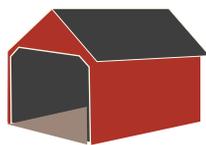
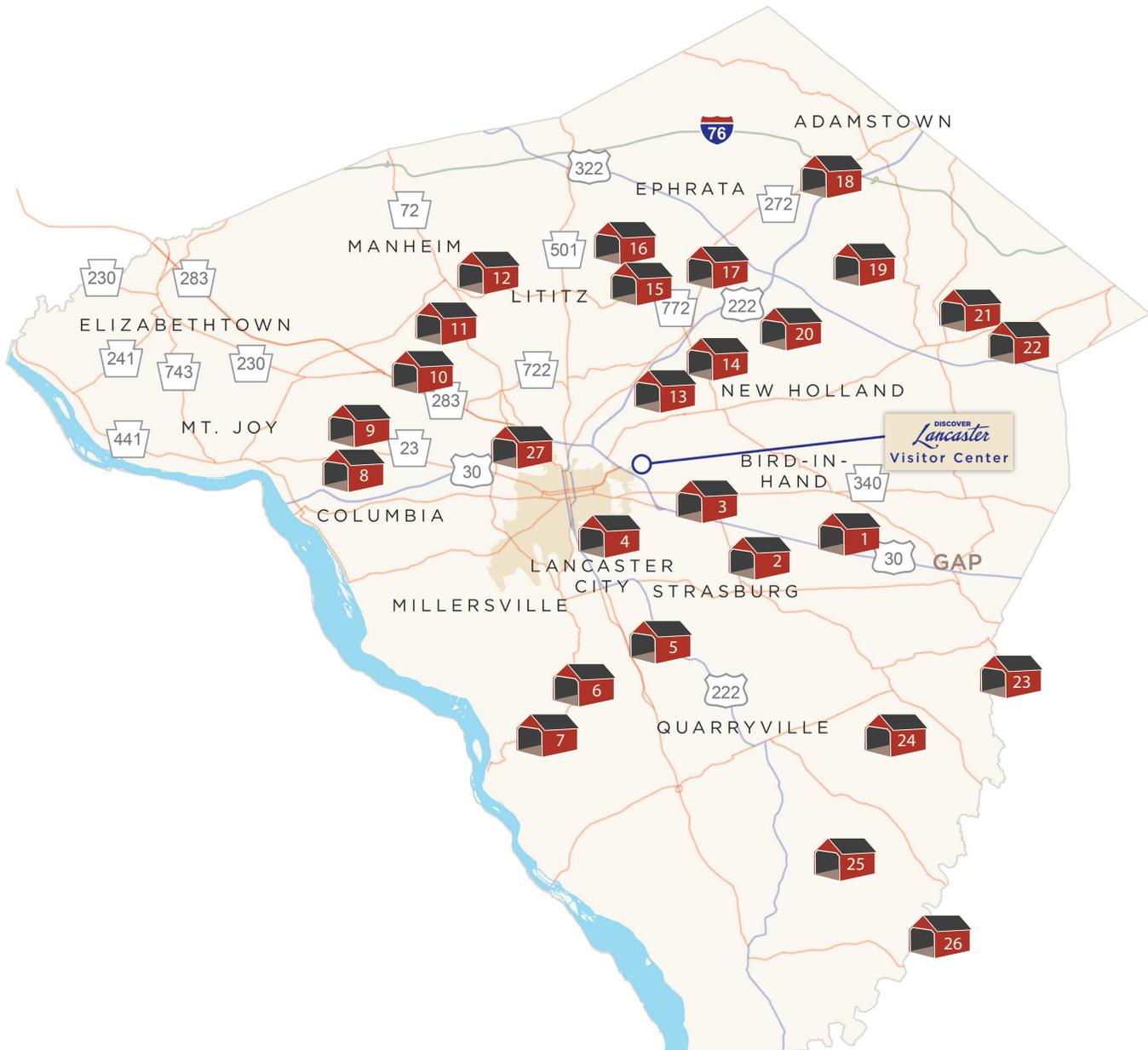


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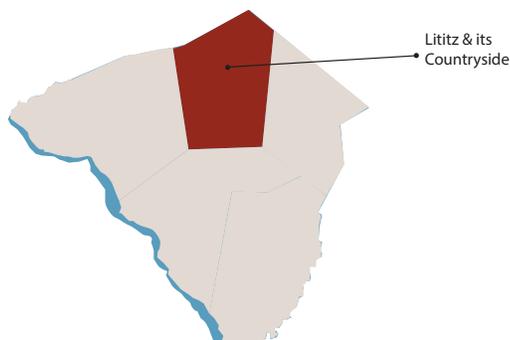
## COVERED BRIDGES



Just the sight of a covered bridge brings to mind thoughts of old charm and romance, and in Lancaster County, the heart of Pennsylvania Dutch Country, we have plenty of both! Sometimes referred to as “kissing bridges” because of the many couples who have strolled across them over the years, our area offers more than two dozen of these architectural beauties—each with its own inviting story.

