

Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker's Executives' Ride—2010

Top 10 Reasons to Visit Milwaukee County



One of Best Zoos in the Country: Milwaukee County Zoo - www.milwaukeezoo.org

- Special exhibit: Adventure Dinosaur! May 29– September 6. A trip back in time to see 25+ realistic dinosaurs in prehistoric outdoor habitat. Sponsored by Lowe's
- Tiger cubs; Oceans of Fun Seal and Sea Lion show; train, zoomobile and sky glider
- Situated on 200 wooded acres with more than 2200 animals representing 320 species



Milwaukee County Parks: Best in U.S. - www.countyparks.com

- **2009 National Gold Medal Award for the best park system in the country!**
- 150 parks totaling 15,000 acres; 15 golf courses, beaches, aquatic centers, dog parks
- New light show at the Mitchell Park Domes, beautiful Boerner Botanical Gardens
- Oak Leaf Trail: 100+ miles of trail for bikers, skaters, walkers and runners



General Mitchell International Airport is easier to get to - www.mitchellairport.com

- 28th largest in the U.S., yet average fares lower than 89 other airports, \$60 less than the national average and \$81 less than O'Hare
- Passenger counts up 43% at start of 2010 with AirTran, Southwest, Midwest/Republic, Delta and American adding flights to/from one of most convenient airports in country



Best Ballpark in Baseball: Miller Park - www.milwaukeebrewers.com

- Home of the red-hot Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Club
- The only fan-shaped retractable roof in North America. Unlike Chicago or Minneapolis, you can see baseball on real grass even when it's raining outside



Our State Fair is Better: Wisconsin State Fair - www.wistatefair.com

- Closer for many folks in Illinois, the fair in West Allis runs August 5 - 15, 2010
- Besides the animals, music, and amusement park rides, visitors enjoy more than 380,000 Original Cream Puffs during the 11-day fair



World-class Arts and Entertainment: www.visitmilwaukee.org

- From the Calatrava –designed art museum to the public museum, Discovery World and children's museum, there are a great variety of museums to interest all ages
- Performing arts center home to symphony, ballet and opera, and many other venues
- Bradley Center, US Cellular Arena and Midwest Airlines Center home basketball, hockey, arena football, soccer and other sports and convention attractions



A Great Lake and Lake Express Ferry Service - www.lake-express.com

- The shores of Lake Michigan have some of the most accessible public spaces and our fresh water coast is great for relaxing, fishing, sailing, boating and exploring
- Lake Express high-speed ferry is the most successful in the Great Lakes
- Fireworks over the lake on July 3rd are the largest in the Midwest



Extraordinary Food and Beverages - www.visitmilwaukee.org, www.jsonline.com

- Brewery tours at MillerCoors, Sprecher, and microbreweries around town; Great Lakes Distillery tours
- Restaurants of all kinds to please every taste - ethnic and gourmet food, custard, brats, steaks, pasta, cheesecake... it doesn't get any better than this!



Can you say Harley-Davidson? - www.harleydavidson.com, www.hdmuseum.com

- Harley enthusiasts appreciate the historic home of the 107-year-old American legend, and the annual Milwaukee Rally
- Recently opened Harley-Davidson museum! Restaurants, special event facilities and exhibits like H-D & the Military or the new Imagination Station for kids



Summerfest - World's Largest Music Festival - www.summerfest.com

- 11-day music festival: more than 700 bands, 50 food vendors and 5 different shopping areas on 75 acres along shore of Lake Michigan - Thursday, June 24 - Sunday, July 4
- Weekend ethnic festivals all summer: Polish, Italian, German, Arab, Irish, Mexican and Indian Summer