

Hardin County Ohio

Visitors' Reference Guide



Welcome to Hardin County!

We have put together this guide to help make the most of your visit here.

We've tried to be as complete as possible, but we know there may be some businesses or points of interest that we have missed. We encourage you to check out online listings or social media accounts for these businesses to get the most up to date information on their hours of operation. We have included phone numbers so that you may also reach these places by phone.

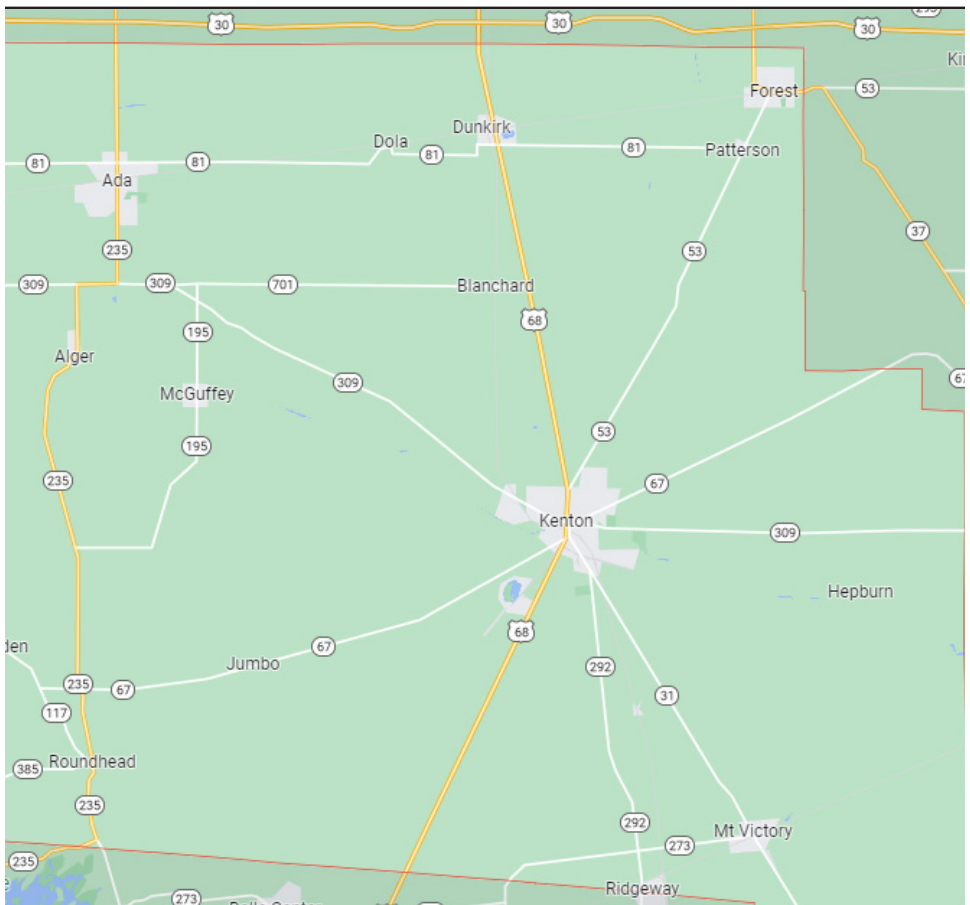
For more information on things to do in Hardin County, you can also visit our website at www.hccba.com.

Thank you for visiting Hardin County, a great place to live, work and prosper!