#	Name	Alternative Names	Creek/Stream	Length	Year Built	Lat.	Long.
1	Eshelman's Mill	Paradise Bridge	Pequea	113'	1845	40.012	-76.018
2	Neff's Mill	---	Pequea	102'	1875	39.97859	-76.22591
3	Willow Hill	---	Mill	72'	1962	40.02431	-76.2018
4	Kurtz's Mill	Baer's, Keystone Mill Covered Bridge	Mill	94'	1876	40.015	-76.283
5	Lime Valley	Strasburg Bridge, Pequea #8 Bridge	Pequea	103'	1871	39.961	-76.235
6	Baumgardener's	Pequea #10 Bridge	Pequea	120'	1860	39.93096	-76.29501
7	Colemanville	Martic Forge Covered Bridge	Pequea	170'	1856	39.89862	-76.34236
8	Forry's Mill	Big Chickies #7 Bridge	Chickies	103'	1869	40.06638	-76.4785
9	Siegrist's Mill	Big Chickies #6 Bridge, Moore's Mill Bridge	Chickies	70'	1885	40.07601	-76.4713
10	Schenck's Mill	Big Chickies #4 Bridge	Chickies	96'	1846	40.11559	-76.4254
11	Kaufman's Distillery	Sporting Hill Bridge, Whiskey Distillery Bridge, Big Chickie's #1 Bridge	Chickies	96'	1874	40.148	-76.41
12	Shearer's Mill	---	Chickies	89'	1856	40.172	-76.39
13	Hunsicker's Mill	---	Conestoga	180'	1843	40.087	-76.248
14	Pinetown	---	Conestoga	133'	1867	40.10557	-76.24767
15	Zook's Mill	Wenger Bridge, Rose Hill Bridge, Cocalico #7 Bridge	Cocalico	89'	1849	40.13	-76.232
16	Erb's Mill	Hammer Creek #1 Bridge	Hammer	80'	1887	40.1643	-76.2441
17	Keller's Mill	Guy Bard Bridge, Rettew's Bridge, Cocalico #5 Bridge	Cocalico	74'	1891	40.1643	-76.2328
18	Bucher's Mill	Cocalico #2 Bridge	Cocalico	64'	1892	40.208	-76.135
19	Red Run	Oberholzer's Covered Bridge	Muddy	107'	1865	40.17556	-76.08109
20	Bitzer's Mill	Eberly's Cider Mill Bridge, Fiand's Bridge	Conestoga	98'	1846	40.14	-76.15
21	Weaver's Mill	Isaac Shearer's	Conestoga	88'	1878	40.14176	-75.99764
22	Pool Forge	Yohn's Mill Bridge	Conestoga	99'	1859	40.12899	-75.97636
23	Mercer's Mill	Mercer's Ford Bridge, East Octoraro #2	Octorara	86'	1880	39.931	-75.982
24	Jackson's Sawmill	---	Octorara	143'	1878	39.89639	-76.09
25	White Rock Forge	White Rock Bridge, West Octoraro #2	Octorara	113'	1884	39.825	-76.09
26	Pine Grove	---	Octorara	198'	1884	39.794	-76.045
27	Landis Mill	Little Conestoga #1 Bridge	Little Conestoga	53'	1873	40.06866	-76.34521

# LITITZ & ITS COUNTRYSIDE



14. Turn right on Route 272 (Oregon Pike) and proceed 1.4 miles
15. Turn left onto Rose Hill Rd. and proceed for 0.5 miles
16. Turn left onto Log Cabin Rd. and proceed to covered bridge

**Covered Bridge:** Also known as Wenger's Mill Bridge, Zook's Mill Covered Bridge (#15) was built in 1849. During the flooding of Hurricane Agnes, the water rose six feet above the bridge floor, but did not damage the bridge itself. The bridge sits 11 feet above the creek.



17. Proceed on Log Cabin Rd. for 1 mile
18. Turn right onto Church Rd. and proceed for 1.1 miles
19. Turn right onto Route 772/ Newport Rd. and proceed for 0.5 miles
20. Turn left onto Rothsville Rd. proceed for 1.1 miles
21. Turn left on Middle Creek Rd. and proceed 0.5 miles to covered bridge

**Covered Bridge:** Keller's Mill Covered Bridge (#17) was built in 1891, a short distance away on Rettew Mill Rd. The bridge was dismantled and replaced with a modern concrete bridge. It was rebuilt at its present location in 2010.



22. Proceed on Middle Creek Rd. for 0.9 miles
23. Turn left on Erb's Bridge Rd. and proceed 0.5 miles to covered bridge

**Covered Bridge:** Erb's Mill Covered Bridge (#16) was built in 1849, during the time period when thousands of people were rushing to find gold in the California Hills. The bridge was later rebuilt in 1887.



24. Proceed on Erb's Bridge Rd. which turns into Picnic Woods Rd. and proceed 1.4 miles
25. Turn right onto Route 772/ Main St. and proceed for 0.2 miles
26. Bear left onto Route 772/ Rothsville Rd. and follow into the town of Lititz

## Town: Lititz

Stroll around the charming town of Lititz and explore its rich culture, unique shops, and boutiques. Stop and savor the sweets at Cafe Chocolate of Lititz, which features a variety of soups, salads, sandwiches, specialty drinks and of course, chocolates. That's just the beginning of sweet and salty attractions in this Foodie Town. Visit Wilbur Chocolate Store to learn the history of this favorite local confection, or Julius Sturgis Pretzel Bakery for a hands-on pretzel twisting history lesson. There'll be lots of samples and goodies to take home at both!

