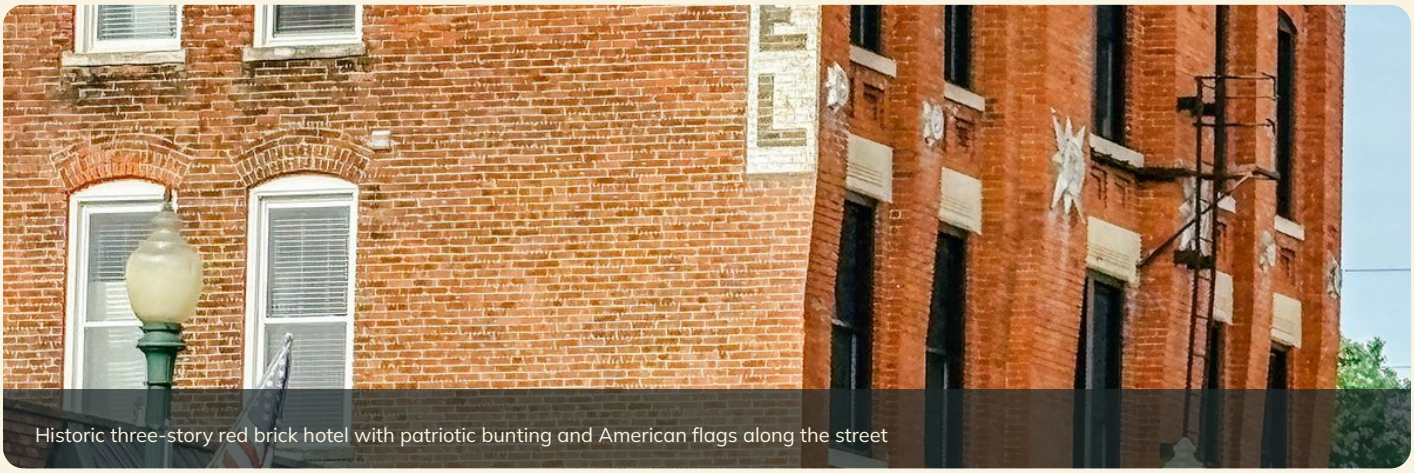
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EXPERIENCE DOWNTOWN MOUNT CARROLL: HISTORY, FOOD, AND SHOPPING

With a population of about 1,500 people and a downtown with cobblestone streets, Mount Carroll is the perfect location for small-town charm. The residents are kind and welcoming, and the establishments are well worth a visit. Enjoy the shops, grab a bite to eat, or simply walk around and explore. You will not be disappointed as you explore the cute town of Mount Carroll, IL.



Historic three-story red brick hotel with patriotic bunting and American flags along the street

Full Day	5	Carroll County
HOW LONG	STOPS	COUNTY

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DAY 1

THE TRIP

Created by Lily from the SHRPA creator visit “Experience Fall on the Mississippi”. Location: Lanark · Distance: < 10 Miles What to bring: Comfy shoes; cash for lunch and shopping; camera; sunscreen. SHRPA creator visit: “Experience Fall on the Mississippi”.

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5 PLANNED STOPS



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FOOD & DRINK

Brothers Inn Family Restaurant

Lanark

WHY IT BELONGS

Start your morning off with a delicious breakfast at Brothers Inn Family Restaurant in Lanark. It's a cozy spot to enjoy a cup of coffee or a hot chocolate with friends. Begin your day with a hearty meal like eggs, bacon and toast, or a sweeter option like strawberry-covered French toast. The restaurant has ample seating and parking and accepts both cash and cards for payment.

Pro tip: The restaurant offers tasty breakfast specials Monday through Friday!

Address: 103 IL-64, Lanark, IL

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Lanark

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SCENIC STOP

Point Rock Park

Mt Carroll

WHY IT BELONGS

Point Rock Park is the perfect spot to spend a morning (or afternoon) enjoying all that nature has to offer. The park offers over 25 acres of space and features two playgrounds for kids of all ages, a disc golf course, short hiking trails, and plenty of green space for relaxing or picnics. The Waukarusha River also runs through the park and is a beautiful spot to walk along. For a heartier stroll, complete the short loop through the woods. Look for an opening in the trees near the playground.

Pro tip: There are park restrooms located by the playground

Address: 198 S Mill St, Mt Carroll, IL

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SCENIC STOP

Mt Carroll Cafe

Mt Carroll

WHY IT BELONGS

Mt Carroll Cafe is located in Historic Downtown across from the Courthouse and serves breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. The cafe has daily specials along with daily pie offerings. I stopped in for a hot chocolate and chocolate cream pie - clearly having a chocolate craving - and both were delicious. The establishment accepts cash or check only, so plan accordingly before dining.

Pro tip: Ask for their daily pie selections - they are delicious!

Address: 314 N Main St, Mt Carroll, IL

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ATTRACTION

Carroll County Courthouse

Mount Carroll

WHY IT BELONGS

The Carroll County Courthouse is the best spot to start your exploration of historic downtown Mount Carroll. From here, you can walk the grounds of the courthouse, see a beautiful Civil War memorial, head to the public library, browse the local shops, or grab a bite to eat. Make sure you check websites or call ahead before heading to a shop or restaurant as some have limited hours. While not open during my visit, Molly's Restaurant was highly recommended by all of the local residents.

Pro tip: Many of the shops are open on the weekends only, but it's still fun to walk the cobblestone streets and window shop!

Address: 301 N Main St, Mt Carroll, IL

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Mount Carroll



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FOOD & DRINK

Charlie's II

Mt Carroll

WHY IT BELONGS

Charlies II in historic downtown Mount Carroll is a local family-run burger and pizza pub that's worth the stop. With a huge bar and plenty of table seating, it's the perfect spot whether you are by yourself or with a large group. Aside from food and drinks, you can enjoy a game of pool or head to the back of the restaurant and bar for some slot machines. I ordered the mozzarella sticks and I highly recommend!

Pro tip: This is a cash-only establishment! ATMs are available inside for a $3.75 fee.

Address: 123 W Market St, Mt Carroll, IL

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