Sincerely,

Morgan Ellis
Director of Tourism

Hardin County Map



Central Hardin County

Kenton Area

Dining

Our Place Family Dining

120 S Main St, Kenton
740-993-0190

Domino's Pizza

10 N Main St, Kenton
419-673-1115

Midway Restaurant

350 W Franklin St, Kenton
419-673-9188

Michael Angelo's Pizza

215 S Detroit St, Kenton
419-673-7101

Ths. Jitterz Coffee Company

23 N Detroit St, Kenton
419-675-0901

Ralphie's Sports Eatery

995 N Detroit St, Kenton
419-767-9489

En Lai Chinese Restaurant

955 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-675-2382

Subway

119 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-674-1240

Wendy's

200 S Detroit St, Kenton
419-673-0055

Taco Bell

914 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-675-0700

Jac & Do's Pizza

507 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-679-1007

Royal Buffet

952 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-673-0882

Salsa's Mexican Grill

1235 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-674-4343

Skinny's Tavern

801 Steiner Ave, Kenton
419-674-4581

Arby's

1215 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-674-4100

Pizza Hut

946 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-674-1217

McDonald's

990 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-674-4967

KFC

1001 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-675-5279

S&S Drive Thru (Pizza)

403 S Main St, Kenton
419-679-1757

Burger King

1003 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-673-8738

The Sweet Note

16 N Main St, Kenton
419-767-9443

Dairy Queen

840 W Lima St, Kenton
419-675-7214

The Fillin' Station

130 S Main St, Kenton
419-674-4455

Jimmy's Pizza

306 W Franklin, Kenton
419-675-3529

Mouse House Meat & Cheese Deli

341 W Columbus St, Kenton
419-673-1263

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Local Merchants

Twirl Bride

101 N Detroit St, Kenton
419-674-4878

The LW by Twirl

101 N Detroit St, Kenton
567-674-1759

The Depot No. 9

9 N Detroit St, Kenton
419-767-9538

Old City Hall Antique Mall

224 W Columbus St, Kenton
567-674-9616

Walter 5

214 W Columbus St, Kenton
419-674-7924

Custom Torso

120 E Columbus St, Kenton
567-674-8351

A Touch of Whimsy

114 W Columbus St, Kenton

Warehouse 13 Antiques & Fine Junque

110 W Columbus St, Kenton
567-674-9616

Vapor Emporia

100 W Columbus St, Kenton
419-679-1798

Root to Rise Yoga

222 W Franklin St, Kenton

Kenton Theatre

221 W Franklin St, Kenton
419-673-3125

KudoStudio

14 N Main St, Kenton
419-673-1042

Blossom Gallery Florist

116 S Market St, Kenton
419-675-2068

Conkle's Florist & Greenhouse

856 S Main St, Kenton
419-674-4048

Root Lumber & Renter Center

202 S Market St, Kenton
419-674-4001

Uptown Furniture

910 W Lima St, Kenton
419-679-1224

Harvey Brothers Gaming & Entertainment

1229 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-767-9081

Shoe Sensation

989 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-679-1532

Solstice Salt Spa

19 N Detroit St, Kenton
419-679-1130



Central Hardin County

Kenton Area

Things to Do & Attractions

Hardin County Historical Museum
223 N Main St, Kenton
419-673-7147

Hardin County Courthouse
1 Courthouse Square, Kenton
419-674-2205

Friendship Garden
960 Kohler St, Kenton
419-674-2297

Hi-Road Drive-In
8059 US 68 N, Kenton
419-675-0922

Gene Autry Mural Park
98 N Market St, Kenton

Pfeiffer Station General Store
19950 County Road 144, Kenton
419-674-4103

Hardin County Armory
128 N Main St, Kenton
567-674-5618

Hardin County Genealogy Society
211 W Franklin St, Kenton
419-674-4088

France Lake & Saulisberry Park
13344 State Route 67, Kenton
419-674-4850

Veterans Memorial Park Golf Course
15906 State Route 309 E, Kenton
419-674-4573

Vets Memorial Park & Boy Scout Lake
15906 State Route 309 E, Kenton
419-674-2236

Lawrence Woods
13278 County Road 190, Kenton

Lodging

Country Hearth Inn and Suites
902 E Columbus St, Kenton
419-975-1400

B&J Motel
1107 E Franklin St, Kenton
419-673-1247

Kenwood Motel
15168 State Route 309 E, Kenton
419-673-1271

Cozy Carriage House
www.vrbo.com
Property #2143031

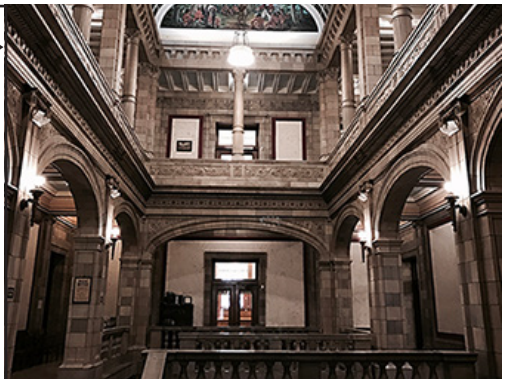
Saulisberry Park - Campground
State Route 67, Kenton
419-674-4850