**A** visit to charming north central Lancaster County and the town of Lititz. Gather some travel tips at the Discover Lancaster Visitors Center and then depart for a journey to four historic covered bridges, meandering through Lititz and the surrounding area. You'll finish up in the town of Lititz itself for a delicious lunch, boutique shopping and lots of sweet and salty treats!

1. Exit the Visitors Center parking lot using the side driveway and turn left
2. Follow the signs to Rt. 30 West. Turn right onto Rt. 30 West and go to the 2nd exit which is Rt. 23 East, the New Holland Pike.
3. Turn right on Route 23 (New Holland Pike) proceed .8 miles to the 2nd traffic light at Butter Rd.
4. Turn left onto Butter Rd.
5. Proceed 1.7 miles on Butter Rd. to Hunsicker Rd.
6. Turn right and proceed 0.6 miles to covered bridge



**Covered Bridge:** Hunsicker's Mill Covered Bridge, (#13) built in 1848, is the longest single-span covered bridge in the County at 180 feet. It was rebuilt in 1973 after rising waters from Hurricane Agnes lifted it from the abutments and carried it downstream.

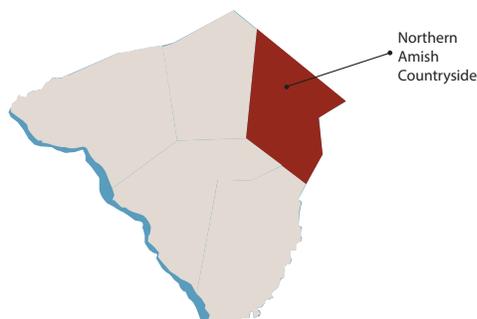
8. Proceed across the bridge on Hunsicker Rd. for 0.2 miles
9. Turn left onto Mondale Rd. and proceed for 1.1 miles
10. Turn left on Bridge Rd. and proceed 0.6 miles to covered bridge



**Covered Bridge:** Built in 1867, the Pinetown Covered Bridge (#14) was washed off its base by the flood waters of Hurricane Agnes in 1972. The following spring, nearby Amish workers rebuilt the bridge, raising it to 17.5 feet above the average water level to avoid future damage. The bridge was severely damaged by floods in September 2011, rebuilt, and raised again.

11. Proceed across the bridge to Pinetown Rd.
12. Turn left on Pinetown Rd. and proceed to Creek Rd.
13. Turn right onto Creek Rd. and proceed 0.2 miles to Route 272 (Oregon Pike)

# NORTHERN AMISH COUNTRYSIDE



Exploring northeast Lancaster County farmland and the town of Ephrata. Begin your journey in Ephrata and travel through Amish countryside, past five historically-preserved covered bridges. You'll journey across back roads, past Amish farms and schools, and find many things to do on the way. Enjoy a hearty meal at a popular smorgasbord, stroll around a farmers' market and experience a trip through time to learn about a 1700s religious community.

1. Beginning in Downtown Ephrata, take Route 322 to the west end of town; this will turn into Main St.

Point of Interest: On W. Main St., you'll find the Ephrata Cloister, one of the country's earliest communal societies. Here, discover the history and heritage of a group best known for its art, music, and medieval German architecture.

2. Turn onto Route 272 / N. Reading Rd. and proceed for 3.1 miles

Point of Interest: Along Route 272 on the left hand side is Ten Thousand Villages Store, Café and Oriental Rugs, which offers a wide variety of unique, handcrafted items from 35+ third world countries.

Point of Interest: Further north on the right is the Green Dragon Farmers' Market and Auction, which is open on Fridays. This market features Amish-made items, crafts, toys, food, holiday items, home furniture and much more. To proceed on the trail, continue north on Route 272 to Cocalico Creek Rd.

3. Turn right on Cocalico Creek Rd. and proceed for 0.3 miles

 **Covered Bridge:** Bucher's Mill Covered Bridge, (#18) built in 1881, is nestled among the trees hidden on Cocalico Creek Rd. Unfortunately, the original bridge was destroyed in 1881, but it was rebuilt the following year. Today, it is the second shortest covered bridge that is still open to traffic.

4. Proceed on Cocalico Creek Rd. for 0.1 miles
5. Turn right onto Creek Ln., which has no street sign, and proceed for 0.3 miles
6. Turn left onto Reamstown Rd. and proceed for 1.8 miles
7. Turn right onto East Church St. and continue proceed for 1.2 miles
8. Turn left onto Red Run Rd. and proceed for 1.9 miles
9. Turn left onto Martin Church Rd.

 **Covered Bridge:** Unfortunately, Red Run Covered Bridge (#19) is privately owned and no longer open to traffic, but it still holds its historical value, having been built in 1866. This bridge is also known as Run Red Grist Mill Bridge, and Red Bank Bridge. In 1961, a new concrete bridge was built to bypass the older covered bridge.

