



BACK ROADING ELGIN'S LISTS OF THE BEST FUN THINGS TO DO, SEE, EXPERIENCE & ENJOY THIS YEAR IN OUR NECK OF THE WOODS

DATE VISITED	WHERE TO GO!	WHAT'S FUN TO DO, SEE, TASTE or SPECIAL ABOUT HERE?
	The WINDJAMMER INN - Port Stanley	Not only a beautiful inn to stay: but <u>THE WINDJAMMER INN</u> is a delicious place for brunch, lunch or dinner. Farmhouse Style Cuisine featuring local farm produce. Licensed with a delicious menu changing daily.
	PORT STANLEY'S FESTIVAL THEATRE	<u>PORT STANLEY'S FESTIVAL THEATRE</u> is celebrating 41 years of professional live theatre by the lake in their newly renovated space. Immerse yourself in light-hearted Canadian stories that are sure to affect and inspire.
	KETTLE CREEK INN & RESTAURANT - Port Stanley	Nothing could be better than savouring <u>KETTLE CREEK INN'S</u> Chef's Temptations: be it the fresh lake Perch, Pickerel or an incredible burger - best enjoyed in the gazebo! Love it? Plan to stay the night in one of their luxury suites! Maybe catch a performance at the local theatre while staying overnight.
	ERIE FUN TOURS PORT STANLEY 833-374-3386 (toll free) 519-943-3743 (local #)	We offer great fun day excursion to many events as well as destinations that include wineries, craft breweries, golf courses, restaurants, theatres, shopping and many more. At <u>ERIE FUN TOURS</u> offer Private and Public tours. Want to plan a tour with a group of friends—we can help organize that for you.
	DEBACKERE FARM MARKET UNION	<u>"DEBACKERE FARM MARKET</u> is family owned and operated. They take great pride and pleasure in providing you with the finest fresh local produce. From our family to yours. Go Local, Get Fresh."
	SHAW'S ICE CREAM PARLOUR - St Thomas	Since 1948, 71 years <u>SHAW'S ICE CREAM</u> has maintained the legacy of creating highest quality of ice cream using 100% Canadian Cream; Surely a trip down memory lane for everyone.
	WILDFLOWERS FARM - St Thomas	In harmony with nature, plan an herbal walk at <u>WILDFLOWER'S FARM</u> - taste the home crafted teas & honey tastings. Cultivating connections through bees, botanicals, yoga and terrific gatherings, we consider this spot a must see.
	CANADALE NURSERIES - St Thomas	Award winning Garden Centre & Nursery, specializes in unique, rare & unusual plants. Great weekend sales and lots of hands on events all year long. Learn to make some very creative seasonal pieces for your home. <u>CANADALE NURSERIES</u> features a boutique full of fashions, home décor, candles and so much more.
	HORSESHOE J DUDE RANCH FINGAL	<u>HORSESHOE J DUDE RANCH</u> offers children's summer horse camps , family camps, hourly trail riding by reservation (May - November) , birthday party packages, lessons and horse /pony clubs for more than 60 years. Indoor arena and many acres of beautiful trails.
	HORTON FARMERS MARKET - Sat's only - St Thomas	Only open Saturday's, <u>HORTON FARMERS MARKET</u> artisans, music buskers, fruits, vegetables, meat, yes it has it all , experience where locals meet on Saturdays to pick up their weekly products.
	RAILWAY CITY BREWING COMPANY -St Thomas	Grab your closest friends & plan a brewery tour at the <u>RAILWAY CITY BREWING COMPANY</u> and see for yourself what all the buzz is about. Maybe come for a friendly game of darts once a week - check out all the fun here.
	HARRIS FLOWER FARM ST THOMAS	<u>HARRIS FLOWER FARM</u> , founded in 2011 by Janis & Mark Harris, is a small family operation specializing in growing a large assortment of bulb, annual, perennial and flowering branches. Harris Flower Farm grows fresh seasonal cut flowers for farmers' markets, weddings and events in St. Thomas, London and surrounding areas.

