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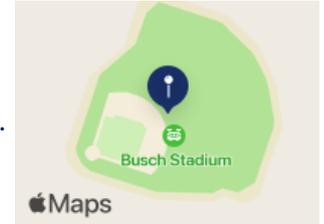
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Busch Stadium

"Home of the Cardinals"

Baseball is more than just sport to the locals; it is a near-sacred institution. Fans have plenty of reason to be proud of their Cards, who have won multiple World Series titles and National League championships. Locals and visitors alike flock to Busch Stadium to watch their favorite players in action. Witnessing an exciting game amid the sea of red-wearing Cardinal fanatics in this gorgeous stadium is a memorable experience.







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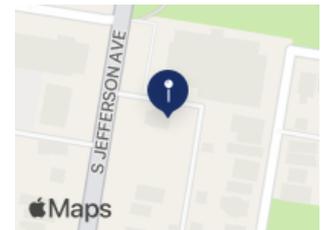
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Cherokee Recreation Center

"Rec Center for the Locals"

From basketball to volleyball, arts and crafts to drumming, Cherokee Recreation Center has activities available for people of all ages. This neighborhood-centered recreational center, located in the historic residential Benton Park neighborhood, is a great place to try a new activity. The staff is extremely helpful and has extensive knowledge about the equipment available for use, as well as programs for special-needs individuals and programs for children. Stop by for a swim or learn more about opportunities to volunteer.







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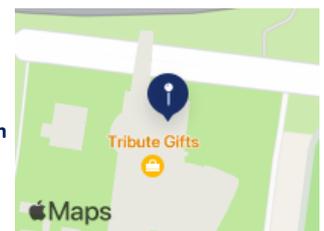
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Saint Louis Science Center

"An Interactive Learning Center"

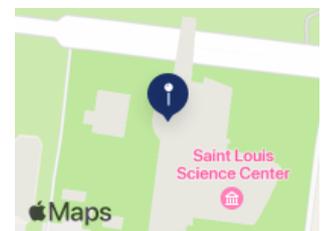
Explore the outer reaches of space and try your hand at archaeology when you spend a day visiting the St. Louis Science Center. Using interactive displays, life-like exhibits, an IMAX theater and hands-on activities, this center will have your imagination running wild. Kids too can have a fun time, learning about science, astronomy and health, through various camps and workshops organized on site. One of the largest establishments of its kind, the museum is also home to the famed McDonnell Planetarium and an agricultural pavilion. Best of all, admission to this fantastical center is free!







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Omnimax

"Premium Movie Experience"

Omnimax, located at the Saint Louis Science Center, offers the audience with a movie-viewing experience like no other. The screen itself is an impressive five-story tall and the entire movie hall is in the shape of a dome with the projector positioned along the floor for the perfect angle. The digital sound system of the IMAX is also like no other. Child-friendly films based on science and history are screened here. While at the Science Center, catching a film here is an absolute must.

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St. Louis Zoo

"Watch and Play With Animals"

As one of the few remaining free zoos in the United States and the third largest, the St. Louis Zoo is a day full of discovery and exploration. Open year-round, this spacious zoo offers visitors the chance to get up close and personal with many of the animals. Some areas of the zoo do require an entrance fee such as the Sea Lion Show, Children's Petting Zoo area, Safari Tours, and Stingray Encounter at Caribbean Cove.

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Bayer Insectarium

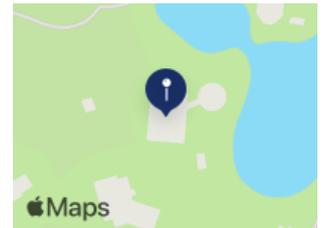
"The Life of a Bug"

The Monsanto Insectarium is one of the creepier attractions at the famed St. Louis Zoo. Decked by a giant scorpion at the entrance, the creepiness just increases from there. However, many children and parents alike are marveled by the lives of all the magnificent insects in the world. Characteristic of St. Louis Zoo, the focus of this attraction is education. You can read and learn about your favorite insects, but be sure to keep your eyes open, since anything may be crawling around the corner. - Cathryn D. Blue

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Emerson Children's Zoo (St. Louis Zoo)

