



The John Deere Experience

Sample Itinerary
2 day/3 night

Quad Cities Convention & Visitors Bureau
1601 River Drive, Suite 110
Moline, IL 61265
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Day One

Allow 2.5 hours Visit the **John Deere Historic Site**, Grand Detour IL. Fee

Visitors to the John Deere Historic Site can watch a blacksmith at work in a replica of the blacksmith's shop where John Deere made that historic plow. The site also features the home John Deere built, a gift shop, and an archaeological exhibit that shows the site of John Deere's original blacksmith shop. After the tour, allow time for your guests to walk the grounds, ask questions, and enjoy a catered lunch in the Pavilion. **Contact: Judy Webb, 815-652-4551**



Allow 2 hours travel time to Donahue, IA with a 30 minute stop at the **Mississippi Welcome Center** in LeClaire, IA for bathroom break before heading onto the farm. (Route is 88 to 80 – possible to use 30 across but misses the Welcome Center and doesn't save time) Free Coffee & Free kettle corn for your driver!
Contact: Dan Gleason, 800-747-7800 ext 100 or Margo McInnis 800-747-7800 ext 106.



Visit **Cinnamon Ridge Farm**, owned and operated by John Maxwell. John will provide a tour of his farm, including a new hog confinement viewing area, dairy operation, cattle, soybean, and dairy. (Fee)
Contact: Dan Gleason, 800-747-7800 ext 100 or Margo McInnis 800-747-7800 ext 106.



Check into hotel. **Radisson John Deere Commons** or **Stoney Creek Inn** are located on the John Deere Commons.
Contact: Radisson John Deere Commons – Kris Ratigan at 309-762-764-1000
Contact: Stoney Creek Inn – Kim Bothel 309-743-0101



Alternate hotels and evening entertainment available; please **contact Dan Gleason at 800-747-7800 ext 100 or Margo McInnis at 800-747-7800 ext 106.**

Dinner options: Consider a private dining experience at the John Deere Pavilion for your group! **Contact: Kristen Veto, 309-765-1000**



Dinner cruise on Celebration Belle or theatre options available.
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Day Two

Breakfast included at Radisson John Deere Commons or Stoney Creek Inn. Expanded continental.

Depart hotel for short drive to East Moline, IL.

Tour the **John Deere Harvester Works** in East Moline, IL. (Free) Get up close to combine production lines, and enjoy the exhibits and informational tour guides, while you ride comfortably on a tour cart, with audio headsets for everyone.

Allow 20 minutes to drive to Moline, IL.

Contact: Guest Services at 800-765-9588

Lunch aboard the **Celebration Belle Riverboat**. Enjoy a two entrée lunch buffet and live entertainment while you cruise the Mississippi River. Enjoy 2 enclosed decks for dining, and 2 observation decks for sightseeing. (Fee)

Contact: Susan Yarolem 309-762-1952 ext 204

Visit the **Deere homes and gardens**. The Deere-Wiman House and the Butterworth Home are two majestic mansions built in the late 1800s by Charles Deere, son of John Deere. He built the beautiful, three-story Victorian Deere-Wiman home in 1872 for himself and his wife. Later, in 1892, Charles Deere built the Butterworth Home as a wedding gift for his daughter and son-in-law, Katherine and William Butterworth. (Fee)

Contact: Gretchen Small at 309-765-7971

Free Time to go back to hotel and freshen up.

Depart hotel for **Circa 21 Dinner Playhouse**. Performances available on Wed (2), Fri, Sat, Sun matinee. **Contact: Ellen Clow at 309-786-2667 ext 205**

Please contact the Convention & Visitors Bureau for alternate evening meal and entertainment. **Contact: Dan Gleason at 800-747-7800 ext100 or Margo McInnis at 800-747-7800 ext 106**

Return to hotel

Day Three

Breakfast included at the hotel.

Guided tour of the **John Deere Pavilion & Store**. Free. After your tour, receive a special discount at the John Deere Store, with everything John Deere you can imagine!

Contact: Kristen Veto, 309-765-1000

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Lunch on own and time to explore **Moline Centre**. Moline Centre is approximately a 4 block area that surrounds the Pavilion and Collectors Center and offers more than 21 different eateries! The **Bier Stube** offers a banquet room for group meal and German program, or contact **T.G.I. Fridays**, **River House** or **Johnny's Italian Steak house** for group lunch.

The Bier Stube Contact: 309-797-3049
TGI Friday's Contact: 309-764-6400
River House Contact: 309-797-1234
Johnny's Italian Steakhouse Contact: 309-736-0100

Depart for home.

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