



THE TOP 10 *Must See & Do*

1. Indiana Dunes State Park

Hike a relaxing trail or try The 3 Dune Challenge, which involves climbing the three highest sand dunes.

1600 North, 25 East, Chesterton, IN | 219-926-1952

2. Outdoor Attractions

The nationally-renowned Taltree Arboretum Railway Garden. Hike trails and see gardens, forest and prairie.

450 West 100 North, Valparaiso, IN | 219-462-0025

Get up close with a big herd of bison at the Broken Wagon Bison Farm. Take a tour and buy meat and other bison products.

563 West 450 North, Hobart, IN | 219-759-3523

3. Amusement Parks

One of the largest water parks in Indiana, Seven Peaks Waterpark has 15 water slides, a 500,000-gallon wave pool, and a quarter-mile Lazy River.

150 East US Highway 20, Porter, IN | 260-627-4484

Zao Island Amusement Center is home to mini-golf, go-carts, laser tag, batting cages, a baby alligator feeding area and an onsite pizzeria and bar.

1050 Horseprairie Avenue, Valparaiso, IN | 219-462-1194

4. Chesterton's European Market

Find farm produce, local honey, jewelry, art, pastries, clothing and more.

Broadway and Third Street, Chesterton, IN | 219-926-5513

5. Homemade Ice Cream

Valpo Velvet was named a Top 10 ice cream spot in Indiana and some say there's no finer in the world. Arrange for a tour!

55-57 Monroe Street, Valparaiso, IN | 219-464-4141

Piggies and Cream at the Depot in the small town of Kouts makes their own ice cream using natural ingredients, like mint from a local field for the mint chocolate ice cream.

104 Railroad Street, Kouts, IN | 219-766-0263

6. Movie Night

The 49er Drive-In Theatre is one of the last 350 drive-ins in the country, and has been chosen as one of the ten best.

675 North Calumet Avenue, Valparaiso, IN | 219-462-6122

At Portage 16 IMAX, get blown away by the coolness of an eight-stories high IMAX screen or watch blockbusters on the 15 other screens.

6550 US Highway 6, Portage, IN | 219-764-7469

7. Bass Pro Shops

Shop 'til you drop at this 130,000-square foot wonderland for lovers of the outdoors. Find boats, waterfalls, gear and an in-store restaurant.

6425 Daniel Burnham Drive, Portage, IN | 219-787-6800

8. Valparaiso University

Home to the renowned Chapel of the Resurrection and the Brauer Museum of Art. Check out our full schedule of events such as the annual Jazz Fest, dramatic productions and diverse musical acts.

1700 Chapel Drive, Valparaiso, IN | 219-464-5000

9. Hoosier Bat Company

The third-largest manufacturer of regulation-quality wood bats in the world—and probably the only place you can touch a bat destined for a major-league swinger. Set up a guided tour!

4511 Evans Ave, Valparaiso, IN | 219-531-1006

10. Memorial Opera House

Find old-school charm (like stained-glass windows) and top-notch modern amenities (like a brand-new sound system). Catch live community theatre performances, national musical acts or a lunchtime cabaret series.

104 Indiana Ave, Valparaiso, IN | 219-548-9137