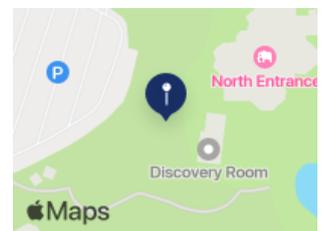
"Look & Touch"

Naked mole rats, meerkats, fennec foxes, and Matschie's Tree Kangaroos are only a few of the animals one can watch and love on at the Emerson Children's Zoo. This attraction is one of the few in the zoo that visitors must pay to enter, but it's worth it. Sure, anyone can watch animals from a distance, but at this zoo, visitors can actually play with the animals! For example, the kid goats are particularly frisky and enjoy being fed, but be careful, they will try to eat your shirt! All the animals in this area are the puppy versions, so their ferocity is at a minimum. However, be respectful, since these are still animals with minds of their own. - Cathryn D. Blue

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Sidney S. Cohen Elephant Fountain

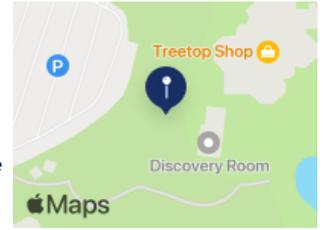
"Elephant Manificence"

The Sidney S. Cohen Elephant Fountain is a majestic representation of the elephant located near the bears in St. Louis Zoo. For the animal lover in you, the zoo features a plethora of live animals, but also a large collection of sculptural representation of animals by artists from all over the world. The elephant stands proudly as the water pours and spouts all around him. Besides being beautiful to behold by the eyes, this fountain serves as a form of relief during hot days. It is frowned upon to play in the fountain, but any accessible water can really make a trip to the zoo a little more pleasurable on a hot day. - Cathryn D. Blue

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The Wetterau Pavilion

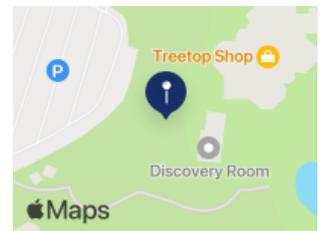
"Where Information is Housed"

The Wetterau Pavilion at St. Louis Zoo houses the Living World, the North Gift Shop, and a plethora of information at the north entrance of the park. The pavilion consists of a lecture hall, the information center, and an excited staff who really enjoys teaching visitors about what the zoo has to offer. In conjunction with resources for education and enjoyment, this is also where the best bathrooms and water fountains are. Visitors certainly want to keep this location in their sights.

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Penguin & Puffin Coast (St. Louis Zoo)

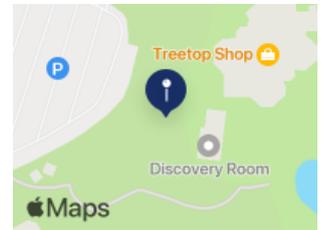
"Them Some Cold Animals"

The Penguin and Puffin Coast of the St. Louis Zoo is a recent addition to this wonderful park. It consists of the Dennis & Judy Jones Family Humboldt Haven (featuring the Humboldt penguins), the Lichtenstein Penguin Cove, and the Taylor Family Puffin Bay. There's much more to arctic bird life than people are generally aware of and this exhibit portrays it all. The various species of penguin and puffin living here swim and splash around to the delight of their human fans. Be prepared for the cold, however. The aquarium-like home is kept at a constant temperature of 45-50 degrees to simulate an arctic atmosphere. This can be a shock to the system, especially during the warmer months. - Cathryn D. Blue

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Mary Ann Lee Conservation Carousel (St. Louis Zoo)

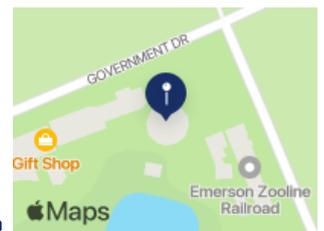
"Round & Round We Go"

On the north side of the St. Louis Zoo, a hop and jump away from the Penguin and Puffin Coast sits the majestic Mary Ann Lee Conservation Carousel. This historic carousel features hand-carved and painted wooden animals that visitors, young and old alike, can ride on while listening to vintage theme park music. You will feel as though you have traveled back through time as you ride around on this beautiful work of art. - Cathryn D. Blue

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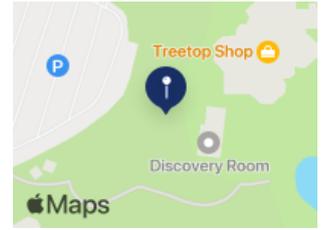


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Cypress Swamp

"Watch Out for the Bird!"