10. Turn around on Martin Church Rd. and turn left onto Red Run Rd., continuing for 1.5 miles; follow the road as it turns sharply to the left
11. Turn right onto Maple St. and proceed for 0.2 miles
12. Turn left onto West Main St. and proceed for 3.8 miles. You'll cross the intersection of Reading Rd. and Route 625. This road will turn into Union Grove Rd., and then into Churchtown Rd.
13. Turn right at Weaverland Rd. and proceed for 0.6 miles

 **Covered Bridge:** Once called White Hall Mill Bridge, Weaver's Mill Covered Bridge (#21) was built in 1878 and is frequently used by the Amish and their horse and buggies.

14. Turn around and proceed on Weaverland Rd. for 0.6 miles
15. Turn right on Churchtown Rd. and proceed for 1 mile

Detour/Point of Interest: If you continue driving on Churchtown Rd.; it will lead you into quaint, historic Churchtown, which dates back to the pre-Revolutionary era, and today is set among Amish and Mennonite farms. For a nice break to relax and stretch your legs, stroll along the streets lined with antique shops, bed & breakfasts, and historic inns. To return to the trail, re-trace Churchtown Rd. until you reach Pool Forge Rd.

16. At Pool Forge Rd., turn right and proceed for 0.2 miles (Note: If you took the detour, you will be turning left)
17. Turn right onto Route 23/ Main St.
18. Make a quick left onto Pool Forge Rd.

 **Covered Bridge:** Pool Forge Covered Bridge (#22) has a unique history, for it supposedly was the bridge where President James Buchanan met his fiancée, as historical records explain. She died before they could marry, and he remained a bachelor. Built in 1859, this bridge is also known as Yohn's Mill Bridge.

19. Turn around and re-trace Pool Forge Rd. to Route 23/ Main St.; turn left and proceed for 4 miles

Point of Interest: For a hearty lunch, take a break to enjoy the buffet at Shady Maple Smorgasbord, presenting 200 feet of a variety of delicious Pennsylvania Dutch style food. Also on site are Shady Maple's extensive gift shop and farm market. The complex is along Route 23 on your left — you can't miss it!

## NORTHERN AMISH COUNTRYSIDE CONT'D

20. At the intersection with Route 322, make a hard right and proceed for 4.3 miles
21. Turn left onto T779/ Wanner Rd., continue to follow T779 for 0.7 miles
22. Turn right onto E. Farmersville Rd for 1.3 miles.
23. Turn right onto Cats Back Rd./ Katze Boucle Weeg

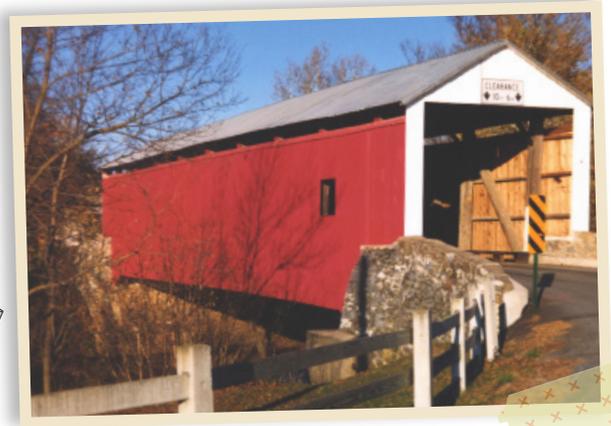
26. Turn left onto Pleasant Valley Rd. and proceed for 1.4 miles
27. Turn left onto Route 322 and proceed for 0.9 miles to return to town of Ephrata



**Covered Bridge:** Bitzer's Mill (#20), also known as Martin's Mill Bridge, Eberly's Cider Mill Bridge and Fiantz's Mill Bridge from previous mill owners, was built in 1846, making this the county's oldest covered bridge still in use. In fact, because this bridge is so old, and because it rests over a shallow creek, steel "I" beams were installed under the floor to help support the foundation.

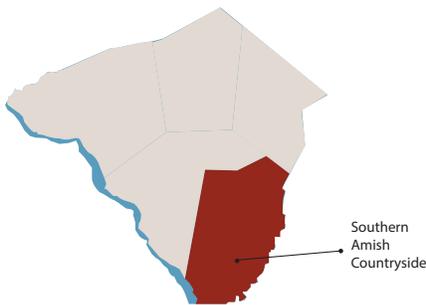
24. Continue on Cats Back Rd. for 0.4 miles; this road will turn into Cider Mill Rd.

25. Turn right onto Willis Pierce Rd. at the "Y" intersection and proceed for 0.2 miles



Bitzer's Mill Bridge

## SOUTHERN AMISH COUNTRYSIDE



5. Turn right onto Route 372 East/ Bridge St. and proceed for 0.3 miles
6. Follow the road as it bears to the right and proceed for 0.8 miles
7. Turn left when the road turns sharply to the right (there will be no road sign) and proceed for 0.2 miles
8. Bear right along with the road as it curves by the bridge and proceed for 0.4 miles
9. Bear to the left when the road curves again and proceed for 0.1 miles

Visit southeastern Lancaster County and its rolling farmland, plus the towns of Strasburg and Christiana. Beginning in Strasburg, travel across the Amish countryside to explore four historic covered bridges, passing Amish one-room schoolhouses and farms along the way. Discover an area that's quiet and relaxing, twisting and turning through back roads that lead to the open landscape. Along your journey, stop in Christiana and learn about its history and role in the Underground Railroad.

