



FALL FARM DAY AGRI -TOUR GUIDE

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Abraham Lincoln Tourism Bureau of Logan County

Directions for Tour:

Start Point – Railsplitter Covered Wagon

- 1 – Go North on US Route 66, past Lawndale, IL, to the first Atlanta turnoff (Martin St.), turn left.
- 2 – Proceed on Martin St. to Race St., turn left. Continue on Race for two blocks, turn left on 2nd Street to Hawes Elevator.
- 3 – Return to 2nd St, turn right onto 2nd and continue to Race Street, turn right onto Race. Follow Race St. South out of Atlanta. (Race Street turns into 1975th Ave.)
- 4 – Follow 1975th to 2000th St., turn left to Hoblit Seed.
- 5 – Go back onto 2000th St. and return to 1975th, turn right.
- 6 – Take 1975th to 2100th St. and turn left. Proceed to Prairierth Farms.
- 7 – Continue on 2100th St. and turn right on 2150th Ave. Follow until 1850th St. and turn left. Go on 1850th until you hit 2250th and turn right. Turn left onto 1800th to Irwin Dairy.
- 8 – Go back out on 1800th to 2250th and turn left. Turn right on 1700th, then proceed to 2000th Ave and Gail's Pumpkin Patch.
- 9 – Turn right out of Gail's onto 2000th and take a left on IL Route 10. Take a right onto 2150th, proceeding past Beason towards Chestnut. Turn right onto 1025th St., which is just before the town of Chestnut, to Bakerville.
- 10 – Stay on 1025th, and it curves back around to 950th St., turn left to Chestnut. Turn right on Melvin and proceed to the downtown district where the Geocenter is located.
- 11 – Turn right, across the RR tracks, to Route 54, and turn right. Continue on Route 54 to Mt. Pulaski. At Route 121, turn left and continue to 1750th Ave., then turn right. Proceed approximately 2 miles to the Round Barn.
- 12 – Go back to 1750th Ave and turn left onto it, then turn right on 121. Follow Route 121 back to Lincoln.



Railsplitter Covered Wagon - The Worlds Largest Covered Wagon is a story in and of itself. It's creation is an inspirational story about determination, as it was created during Mr. Bentley's recovery from heart disease. Mr. Larry J. Van Bibber generously donated the money for the purchase of the Wagon. When fully assembled, the wagon weighs five tons and measures 40 feet long, 12 feet wide, and 24 feet tall. Abe Lincoln, seated in the front reading a book, weighs 350 pounds and measures 12 feet tall. The Railsplitter Covered Wagon was recognized by the Guinness Book of World Records as the World's Largest Covered Wagon. The wagon is parked at the J & S Auto Centre/Penache Boutique (1006 Woodlawn Road) on the corner of Woodlawn and Route 66.



Lawndale Elevator - Located off Historic Route 66 in Lawndale (between Lincoln and Atlanta). This historic elevator features the old Faultless Feed sign, still readable after all these years.



J.H. Hawes Elevator & Museum - This historic building is a towering edifice of wood that defies explanation. One of the oldest surviving wooden elevators, the Hawes Elevator has been turned into a museum where you can learn how grain was processed in years past. (www.haweselevator.org/) (Open on Sundays from 1 PM - 3 PM during June, July, and August. All other times, call 217-648-2056 or 217-648-5077 to schedule a tour.)



Hoblit Seed - One of largest seed corn companies in Illinois has its home here in Logan County. Located outside of Atlanta, RR 2, call 217-648-2392. (Open during regular office hours.)



The Hoblit Barn - This unique barn currently resides on the Hoblit Seed Farm. Located outside of Atlanta, RR 2, call 217-648-2392.



Prairierth Farm - Located at 2047 2100 Rd., in Atlanta, IL, this is one of Logan County's most intriguing farms. In today's world of high tech farming, chemicals, and genetically modified produce, Prairierth is an Organic Farm, run by the Bishop family.



Irwin Dairy - This family run dairy farm is located on the edge of Logan County. The farm often hosts school tours, as kids learn about agriculture.



Gail's Pumpkin Patch - Located on Central Point Road, this is the ideal place to find carving pumpkins for Halloween. The patch is locally owned and family operated. (www.gailspumpkinpatch.com) Open Sep. 15 - Oct 31. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM Monday through Friday & Sunday, 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM on Saturday.



Beason Elevator - This old country elevator, located in Beason, has been running since 1917! Be sure and visit the historical Beason Display inside the elevator office. [Click here to view a picture of the display.](#) (Open during regular office hours.)



Bakerville - This majestic smokestack is all that remains of one of Logan County's first industries. Samuel Baker started the sawmill, gristmill and brick factory after the Civil War. The factory ran from 1866 to 1935. Three homes from the Baker Family still stand today, and all three are made from bricks from this factory. [Click here to view the plaque.](#) Located one mile north of Chestnut on a winding road following Salt Creek (1025th St.). (Drive up site.)



Chestnut Ag - This large elevator stands behind the geographical center of the state. Located on Route 54 between Mt. Pulaski and Clinton.



Geocenter - A letter from the Illinois State Geological Survey, signed by the Chief of National Resources and the Chief of Environmental Geology and Geo Chemistry, notified the city of Chestnut that they are the center of the state. A monument stands in the village park and common in honor of this distinction. Located on Route 54 between Mt. Pulaski and Clinton.



Robert Buckles Round Barn - This interesting study in archetecture is located in rural Mt. Pulaski off of Route 121 South, turn West onto 1750th Avenue, South of Mt. Pulaski. (Drive by only)