

■ **Lake Manitou Monster** (Rochester, Fulton Co.) Reportedly over 30-ft long with the head and neck of a horse, this “Nessie” scared Native Americans and pioneers alike.

■ **Museum of Psychphonics** (Indianapolis, Marion Co.) A modern-day wunderkammer dedicated to Indianapolis history, Afrotourism, and musical vibrations.

■ **Naked Leg Sundial** (Roselawn, Jasper Co.) Time is told in a skin-baring way at one of Roselawn’s two nudist colonies.

■ **Old Ben** (Kokomo, Howard Co.) The world’s largest steer was born, raised, and taxidermied in all of his posterity in Howard County.

■ **Old Jail Inn** (Rockville, Parke Co.) Possibly the only place where you can spend the night in a jail cell because you want to, not because you have to.

■ **Orville Redenbacher** (Valparaiso, Porter Co.) The King of Popcorn sits forever on a bench in Valparaiso’s downtown park.

■ **Outhouse Collection** (Huntington, Huntington Co.) A private collection of pit toilets was donated to a local nature preserve by a civic-minded citizen and displayed outdoors where they belong.

■ **Paul Bunyan Statue** (Muncie, Delaware Co.) Paul stands 25-ft tall as the mascot of a dive named Timber’s.

■ **Table of Elements** (Greencastle, Putnam Co.) Display that gathers the elements of the universe in one convenient location.

■ **Pink Elephant** (Fortville, Hancock Co.) The bespectacled, cocktail-sipping pachyderm is a strange but fitting liquor store mascot.

■ **POW Chapel** (Franklin, Johnson Co.) A chapel built by Italian POWs during WWII tells a forgotten story of war on the home front.

■ **Purple Head Bridge** (Vincennes, Knox Co.) Local lore says this bridge is haunted by the disembodied head of a Native American shaman.

■ **Reno Gang Graves** (Seymour, Jackson Co.) The lynching and burial site of America’s first train robbers.



■ **Rose Island** (Charlestown, Clark Co.) Ruined pieces of stone and a swimming pool are all that remains of an amusement park that was swept away in a flood.

■ **Rotary Jail** (Crawfordsville, Montgomery Co.) The first spinning jail built in the United States and the only one that still turns.

■ **Rubber Horse** (Indianapolis, Marion Co.) Recycled tires create the equestrian on the corner of Prospect and New Jersey.

■ **Schenck Mansion** (Vevay, Switzerland Co.) On the National Register of Historic Places, this 1874 mansion is reportedly haunted.

■ **Seashell Chapel** (Terre Haute, Vigo Co.) This shrine to St. Anne on the grounds of Saint-Mary-of-the-Woods College is made entirely of seashells.

■ **Shoe Corner** (St. John, Lake Co.) This lucky street corner is a magnet for tossed shoes, both pairs and singles.

■ **Shoe Tree** (Milltown, Crawford Co.) This large maple is adorned with hundreds of pairs of shoes—supposedly even Larry Bird’s.

■ **Stone Head** (Stone Head, Brown Co.) A carved roadside marker from 1851 gave its name to an entire town.

■ **Studebaker Trees** (South Bend, St. Joseph Co.) The world’s largest living advertisement is made of pine trees.

■ **Story Inn** (Nashville, Brown Co.) Fine dining in an 1851 country inn, supposedly haunted.

■ **Beast of Churubusco** (Churubusco, Allen Co.) Thought the legendary monster turtle was never captured, “Oscar” did inspire the annual “Turtle Days” festival.

■ **The Grave in the Road** (Franklin, Johnson Co.) Nancy Barnett’s relatives defended her grave with a shotgun, so the state built the road around her.

■ **The Ruins** (Indianapolis, Marion Co.) Once adorning a New York skyscraper, these reclaimed ruins now haunt an Indiana park.

■ **Tree in the Clocktower** (Greensburg, Decatur Co.) For over 100 years, this Indiana town has had a tree growing out the top of the county courthouse.

■ **Two-Headed Calf** (Peru, Miami Co.) This taxidermied bovine does not even scratch the surface of the Miami County Historical Society’s collection of oddities.

■ **White Lick Creek Bridge** (Avon, Hendricks Co.) This Hendricks County bridge has reportedly been haunted since construction, when a worker fell into a pylon being filled with cement.

■ **Who North America** (Camby, Hendricks Co.) One of the largest collections of merchandise for the British sci-fi show can be found smack in the center of Indiana.

■ **Gray Lady in the Library** (Evansville, Vanderburgh Co.) The Willard Library’s Lady in Gray is so notorious, there is a web cam set up to catch her presence.

■ **Ferris Wheel Bridge** (Tefft, Jasper Co.) Dunn’s Bridge is reportedly built from the remnants of the world’s first Ferris wheel, built for the 1893 World’s Fair in Chicago.

■ **World’s Largest Ball of Paint** (Alexandria, Madison Co.) Visitors are encouraged to contribute to this roadside attraction that is exactly what it sounds like.

■ **World’s Largest Egg** (Mentone, Kosciusko Co.) An appropriate attraction for a town that calls itself the “egg basket of the Midwest.”

■ **Giant Rocking Chair** (Amity, Johnson Co.) This piece of furniture fit for a giant is accompanied by an equally large chest of drawers.

■ **World’s Largest Sycamore Stump** (Kokomo, Howard Co.) So large it cannot be properly seen in a photo, you’ll have to visit this piece of arboreal history in person.

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While we can't point you toward Hawkins, Indiana (because there's no such place), we can direct you to the real-life "Stranger Things" you should visit in Indiana. And don't worry, there aren't any demogorgons on the list. Have fun!

