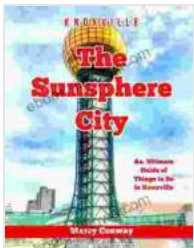


An Ultimate Guide of Things to Do in Knoxville

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Outdoor Adventures

Knoxville is a great place to get outdoors and enjoy the natural beauty of the area. There are plenty of hiking trails, biking trails, and parks to choose from. You can also go kayaking, canoeing, or fishing on the Tennessee River.

- **Ijams Nature Center:** This 318-acre park is a great place to hike, bike, or kayak. There are also several picnic areas and playgrounds.
- **Sharp's Ridge Memorial Park:** This park offers stunning views of the Smoky Mountains. There are several hiking trails to choose from, ranging from easy to difficult.
- **Knoxville Botanical Garden and Arboretum:** This beautiful garden is home to a wide variety of plants and flowers. There are also several walking trails and a children's garden.
- **Tennessee Riverpark:** This 1,000-acre park stretches along the Tennessee River. There are several walking trails, biking trails, and boat ramps. You can also go fishing, kayaking, or canoeing on the river.

Historical Sites

Knoxville has a rich history, and there are several historical sites to visit in the city. You can learn about the city's past at the Knoxville History Museum, or visit the Blount Mansion, which was built in 1792 and is the oldest frame house in Tennessee.

- **Knoxville History Museum:** This museum tells the story of Knoxville's past, from its founding in 1791 to the present day. There are several exhibits on display, including artifacts from the city's early days.
- **Blount Mansion:** This historic mansion was built in 1792 and was home to William Blount, the first governor of Tennessee. The mansion has been restored to its original condition and is now open to the public.

- **Mabry-Hazen House:** This house was built in 1858 and is one of the few surviving examples of antebellum architecture in Knoxville. The house is now a museum and is open to the public.
- **Market Square:** This historic square is the heart of downtown Knoxville. It has been a gathering place for people for centuries and is now home to several shops, restaurants, and cafes.

Cultural Attractions

Knoxville has a vibrant cultural scene, with a variety of museums, theaters, and art galleries to choose from. You can catch a show at the Knoxville Civic Auditorium, or visit the Knoxville Museum of Art, which has a collection of over 8,000 works of art.

- **Knoxville Civic Auditorium:** This historic auditorium has been hosting events for over 100 years. It is home to the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra and the Knoxville Opera Company.
- **Knoxville Museum of Art:** This museum has a collection of over 8,000 works of art, including paintings, sculptures, and photographs. The museum also hosts a variety of educational programs and events.
- **East Tennessee History Center:** This museum tells the story of East Tennessee, from its prehistoric beginnings to the present day. The museum has a variety of exhibits on display, including artifacts from the region's past.
- **Bijou Theatre:** This historic theater was built in 1928 and is one of the few remaining Art Deco theaters in Knoxville. The theater hosts a variety of performances, including movies, plays, and concerts.

Food and Drink

Knoxville has a thriving food scene, with a variety of restaurants to choose from. You can find everything from traditional Southern cuisine to international fare. Knoxville is also home to several breweries and distilleries, so you can sample some of the local craft beer and spirits.

- **The Tomato Head:** This restaurant is known for its delicious pizzas, made with fresh, local ingredients. They also have a great selection of craft beer on tap.
- **Knox Mason:** This restaurant serves up modern American cuisine with a focus on local ingredients. They have a great wine list and a creative cocktail menu.
- **Sweet P's Barbeque and Soul House:** This restaurant is a Knoxville institution, serving up delicious barbecue and soul food. They also have a great live music scene.
- **Yassin's Falafel House:** This restaurant serves up delicious and authentic Middle Eastern cuisine. They are known for their falafel, which is made fresh daily.

Shopping

Knoxville has a variety of shopping options, from malls to boutiques to antique shops. You can find everything you need, from clothes and shoes to home goods and gifts.

- **West Town Mall:** This is the largest mall in Knoxville, with over 100 stores to choose from. You can find everything from department stores to specialty shops.
- **The Old City:** This historic district is home to several boutiques, art galleries, and antique shops. You can find one-of-a-kind items that you

won't find anywhere else.

- **Market Square:** This historic square is home to several shops and cafes. You can find souvenirs, gifts, and other unique items.
- **The Strip:** This area is home to several independent shops and restaurants. You can find everything from vintage clothing to handmade jewelry.

Nightlife

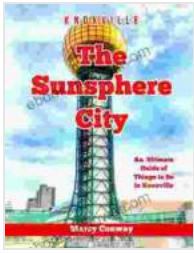
Knoxville has a lively nightlife scene, with a variety of bars, clubs, and live music venues to choose from. You can find everything from dance clubs to dive bars to live music venues.

- **The Blue Plate:** This bar is known for its live music scene. They have a variety of local and national acts performing every night.
- **The Old City:** This historic district is home to several bars and clubs. You can find everything from dance clubs to dive bars to live music venues.

The Strip: This area is home to several bars and restaurants. You can find everything from dive bars to rooftop bars to live music venues.

- **Market Square:** This historic square is home to several bars and cafes. You can find everything from wine bars to beer bars to live music venues.

Knoxville is a great place to visit, with something to offer everyone. This guide has just scratched the surface of all the things there are to do in the city. So come on down and explore all that Knoxville has to offer!



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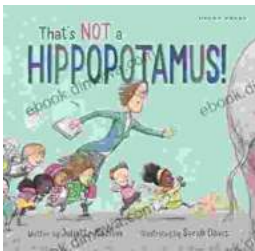
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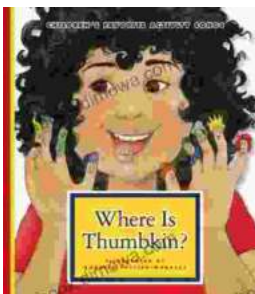
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