

# 72 HOURS TO EXPLORE WI ART

## Central Route

### DAY ONE

Begin your trip in Oshkosh, taking in the beauty of the four-acre Tudor Revival-style country estate at the **Paine Art Center and Gardens**. The museum preserves the property's historic architecture, with the mansion as the centerpiece and many of the home's interiors remaining as they were created originally. Selections from the museum's art collection are featured in many rooms and settings of the estate. Outdoors, the estate features numerous gardens with varied designs and thousands of plant specimens.

Travel Tip: Art and aviation enthusiasts alike won't want to miss a visit to **EAA Aviation Museum** in Oshkosh, with more than 200 historic airplanes, along with world-class displays and galleries.

In the afternoon, let art captivate you at **Bergstrom Mahler Museum of Glass** in nearby Neenah. The museum's glass collection numbers over 3,500 objects and is revered in glass collection communities nationwide. Enjoy stunning glass, including antique and contemporary paperweights, Germanic drinking vessels and jaw-dropping contemporary glass sculpture.

You've earned your stay at the **CopperLeaf Boutique Hotel & Spa** in Appleton, a tranquil accommodation in the heart of Appleton. Enjoy dinner at one of the city's top-rated dining destinations, **Fratellos Waterfront Restaurant** while taking in views of the Fox Valley River and sipping on a fine wine.



Paine Art Center and Gardens



Bergstrom Mahler Museum of Glass

## DAY TWO

Start your day at the **Trout Museum of Art**. With three floors of galleries, the museum hosts 12-18 exhibitions a year, sharing work from local, national and international artists.

Before saying goodbye to the Fox Cities area, stop for lunch at **Mill City Public House** for fan-favorite smash burgers and house smoked BBQ.

Then travel north for your next destination – Wausau, a beloved central Wisconsin destination featuring a charming historic downtown and breathtaking natural beauty along the eastern riverbank of the Wisconsin River.

Wrap up your day with a stay at the **Stewart Inn**, a luxury boutique hotel offering a traditional bed and breakfast experience. When in Wausau, immerse yourself in the local culture by enjoying a dinner at a classic supper club. **Pinewood Supper Club**, with its stone fireplaces, rustic pine planks and of course, an old-fashioned, provides a quintessential Wisconsin dining experience.

## DAY THREE

Kick off your morning with a visit to the **Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum**, where the natural world is the guiding spirit behind the paintings, works on paper and sculpture in the museum's collection. The Woodson's historic and contemporary collection sets a world standard for avian- and nature-themed art.

Close out your trip at the **Monk Botanical Gardens**. An enchanting destination that provides a serene and immersive experience in nature. With its unique plant collections and tranquil surroundings, it's the perfect place to relax and appreciate a day in nature.

Cheers to a trip well done at **Back When Café**, a farm-to-table upscale dining experience featuring New American cuisine in historic downtown Wausau.



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