



**1. Tunnels of Soldiers and Sailors Monument**

*3 Public Square*

One day a year, you can take a tour.

**2. Stebbins Gulch**

*9550 Sperry Road in Kirtland*

The crown jewel of Holden Arboretum, this ravine featuring cascades and waterfalls is only accessible through a guided tour. (Yes, it is outside Cleveland. This is a "Cleveland area" list, friend.)

**3. Memphis Kiddie Park**

*10340 Memphis Avenue*

A local treasure for kids and parents alike.

**4. Land of the Warres**

*4701 Perkins Avenue*

Perhaps some limited appeal on this one, but too odd not to include. Is there a [hidden gateway](#) to an alternate universe off Chester? Sure. Why not?

**5. Weeping Angel Statue**

*12316 Euclid Avenue*

Perpetually crying. One of many sites to see at Lake View Cemetery.

**6. Apollo 12 Moon Rock**

*Cleveland Museum of Natural History*

Nothing like it on earth! A chunk of the moon collected by Alan Bean on Nov. 20, 1969 is on long-term loan from NASA.

**7. Chinese Cultural Garden**

*Cultural Gardens*

You've been to the Cultural Gardens, but a lot of you haven't been to this particular garden.---

**8. Judy's Jungle**

*8665 Station Street in Mentor*

A sprawling garden with a score of fiberglass animals, hiding in plain sight along the parking lot of local business. Love it when the burbs get weird.

**9. Lakefront Lodge**

*30525 Lakeshore Blvd in Willowick*

Underrated place to pack a picnic (grab some Alesci's at Shoregate) and catch a sunset.

**10. East Falls Riverwalk**

*18 West Avenue in Elyria*

Look at it. LOOK. AT. IT.

**11. St. Stanislaus Church**

*3649 E. 65th Street*

One of the great historic churches in Cleveland for worship or quiet contemplation.

**12. Ray's Indoor Bike Park**

*9801 Walford Avenue*

The world's longest indoor mountain bike trail lets local riders bike all year long.

**13. The Willow at Edgewater Park**

*Lakefront Reservation*

**14. A Bench By The Road**

*The corner of Main and Lorain streets*

This bench was created by the Toni Morrison Society to help remember the lives of Africans who were enslaved.

It's one of only 20 benches worldwide that are part of the project. Morrison was a Lorain native and Nobel laureate.

**15. The Speakeasy at Quintana's**

*2200 S. Taylor Road in Cleveland Heights*

Go to the back door of the spa, press the buzzer, tell the person on the intercom that you are there to see a man about a horse, the door will open. Go up the stairs and turn right and find a bookshelf. Find the correct book and pull it. Once pulled, the door to the Quintana's Speakeasy will open revealing a 1920s era bar. You're welcome.

**16. Chess collection at Cleveland Public Library**

*525 Superior Avenue Cleveland*

Home to the world's largest chess collection, the third floor of the Cleveland Public Library boasts one-of-a-kind chess sets, unique manuscripts and scorecards from chess greats like Bobby Fischer.

**17. Old Stone Church**

*91 Public Square*

You've seen it a million times, but you've never gone inside. Take a tour when it's open.

**18. The Pizza Mural**

*The corner of West 28th Street and Detroit in Hingetown*

A proper mural for one of the nation's great pizza cities.

**19. Mini Statue of Liberty**

*623 West St. Clair Avenue*

Hey, the real Statue of Liberty is great and all, but this one is much easier to get to on a Saturday afternoon.

## **20. The Harvey Pekar Statue**

*2345 Lee Road*

Pay your respects at the Cleveland Heights-University Heights library, an old haunt for the local comic book legend.

## **21. Veteran's Memorial Bridge Tour**

*2433 Superior Viaduct in Cleveland.*

You've driven it. Now take a tour under the Veteran's Memorial Bridge where streetcars, tunnels and four original subway tracks still stand as they did in 1917.

## **22. Polka Hall of Fame**

*605 E. 222nd Street in Euclid*

Yes, there is a Polka Hall of Fame. Of course, it's in the Cleveland area. Then head to the Softball Hall of Fame next door, which, of course, is also in the Cleveland area.

## **23. Skyline Overlook Trailhead**

*West Creek Reservation*

Offers a view of Downtown Cleveland all the way from the suburbs.

## **24. Chateau Hough**

*1650 East 66th Street*

When life gives you vacant land, you grow grapes and make wine.

## **25. Bullet Holes at Great Lakes Brewing Co.**

*2516 Market Avenue*

Bullet holes in a mahogany bar always have a story to tell. The story goes that the bullets were either intended for him or fired by legendary lawman Eliot Ness.

