

# Marietta Tour



The city of Marietta (population 14,000), established in 1788 by Revolutionary War veterans led by Gen. Rufus Putnam, is the oldest organized city in the Northwest Territory. Marietta is a river town situated at the confluence of the Ohio and Muskingum rivers. Marietta is part of a much larger Mid-Ohio Valley metropolitan area that includes nearby Parkersburg, West Virginia. This area sustains a combined population of around 150,000. In 2019, the Travel Channel selected Marietta as the most charming small town in Ohio to visit.

You are about to embark on a driving (or you could walk it) tour of picturesque Marietta. Using the map, you will see there are multiple routes.

The **red route** takes you to Marietta's historic downtown area where there are plenty of local shops and restaurants, as well as the historic Armory. There are also antique shops, the legendary Lafayette Hotel and the Ohio River Levee — a location where

thousands will gather during the annual Sternwheel Festival every September. You will also see the Marietta River Trail from the levee. Hundreds of locals bike, walk and run the 3.28-mile trail daily.

The optional **yellow route** will take you to Muskingum Park, which includes the Start Westward Monument that was sculpted in 1937 by Gutzon Borglum, who is known for his work on Mount Rushmore. This also starts you on a path toward Marietta's museum district, which includes the Ohio River Museum and Campus Martius Museum.

The **green route** will take you into one of Marietta's most extraordinary residential neighborhoods, which feature beautiful, historic homes that date back to the 1700s. You should really consider stopping by Mound Cemetery, which is developed around the base of a prehistoric Adena burial mound. The cemetery also has the highest number of burials of American Revolutionary War officers in the U.S.

# Downtown Eateries

**AUSTYNS RESTAURANT:** Known for offering a “different-than-the-norm” menu, this restaurant is located just steps away from the beautiful Ohio and Muskingum rivers.

**BOATHOUSE BBQ:** Sit outside by the Ohio River and enjoy some of the tastiest ribs, wings and chili.

**BUSY BEE RESTAURANT:** Established in 1944, the Busy Bee Restaurant is a popular breakfast option for locals. They focus on farm-to-table fare, utilizing local meats/eggs and produce (when in season). They are a small, scratch kitchen so it may take a bit longer, but it is worth the wait.

**HARMAR TAVERN:** Marietta's oldest tavern and known for its “Sure to be Famous” Bologna Sandwich, is located right across the Harmar Bridge. It is a great place to enjoy the historical feel and is only a short walk from downtown Marietta.

**JEREMIAH'S COFFEE HOUSE AND CAFÉ:** Downtown coffee shop that offers micro-roasted, premium coffee and fresh-baked treats.

**MARIETTA BREWING COMPANY:** Located in the heart of historic downtown Marietta, the Brewing Company is known for serving great food and great craft beer.

**MARIETTA WINE CELLARS:** Great option if you are looking for a sandwich, a wrap or a salad.

**OVER THE MOON PUB & PIZZERIA:** With a passion to make great pizza, this downtown eatery is even more popular on Thursday's during \$1 pizza and \$1 draft night.

**PUTNAM CHOCOLATES:** Marietta's only hand-dipped chocolate shop with a large selection of handmade chocolates, gift-box assortments and other candy.

**RIVER TOWN GRILL:** Known for its River Town Spaghetti, this local spot will also grill up a bacon cheeseburger or a hot dog and it will come with fries and pickle spear.

**SPAGNA'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT:** An outstanding neighborhood Italian restaurant that is only open for dinner.

**TAMPICO MEXICAN RESTAURANT:** Authentic Mexican cuisine in a family friendly, casual atmosphere. A must-stop visit for alumni.

**THE GALLEY:** With a menu based on fresh ingredients, quality meats and vegetables, this establishment prides itself on quality food.

**THE GUNROOM RESTAURANT & RIVERVIEW LOUNGE:** Located in the historic Lafayette Hotel, it is lavishly adorned in 19th century riverboat décor and it serves traditional American cuisine.

**THE ORIGINAL PIZZA PLACE:** With a long history of serving the Parkersburg, West Virginia community, this pizza joint expanded into Marietta and has a loyal following for both its thick- and thin-crust pizza.

**THE SWEET STOP:** Serving fresh, home-baked sweets, this food truck can be found downtown every Friday.

**TOWN HOUSE:** With a new outside patio, this local landmark offers plenty of pub-style food for everyone's taste.

**OTHER EATERIES IN THE AREA:** Applebee's, Arby's, Bob Evans, Burger King, Captain D's, China Wind, Cone-n-Shake, Dairy Queen, DaVinci's, Dutch Pantry, Donato's Pizza, Dough Boyz Pizzeria, East of Chicago Pizza, Empire Buffet, Gran Rancho, IHOP, Joe Momma's Kitchen, KFC, Las Trancas, Little Caesar's Pizza, Long John Silver's, McDonald's, Napoli's Pizza, Papa John's Pizza, Pizza Hut, Qdoba, Shogun Sushi and Hibachi, Shoney's, Smitty's Pizza, Star of India, Stoked Coffee, Subway, Taco Bell, The Buckley House, Third Street Deli, Tonya's Country Kitchen, Wendy's, Whit's Frozen Custard, Wings Etc., and Yellow Jackets

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