Check all the locations you've visited.

- **Mudlavia Resort** (Carbondale, Warren Co.) What was once a five-star hotel and resort with "healing waters" is now mere ruins in the Indiana countryside.
- **Earhart Haunts Hangar 1** (West Lafayette, Tippecanoe Co.) Amelia Earhart is said to haunt Purdue Airport's Hangar 1, where she worked on her Lockheed Electra before the doomed flight around the world.
- **Backyard Roller Coaster** (Bruceville, Knox Co.) Call ahead to take a Saturday ride on the "Blue Flash," Jon Ivers' homemade creation.
- **Backyard Watchtower** (Cairo, Tippecanoe Co.) This monument honors the Ground Observation Corps, who spent the 1950s scanning the skies for Russian planes or missiles.
- **Berne Clock Tower** (Berne, Adams Co.) Catch old-world charm and a glockenspiel presentation daily at this Adams County landmark.
- **Brain Sculpture** (Bloomington, Monroe Co.) The world's largest anatomically correct brain statue is made entirely of Indiana limestone.
- **Bristol Opera House** (Bristol, Elkhart Co.) The current home of the Elkhart Civic Theatre dates back to 1897 and is reportedly haunted.
- **Bulletproof Police Booth** (Goshen, Elkhart Co.) Goshen prepared for a visit from John Dillinger that never came with this structure still standing in front of the courthouse.

- **Chainsaw Garden** (Hardinsburg, Washington Co.) Some people plant rosebushes, some people plant chainsaws. Let's hope Leatherface never travels SR 66.
- **Christina the Skunk Lady** (Howe, LaGrange Co.) At the turn of the last century, Howe's most famous eccentric lived in a shack with cats, dogs, guinea pigs, chickens, lizards, and her beloved skunks.
- **City Market Catacombs** (Indianapolis, Marion Co.) The Indianapolis catacombs don't contain bones or crypts, but scores of brick barrel-vaulted arches that remain from the basement of what was Tomlinson Hall.
- **Constitution Elm** (Corydon, Harrison Co.) This preserved stump marks where pioneer statesmen drafted Indiana's constitution under the shade of a mighty elm tree.
- **Crown Hill Cemetery** (Indianapolis, Marion Co.) Indianapolis' most famous cemetery dates to the Civil War and offers historic tours.



- **Dan Patch 1:55** (Oxford, Benton Co.) America's most famous athlete in the first decade of the 20th century ran the mile in 1:55, a record that stood for over 30 years. He was born in a Benton County stable.
- **Dog Face Bridge** (San Pierre, Starke Co.) Urban legends surround this bridge, originating from a car accident claiming both woman and dog.

- **Dollhouse Graves** (Connersville, Fayette Co.) Five-year-old Vivian Allison's grave is marked by a fully furnished dollhouse, complete with a miniature Mona Lisa.
- **Elizabeth Finner's Grave** (Bedford, Lawrence Co.) Elizabeth Finner was so devoted to her husband that she refused to let war separate them. She disguised herself as a man and fought alongside him in the Union Army for six months before being discovered.
- **Family Tree Gravestones** (Lafayette, Tippecanoe Co.) The symbolism is clear—families grow, seed, and die, just like families.
- **Flick Statue** (Hammond, Lake Co.) The *A Christmas Story* favorite is immortalized fulfilling the "triple dog dare."
- **Geode Grotto** (Jasper, Dubois Co.) Sitting on four city blocks in Jasper and based on the Grotto of Lourdes, this shrine literally sparkles.
- **Giant Candle** (Centerville, Wayne Co.) The World's Largest Candle is found at the Warm Glow Candle Factory on I-70.
- **Giant Peach** (Bruceville, Knox Co.) Those with mighty appetites may be disappointed, for the produce sold at the Giant Peach's roadside stand is all normal size.
- **Hannah House** (Indianapolis, Marion Co.) This stop on the Underground Railroad is said to be haunted by the spirits of slaves who perished in a basement fire.
- **Tippecanoe Battle Field** (Battle Ground, Tippecanoe Co.) William Henry Harrison, Tecumseh, and the Prophet squared off at this National Historic Landmark.



- **Healing Palindrome** (New Harmony, Posey Co.) A mysterious semicircle of concrete shapes installed in this Indiana town tell a story when pieced together.
- **Hell's Gate** (Diamond, Parke Co.) Seven tunnels in Parke County that loom large in local lore.
- **Veal's Ice Tree** (Indianapolis, Marion Co.) Powdered food coloring and water have created this seasonal 80-ft attraction since 1961.
- **Medical History Museum** (Indianapolis, Marion Co.) The oldest freestanding pathology building in the US interprets the scientific medicine of the 19th and early 20th centuries.
- **James Dean's Grave** (Marion, Grant Co.) Kiss the grave of Hollywood's 1950s rebel heartthrob, then drive into town to view Dean memorabilia.
- **Joe Palooka** (Oolitic, Lawrence Co.) The comic book hero is immortalized in a 10-ft limestone statue.
- **John Dillinger's Grave** (Indianapolis, Marion Co.) The notorious gangster's grave is a popular attraction at Indianapolis' Crown Hill cemetery.
- **Johnny Appleseed's Grave** (Fort Wayne, Allen Co.) The real-life folk hero is buried in Fort Wayne and lent his headwear to the local baseball team.
- **Jug Rock** (Shoals, Martin Co.) The largest freestanding table rock formation east of the Mississippi River.
- **Knightridge Observatory** (Bloomington, Monroe Co.) Buried in the Indiana wilderness, this abandoned telescope dome is astronomy's answer to the eerie backwoods shack.