

#### Marble Creek **Recreation Area**

The attractively colored dolomite, from which the area is named, can be seen as well as remains of a grist mill and dam. Swim in the

old mill pool where the creek was once harnessed to power the mill. Enjoy picnicking, hiking, biking or fishing! (15 miles on Hwy E)



#### Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1861

On the National Register of Historic Places. this building still contains the original hand hew wooden

pews, the original pipe organ, and the sonorous bell, still in use today. (in Pilot Knob)

#### **Hughes Mountain-Devils Honeycomb**



Within the Hughes Mountain Natural Area is a glade with an outcrop of columnar jointed rhyolite designated the Devil's Honeycomb. Devil's Honeycomb is listed in the book, Geographic Wonders and Curiosities of Missouri. (5 mi. east on Hwy M from Hwy 21)



#### **Mo Mines State Historic Site**

Missouri Mines State Historic Site includes a mine's former powerhouse that has been turned into a museum to

interpret the area's lead mining history. It displays actual machinery from the mines and houses one of the Midwest's finest mineral collections. (Hwy 32 in Park Hills)



## **Royal Gorge**

A photographer's paradise with its natural rock bluffs. (7 miles south on Hwy 21)

# Bonne Terre Mine is listed as

one of Americas top ten greatest adventures by National Geographic. Boat & walking tours available;

**Bonne Terre** 

Mine Tour

Along this tour, you will see Huge Pillar Rooms, Grand Canyon, Billion Gallon Lake, Trout Pond, Underground Flower Gardens, Beautiful Calcite Falls, and ancient abandoned mining tools. submerged ore carts, wrapped pillars, and ancient abandoned overhead wooden cat walks suspended 50-100 feet above the lake. (On Hwy 67 in Bonne Terre)



#### **Black River**

Located near Lesterville & Annapolis, the Black River is a crystal clear river, perfect for floating, tubing and swimming. (14 miles south on Hwy 21)

# **Missouri's Best Kept Secret**

Welcome to the Arcadia Valley. The word "Arcadia" comes from the Greek, meaning a scene of simple pleasure and quiet. As you travel throughout our valley, you will agree the name fits perfectly.

You are our guests and we cordially invite you to share with us the Arcadia Valley's unsurpassed beauty and heritage. The Fort Davidson Hotel sincerely hopes your stay with us will be a pleasant one. Have fun and come back soon.

For more information on the many scenic, historical, and recreation sites in the valley, call Fort Davidson Hotel at 573-546-7427 or visit us on the web at www.fortdavidson.com

# Things to Do, Places to Go, Sites to See,

In Missouri's beautiful

Arcadia Valley Ironton – Pilot Knob – Arcadia





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#### **Fort Davidson** State Historic Site

The Confederates under Gen. Sterling Price may have taken the fort, but Union

efforts at Fort Davidson in the Battle of Pilot Knob were crucial to blunting the last Confederate offensive into Missouri. Fort Davidson State Historic Site preserves and interprets the running battle through the Arcadia Valley. The site's open, grassy fields include the fort's old earthworks, two Confederate burial trenches, and a visitor center with a narrated story of the battle. (in Pilot Knob on Hwy 221)

#### **Elephant Rocks State Park**



The giant elephant-shaped granite boulders are the star at Elephant Rocks State Park. The coarsely crystalline red granite forms are popular with all ages. The park has a trail that winds through the rocks, which is an

interpretive Braille trail. Abundant picnic areas and vibrant fall colors add to the park's appeal.

(Hwy 21, 3 miles north of Pilot Knob in Graniteville)



#### Johnson's Shut-Ins State Park

Play in the shallows of the East Fork of the Black River. Shoot through natural hydraulics in the shut-ins.

Hike a trail that will show you geologic wonder. The swift waters of the Black River flow through a canyon like volcanic gorge, called a "shut-in" creating a beautiful photographic and swimming opportunity. The park is also Missouri's most botanically diverse state park. Johnson's Shut-Ins State Park is a jewel of the system, a place with something for everyone: pretty picnic areas, Ozark landscapes, natural places to swim, great campsites.

(13 miles from Elephant Rocks on Hwy N, 15 miles from Pilot Knob)

#### Taum Sauk Mountain State Park



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Missouri – literally. The park's 7,500 acres include the highest point in the state. Located in the St. Francois

Mountains, the park's glades provide a beautiful, solitary experience for hikers. A series of trails, including a portion of the Ozark Trail, wind through the park's picturesque setting and provide awesome views of the surrounding countryside; including the state's tallest waterfall & its deepest valley which can all be seen on an afternoon hike. (8 miles south on Hwy 21, then take Hwy CC)



# Millstream Gardens

#### **Conservation Area**

The only whitewater kayak area in Missouri is home to the first race of the season in March of

each year. The large volume of water of the St. Francois River flowing through Tiemann Shut-Ins is another of the Valley's beautiful sites. The park has a payed trail down to the shut-in area. (8 miles east on Hwy 72)

#### **Silver Mines Recreation Area**





This is an abandoned mining town on the St. Francois River with shut-ins, 200 foot bluffs and scenic hiking trails. There is a 2-mile Silver Mines Trail which follows both sides of the river, leading to various picnic areas. Also a 1.2-mile trail spurs to Millstream Gardens Conservation area, where visitors can view spectacular rock formations along the river. (12 miles east on Hwy 72)



## **Iron County Visitors Center**

Visit Whistle Junction Visitors Center and Iron **County Historical Society** 

Museum while on your Missouri Vacation to our region. The building houses a fascinating collection of artifacts which tell the life story of Iron County's pioneers and their descendents. Photographs, manuscripts, and Civil War items abound. (Hwy 21 in Arcadia)



#### **Ulysses S. Grant** Monument

This statue is dedicated to where Ulysses S. Grant received his commission as Brigadier General in the Union Army. Fittingly, the bronze statue commemorating that event is an image of an average enlisted fighting man. It is

a serene setting among the spring and duck pond of Ste. Marie Du Lac Church. (South Main Street in Ironton)



#### **Iron County** Courthouse, 1858

This is on the National Register of Historic Places. The courthouse still bears the scars from The Battle of Pilot Knob.

(downtown Ironton on Main Street)



## St. Paul's Episcopal Church. 1870

On the National Register of Historic Places. This church is a wonderful example of Wooden Gothic Architectures. (Knob street in Ironton)

#### **Ozark Trail**



The Ozarks, in a word, are splendid. The trail offers trips from just a few miles to 140 miles; including mountains, hills, springs, valleys, bluffs, waterfalls, & caves. (Several trail heads around the area)