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		HOWE'S ON Highbury Farm Market and Bakery - St Thomas	<u>HOWE'S ON Highbury Farm Market & Bakery</u> features Howe's fresh produce as well as other local Ontario fruits and vegetables in season. Enjoy the homemade baking, fresh produce, decadent cheeses, delicious preserves, meats and 'Meals to Go!'
		COMFORT INN - St Thomas	<u>COMFORT INN</u> is a great locally placed Inn to rest and refresh with free breakfast and WiFi. If looking for something to do ask us about our Railway City Brewing and Jack Pot City Packages. Very friendly and comfortable spot to enjoy.
		QUAI DU VIN ESTATE Winery - Sparta	Perhaps wine tasting is your thing, then a visit to the scenic country of <u>QUAI DU VIN ESTATE Winery</u> is a must do. Bring friends & take the tour or round up a group of friends and head out for a fantastic time at one of their amazing summer time events!
		CONNY'S B&B ON THE FARM - Sparta	Wake up to a 'true' Swiss breakfast after a very peaceful & quiet restfulness of farm at <u>CONNY'S B&B ON THE FARM</u> Great start to your morning as you continue on exploring the Back Roads of Elgin County
		The VILLAGE COLLECTIVE 48664 SPARTA LINE	<u>The NEW VILLAGE COLLECTIVE</u> is now located in the 1838 Blacksmith's John Ollie's home and former library of Mrs. Ollie. Now home local artist <u>SHELLEY McVITTIE</u> and to many local very eccentric & gifted artists & artisans expressive in many styles & mediums. You won't want to miss this in Sparta. <i>Walking tour maps available here</i>
		PETER ROBSON'S STUDIOS Sparta	"It is difficult to view <u>PETER ROBSON STUDIOS</u> paintings and remain unaffected by their tranquility, or by the sheer beauty of the Canadian landscape portrayed in the distinctive style. Also a complete professional custom framing department. We offer unique and creative photo and print collages using our computerized mat cutter.
		HOLISTIC AWAKENINGS DAY SPA - Sparta	Plan a pampering for you & your bestie at the <u>HOLISTIC AWAKENINGS DAY SPA</u> ; relax in the spa experience with a combination of natural body healing products.
		SPARTA COUNTRY CANDLES - Sparta	Explore the many levels of <u>SPARTA COUNTRY CANDLES</u> and try and find the date that this historic building was constructed. Enjoy fresh home made fudge and a wide selection of gifts and home decor.
		STEED & COMPANY LAVENDER FARM - Sparta	Escape & revel in the aroma & beauty of the lavender fields at <u>STEED & COMPANY LAVENDER FARM</u> : the premier grower of Lavender & don't miss the shop full of lavender products. All reminds me of being in Provence France.
		DOWLER—KARN COLLECTION - St Thomas	Take the time to visit here as they are celebrating 76 years and those years have provided the <u>DOWLER KARN COLLECTION</u> with over 30,000 oil & gas related memorabilia including antique trucks but also includes local history items
		NEW SARUM DINER - New Sarum, around the corner - Hwy 3 & 74	Eat at the oldest restaurant around here, <u>NEW SARUM DINER</u> - marks 76 years: try the food & you'll soon see why they have lasted so long. An Elgin County family favourite (licensed) place to go. Ps Check out all the antiquities found in the banquet room: enjoy the 40's retro style
		SILVERTHORN LANDSCAPE & SUPPLIES - St Thomas	Play outdoor checkers • Build an Inuksuk with the School of Rock •Look for fossils in the natural stone •Take a walk through the stone yard to see nature's beauty •Relax by the outdoor fish pond •Walk the labyrinth . So much more here at the inspiration centre at <u>SILVERTHORN LANDSCAPE SUPPLIES</u>

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		VICTORIAN ELEGANCE Aylmer	<u>VICTORIAN ELEGANCE</u> is a romantic boutique featuring the latest in ladies fashions, shoes, purses, jewellery, dolls, bears, angels, hats, and a vast array of ware worthy of being heirloom-caliber gifts. Much of our selection of rarities & quaints will endure generations as telling remembrances of who we were.
