

TRAVEL

Spend a weekend exploring Cleveland's treasures

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In the mood for a rockin' weekend jaunt? Then roll on down to Cleveland, an Ohio metropolis perched on the shores of Lake Erie. Here's a sampling of the town's diverse treasures:

North Coast Harbor

High-tech wizardry, innovative films and videos, and an impressive gallery of musical "greats" adorn the rooms at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum. There's an extensive collection of personal memorabilia, including Buddy Holly's high school diploma, a leather outfit and guitar that belonged to Elvis Presley, and, one of Keith Moon's report cards with a notation "shows promise in music."

Not a rock fan? Perhaps the museum's rhythm and blues, soul, country, or folk music exhibits will be more appealing. Tour Lake Erie and the Cuyahoga River (an Indian word meaning "crooked river") aboard the Goodtime III, a sight-seeing and entertainment cruise ship. The 1,000-passenger, triple-deck ship delights riders with laid-back, relaxing cruises through October.

The Great Lakes Science Center isn't just for kids. More than 360 interactive exhibits and an OMNIMAX Theater supply an afternoon of fun for all ages. A golfers paradise! Ohio ranks sixth in the nation for number of golf facilities, and, more than half of the state's courses are located in the Greater Cleveland area. The courses vary from a sporting par-three to championship layouts. Come aboard and check out the Steamship William G. Mather. This floating museum once hauled iron ore and coal to Cleveland's steel plants for more than a half-century.

IF YOU GO

Cleveland is about a 3 1/2 hour drive from the Detroit area. For information on attractions and events, contact The Convention & Visitors Bureau of Greater Cleveland at (800) 321-1004 or (216) 621-6555, or visit their Web site - www.travelcleveland.com.

- What's happening:**
- May 16-18 and June 23-26, Major League baseball at Jacobs Field, Detroit Tigers vs. Cleveland Indians
 - Through May 28, *Masters of the Night: The True Story of Bats*, Cleveland Museum of Natural History
 - May 28 through July 30, *Races of Impressionism: Portraits from American Collections*, The Cleveland Museum of Art
 - Through Tuesday, June 6, *Mysteries of Egypt*, Great Lakes Science Center
 - June 25, *The Three Tenors*, Cleveland Browns Stadium
 - Through August, *Roots, Rhymes & Rage: The Hip Hop Story*, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum

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The Flats

Converted warehouses furnish a potpourri of eateries, nightclubs, and breweries in The Flats, an area of level land situated on both banks of the Cuyahoga River.

During the warm seasons, restaurant patio chairs, protected by extra-wide umbrellas, fill quickly. Have a seat. Keep watch for passing freighters as they slowly slip by.

In the mid-1830s, the west side of the river was called Ohio City and the east side was named Cleveland. A lengthy war raged between the two rivalries. Thankfully, in 1854, a peaceful settlement was reached when Ohio City became a part of Cleveland.

Ohio City

Once inside the West Side Market, a blend of tantalizing aromas surrounds shoppers. This Old World-style market, built in 1912, provides space for more than 100 merchants who represent a multitude of ethnic groups.

I decided to stand at a booth to watch the young man with the saw. However, when he informed me that the "meat" he was cutting was a lamb, I mumbled "thank you," and, quickly wandered away in search of other "fresh" edibles.

It's true. West Side Market's reputation for fresh meats, fish,



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Dining: Have a seat at one of the restaurants on the banks of the Cuyahoga River.



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Market: Go shopping at West Side Market.

vegetables, fruits, baked goods, cheeses and herbs is not an exaggeration. Hours of operation vary. The Cleveland Metroparks Zoo, one of the country's oldest zoos, is located five miles south

of downtown. In addition to housing "traditional" animals and displays, a spectacular two-story exhibit dubbed The RainForest is featured. Take a stroll through this tropical land. Watch for the giant anteater, the sloth, and dozens of tropical birds. And, be sure to experience the power of a tropical rainstorm - without getting wet. In June, the zoo's newest attraction, the Australian Adventure, will open.

University Circle

It's called a circle, but actually it's shaped like a square. Plan an afternoon or a day side trip to check it out.

Eight museums, several performing arts organizations, lush gardens, appealing architectural structures, and, eclectic eateries fit snugly within a one-square mile on Cleveland's eastern edges.

Shopping

Did you know that the country's first enclosed shopping center was built in 1890 in down-

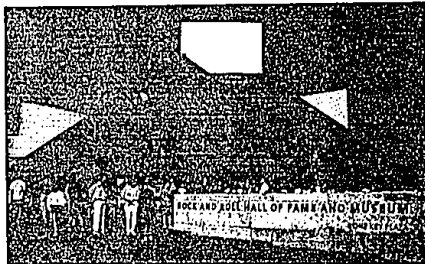
town Cleveland? It's called The Arcade.

Three levels of specialty stores and boutiques are enclosed in this atrium-style mall. Watch for the center's grand reopening in the spring, 2001.

Terminal Tower, a renovated train depot, houses an upscale shopping mecca known as The Avenue. Located at Tower City Center, The Avenue sports more than 100 shops, eateries, and entertainment facilities.

Save some energy to experience the bustling Warehouse District. In addition to shops, this historic area boasts some impressive mid-nineteenth century architecture and numerous dining possibilities. Park the car, put on your walking shoes, and follow the suggested strolls detailed in the "Walk Cleveland" brochure. It's a great way to explore the city's unique architecture, public art, restored historical sites and parks.

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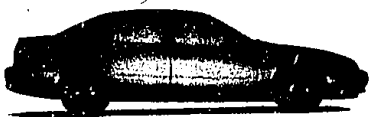
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