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knocking it out of the park in peoria

From the local experts at Discover Peoria

See why Peoria is jam-packed with tons of family fun. Soak up the great outdoors along the Peoria Riverfront looking over the Illinois River while enjoying a segway tour by World on Wheels. Take the family out to the ball game to watch the St. Louis Cardinals affiliates, the Peoria Chiefs, play at Dozer Park. Get close to the animal kingdom at Wildlife Prairie Park. Make Peoria your next family getaway.



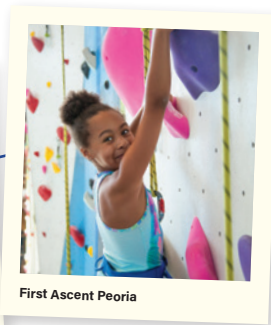
2 days
20mi
(Approx)

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Spirit of Peoria



First Ascent Peoria



Dozer Park



Stoney Creek Hotel

Many attractions have reopened with limited capacity or different operating hours. Inquire with attractions ahead of time for up-to-date travel policies and health and safety information.

📍 Day 1 Peoria and East Peoria

As you get into downtown Peoria, head down to the Peoria Riverfront and hop aboard the **Spirit of Peoria** paddlewheel and enjoy a sightseeing cruise along the Illinois River! Take in the Peoria skyline and the natural hillsides of the river valley. This authentic paddlewheel cruise is a must-do for those wanting to relive Peoria's yesteryears.

Once you're done with the sightseeing cruise, take a short drive to **First Ascent Peoria** where your family trip is about to be taken to new heights. People of all ages can have fun at First Ascent: whether you're new to indoor rock climbing or a seasoned climber, First Ascent is accommodating to everyone.

After working up an appetite, head to **Sugar Wood-Fired Bistro** where delicious hand-made pizzas, sandwiches and desserts can satisfy even the pickiest of eaters.

End the day by taking the family out to the ball game! The Peoria Chiefs are the St. Louis Cardinals' High-A Affiliate who call **Dozer Park** in downtown Peoria home. Within walking distance from several shops and restaurants, the state-of-the-art facility features affordable prices and is sure to be a home run for the whole family.

Rest your heads over at **Stoney Creek Hotel** in East Peoria where the whole family can enjoy the indoor and outdoor pool and unique amenities that break free from the standard run-of-the-mill hotel accommodations. Enjoy the stone fireplace suites, whirlpool suites and fun lodge-themed décor.

📍 Day 2 Peoria and Hanna City

Peoria's downtown and lively waterfront are begging for exploration. Start your day with **World on Wheels Segway Tours** where the family can discover downtown Peoria in a whole new way. You can ride along the beautiful riverfront through the bustling heart of downtown into the warehouse district, with its grand, multi-story brick buildings that have been converted into loft apartments, shops and restaurants.

After your morning of discovery, check out **Kelleher's Irish Pub and Eatery**. Kelleher's is located on Peoria's historic downtown riverfront and is situated in one of its oldest warehouses. At Kelleher's, they offer traditional Irish fare as well as American-style pub food. Along with their food, they offer 20 micro or import drafts and 90 different bottled beers.

After lunch, head up to the **Peoria Zoo** where more than 100 species of animals from around the world call home. The AFRICA! exhibit is an interpretation of the Zambezi River offering an invisible barrier view of six different species in their authentic habitat and an Australian exhibit where you can get up close and personal with the Wallabies and Emus.

Didn't get your fill of amazing wildlife at the Peoria Zoo? Spend the rest of the day and night at **Wildlife Prairie Park** which is located in Hanna City, where you can be immersed in Illinois' native wildlife. Nearly all of the species featured in the park once roamed the Illinois plains. You can stand within ten yards of a black bear and have the once-in-a-lifetime chance of feeding a bison named Big Mike. Once you've finished exploring the park in the daylight, head back to one of the amazing lodging options like the Luxury Cabin or stay in a renovated Santa Fe Train Caboose. On the edge of the Bison and Elk Range, the cabooses are complete with all the amenities you could expect from any hotel room. They also offer cabins and restored grain bins. When you spend the night at Wildlife Prairie Park, you have full access to the park to fish, hike and discover the natural wildlife and plants.



World on Wheels Segway Tours



Kelleher's Irish Pub and Eatery



Peoria Zoo



Wildlife Prairie Park



Wildlife Prairie Park Lodging

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