		CREATIVE CREATIONS BOUTIQUE Aylmer	Focused on providing unique products as well as the highest level of customer satisfaction <u>CREATIVE CREATIONS</u> will do everything they can to meet your expectations. With a variety of items to choose from, we're sure you'll be happy taking the time to visit them
		ELGIN FEEDS COUNTRY STORE Aylmer	Hugely popular this general store like times before where everyone met up when coming to town: picking up from the plethora of supplies. Still today as exciting as it was then. Lots to check out here at this <u>ELGIN FEEDS COUNTRY STORE</u>
		BERRY HILL FRUIT FARM Aylmer	It can't get any fresher than this stop by on your way home at <u>BERRY HILL FRUIT FARM</u> and pick up an array of deliciously fragrant flavoured farm fresh vegetables & fruits for your dinner table
		CLOVERMEAD HONEY GIFT SHOP & ADVENTURE FARM–	Seeking a kid friendly to do ? - <u>CLOVERMEAD HONEY & ADVENTURE FARM</u> is a heritage Honey farm; with so many attractions; an adventure farm for kids, small animals on site, the largest glass bee display hive in Ont & honey shop for all ages.
		GROOVY MOON Aylmer	<u>GROOVY MOON</u> is where one will find all the Natural products handmade with love to soothe the soul and uplift the body. All of our products are hand made with love. Each batch is made with "Om" sound frequencies while cooling. They make the best sleep remedy on the planet, which is also good for anxiety.
		PINECROFT– home of POTTERY ART CENTRE, GREEN FROG TEAROOM SELMA'S B&B CABIN	<u>PINECROFT</u> has been an Elgin County Tradition for 70 years. The Muskoka-like setting offers a unique location to shop, dine, rest or relax under the towering pines. Savour the fresh baked bread and rolls and fresh prepared entrees featuring locally sourced produce. The pottery studio welcomes visitors daily.
		HOWE'S FAMILY FARM MARKET - Aylmer	If you love fresh food flavor & variety definitely this is the place to stop for the vast selection of seasonal fruits & vegetables. Pick up your farm fresh produce for supper—it's like having your own garden at <u>HOWE'S FAMILY FARM MARKET</u> .
		SWEET MAGNOLIA HOUSE B&B - Aylmer	Built in 1870 beautifully restored B&B is full of character & charm . You will surely fall in love with this B&B, the homemade breakfast, the small town welcoming feel always happens at <u>SWEET MAGNOLIA HOUSE B&B</u>
		GAY LEA DAIRY MUSEUM - Aylmer	19,000 dairy related artifacts, 98 acres of Carolinian Forest, trails, picnic area & a great place for kids to try their hand at ice cream making. A fun place to stop with or without kids, <u>GAY LEA DAIRY MUSEUM</u>
		RUSH CREEK WINERY - AYLMEER	Explore the wine making process at <u>RUSH CREEK WINERY</u> with Award Winning Wine Master & owner, Ron Barr. Along with free samplings this tour makes for a splendid afternoon visit in the peaceful country location.
		SIMPLY SCOOPS - Port Burwell	Is one of the best stops on the Erie Trail for ice cream, burgers or more and its only a short walk from the sandy beaches of Port Burwell. It's one of those don't miss stops at <u>SIMPLY SCOOPS</u> ... you won't be disappointed.
		PORT BURWELL'S MUSEUMS	<u>THE LIGHTHOUSE AND MARINE MUSEUM</u> host the area's past in pictures, artifacts plus an incredible collection of Lighthouse Lenses; Climb to the top! Port Burwell is a must place to visit.