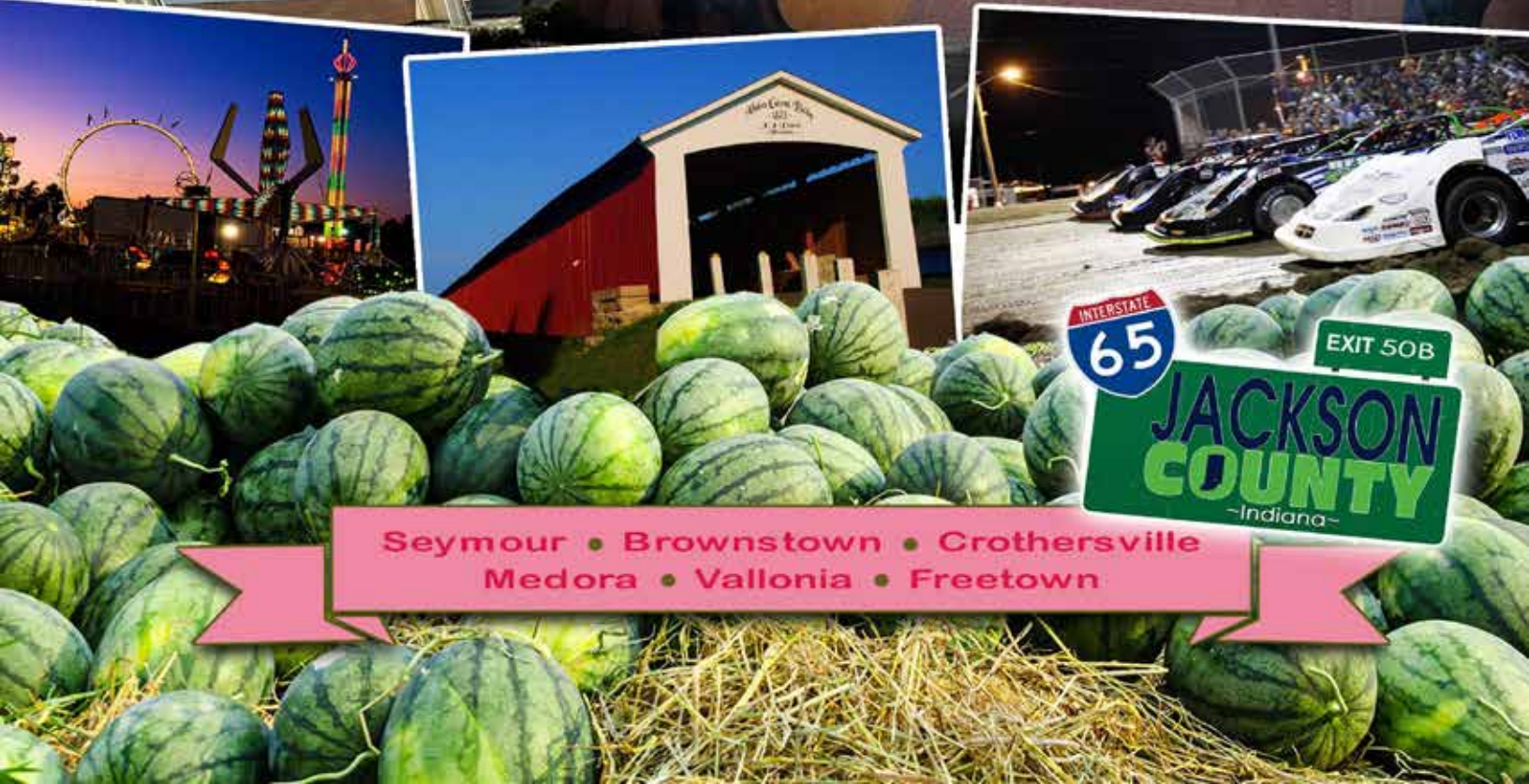


"NOTHIN' SWEETER THAN A JACKSON COUNTY MELON"

