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Insider Scoop on Things to Do in Merrillville IN

When deciding between hotels in Merrillville Indiana, let the [Residence Inn Merrillville](#) be your home. Located south of Chicago, Merrillville has lots to offer including exciting dining options, recreation activities and unique shopping boutiques. Get the inside scoop on everything that Merrillville Indiana has to offer, including local restaurants, hidden gems and great family-friendly activities.

Local Eats

A trip to Merrillville isn't complete without stopping by our local eating establishments. Our ideally-located [Merrillville Indiana hotel](#) is close to many mouth-watering options including T.J. Maloney's Irish Pub, Gino's Steakhouse and LaCaretta Mexican Restaurant. Located just a tenth of a mile down the road, are TJ's and Gino's Steakhouse which both serve many tasty lunch and dinner options. LaCaretta Mexican Restaurant, located 1 mile from hotel, specializes in traditional Mexican dishes and features a variety of seafood options.

Happy Hour

We recommend either T.J. Maloney's Authentic Irish Pub just down the road for a great Guinness or Sheffield's Restaurant. You can usually find live music, exciting events such as Trivia Night, karaoke and other daily specials.

Shopping

Crown Point Square is just a car ride away and offers several boutiques and presents the perfect place to browse for antiques. The Square offers many unique dining options and is rich with Indiana history.

Outdoor Fun

When searching for outdoor recreational activities, our [Merrillville IN hotel](#) is surrounded by several exciting options. Hidden Lake Park is located 3 miles from the hotel and offers a walking trail, shelters for events, fishing, swimming and paddleboat rentals in the warm weather and a sledding hill in the winter months. The park is open 356 days a year and offers many seasonal events such as Easter Egg Hunts, Fourth of July fireworks, a holiday light display in December and more.

Fun for all Ages

When traveling with your family to Merrillville, we recommend visiting Fair Oaks Dairy Farm. The farm offers daily tours and boasts exciting exhibits. Guests can watch a 4D movie, visit a Birthing Barn and learn about the dairy process. After exploring the farm, enjoy homemade milk, cheese and ice cream at their onsite café. Another exciting family destination is Deep River Waterpark. Located 5 miles from the hotel, this park offers some of the area's best water slides and activities. When the weather gets colder, the park offers an outdoor ice skating rink.