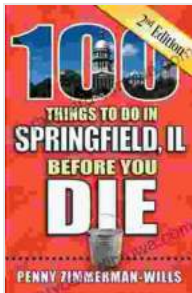


100 Things To Do In Springfield II Before You Die Second Edition

Welcome to Springfield, Illinois, the Land of Lincoln and a treasure trove of unique experiences. With its rich history, vibrant culture, and endless attractions, Springfield is a city that will capture your heart and leave you wanting more. To help you make the most of your visit, we've compiled a comprehensive guide to 100 must-do activities that will immerse you in the essence of this extraordinary city.



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Chapter 1: Presidential Legacy



1. **Visit the Lincoln Home National Historic Site**

Step back in time to the humble abode where Abraham Lincoln and his family lived from 1844 to 1861. Explore the well-preserved rooms, artifacts, and exhibits that paint a vivid picture of the life and times of the 16th President of the United States.



2. **Witness the Lincoln Tomb State Historic Site**

Pay your respects at the final resting place of Abraham Lincoln and his family. This dignified mausoleum stands proudly in Oak Ridge Cemetery, offering stunning views of the surrounding landscape.



3. **Explore the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum**

Delve into the life and legacy of Abraham Lincoln at this state-of-the-art museum. Immersive exhibits, interactive displays, and a vast collection of artifacts bring the story of Lincoln to life in a captivating manner.

Chapter 2: Architectural Marvels



1. **Marvel at the Dana-Thomas House**

Prepare to be awestruck by this architectural masterpiece designed by renowned architect Frank Lloyd Wright. The Dana-Thomas House is a stunning example of his Prairie School style, with its flowing lines, natural materials, and harmonious blend with the surrounding landscape.



2. **Admire the Old State Capitol State Historic Site**

Step into the heart of Springfield's history at the Old State Capitol State Historic Site. This imposing Greek Revival structure served as the state capitol from 1837 to 1869 and witnessed some of the most significant events in Illinois history.



3. **Discover the Vredenburgh House**

Escape into the grandeur of the Victorian era at the Vredenburgh House. This historic mansion, built in 1870, boasts intricate woodwork, stained glass windows, and a fascinating collection of antiques that transport you to a bygone era.

Chapter 3: Arts and Culture



1. **Explore the Illinois State Museum**

Embark on a journey through Illinois' rich natural and cultural history at the Illinois State Museum. From ancient fossils to modern art, the museum's diverse collections offer a compelling glimpse into the state's past, present, and future.



2. **Immerse Yourself in the Springfield Art Association**

Nurture your artistic spirit at the Springfield Art Association. This dynamic organization hosts rotating exhibitions, art classes, and workshops, providing a vibrant platform for local and regional artists to showcase their talents.



3. **Admire the Sheldon Art Galleries**

Expand your artistic horizons at the Sheldon Art Galleries at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Featuring a diverse collection of contemporary and historic works, the galleries offer a stimulating experience for art enthusiasts of all levels.

Chapter 4: Outdoor Adventures



1. **Stroll through the Washington Park Botanical Garden**

Immerse yourself in nature's beauty at the Washington Park Botanical Garden. This tranquil oasis boasts stunning flower displays, a Japanese garden, a butterfly house, and a network of walking trails that invite you to connect with the outdoors.



2. **Explore Lake Springfield**

Escape the hustle and bustle on the shores of Lake Springfield. This picturesque lake offers opportunities for fishing, boating, kayaking, and paddleboarding. Soak up the tranquil atmosphere and enjoy the stunning views of the surrounding parklands.