# Explore Jackson County

INDIANA



Seymour • Brownstown • Crothersville  
Medora • Vallonia • Freetown

## Our story...

With a wide range of activities suitable for many, Jackson County is home to your next adventure. Whether it's exploring history, the roots of a Rock and Roll legend, the great outdoors, covered bridges or festivals, Jackson County has something for everybody. Make plans to visit the John Mellencamp mural on the side of This Old Guitar. Explore your creative side with the Southern Indiana Center for the Arts or the Jackson County Community Theatre and Actors Community Theatre of Seymour. Jackson County can feed your inner explorer with outdoor activities at Jackson-Washington State Forest, Starve Hollow State Recreation Area, Hoosier National Forest and Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge. Jackson County's popular festivals will provide plenty of entertainment and the opportunity to start a new tradition. Celebrate German heritage during the Seymour Oktoberfest, held the first weekend in October or take a walk back in time during the Fort Vallonia Days celebration the third weekend in October. Celebrate pride and patriotism with the Crothersville Red, White and Blue Festival in June or Freetown Freedom Fest in July. New festivals and concert opportunities like the Crossroads Acoustic Fest and Seymour City Jam have popped up to begin new traditions. Whether it's history, festivals, music or the outdoors, Jackson County doesn't just have something for everybody, it has something just for you.

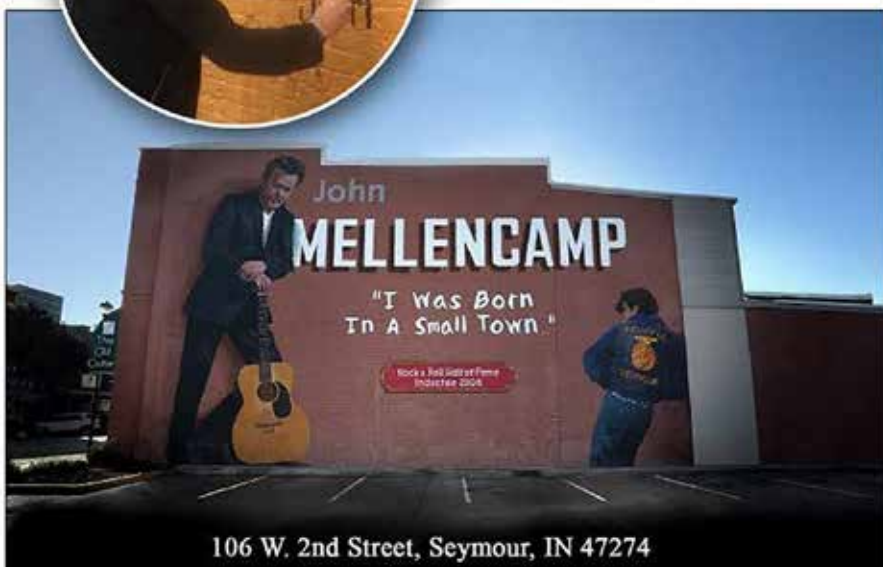


# ROCK AND ROLL LEGEND JOHN MELLENCAMP

John was born on October 7, 1951, in Seymour. He was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame by friend Billy Joel on March 10, 2008. Mellencamp also was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame on June 14, 2018. A tour of Mellencamp landmarks is available at the Jackson County Visitor Center.



***A mural of John Mellencamp*** was completed in November 2019 on the side of This Old Guitar Music Store. Indianapolis artist Pamela Bliss painted the impressive mural over the course of six weeks. The image of Mellencamp with the guitar is 35 feet tall, while the image of him in the FFA jacket is 22 feet tall. On October 29, 2019, Mellencamp returned to Seymour to view the mural and sign his initials. Construction is underway for a plaza at the site of the mural.



106 W. 2nd Street, Seymour, IN 47274



# Welcome to the OUTDOORS

**Jackson County** is home to plenty of opportunities for your family to enjoy and connect with nature. Scenic Jackson County is full of country landscape, rolling hills, beautiful forests and trails, and is a hidden gem for camping, fishing, hunting, hiking, horse riding, and recreational biking. Explore more than 38,000 acres of national and state forests, recreational areas and refuge.