1. Starting in Strasburg on West Main St., drive east on Route 741/ Main St. for 0.4 miles
2. Bear right on Route 896 and proceed for 4.5 miles
3. Turn left onto White Oak Rd. and proceed for 3.4 miles
4. Turn left onto Route 372 and proceed for 2.8 miles

### Town: Christiana

Turn left onto Bridge St. and continue into town. Discover the quaint, small town of Christiana, known for its role in the Underground Railroad. At the Christiana Underground Railroad Center, take a self-guided tour through the museum and learn about the Christiana Riot.



**Covered Bridge:** Built in 1880 and located just south of Christiana, Mercer's Mill Covered Bridge (#23) is one of the only two remaining bridges shared with Chester County. This bridge is photographed best in the spring.

10. Turn around and re-trace your steps for 0.6 miles
11. Upon reaching the original intersection from step #7, follow the road to the left and proceed for 3.5 miles
12. Turn left onto Route 896 and proceed for 3 miles
13. Turn right onto Maple Shade Rd. and proceed for 2.1 miles
14. Turn left onto Rosedale Rd. and proceed for 1 mile
15. Turn right onto Sproul Rd. and proceed for 1.2 miles
16. Turn left onto Morrison Mill and proceed for 0.5 miles
17. Turn left onto Route 472/Kirkwood Rd. and proceed for 1.5 miles
18. Turn right onto Mount Eden Rd. and proceed for 0.9 miles

## SOUTHERN AMISH COUNTRYSIDE CONT'D

19. At the approaching "T" intersection, turn left onto Liberty Ln., which will have no road sign, and proceed for 0.6 miles
20. Turn right onto Spring Grove Rd., which eventually becomes Spruce Grove Rd., and proceed for 1.5 miles
21. Turn left onto Ashville Rd. and proceed for 1.8 miles



**Covered Bridge:** The Pine Grove Covered Bridge (#26) is the only double-span, double-arch bridge in use in the County, at 204 feet. Originally built in 1816, it was later rebuilt in 1846 and 1884 because it was destroyed by flood water. The bridge is jointly owned by Lancaster and Chester Counties, and officials from both counties are discussing the need for repairs, but it remains open.

22. Turn around and proceed on Ashville Rd. for 3 miles
23. Turn right onto King Pen Rd. (at the brick pillars) and proceed for 1.4 miles
24. Turn right onto Academy Rd.



**Covered Bridge:** As the county's second oldest bridge, White Rock Forge Covered Bridge (#25) was originally built in 1847 and rebuilt in 1884. It is Lancaster County's second oldest covered bridge still open to traffic and has been washed away and rebuilt twice.

25. Proceed on Academy Rd. for 0.1 miles
26. Turn left onto White Rock Rd. and proceed for 1.1 miles
27. Bear right onto Nobel Rd., which does not have a road sign, and proceed for 3.8 miles

28. Follow the road as it turns sharply to the right, turning into Bartville Rd., and proceed for 0.5 miles
29. Turn left onto Noble Rd. again, which will be another sharp turn
30. Turn left onto Mount Pleasant when the road makes another sharp turn (you'll be driving down a steep hill). Proceed for 0.9 miles
31. Turn right for Jackson's Sawmill Covered Bridge



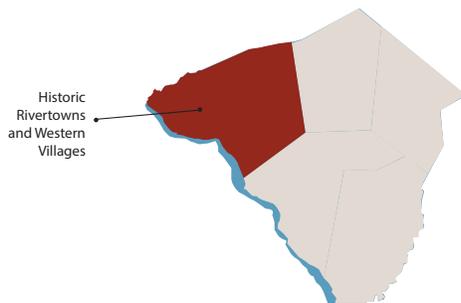
**Covered Bridge:** Jackson's Sawmill Covered Bridge (#24) was built in 1878, but was destroyed by a flood in 1984. The county rebuilt the bridge and raised it an additional three feet to keep safe from future floods.

32. Proceed on Mount Pleasant Rd. for 5.7 miles
33. Turn right onto Iva Rd. (across from the Amish school) and proceed for 0.8 miles
34. Turn left onto Peach Ln. and proceed for 0.2 miles
35. Turn left onto Route 896 and proceed for 2 miles; it will bring you back to the town of Strasburg

### Town: Strasburg

Explore this historic village by simply strolling its charming streets and shops, stopping at the Strasburg Country Store & Creamery for a tasty treat and some more unique goodies. Head east on Route 741 to find a variety of train attractions such as the Strasburg Rail Road™ and Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania. Follow Route 741 west for more family fun at Village Greens Miniature Golf's picturesque, gardenfilled course and on-site Snack Shoppe.