Hardin County Fairgrounds - Camping
14134 Letson Ave, Kenton
419-675-2396

Hardin County Courthouse →
One Courthouse Square, Kenton

Tours available, 419-674-2205

Completed in 1915 at a cost of \$275,000, the building was added to the National Register of Historical Places on March 21, 1979, and a state historical marker was placed on the courthouse lawn in 1996.



Northwest Hardin County

Ada • Alger • McGuffey

Dining

The Inn at Ohio Northern University

401 W College Ave, Ada
419-722-2500

Jalapeno's Mexican Grill

109 S Main St, Ada
419-634-0440

El Campo Mexican Restaurant

204 N Main St, Ada
419-634-0009

3 Brothers Pizza

105 S Main St, Ada
419-634-0100

Padrone's of Ada

219 S Main St, Ada
419-634-4455

New China

218 N Main St, Ada
567-634-8591

China King

125 S Main St, Ada
419-634-9388

East of Chicago

430 S Main St, Ada
419-634-1800

Tavern 101

101 S Main St, Ada
419-634-6898

Taco Bell

530 S Main St, Ada
419-634-5078

Subway

424 S Main St, Ada
419-634-7827

John & Toni's Restaurant & Bar

216 N Main St, Ada
419-558-1082

The Cask Room

127 S Main St, Ada
567-221-1024

McDonald's

132 S Main St, Ada
419-634-9540

Regal Beagle

105 N Main St, Ada
419-634-9214

Buckeye East Coffee Shop

123 E Buckeye Ave, Ada

Starbucks

534 S Main St, Ada
419-772-2702

Ada Ice Cream Dairy B's

4209 State Route 235 S, Ada
419-306-6726

Alger Freeze

114 N Main St, Alger
419-757-4581

Oak Barrel Pub

107 Lee St, Alger
419-757-7011

Ram's Roost Pizza

709 Courtright St, McGuffey
419-757-7525



Northwest Hardin County

Ada • Alger • McGuffey

Shopping

The Mercantile on Main

117 S Main St, Ada
419-302-6803

Ruthie's Boarding Room

220 N Main St, Ada
419-601-3866

Ohio Northern University Bookstore

402 W College Ave, Ada
419-772-2410

Whatever Cards & Games

113 N Main St, Ada
419-558-1019

Retro Music

4171 State Route 235 S, Ada
419-235-1655

Fine Touch Furniture & Upholstery

513 N Johnson St, Ada
419-634-9195

Ada Flea Market

111 N Main St, Ada
419-235-0575

No Limit Nutrition

117 E Lincoln Ave, Ada
419-558-1227

Carol Slane Florist

410 S Main St, Ada
419-634-7910

Keith's Hardware

106 S Johnson St, Ada
419-634-1065

Things to Do & Attractions

Crimson Lane Venue

4600 County Road 1, Ada
419-604-1740

Wilson Football Factory

217 Liberty St, Ada
419-634-9901

Ada Passenger Depot

9 Central Ave, Ada

Ohio Northern University

402 W College Ave, Ada
419-772-2000

Freed Center for the Performing Arts

500 W College Ave, Ada
419-772-1900

Ada War Memorial Park

401 N Park Dr, Ada

Lodging

The Inn at Ohio Northern University

401 W College Ave, Ada
419-772-2500

Wilson Football Factory

217 Liberty Street, Ada

Tours available, 419-634-9901

Since 1941 every NFL game ball has been made by Wilson, and since 1955 all of those balls have been made in their Ada, Ohio factory.



