



3 DAYS ON THE PA ROUTE 6 ARTISAN TRAIL – GREAT LAKES REGION

To start this trip, travelers can access Route 6 by I-79N or S.

Day 1: Conneaut Lake and Meadville

Start the day in beautiful Conneaut Lake (MM 15-16) with a visit to **Berry Basket Floral Gift and Candle Shoppe** and **Conneaut Cellars Winery and Distillery**. As you travel along Route 6, be sure to stop at the “**Read Behind the Signs**” **Mural Project**, made completely from old traffic and PennDOT signs, just as you enter Meadville (MM23-25). Everywhere you look in downtown Meadville, you will discover colorful murals as you stroll around town and get a bite to eat. A stop at the **Meadville Markethouse** and the **Baldwin Reynolds House** are a must. For the afternoon, swing down to Titusville on Route 27 and visit **the Drake Well Museum** before coming back to Route 6. You can stop for the night in one of the hotels on Route 6 in Meadville or continue on Route 6 east to the **Riverside Inn** in Cambridge Springs (MM 38), a historic inn that once was a mineral springs resort. For campers, try to **KOA Meadville**.

Day 2: Southern Erie County

Heading on Route 6 East to the town of Union City and a stop at the Main Street Art Center, from there continue on Route 6 to Corry (MM 65-66), making a right onto Rt. 426, North Center Street to go to the downtown. Stroll through the antique shops and be sure to stop at **Painted Finch Gallery** for a taste of local and regional artists. There are several lunch choices in the downtown area. As you leave Corry, travel back on Route 6, heading west this time, until you come to the intersection with US Route 6N. Go straight through the light and travel US Route 6N to Edinboro. As you enter the town, you will see **Goodell Gardens** on the right (near MM 22). This is a great time to get out of the car and walk through the botanical gardens and arboretum of the 78-acre historic homestead. Also by the **Doucette House**, a late Victorian style mansion that houses the artwork of Aime’ Doucette. If you are traveling on a Sunday, the **Hurry Hill Maple Museum** will be open, where you can learn the connection between a tradition culinary craft and a Newberry winning novel. Since you are traveling on historic Route 6, you should have dinner at one of the classic railcar diners, the Edinboro Diner will not disappoint. You can stop for the night in one of Edinboro’s B&B or hotels.

Day 3: To Erie

A very scenic drive would be to follow Route 6N to its end on Lake Erie and then take Route 20, the Seaway Trail into Erie. Once in Erie, there are many sites to see. We recommend visiting **Ralph Miller Jewelers & Gallery** as well as the **Erie Art Museum**. Spend the rest of your day in Pennsylvania’s only city with 8 miles of beach. Drive out on Presque Isle, before heading home on I-79.