3. **Hike Horseshoe Lake State Park**

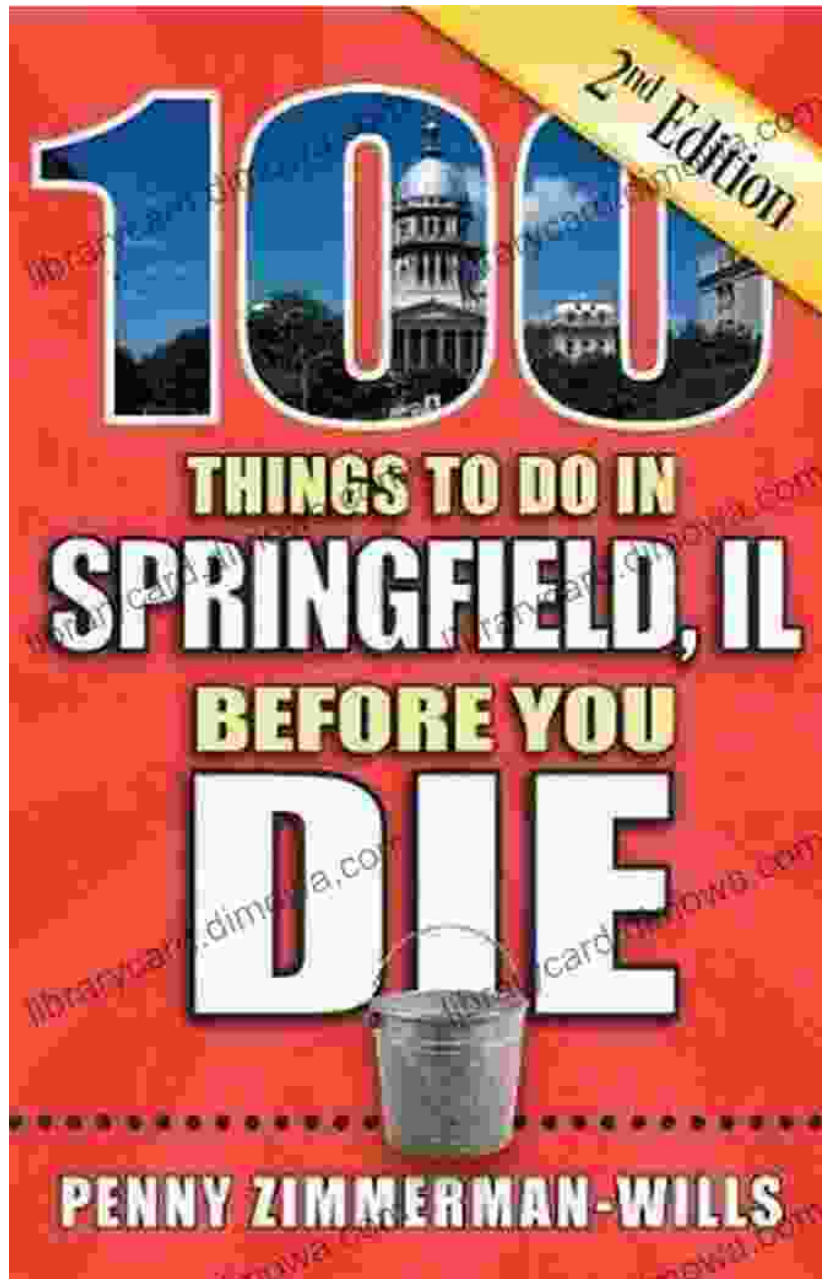
Embark on a scenic hike through Horseshoe Lake State Park. Nestled just outside of Springfield, this park boasts a network of trails that wind through diverse habitats, including forests, prairies, and wetlands. Keep your eyes peeled for wildlife and enjoy the serenity of the natural surroundings.

Chapter 5: Food and Drink



1. **Savor a Cozy Dog at the Cozy Dog Drive In**

Indulge in an iconic Springfield treat at the Cozy Dog Drive In. This legendary establishment has been serving up its famous cornmeal-battered hot dogs on a stick since 1946. Enjoy the nostalgic atmosphere and savor the unique flavor of this local delicacy.



2. **Raise a Pint at D'Arcy's Pint**

Immerse yourself in the lively atmosphere of D'Arcy's Pint. This popular Irish pub offers a wide selection of craft beers, traditional pub fare, and live music. Join in the friendly camaraderie and enjoy a memorable evening in the heart of downtown Springfield.



3. **Dine with History at The White Horse Inn**

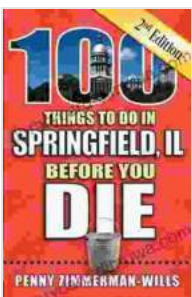
Step into the historic White Horse Inn for a culinary journey that transports you to the past. This charming restaurant, housed in a former stagecoach stop, serves up classic American dishes with a modern twist. Savor the flavors and soak up the rich atmosphere of this beloved Springfield landmark.

Chapter 6: Festivals and Events



1. Embrace the Illinois State Fair

Celebrate agriculture, music, and all things Illinois at the annual Illinois State Fair. This massive event, held in August, features everything from carnival rides and livestock competitions to concerts and culinary delights. Immerse yourself in the festive atmosphere and experience the vibrant spirit of the Land of Lincoln.



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