North and Northeast Hardin County

Dunkirk • Dola • Forest

Dining

Dunkirk Dairy Dream

290 N Main St, Dunkirk
567-674-5264

Mr. Cheesy's Pizza

220 N Main St, Dunkirk
419-759-2332

Shenanigan'Z Lounge

297 N Main St, Dunkirk
567-229-0003

Crazy Lady Restaurant & Bar

128 E Lima St, Forest
419-273-3094

Angelo's Pizza

219 E Lima St, Forest
419-273-4400

The Dairy Barn

101 W Lima St, Forest
419-273-1000

Shopping, Things to Do & Attractions

The Enchanted Forest

15126 Township Road 40, Dunkirk
419-273-2296

Impressions by PJ

384 Pine Ave, Dunkirk
419-957-2162

Little Creek Barn

17630 County Road 20, Forest
419-767-0365

Petals & Gifts

130 E Lima St, Forest
419-273-5033

Mandy's Custom Creations

392 County Road 175, Forest
419-420-2769

Gormley Park

Julia Street, Forest



South Hardin County

Roundhead • Ridgeway • Mt. Victory

Dining

Bear Vine Winery and Brewery
15617 State Route 273, Ridgeway
937-363-2662

Plaza Inn Family Restaurant
491 S Main St, Mt. Victory
937-354-2851

The Dealership at the Plaza Inn
491 S Main St, Mt. Victory
937-354-2851

Belly Acre
450 S Main St, Mt. Victory
937-354-3031

Go-Fer Pizza
106 E Taylor St, Mt. Victory
937-354-5282

S&K Mini Mart (Pizza)
110 Main St, Ridgeway
937-363-2525

Longhorn Bar & Grill
2429 County Road 200, Belle Center
937-464-3200

House Pizza and Subs
210 N State St, Belle Center
937-464-4482

Shopping. Things to Do & Attractions

Old Tin Cup Antiques & Home Decor
125 S Main St, Mt. Victory
937-354-6037

Eastman Antiques
472 S Main St, Mt. Victory
937-354-2354

Tea for Three Antiques
108 N High St, Mt. Victory
937-354-3334

Beech Tree Antiques
119 S Main St, Mt. Victory
937-243-0364

Airstrip at the Plaza Inn
491 S Main St, Mt. Victory
937-354-2851

Baker Airguns
117 S Main St, Mt. Victory
937-660-9152

New Generation Antiques
122 S Main St, Mt. Victory
567-674-1161

Touch of Country
109 S Main St, Mt. Victory
937-354-9947



Points of Interest

Historical Marker Tour

1. **Hog Creek Marsh, 1868.**
Comprising 8,000 acres of Brookston-Crosby soils, the marsh is named for Hog Creek, which drains it. *Near Dola on State Route 81, 0.2 miles east of County Road 95.*
2. **In Memory of Jacob Parrott**
buried here. Born July 17, 1843 in Fairfield County, Ohio. Died December 22, 1908. Parrott was the first recipient of the Medal of Honor, March 25, 1863. *State Route 309, east of Jacob Parrott Blvd, Kenton.*
3. **Chief Roundhead's Village.**
Upon this site, in the late 18th and early 19th centuries, stood Chief Roundhead's Wyandot Indian village. *Intersection of State Route 117 and Township Road 39, Roundhead.*
4. **Old Sandusky Trail and Shawnee Ford.** County Road 265 follows an old Indian trail which connected the Wyandot villages at Upper Sandusky with the Shawnee Mac-o-chee towns to the southwest. *Intersection of County Road 265 and County Road 146, Kenton.*
5. **Mad River Railroad.** In 1832, a charter was granted by the State of Ohio for the construction of a railroad between Sandusky City and Dayton. *Franklin Street, Kenton.*
6. **Devil's Backbone.** The knolls and ridges found in this vicinity were formed by deposits of gravel left by the retreating glacier which covered much of Ohio during the Pleistocene Era 10,000 years ago. *County Road 155, 0.1 miles north of County Road 184, south of Kenton.*
7. **Scioto Marsh.** The Scioto Marsh, the largest of three extensive marsh areas in western Hardin County, was formed in the low basins left by the last retreating glacier 10,000 years ago. *Near the intersection of County Road 110 and State Route 195, south of McGuffey.*
8. **Fort McArthur Cemetery.**
Approximately 1000 feet east of this marker lies the graves of sixteen American soldiers from Fort McArthur who gave their lives during the War of 1812. *Lynn Valley Pike, 0.2 miles south of County Road 106, west of Kenton.*
9. **Wheeler Tavern.** Wheeler Tavern was built by Portius Wheeler, an early pioneer of Hardin County, around 1835 near the Shawnee Ford of the Scioto River. *Intersection of County Road 144 and County Road 265, near Hepburn.*
10. **Kenton Hardware Company.**
First organized as the Kenton Lock Manufacturing Company in 1890, the Kenton Hardware Company