## HISTORIC RIVERTOWNS & WESTERN VILLAGES



1. After exploring Columbia, follow signs for Route 462 and head east about 2 miles
2. Turn left onto Prospect Rd. and proceed for 2.1 miles
3. Turn left onto Route 23 and proceed for 1 mile
4. Turn right onto Bridge Valley Rd. and proceed for 0.2 miles (Bridge Valley Rd. makes a sharp left as short distance from Route 23)



**Covered Bridge:** Forry's Mill Covered Bridge (#8) was built in 1869, which was the same year the first transcontinental railroad was completed. Minor repairs were made to the floor and sides in 1925.

5. Proceed on Bridge Valley Rd. for 1.3 miles
6. At Pinkerton Rd. turn right and proceed for 0.7 miles
7. Turn right onto Siegrist Rd. and proceed for 0.4 miles

**M**eander through the towns of western Lancaster County: Columbia and Manheim. Travel through the historic towns while exploring five unique covered bridges throughout western Lancaster County. Start in Columbia along the Susquehanna River with a visit to the National Watch and Clock Museum, where you'll find more than 72,000 items dedicated to time. At the Columbia Market, open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, peruse the aisles filled with fresh produce, baked goods, sweets and more – and find the perfect snack to munch on during the remainder of the trail! Make a short side trip to Marietta by following Route 447 north to soak up the heritage. Continue on to the Manheim area for more fun, by way of a dairy farm tour! Make a side trip to Mount Joy for a dining experience in a historic brewery.

# HISTORIC RIVERTOWNS & WESTERN VILLAGES CONT'D



**Covered Bridge:** Siegrist's Mill Covered Bridge (#9) was built in 1885. It was originally called Michael Moore's Mill Bridge, but was renamed after the Siegrist family when they purchased the bridge in 1895. This bridge was washed downstream by floods in September 2011, and was rebuilt and reopened in 2013.

8. Continue on Siegrist Rd. for 0.7 miles
9. Turn left on Prospect Rd. and proceed 3.5 miles. Prospect Rd. will become Spooky Nook Rd.

At Route 283 turn west for a short side trip to Mount Joy. Stroll through the streets of a small town dedicated to providing a lasting experience to those who travel through the area. Located in town, Bube's Brewery, a 19th century brewery, offers delicious food for lunch and dinner, with a choice of three restaurants that range from casual fare to fine dining. Also enjoy high-quality drinks, entertainment and if you're prepared, learn about the Brewery's history and take a ghost tour.

10. Just past Route 283 turn left on Shenck Rd. and proceed 0.7 miles
11. Turn left onto the bridge



**Covered Bridge:** Shenck's Mill Covered Bridge (#10) was originally built in 1847, but because of extensive flood damage, it was rebuilt in 1855. This bridge is the third oldest covered bridge in the county that is still open to traffic.

12. Just after crossing the bridge turn right on Auction Rd. and proceed 1.4 miles
13. At Colebrook Rd. turn right and immediately left to continue on Auction Rd. Proceed 0.8 miles
14. Turn left on Junction Rd. and proceed 0.8 miles

15. Turn right on Mill Rd. and proceed 0.4 miles
16. Turn left on Sun Hill Rd. and proceed 0.2 mile



**Covered Bridge:** Kaufman's Distillery Covered Bridge (#11) was first built in 1857 and later rebuilt in 1874. Kaufman's Distillery Mill was actually one of 130 distilleries in the county in the 1800s.

17. Continue on Sun Hill Rd., proceeding for 0.1 miles
18. Turn right onto Route 772/Mount Joy Rd. and proceed for 1.4 miles
19. At the light in the center square of Manheim continue straight on E. High St. and proceed for 0.3 miles
20. Turn left onto N. Oak St. and proceed for 0.3 miles
21. Turn right onto E. Adele Ave. and proceed for 0.3 miles. The bridge is in the park at the end of this street

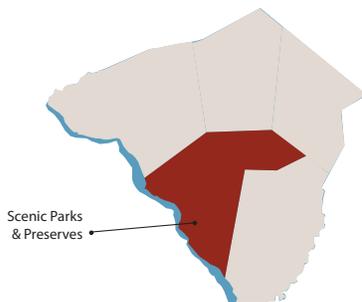


**Covered Bridge:** Originally built in 1847, Shearer's Mill Covered Bridge (#12) was damaged by a flood nine years later and had to be rebuilt. It was also scheduled to be replaced with a concrete bridge. Many local residents negotiated its transfer to this spot, Memorial Park, as a pedestrian bridge.

23. If you're interested in extending your journey, return to Main St./ Route 72 and head north or south to these attractions

Point of Interest: Travel north on Route 72 to Lancaster County Cider at Mount Hope Estate. The estate is home to award-winning specialty and sparkling wines, along with seasonal events and activities. Travel south on Route 72 to Kreider Farms Farm Tour for their 90-minute farm tour or to see the farmland from above at their Silo Observation Tower.

## SCENIC PARKS & PRESERVES



1. Turn left out of the Visitors Center parking lot
2. At the light, turn left into Greenfield Rd. and continue over the bridge
3. Turn left to merge onto Route 30
4. Continue on Route 30 for 3.8 miles

Point of Interest: Along Route 30 on the right is Tanger Outlet Center. For great deals and discounts on designer merchandise, this is the perfect place to spend a few hours looking around for gifts for loved ones or even a treat for yourself.