Visible from highway 64/40, Cypress Swamp is a favorite attraction at the famous St. Louis Zoo. The swamp is encapsulated by a giant, rounded steel cage that visitors can walk through. As they wander on the wooden path, zoo enthusiasts can marvel at the various species of birds and tropical animal life that live in the exhibit together. Furthermore, since the visitors are technically inside the cage, there is always an opportunity that a hawk or dove may fly right past their heads. The sophisticated filtering technology allows for the water to be filtered and recycled, while maintaining the still surface water characteristic of a swamp.



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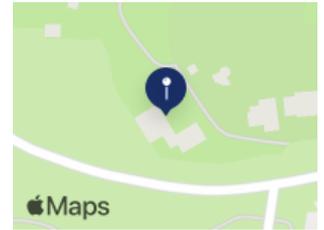


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Antelope Yards

"What's an Antelope?"

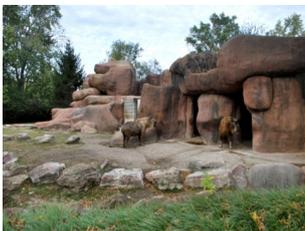
An antelope is an herbivorous, even-toed animal that is neither cattle, buffalo, sheep, bison, nor goat. In other words, who knows what they are? However, visitors to the St. Louis Zoo can find a herd of antelope at the Antelope House. Located in the Red Rocks area of the zoo, the Antelope House features those animals that are not often spoken of in children's stories. Many forget how impeccably tall giraffes are until they've seen them close up. Feeding hour, which occurs at about 3p each day, is always the most interesting time to see these amazing creatures in joyous form. - Cathryn D. Blue



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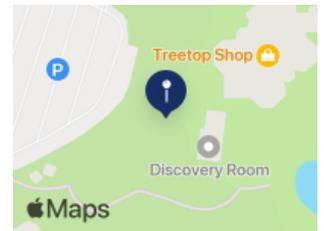


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Red Rocks

"Living in the Red"

The irony of Red Rocks is that Big Cat Country sits adjacent to the Antelope Yard. In other words, predator and prey are a stone's throw away from each other, which makes things quite authentic! Visitors can spend an entire day exploring the beautiful wild cats and even toed herbivores in these simulated plains. Big Cat Country are below the walkway and separated from visitors by cages to ensure that no accidents happen.



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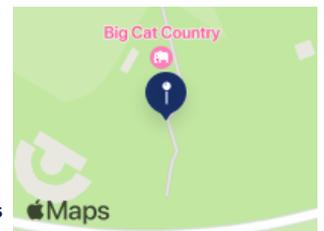


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Big Cat Country

"Predators in the Midst"

Big Cat Country located in the Red Rocks area of the immaculate St. Louis Zoo is one of the most visited exhibits in the entire park. Every kind of cat is represented, from the leopard to the lion; albino tigers to panthers. These animals live only with their species and their large roaming grounds extend in dimension and depth below the walkway where visitors can marvel from hundreds of feet above them. Read about each big cat's genus and species on the labels outside the cages. There is so much to learn from these beautiful creatures and visitors are always amazed. - Cathryn D. Blue



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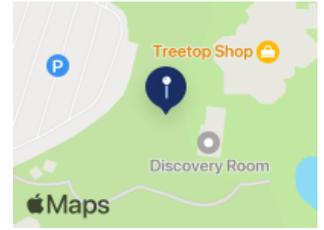


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Steven F. Schankman Family Plaza

"Always Animals"

Near the entrance to Highway 40 lies a beautiful plaza that features a breathtaking structure created of steel. This structure, sitting 36 feet (11 meters) high and 100 feet (30 meters) long is the largest sculpture of any public zoo in the nation. The plaza, located outside of the zoo grounds, is a donation from the Schankman family and the sculpture is entitled **Animals Always**. The artist, Albert Paley, worked with zoo staff and visionaries to create the art work. Visitors can count the **60 animals** represented in this work and enjoy photo opportunities while marveling at the intricate and gorgeous detail.