*Visit these spots to feed your outdoor adventurous spirit*

### Jackson-Washington State Forest

1278 East State Road 250, Brownstown, IN 47220  
812-358-5837  
jacksonsf@dnr.in.gov

### Starve Hollow State Recreation Area

4345 South County Road 275W, Vallonia, IN 47281  
812-358-3464  
starvesra@dnr.in.gov

### Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge

12985 East U.S. 50, Seymour, IN 47274  
812-522-4352  
muscatatuck@fws.gov

### Hoosier National Forest

Off State Road 135

### Hemlock Bluff Nature Preserve

County Road 1250W to County Road 200S, turn right.



Jackson County has a large **agricultural community** and we invite you to come enjoy the benefit of their hard work and dedication. We have produce markets, meat markets, tree farms, including a nationally recognized nursery where you can find everything you will want for your landscaping needs. In the fall, we celebrate the harvest with festivals throughout the county. Proudly combined with one of our hidden treasures, we just may be where

**Marion Kay Spices**, pumpkin spice comes from!



A few of our have-to-visit sites are **Salt Creek Winery, Chateau de Pique Winery, and Seymour Brewing Company**. Their wines and brews are created on site and are available for you to taste or enjoy by the glass, bottle or growler. Also, an Indiana experience is **Vat and Barrel**. They serve only Indiana wines and spirits and are happy to share with you a story or two. Jackson County is peppered with incredible eateries, pubs, and quaint shops to fill your day with memories and moments. Please visit us year 'round for a peaceful experience complete with all of the Hoosier hospitality you could want! Check out all we offer at **jacksoncountyin.com** or join us on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.



While traveling to your Jackson County adventure, don't forget to keep your eyes open for our round barn and covered bridges. The **Medora Covered Bridge** is the longest spanning covered bridge in the country and is set in the historic Carr Township countryside. If you are a race fan, make sure you visit the **Brownstown Speedway** almost any weekend from April through October. The home for the speedway is the Jackson County fairgrounds. The **Jackson County Fair** held each July is an Indiana favorite!

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Discover your next outdoor adventure  
in scenic Jackson County



## explore Jackson County Sights

1. Jackson County Visitor Center
2. Southern Indiana Center for the Arts
3. Freeman Army Airfield Museum
4. Shieldstown Covered Bridge
5. Jackson County History Center
6. Fort Vallonia Museum
7. Freetown-Pershina Township Museum
8. Medora Covered Bridge
9. Stuckwisch Round Barn
10. Medora Brick Plant

## Be Our Guest

### Allstate Inn

2603 Outlet Blvd  
Seymour, IN 47274  
812-522-2666

### Berry Branch Cottages

10402 N Co Rd 800 W  
Norman, IN 47264  
812-528-2367

### Days Inn

302 Commerce Drive  
Seymour, IN 47274  
812-522-3678

### Econo Lodge

220 Commerce Drive  
Seymour, IN 47274  
812-522-8000

### Economy Inn

401 Outlet Blvd  
Seymour, IN 47274  
812-524-2000

### Fairfield Inn

327 N Sandy Creek Dr  
Seymour, IN 47274  
812-524-3800

### Hampton Inn

247 N Sandy Creek Dr  
Seymour, IN 47274  
812.523-2409

### Holiday Inn Exp

249 N Sandy Creek Dr  
Seymour, IN 47274  
812-522-1200

### Knights Inn

207 N Sandy Creek Dr  
Seymour, IN 47274  
812-522-3523

### Motel 6

365 Tanger Blvd  
Seymour, IN 47274  
812-524-7443

### Quality Inn

2075 E Tipton St  
Seymour, IN 47274  
812-519-2959

### Starve Hollow

4345 S Co Rd 275 W  
Vallonia, IN 47281  
812-358-3464

### Travelodge

306 S Commerce Dr  
Seymour, IN 47274  
812-519-2578



# Jackson County Visitor Center

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