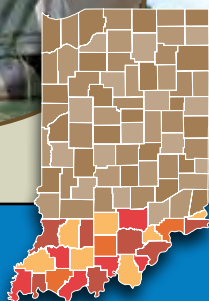


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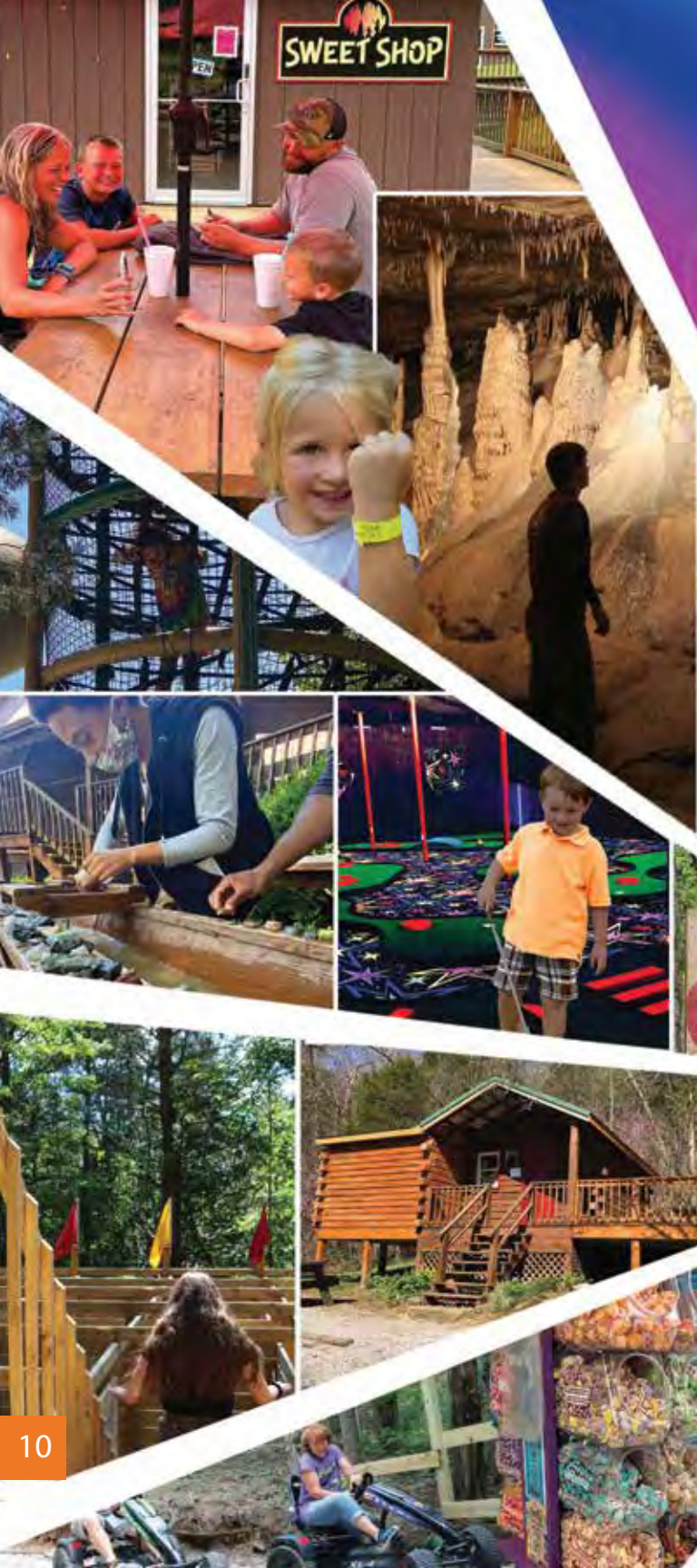
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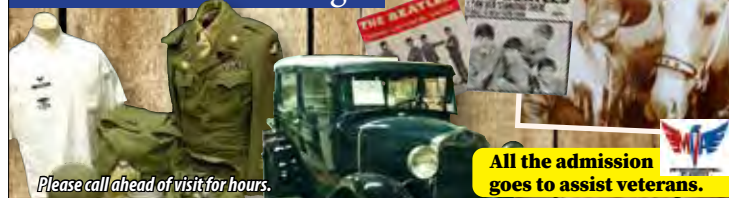
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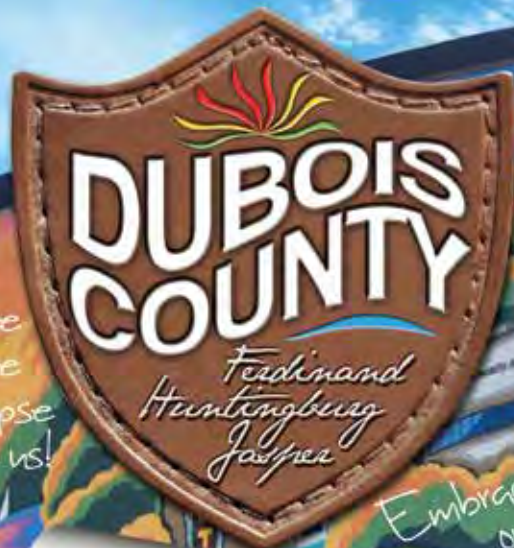
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Lovely are her moonlit rivers,
Shadowed by the sycamores,
Where the fragrant winds of Summer
Play along the willowed shores.
I must roam those wooded hillsides,
I must heed the native call,
For a pagan voice within me
Seems to answer to it all.
I must walk where squirrels scamper
Down a rustic old rail fence,
Where a choir of birds is singing
In the woodland, green and dense.
I must learn more of my homeland
For it's paradise to me,
There's no heaven quite as peaceful,
There's no place I'd rather be.
Indiana is a garden
Where the seeds of peach have grown,
Where each tree, and vine, and flower
Has a beauty all its own.
Lovely are the fields and meadows,
that reach out to hills that rise
Where the dreamy Wabash River
Wanders on ... through paradise."