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became one of the world's largest cast iron toy factories. *West Espy Street, Kenton.*

11. The Black and White

Schoolhouse. Built in 1886 by direct descendants of slaves, the Black and White schoolhouse provided education for local youths until 1928. *Intersection of State Route 31 and County Road 190, south of Kenton.*

12. Hull's Trail. Hull's Trail was a rough passageway through Ohio to the Canadian border, used by General William Hull's army during the War of 1812 on its way to attack the English at Detroit. *Intersection of State Route 701 and County Road 135, near Dunkirk.*

13. The Hardin County Courthouse.

One of Ohio's larger courthouses, this structure, completed in 1915 at a cost of \$275,000, is the third courthouse to be built in this vicinity. *One Courthouse Square, Kenton.*

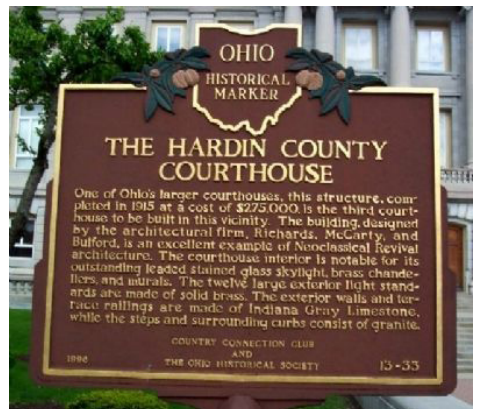
14. Ohio Northern University.

Henry Solomon Lehr founded Ohio Northern University in 1871 as the Northwestern Ohio Normal School. Its purpose was to train teachers and to provide higher education to the people in northwest Ohio. *Intersection of Main Street and College Avenue, Ada.*

15. Village of McGuffey / Great 1934 Onion Strike. Side A: The Village of McGuffey was named for John McGuffey, who in the 1860s first attempted to drain the Scioto Marsh. Side B: McGuffey was once the center of the national onion trade. From the turn of the 20th century to just after World War II, the rich organic soil of the original immense Scioto Marsh wetland was a productive seedbed for onions, potatoes, celery, asparagus, hemp and mint. *Intersection of Railroad Street and Courtright Street, McGuffey.*

16. Ada Passenger Depot, 1887.

Ada grew alongside the tracks of the Ohio & Indiana Railroad, completed in 1854 between Crestline, Crawford County, and Fort Wayne, Indiana. *Intersection of Main Street and Central Avenue, Ada.*