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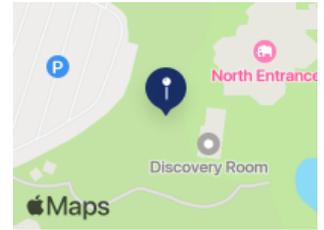


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Donn & Marilyn Lipton Fragile Forest (St. Louis Zoo)

"Greatest Show on Two Legs"

The Donn & Marilyn Lipton Fragile Forest, located in the St. Louis Zoo, is exciting and full of surprises. Why? because it's where the chimpanzees, orangutans, and gorillas live. The Fragile Forest aims to preserve this incredible species of folk and share their captivating energy with the world. The habitat is spacious and full of the typical amenities: plenty of food, ropes and plateaus to climb and hang from, and a sophisticated peer group. Spend some time here and you may discover that your own quirky habits aren't so unique. -Cathryn D. Blue



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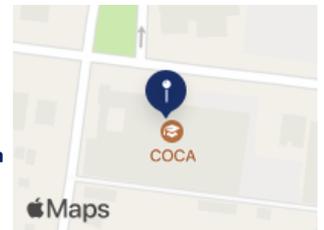


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COCA (Center of Creative Arts)

"Contemporary Arts for the Community"

Offering everything from live dance showcases, concerts, visual art exhibits, and programs for children, COCA brings the contemporary arts in a big way. Everything is at the public's reach, with dance, theater, and art classes open to anyone with a little extra time and a knack for all things creative. After school programs are available for those who want to cultivate artistic expression. Throughout the year, COCA's performance companies can be found all over St. Louis and the rest of the U.S. Check for upcoming shows and take a class or two.



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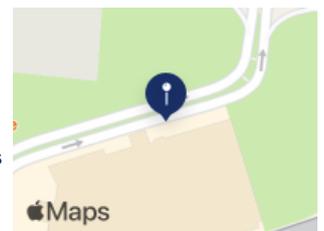


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Ritz Carlton Hotel

"Luxurious, Elegant Accommodations"

The Ritz pampers its guests with posh elegance, right down to the fluffy terrycloth robes. The hotel is located in the heart of Clayton, and all rooms feature marble bathrooms and balconies. The hotel offers a choice of fine restaurants, and afternoon tea is served daily in the Lobby Lounge. Relax in the Cigar Bar, or try the Wine Room with its 10,000-bottle inventory, the most extensive in the Ritz Carlton chain. To keep the kids busy while you are in the Wine Room, each guest room has a Nintendo game system.



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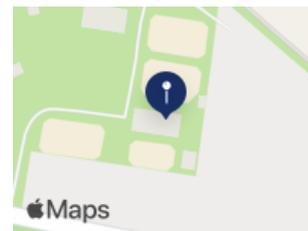


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Grant's Farm

"Education Through Entertainment"

In the 1850s, Ulysses S. Grant began farming this land, which is now a tourist attraction and a home to many exotic and endangered animals. This farm offers visitors many activities, from touring the land and seeing the animals to attending the shows and dining or browsing for souvenirs in the gift shop. Anheuser-Busch owns the farm, which is home to the Clydesdale stables, a herd of deer and other animals. Grant's Station and Grant's Cabin are two of the major attractions on the tour.



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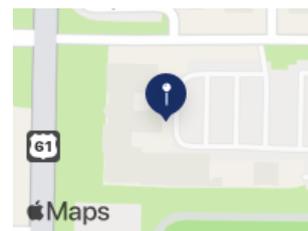


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The Magic House

"Learning Becomes Thrilling"

An inviting destination for children and adults alike, the Magic House in St. Louis combines entertainment and learning. Founded in 1975 by Jody Newman and Barbie Freund, the interactive museum is set within an alluring Victorian mansion. The award-winning museum aims to educate learners of all ages by incorporating elements of creativity and curiosity. The yearlong family STEAM nights and scout programs, coupled with the summer camps, provide a fertile environment where learning becomes fun. The Electro-Static Generator, Jack and the Beanstalk Climber, Mizzou Training Center and the Backyard Magic are some of the museum's most popular exhibits, attracting locals and tourists alike.



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