

Other Nearby Attractions

There's a lot to do on the way to the Foundation

The Rolls-Royce Foundation is just a twenty-minute drive from Harrisburg, a "capital" capitol city. Its capitol building is esteemed as one of the finest in the nation. A grand staircase based on the Paris Opera House dominates the marble entry hall. Above, glorious allegorical murals and mosaics surround an impressive dome. Lose yourself following Henry Mercer's Moravian ceramic floor tiles depicting the botany, wildlife, industry and history of the state. Senate and House chambers are laden with Van Ingen stained glass, Italian marble and glorious murals. Wander on your own, or take one of the regularly scheduled guided tours.

From the capitol, walk south to Strawberry Square, an in-town mall with a two story mechanical clock that is a must see for children of all ages. Pass through the food court and explore the Whitaker Center for Science and Arts. Take in an IMAX matinee or a live performance in the evening. Explore lively "restaurant row" along Second Street. Enjoy quaint historic buildings along streets that lead you to Riverfront Park, a four-mile pathway with picturesque views along the mile-wide Susquehanna River (part of the 21 mile Capital Area Greenbelt ideal for walking, biking, roller-blading, etc.)

Cross the river on "Old Shaky." Now a pedestrian/bike bridge, this historic iron span was built in 1889 and connects Harrisburg to City Island, home of the Minor League's Senators. Root for the home team, take a riverboat tour on the Pride of the Susquehanna, enjoy a horse-drawn carriage ride, play a round of miniature golf, and let the kids scramble at the playground.

Other highlights in Harrisburg are the Broad Street Market, the National Civil War Museum atop Reservoir Park with its 360-degree view of the Susquehanna Valley, and cozy residential neighborhoods such as Shipoke and Bellevue Park.

More great communities to explore in conjunction with the RRF are: Hershey, 20 miles; Gettysburg, 35 miles; Lancaster, 45 miles; Baltimore, Maryland, 80 miles; Philadelphia, 110 miles; the Poconos, 125 miles; Pittsburgh, 190 miles.

If your family includes a soon-to-be graduate, there are 130 colleges and universities to consider in Pennsylvania, some among the finest in the country. Why not drop in while on the college tour?

For those who love the outdoors, Pennsylvania boasts abundant recreation areas such as Allegheny National Forest and the amazing Cook's Forest with its virgin timber. 117 State Parks are scattered across the Commonwealth.

With so many reasons to visit we hope you include the Rolls-Royce Foundation Museum and Library in your travel plans this year.



The RRF is just one of many fantastic destinations in the region. Make your travel plans now to visit the museum and other fabulous nearby attractions.

Vacations Start at the Rolls-Royce Foundation Museum