

EFFINGHAM...WE CAN'T WAIT TO SHOW YOU AROUND

EFFINGHAM, ILLINOIS

HIGHLIGHTS

- SCULPTURES ON THE AVENUE
- FIREFLY GRILL
- TUSCAN HILLS WINERY
- THE EFFINGHAM PERFORMANCE CENTER
- FRYE POTTERY
- WILHELMINA ART GALLERY
- BRUSH HILL STUDIO & ART GALLERY
- CROSS AT THE CROSSROADS



DAY-TO-DAY ITENERARY

Day 1: Wine and Dine

Effingham is a great place to explore the arts. Start the morning with a walk along the streets of downtown Effingham and take a tour of the **Sculpture on the Avenues**. This outdoor exhibition features over 30 works of art from some of the Midwest's best known and unknown sculptors. Come explore the sculptures that have transformed the City of Effingham's avenues into an art gallery!

The Firefly Grill in Effingham is much more than just a restaurant; it is a culinary experience that brings thousands of people each year to the Effingham community. The Firefly Grill has been recognized in several publications including Chicago Tribune, Bon Appetite and the St. Louis Post for its unique atmosphere and its efforts to Go Green. The Firefly Grill offers an unforgettable experience for travelers. Groups are invited to explore the gardens where food is grown for the restaurant, participate in demonstrations and spend time relaxing on the beautiful grounds. For more information, visit www.ffgrill.com

Tuscan Hills Winery provides an old-world Tuscan feel--a relaxing and intimate setting--in the heart of Effingham. They are particularly focused on offering exceptional quality wines. All are blends, which brings added complexity and interest to the wines. Tuscan Hills offers a full range of wine styles and sweetness levels, providing something for everyone. They offer wine tasting daily, and host a number of meetings, parties, and special occasions. They invite you to come as a guest, and leave as a friend--a perfect way to cap off an excellent dinner. For more information, visit www.effinghamwinery.com.

End the day with a show at the **Effingham Performance Center**. This is a 1,564-seat theater that hosts 40 performances a year. Local, regional and national acts are scheduled to perform, with categories including Country, Pop/Top 40, Contemporary Christian, Comedy, Jazz, Dance, Classical and Bluegrass. Several nationally recognized performers will take the stage during the theater's fourth season. For more information, visit www.theepc.org.

Day 2: Tour our galleries

Effingham is home to many talented artists who have galleries set up in their homes and who have set up galleries throughout the community.

Start the day by touring **Wilhelmina Gallery**, which exhibits the work of Wilma Woitd Kruger. Kruger is a versatile, nationally recognized artist has several featured works, including a stunning portrait of Marilyn Monroe, woodland and wildlife scenes, a depiction of Gone with the Wind's Tara, and much more. The gallery is open by appointment by calling 217-347-5875.

After a morning of viewing the arts, head to **Frye Pottery** for a tour of the gallery of Tim and Pam Frye. Frye Pottery is located in a beautiful country setting. They produce award-winning ceramic art as well as functional stoneware pottery designed for everyday use. For more information, visit www.fryepottery.com

Day 3: Art and Engineering

At the end of the journey, guests may take time to explore the **Cross at the Crossroads**. The 198-foot Cross is certainly an engineering wonder, but its greatest miracle is its call to travelers from every faith, background and circumstance, reminding them of the positive values shared and cherished by all. The Cross features a chapel, reception area, restrooms, a refreshment center, and media room where visitors can view a video of the construction of the Cross. For more information, visit www.crossusa.org.



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