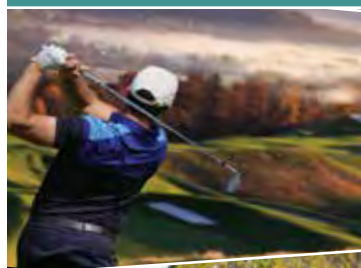
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April 6-8
Daviess County Eclipse
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April 8
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winzerwaldwinery.com
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April 27
Garden Gate Jazz, Wine & Craft Beer Fest
Market Street Park
812-482-9115
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April 27-28
Corydon Extravaganza
Harrison County Fairgrounds
corydonextravaganza.com

April 27-28
Perry County Dogwood Festival
Congress Square - Orleans
812-865-9930
www.facebook.com/orleansdogwoodfestival

MAY

May 3-4
Spring Chandelier Barn Market
6747 Gasthof Village Road
Montgomery, IN 47558
812-486-2316
chandelierbarnmarket.com

May 11
Sycamore Springs RV and Vendor Show
717 West Tunnel Hill Rd.
English, Indiana 47118
812-338-3846

May 18
Cabela's King Kat Tournament
Perry County
www.pickperry.com

JUNE

June 21-22
Judah Heritage Festival
Judah, Johnny Junxiouns
812-583-5249
judahfestival.com

June 21-23
59th Annual Gem Mineral Fossil Show
Lawrence County Fairgrounds, Bedford
812-929-5367
lawrencecountyrockclub.org

June 28-29
Popcorn Festival
Downtown Corydon
888-738-2137
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June 28-29
Limestone Heritage Festival
Downtown Bedford
812-329-4221
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JULY

July 6 @ Sundown
Thunder Over Patoka
Patoka Lake State Park
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AUGUST

August 1-3
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Odon, IN
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The Odon Lions Club at
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August 1-4
Jasper Strassenfest
Downtown and Citywide
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August 7-10
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SEPTEMBER

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SEPTEMBER

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Lanesville Heritage
Lanesville, IN
lanesvilleheritageweekend.com

September 21, 23-28, 2024
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Spring Mill State Park &
Downtown Mitchell
812-849-4441
persimmonfestival.org

September 20-21
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Restaurant
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812-338-9000

September 20-22
Block Bash
French Lick, IN
812-936-3030
bearhollowwoodcarvers.
com/bash

September 21
Ferdinand Folk Fest
18th Street Park
Ferdinand, IN 47532
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OCTOBER

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Paoli, IN 47454
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October 12
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Boys & Girls Club
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October 19
Sorghum Festival
Crawford County
Fairgrounds
812-267-0900

October 18-19
Glasstoberfest
Downtown Corydon
812-738-2206
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October 26-27
Corydon Extravaganza
Harrison County
Fairgrounds
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NOVEMBER

November 9 - December 24
Dubois County Christmas
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November 22, 23, 29 & 30
(also see dates in December)
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812-936-4484
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November 30
Light Up Corydon
Downtown Corydon
812-738-0120
mainstreetcorydon.org/
events/lightup

