

Sample Itinerary: History Enthusiasts

Day 1

If you only have one day to explore Nauvoo, we recommend you go to these places.

1 Historic Nauvoo Visitors' Center

(1 hr) P ♿

The exhibit "Nauvoo: Cornerstone of Zion" tells the story of Latter-day Saints gathering in Illinois and the construction of the temple through historical documents and original artifacts.

9 Temple City

(1 hr) P

Explore four properties that belonged to an architect, a stone carver, a bishop, and a farmer. Learn the story of the design, construction, and dedication of the temple.

39 Joseph and Emma Smith

(1 hr 30 min) P ♿

The Joseph Smith historic sites tell of events connected to Joseph Smith not only as a prophet of God but as a husband, a father, and a prominent citizen in his community.

Day 2

Staying longer in Nauvoo? Discover more of the historic sites on your second day.

17 Relief Society Foundations

(1 hr) P

The Relief Society, the Church's women's organization, began here in Nauvoo. Tour the Red Brick Store and the homes of Sarah Granger Kimball and Lucy Mack Smith to learn about the early days of this worldwide sisterhood.

20 Pioneer Life

(45 min) P ♿

This guided tour of three historic buildings gives you a glimpse into the social, civic, and economic lives of Nauvoo residents.

Carthage Jail

(45 min) P ♿

Contemplate the legacy of Joseph and Hyrum Smith in the place they spent their final days.
(30 min drive east of Nauvoo)

5 Nauvoo Illinois Temple

(1 hr) P ♿

Visit the reconstructed Nauvoo Illinois Temple where Church members with current temple recommends can perform ordinances. Appointments are recommended.

Day 3

There's so much more to do on your third day exploring Historic Nauvoo.

29 Main Street Trades

(2 hrs) P ♿

Visit the homes and shops along Nauvoo's Main Street, and watch volunteers demonstrate skills of various trades.

34 Pioneer Trail

(2 hrs) P ♿

Learn about the preparation required to evacuate Nauvoo. There are two experiences here: guided tours of the homes and the self-guided experience of the markers on the Trail of Hope. On the Trail of Hope, markers quote from pioneer journals and histories spanning from 1846 to 1869.

14 Homes of the Apostles

(1 hr 30 min) P ♿

Learn about the early mission of the members of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles as they served abroad in the 1840s and how their families lived in Nauvoo during their absence.

Day 4+

Extending your stay lets you see everything Nauvoo has to offer.

8 Pioneer Cemetery

(1 hr) P

The Pioneer Cemetery (also known as the Old Nauvoo Burial Grounds) is maintained as a historic cemetery with headstones dating from the 1840s.

25 Family Living Center

(1 hr 30 min) P ♿

Multiple stations showcase eight different arts and crafts from the early days of Nauvoo. Gain an appreciation and understanding of how members of the community did everything from making rope to weaving rugs.

27 Oxen Experience

(30 min) P

Meet a team of our live oxen and learn how these draft animals helped the Saints build and evacuate Nauvoo.



For more information about any of the tours, buildings, reservations, or appointments, please scan this code. Or visit [ChurchofJesusChrist.org/visitNauvoo](https://www.ChurchofJesusChrist.org/visitNauvoo)

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