Points of Interest

Historical Sites

- **Ada Civil War Memorial.**
The memorial features a cannon with an inscription "In memory of our soliders 1861-1865" and "Lest we Forget" The memorial is located in the Ada Passenger Depot Park. Intersection of Main Street and Central Avenue, Ada.
- **Alger Marion Township Veterans Memorial.**
The memorial features a wall of names, service medallions, marker, benches, an eagle, and cannon. The marker inscription reads "Dedicated to those who served with pride and dignity at home and afar; preserving the freedom we have today." "God Bless the U.S.A." "All gave some. Some gave all." Intersection of Lee Street and Main Street, Alger.
- **Dunkirk Veterans Memorial.**
The memorial features a boulder, plaque, and flag pole. The plaque inscription reads "To all those who come after let it be known that this place is dedicated to those men and women who served their country in all wars .. past, present, and future. Dunkirk V.F.W. Post 3816 by MS 2003." Intersection of County Road 40 and South Main Street, Dukirk. Dunkirk Cemetery.
- **Hull's Trail 1812, Fort Necessity.**
Just prior to the War of 1812 General William Hull had traveled to southern Ohio, seeking to raise an army. Once he had raised an army of soliders, he began to march northward from Urbana, Ohio. Since much of the territory between Urbana and Detroit was a hostile wilderness through both territory controlled by pro-British Native Americans and an inhospitable region know as the Black Swamp, General Hull built a string of military fortifications, along his route, in order to protect his lines of supply and communication. One of those fortifications was located in the vicinity of this historical marker and it's name was Fort Neccessity. County Road 2, near Dunkirk.
- **Historic Freight House.**
The inscription on the building marker reads "Built at the site of the crossing of the Pennsylvania and Big Four Railroads, which is believed to be the first intersection in Ohio, this freight house served both railroads from 1890 until its closing in 1961. This building is much larger and more elaborate than most freight houses built by the railroads. After a 1927 fire destroyed the original passenger station and control tower the freight house was used as a temporary ticket office and passenger station. The building was purchased from the railroad in 1973 and converted to a restaurant. Ownership was transferred several times before the library purchased the building in the year 2000. West Lima Street, Forest.
- **The Liberty Garden.**
The garden features a historical marker with an inscription that reads "Dedicated to the men and women who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States of America, those who lost their lives preserving our freedom and

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the pioneer families who settled Hardin County” “God Bless America and the Freedom We All Enjoy” “September 11, 2002” Columbus Street, Kenton. North of the Courthouse.

- **Fort McArthur, Ohio Revolutionary Memorial Trail.**
The memorial inscription reads “Erected 1812, by Colonel Duncan McArthur, as one of the forts along the line of General Hull’s march against the British head-quarters at Detroit” North Detroit Street, near Franklin Street, Kenton.
- **Hardin County Korean War Memorial.**
The monument inscription reads “Lest We Forget in memory of the Korean Conflict June 25, 1950 - July 27, 1953 54,236 Dead 103,000 Wounded 7,000 P.O.W.’s 3,450 Returned Alive 51% Died Prison Camps 389 P.O.W.’s Unaccounted For” Intersection of Jacob Parrott Blvd and State Route 309, Kenton. In Grove Cemetery.
- **Hardin County New Veterans Memorial.**
The memorial features a marker, plaque, and flag pole. The memorial inscription reads “In honor of those who have served Lest We Forget” State Route 309, Kenton. In Grove Cemetery.
- **Hardin County Ohio Civil War Solider Monument.**
The monument features a statue of a soldier and cannon. The inscription on the marker reads “In memory of our comrades. 1861-1865” Intersection of Jacob Parrott Blvd and State Route 309,

Kenton. In Grove Cemetery.

- **Hardin County Vietnam Memorial.**
The memorial is part of the Complex in Soliders Field. The inscription on the memorial reads FRONT “In honor of those who served in Vietnam” BACK “Greater love hath no man than this that he lay down his life for his country” Intersection of Jacob Parrott Blvd and State Route 309, Kenton. In Grove Cemetery.
- **Hardin County War Memorial.**
The inscription on the memorial reads “Dedicated to the honor and glory of the men and women of Hardin County who served in the Armed Forces of our Country in all wars” “May the freedoms they fought to preserve forever endure” Intersection of Jacob Parrott Blvd and State Route 309, Kenton. In Grove Cemetery.
- **Hale Township Veterans Memorial.**
The memorial can be seen through gates with a eagle sculpture featured on top of the marker. The inscription reads “In memory of Veterans of all wars” State Route 273, Mount Victory. In Hale Cemetery.



Points of Interest

Old Order Amish

Hardin County is home to a large community of Old Order Amish.