**Covered Bridge:** After you pass the light at Witmer Rd., Willow Hill Covered Bridge (#3) is directly on your left, located on the property of Amish Farm and House, which is a living heritage Amish Attraction with guided house tours and self-guided farm tours. Willow Hill Covered Bridge is one of the youngest covered bridges in Lancaster County, built in 1962 from materials that were salvaged from other farms' bridges.

5. Continue on Route 30 for 4.8 miles

Explore southern Lancaster County's beautiful landscapes, plus Strasburg and Downtown Lancaster. Starting at the Discover Lancaster Visitors Center, explore seven historic covered bridges, all the while journeying through picturesque countryside, past Amish farms and one-room schoolhouses, through the twists and turns of Lancaster County's back roads. Continue into the relaxing backdrop of nature by touring through our beautiful woods and natural preserves. Along the trail are plenty of opportunities to stretch your legs. Browse the shops at two large outlet centers filled with name brand items, enjoy dinner and a comedic show, stroll through Strasburg's quaint shops, explore a nature preserve and scenic overlook and enjoy the sites of Downtown Lancaster.

## SCENIC PARKS & PRESERVES CONT'D

Point of Interest: Rockvale Outlets Lancaster, another great spot for discount shopping, is just ahead along the right-hand side of Route 30. Here, you'll surely find a store for every need.

Point of Interest: A few miles further east on Route 30, on your left, is Rainbow's Comedy Playhouse, which welcomes guests for a delicious dinner and comedic theatrical performances guaranteed to fill the room with laughter. To proceed on the trail, continue east on Route 30 to London Vale Rd.

6. Turn left onto London Vale Rd. and proceed for 0.6 miles
7. At the stop sign, turn left onto Belmont Rd. and proceed for 0.2 miles



**Covered Bridge:** Eshleman's Mill Covered Bridge (#1) was originally built in 1845, rebuilt in 1893, and is sometimes referred to as Paradise Bridge.

8. Turn around and drive back on Belmont Rd. through the covered bridge to the traffic light at route 30
9. Go through the light staying on Belmont Rd for 1.5 miles
10. Turn right at the traffic light at Route 741 West (Strasburg Rd) and proceed for 4.6 miles to Strasburg

### Town: Strasburg

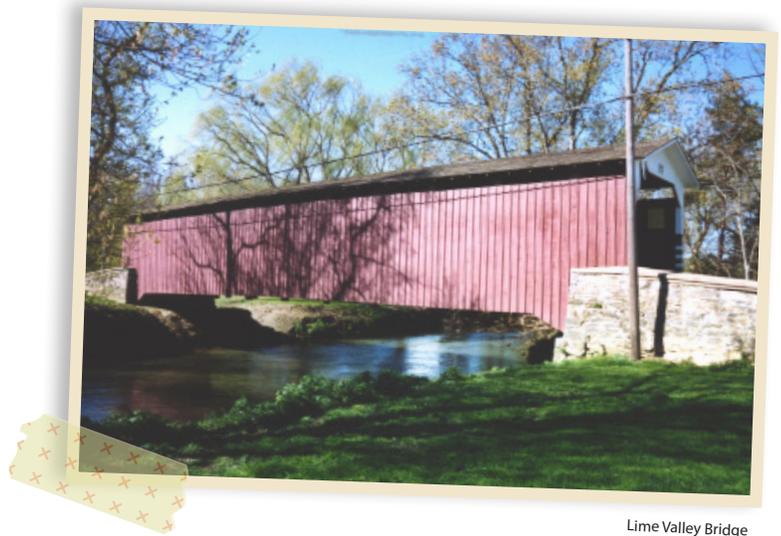
As you approach the town, you will find a variety of train attractions such as the Strasburg Rail Road, and the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania. Explore this historic village by simply strolling its charming streets and shops, stopping at Strasburg Country Store and Creamery for a tasty treat and some more unique goodies. Follow Route 741 West for more family fun at Village Greens Miniature Golf's picturesque, gardenfilled course and on-site snack shop.

11. From the square in Strasburg, continue driving west on Route 741/ Main St. for 1.2 miles. You will come to a "Y" in the road, bear left staying on Miller St.
12. At the stop sign, turn right on Hager and then turn left onto Penn Grant Rd and proceed for 1.4 miles to Neff's Mill Covered Bridge (#2)
13. At the stop sign, turn right onto Hagers/ Penn Grant Rd. and proceed for 1.2 miles
14. Proceed on Penn Grant Rd. for 0.2 miles
15. Turn left onto Pequea Ln. and proceed for 1.1 miles
16. Turn right at the stop sign onto Lime Valley Rd. and proceed for 0.3 miles
17. Turn left onto Brenneman Rd.



**Covered Bridge:** Lime Valley Covered Bridge (#5) was built in 1871, originally known as Huntzinger's Mill Bridge. It is also known as a twin bridge to an earlier one built in 1857, just 200 feet west of the existing bridge.