## **26. Gardenview Horticultural Park**

*16711 Pearl Road in Strongsville*

Sixteen acres of rare plants and flowers displayed in a natural, cottage-style landscape.

## **27. The Terminal Tower Observation Deck**

*50 Public Square*

A place you can see a bird's-eye view of the city for miles (on a clear day). Click [here](#) to schedule a tour.

**28. The Percy Skuy Collection of Contraception at Dittrick Medical Center**

*11000 Euclid Avenue*

Maybe don't go on a first date.

\*Due to the pandemic and current renovations, the center is closed. It's scheduled to reopen up sometime in the fall.

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**29. Deep Roots Experience**

*7901 Central Avenue*

Located in Cleveland's Fairfax neighborhood, home to the Karamu House (a gem in its own right), where famed poet Langston Hughes' plays were developed, this newly opened art gallery is a staple in the community featuring Black artists.

**30. The USS Cod**

*1201 N Marginal Road*

Tour the last fully intact World War II fleet submarine still in existence that sits on Cleveland's lakefront.

**31. Worden's Ledges**

*Wordens Ledges Loop Trail, Hinckley, OH 44233*

A series of ledges with faces and other iconography carved into them in the 1940s. Faces include George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and, huh... Ty Cobb.

**32. The Eastman Reading Garden**

*Rockwell Avenue, Cleveland*

Surrounded by public art and trees in the middle of Downtown Cleveland, the reading gardens remain a popular escape from the bustle of downtown to read, relax and lunch.

**33. Observatory Park**

*10610 Clay Street in Montville*

This 1,100-acre park encourages visitors to explore nature from the ground to the galaxy.

**34. [Cleveland Convention Center Urban Farm](#)**

*In the front of the Convention Center right next to the RAPID tracks*

A tiny farm, right downtown. Kind of unexpected. Frankly, we need a little more of that.

**35. Mini Guardians of Traffic**

*Corner of Washington and Center streets in The Flats*

The originals are iconic, but did you even know these existed?

**36. The Foundry**

*1831 Columbus Road*

We have this wonderful lake and historic river, and The Foundry connects us to them through rowing and sailing.

**37. [Virginia Kendall Ledges Overlook](#)**

*405 Truxell Road, Peninsula*

The overlook is a high point of a two-mile trail that offers breathtaking sunset views. Some mysterious carvings are left behind in rock formations.

**38. [Liberty Row](#)**

*North Park Boulevard near Woodmere Drive*

Even after 100 years, a number of Liberty Oaks, living memorials to soldiers who gave their lives during the first World War, still stand.

**39. Sims Park and Lakefront Trail**

*23131 Lakeshore Blvd.*

Edgewater isn't the only lakefront park in town, and this one just added a jogging path to its mansion, beach and fishing pier, with more amenities to come.

**40. [Woodland Cemetery](#)**

*6901 Woodland Avenue*

Rich in history, and unlike Lake View Cemetery, far too often overlooked.



**41. [Mill Creek Falls](#)**

*Garfield Heights Reservation*

The tallest waterfall in the county, the height and power of its flowing cascades helped Cleveland in becoming a prosperous city.

**42. Negative Space Gallery**

*1541 E 38th St 2nd floor warehouse, Cleveland*

This art gallery is tucked away inside the Asian Town Centre. Next time you're getting your Korean barbecue on, swing by.

**43. [Squire's Castle](#)**

*North Chagrin Metroparks*

Are the [urban myths](#) true? A lot of [history](#) at this must-see spot at the North Chagrin Reservation.

**44. [Lolly the Trolley](#)**

*1101 Winslow Avenue in Cleveland*

You may know about it, but many visitors don't. A charming way to get around the city and discover something unexpected.

**45. [Buckland Museum of Witchcraft and Magick](#)**

*2155 Broadview Rd., Cleveland*

A witch museum, guys. They've got a demon in a box and everything.

**46. Rocky River Park**

*20250 Beachcliff Blvd, Rocky River*

Worth a visit, even if you live on the east side. It's THAT nice.

**47. Skidmark Garage**

*5401 Hamilton Ave Cleveland*

It's like a community garden, except for motorcycle repair. And also that community garden has a bar and live music.

**48. [The Red Line Greenway](#)**

*Michael Zone Recreation Center Park at West 53rd Street*

Explore this new, two-mile, paved, all-purpose trail that connects eight Cleveland neighborhoods. It's the Cleveland we've always wanted.

**49. [@neorsd](#)**

**[The internet](#)**

The pure delightfulness of the NE Ohio Regional Sewer District's Twitter account transcends this list's otherwise earthly bounds.

**50. [Junkyard playground](#)**

*East 83rd Street*

Cleveland man Tim Willis turns junk into larger-than-life toys.