They still live a centuries-old "Plain" lifestyle and the horse and buggy remain a primary form of transportation. The simple lifestyle of the Amish, their plain clothing, and their denial of modern technology are a careful expression of their devotion to their religious beliefs.

While visiting the Old Order Amish in Hardin County, there are some things you need to remember about their way of life.

Founded by Jacob Amman for whom the group was named, the Amish are a Christian sect that broke off from the Mennonite church in 17th century Europe due to the dissension of religious practices. Because of religious persecution in Europe after the sect was formed, the Amish fled to North America, where they now maintain a population of 50,000 residing in parts of Canada, the Midwest and some eastern states of the U.S.

The Amish lifestyle is centered around farming. While they do not permit the use of tractors in their fields, these Old Order Amish groups do use modern farm equipment pulled by teams of horses or mules. These Amish groups do not own or operate automobiles, believing that cars would provide easier access to the ways of the world.

Amish do not have electricity or telephones in their homes. And by restricting access to television and radio, the Amish are better able to keep the modern world from intruding into their home life.

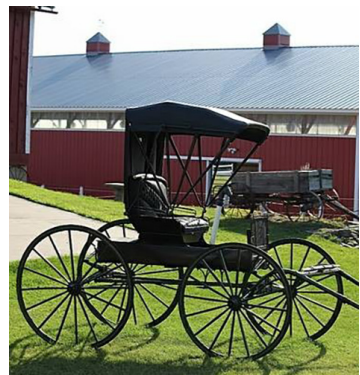
Amish men typically dress in plain, dark colored slacks and vests. Married men also have beards. Women wear long, solid colored dresses with an apron and a black bonnet. Around the house, married women are required to wear white bonnets, while single women wear black.

The Amish are generally private people and often find all the attention and curiosity about their lifestyle disturbing. They believe that the taking of photographs where someone is recognizable is forbidden by the Biblical prohibition against making any 'graven image'.

Please respect their desire for privacy when visiting here and never stop on Sunday.

**** No Sunday Sales ****

Enjoy the unique culture of Hardin County's Old Order Amish by driving through the country. Along these scenic roads you will find yourself easing into a slower pace as you view the quaint houses, well tended gardens, and horse drawn buggies.



Points of Interest

Old Order Amish



Denotes Amish Farms

144: Green House, Quilts, Soaps, Hillside Orchard, Harness Shop, Horse Training & Shoeing

146 (River Road): Maple Syrup, Furniture, Toys, Honey

160: Cabinet Shop, Log & Regular Furniture

179: Rugs, Baskets, Quilts, Honey, Purses, Wood Furniture

190: Buggy Shop, Bakery, Window Shop, Horse Training & Shoeing

Denotes Amish Farms

199: Harness Shop

200: Scioto Valley Produce Auction

265: Log Cabins, Windows, Honey, Maple Syrup, Several Bakeries, Furniture

227: Harness Shop, Sawmill

209: Cabinet Shop, Greenhouse

229: Greenhouse

292: Greenhouse

Vegetables and fruits available in season

Points of Interest

More to See

Kellogg Farms Sunflower Patch

Located at the corner of County Road 175 and Township Road 50, Forest 937-935-3699

Hites Heirloom Pumpkins

8980 Township Road 189, Kenton 567-674-2553

Althausers' Pumpkin Patch

10718 Township Road 205, Kenton 419-673-0637

Duke's Pumpkins

3467 County Road 80, Alger 567-825-3495

Amherst Greenhouse

644 County Road 126, Harrod 419-648-6527

Emergency Services and Wellness

Hardin County Sheriff

1025 S Main St, Kenton 419-673-1268

Kenton Police Department

111 W Franklin St, Kenton 419-673-0771

OhioHealth Hardin Memorial Hospital and OhioHealth Emergency Care

921 E Franklin St, Kenton 419-423-1414

Rite Aid Pharmacy

130 S Detroit St, Kenton 419-673-5220

CVS Pharmacy

987 E Columbus St, Kenton 419-673-0731

Walmart Pharmacy

1241 E Columbus St, Kenton 419-675-1289

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