November 23
Corydon Extravaganza
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Fairgrounds
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DECEMBER

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Daily 26-31
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December 6-7
Holiday in the Village
Holiday Lights in Campground
Spring Mill State Park,
Mitchell
812-849-3534
springmillstatepark@dnr.
in.gov

December (Dates TBD)
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Marengo, IN 47140
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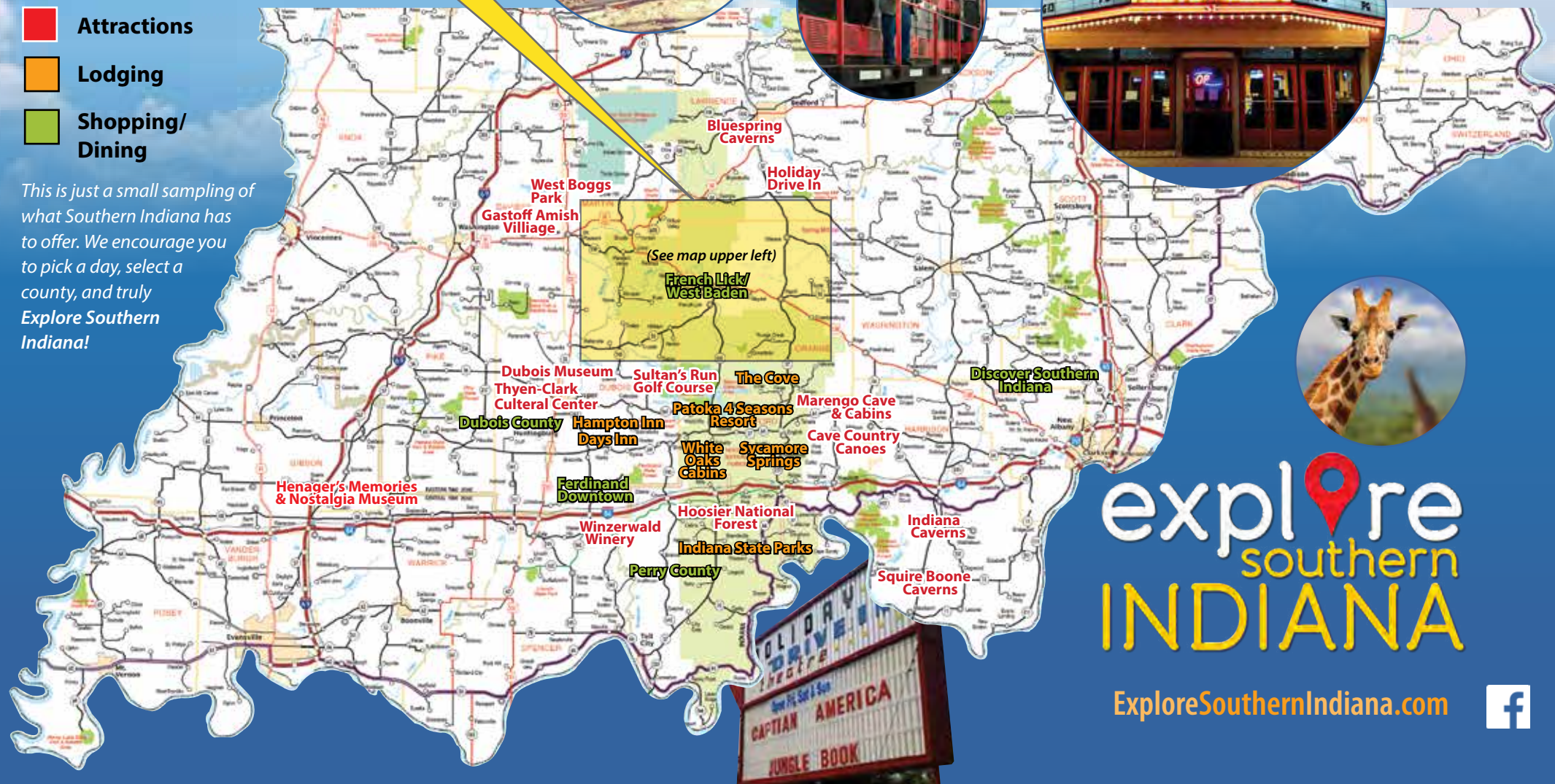
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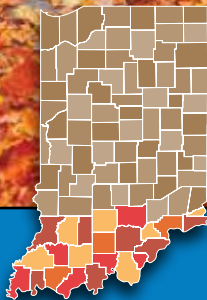
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