwear and Apparel** (129 S Main Street) is locally owned and their expert staff places the highest priority on personal service. How about the latest in music trends? Purchase classic vinyl and fund live performance at **Ignition Music Garage** (120 E Washington).

>> **Shop for a Cause ...** Proceeds from **Better World Books** (215 S Main) power literacy programs while every purchase you make at **Ten Thousand Villages**, (206 S Main Street) a fair-trade retailer with gift items from 38 countries, improves the lives of makers by supporting their craft and providing a fair and stable income.



DAY THREE (Shipshewana)

How can you not be tempted by shops with names like **Aunt Millie's Candy** (gummies and chocolates anyone?) or **Simple Sounds** (purveyors of dulcimers, banjos and mandolins)? These unique boutiques join 18 others and a historic carousel everyone can ride at the **Davis Mercantile** (Corner of Main & Harrison).

Time travel and shop in one stop at **Yoder Department Store** and **Yoder's Shipshewana Hardware** (300 S Van Buren). Here you'll find everything from canning supplies to enamelware with the best in personal service to match.

Specialty shops get very specific at **Yoder Popcorn** (7680 W 200 S, Topeka), **Annie Oakley Perfumery** (300 Johnson St, Topeka) and **B Honey** (2260 N 1000 W).

Sewing enthusiasts will love the bolts of fabrics that can be found in Shipshewana. Stops at **I Sell Fabric** (5520 North SR 5), **Little Helpers Quilt Shop** (1030 N 1000 W), and **Lolly's Fabrics** in the Davis Mercantile (Corner of Main & Harrison) are a must.

Get a window into the Amish world at the **Dutch Country Market** (11401 CR 16 / East Warren Street). You'll be captivated by the old-fashioned foods made by the Lehman family and offered at the welcoming country store next to their rural home. Katie Lehman's noodles and peanut butter spread are renowned in Amish Country. There's no doubt these noodles are fresh and visitors are invited to watch Katie and her crew as they make noodles daily. Trip tip: For best viewing, plan a morning visit.



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