**51. Hoyt Building**

*700 W St. Clair Avenue*

If you're into delightful atriums, this atrium is a delight.

**52. Cleveland Center of Gravity Mural**

*Columbus Road*

Where Cleveland history and [the cosmos](#) intersect.

**53. [The Rockefeller Park Greenhouse](#)**

*750 East 88th Street*

This 1905 city-owned greenhouse and park has blossomed into a botanical facility that features globally-inspired gardens, native Ohio plants and tropical exotics.

**54. [Henry Church Rock](#)**

*South Chagrin Reservation*

Next to the Chagrin River, near what is now a picnic area, artist Henry Church carved Native-American images into what was formerly called "Squaw Rock" in 1885.

**55. [Morgana Trail Run](#)**

*E. 49th Street just north of Fleet Avenue*

A rails to trails success story. Connects residents to the Metroparks Garfield Park Reservation, Slavic Village and the county's largest waterfall.

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**56. Fort Huntington Park**

*West 3rd Street and Lakeside Avenue*



A surprising patch of green space in the middle of downtown that somehow never became an eyesore parking lot. Offers views of Lake Erie and is home to many statues including Olympic gold medalist Jesse Owens.

**57. Intermuseum Conservation Association**

*2915 Detroit Avenue*

Located in a forgotten space, dedicated to forgotten things, a place where artifacts are saved and history is preserved

**58. George Masaveg's art home**

*3678 East 55th Street*

It's eclectic. It's messy. It's wonderfully weird. George turned his home and lawn into his own art collective.

**59. Fairport Harbor Marine Museum and Lighthouse**

*129 Second Street, Fairport Harbor*

Next time you're wine-tasting in Geneva, take a side trip to climb the lighthouse for a view of the harbor. Ask about the ghost cat.

**60. The Fine Arts Garden**

*11130 East Boulevard*

"I know of no other city in which so beautiful a development is located exactly where it can be seen by such large numbers of its population as they pass by in pursuit of their regular daily vocations." — Frederick Law Olmsted Jr. on the [CMA's Fine Arts Garden](#), 1927

**61. Cascade Park**

*387 Furnace Street in Elyria*

The West Falls is a must-see.

**62. Sanctuary Museum (Museum of Divine Statues)**

*12905 Madison Avenue*

A makeup artist saved hundreds of statues, stained-glass windows and other Catholic antiquities that would have otherwise been lost forever.

**63. Superelectric Pinball Parlor**

*6500 Detroit Avenue in Cleveland*

It is exactly what it sounds like.

**64. [Whipps Ledges](#)**

*Hinckley Reservation*

Go because it's closer than Hocking Hills. Then swim at the spillway.

**65. Preston's Hope playground**

*26001 S Woodland Road in Beachwood*

Inspired by a little boy born with Spinal Muscular Atrophy. The largest fully accessible playground in Northeast Ohio.

**66. Bust of Nordic Viking explorer Leif Erikson**

*Located next to 1148 Main Ave.*

It's at the base of the jackknife bridge in the smallest park in Cleveland, and it has major Game of Throne vibes. The Cleveland Scandinavian community gathers once a year on Leif Erikson Day for a little toast.

**67. The Trumpet Man**

*East 118th Street and Buckeye*

Created by international sculptor James Simon, the 18-foot Trumpet Man and his dog are permanent greeters at the Buckeye Jazz Festival.

**68. [Lake View Cemetery Dam](#)**

*12316 Euclid Avenue*

If you're a Cleveland-phile, take a day and explore all of Lake View. It's worth it.

**69. [b.a. Sweeties Candy Company](#)**

*6770 Brookpark Road*

Went viral in early 2021 because it has SO MUCH CANDY.

**70. The Euclid Beach Carousel**

*10825 East Boulevard*

Ride it at the Cleveland History Center, which is an enjoyable visit as well.

**71. Stone Mad Pub Bocce Courts**

*1306 W 65th Street in Cleveland*

Cleveland has some great pubs, and you should visit them all. But this one has an Italian bocce court inside as it attempts to be the most Cleveland of all.

**72. [Hessler Court](#)**

*University Circle*

It's the shortest street in Cleveland, at 300 feet, and it's made of wood. A place unlike any other in the city.

**73. Lucy**

*1 Wade Oval Drive*

At the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, Lucy is the oldest discovered link to the chain of human evolution. Her skeleton remains on display.

**74. Solstice Steps**

*14532 Lake Avenue in Lakewood*

One of the region's most successful attempts at connecting residents with nature and Lake Erie.

**75. [Cozad-Bates House](#)**

*11508 Mayfield Road in Cleveland*

The oldest and only surviving pre-Civil War structure gives Clevelanders a glimpse at the local Underground Railroad.