18. Continue driving on Brenneman Rd. for 0.9 miles
19. Cross over Route 222, bearing right onto Main St., and proceed for 0.3 miles
20. Turn left onto Refton Rd. and proceed for 0.3 miles
21. Turn right onto Smithville Rd. and proceed for 0.9 miles.
22. At a "Y" intersection, bear right on Byerland Church Rd. and proceed for 0.4 miles
23. Turn left onto Route 272 and proceed for 0.8 miles
24. Turn right onto Pennsy Rd. and proceed for 3.3 miles
25. Pennsy Rd. will turn into Route 324 at an intersection with a stop sign. Proceed on Route 324 for 2 miles
26. Make a sharp left onto Fox Hollow Rd. and proceed for 0.2 miles



Lime Valley Bridge

# SCENIC PARKS & PRESERVES CONT'D



## Covered Bridge:

Colemanville Covered Bridge (#7) was originally built in 1856 and partially rebuilt in 1938 and 1973 because of flood damages. Because of severe flooding in the area, the county completely rebuilt the bridge in 1992, several feet west of its original site, as well as six feet higher to avoid more weather-related damages. At 170 feet in span, Colemanville Covered Bridge is the county's second longest single-span bridge still in use. At this point of the trail, you can choose to continue the trail or try a detour that will lead you through the county's parks and nature preserves:

### Option #1: CONTINUE THE TRAIL

- a. To follow the trail without any variations, turn around and exit the campground.
- b. Turn right onto Route 324 and proceed for 2 miles.
- c. Turn left at the "Y" junction and follow Marticville Rd. for 1.1 miles. Go to step #30

### Option #2: SEE THE SUSQUEHANNA RIVER OVERLOOK

- a. From Colemanville Covered Bridge, continue 0.7 miles up the hill.
- b. Turn right onto Bridge Valley Rd. and proceed for 0.6 miles.
- c. Turn left onto West View Rd. and proceed for 0.6 miles.
- d. Bear right onto River Rd. and proceed for 2.1 miles.
- e. Turn right onto Pinnacle Rd. and proceed for 1.2 miles to the overlook.
- f. Re-trace your steps from Pinnacle Rd. to River Rd.
- g. Turn left onto River Rd. and proceed for 6.3 miles to get back onto Route 324/Marticville Rd.
- h. Turn right onto Route 324/Marticville Rd. and proceed for 2.3 miles
- i. At the "Y" junction, follow Marticville Rd. to the left and proceed 1.1 miles. Go to step #30

### Option #3: VISIT THE SUSQUEHANNA RIVER MARINA & VIEW THE RIVER

- a. Drive back to Route 324 and turn left, follow for 2 miles
- b. To return to the trail, turn around on Route 324 and follow 4 miles until the "Y" junction at Marticville Rd., bearing left to follow Marticville and proceeding 1.1 miles.  
Go to step #30

27. Turn right onto Frogtown Rd. and proceed for 0.5 miles

28. Turn left when you see signs for the covered bridge. There is no street sign, but this is Byerland Church Rd.

**Covered Bridge:** Because of its hidden location, Baumgardener's Covered Bridge (#6) receives fewer visitors than most covered bridges. Like Colemanville Covered Bridge, Baumgardener's was also rebuilt by the county in 1987 because of damages resulting from flooding in 1986. When it was rebuilt, the bridge was raised four feet and lengthened nine feet.



29. Proceed on Byerland Church Rd. for 0.7 miles

30. Turn left at Mount Hope School Rd. and proceed for 0.7 miles

31. Turn left at a "T" intersection, which does not have a street sign, and proceed for 1 mile. This is Rawlinsville Rd.

32. Turn right onto Baumgardener Rd. and proceed for 0.7 miles

33. Turn right onto Route 272/Willow St. and get into the left lane as soon as possible. At the first median turn-off, turn left to travel north on Route 272 for 1.6 miles

34. At Beaver Valley Rd., turn right and proceed 0.2 miles

35. Turn left onto Eshleman Mill Rd. and proceed 4.3 miles. You'll pass Lancaster Central Park

36. Turn left onto Golf Rd. and proceed for 0.2 miles

37. Turn left onto Kiwanis Dr. and proceed for 0.2 miles

**Covered Bridge:** Built in 1876 Kurtz's Mill Covered Bridge (#4) was originally know as Isaac Bean's Mill Bridge and built over the Conestoga River. Unfortunately, Hurricane Agnes destroyed the bridge in 1972, so it was relocated and rebuilt in Lancaster County Central Park.

38. Turn around and follow Kiwanis Dr. for 0.2 miles



39. Turn left onto Golf Rd. again and proceed for 0.2 miles

40. At the intersection of Route 222/Queen St., turn right, and it will lead into Downtown Lancaster

**Downtown Lancaster:** There are many activities to partake in and places to visit in Downtown Lancaster. Tour art galleries, eclectic shops, historical attractions, and museums. Stop by Central Market for seasonal produce, meats, and fresh baked goods. Stroll through unique boutiques and antique shops. Hungry after your day of touring? Downtown Lancaster is full of a variety of restaurants to please all palettes.



Baumgardener's Bridge