**76. Grave of Alan Freed**

*[Lake View Cemetery](#)*

A jukebox headstone for the Cleveland disc jockey credited with coining the term Rock and Roll.

**77. Heisman House Plaque**

*3928 Bridge Avenue in Cleveland*

Now that the plaque is in front of the correct house, football fans coming to Northeast Ohio for a Browns game or the Hall of Fame can stop and pay homage to one of the game's great innovators.

**78. Mapleside Farms**

*294 Pearl Road in Brunswick*

Go for a sunset concert over the valley.

**79. [Ball Ball Waffle](#)**

*2999 Payne Avenue*

Clevelanders don't have to travel to enjoy Hong Kong-style bubble

waffles and milk tea. This hole-in-the-wall spot whips out bubble-wrap-shaped waffles.

**80. [Towpath Trail](#)**

*Multiple access points*

Spans 87 miles and four counties from Lake Erie to New Philadelphia.

**81. Cleveland Botanical Garden**

*11030 East Boulevard*

An island of green in the concrete jungle.

**82. Shark gallery and seatube**

*Greater Cleveland Aquarium*

Located in the old powerhouse in The Flats. Walk next to, around and under three species of sharks.

**83. Old Arcade**

*401 Euclid Avenue*

You know it. But too many of the city's visitors don't. This 1890 indoor shopping center in an architectural marvel. Grab some Pizza 216 while you're there.

**84. [Cleveland Orchestra at Blossom Music Center](#)**

*1145 W Steels Corners Road in Cuyahoga Falls*

Two local favorites get together every summer.

**85. Children's Museum**

*3813 Euclid Avenue*

It's not so much a museum as a play space. Tons of things for kids to do. Located in an old Millionaire Row home

**86. [Heinen's Downtown](#)**

*900 Euclid Avenue*

Where historic preservation meets (meats?) lunch. Everyone should lunch there at least once. Or once a week, if you work downtown.

**87. [Brewboat Cleveland](#)**

*Whiskey Island*

The most fun but not sober way possible to experience the Cuyahoga River.

### **88. The Chagrin Falls Popcorn Shop**

*53 N Main Street in Chagrin Falls*

Stocked with local treats, in the heart of Chagrin Falls, an idyllic little village to bring the family -- or a date.

### **89. Ingenuity Cleveland**

*5401 Hamilton Avenue in Cleveland*

Art collective made up of about 60-80 artists in the very grunge/half abandoned but beautiful Hamilton building. The home to Ingenuity Festival and Brite Winter. Anyone can volunteer to help build exhibits for Ingenuity Fest as well as submitting applications to be a resident artist.

### **90. Annual monarch migration**

*2800 Whiskey Island Drive*

Witness a natural phenomenon every September at Cleveland's Wendy Park. There's a short window to see this rare event so keep an eye out for the announcement from the [Cleveland Metroparks](#).

### **91. Goodtime III**

*825 East 9th Street, Cleveland*

Cleveland's largest sightseeing ship received -- by far -- the most submissions from readers. If you've never been, you're missing out.

### **92. Gravity Hill**

*King Memorial Road, north of Little Mountain Road, Kirtland Hills*

It looks like it goes uphill, but cars roll downhill. Wha? Here's a look from 2014 when Leon Bibb covered it for News 5.

### **3. Viaduct Park**

*Bedford Reservation*

This small Bedford park offers plenty to see: the river, waterfalls, ruins, a short trail, wildflowers and trains.

**94. Amherst Veteran's Mural**

*248 Park Avenue, Amherst*

This is awesome. And there's more. You have to see it.

**95. Towpath Mounds**

*Towpath Trail in Tremont*

The Towpath Trail is a gem in and of itself, but viewers were adamant about including this gem inside a gem -- offering sweeping views of the city, which Plain Dealer reporter Steven Litt poetically described as being, "about the magic of place, not getting from one place to another."

**97. Brandywine Falls**

*8176 Brandywine Rd, Northfield*

A boardwalk leads visitors to an up-close view of a majestic 65-foot waterfall located in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park.

**98. Azure rooftop bar at The 9**

*2017 E. 9th Street The 9 - Level 12, Cleveland*

A place to admire the city's skyline, day or night.

**99. Lakefront Nature Preserve**

*8701 Lakeshore Blvd, Cleveland*

You've driven by it on 90, but have you ever stopped and looked around? This preserve is a birdwatcher's dream.

**100. Baseball Heritage Museum**

*6601 Lexington Avenue, Cleveland*

With a baseball field on the premises where League Park once stood, the Baseball Heritage Museum (free admission) is another must-see for sports fans who live in Cleveland or are visiting town.



