Welcome to Sikeston & Miner

Hello from Sikeston and Miner, Missouri—where cotton is king, our rolls are “threwed” and you are always welcome! Whether you are just passing through, enjoying a weekend getaway or a longer stay, you’ll find so much more to Sikeston and Miner than you ever imagined.

We are conveniently located on Interstate 55 and Interstate 57/US Highway 60 in Missouri’s Bountiful Bootheel just minutes from historic landmarks, state parks, and the scenic confluence of the Mighty Mississippi and Ohio rivers. Sikeston and Miner have long been considered the home of southern hospitality in Southeast Missouri. As such, we extend to you our warmest welcome!

We hope you enjoy yourself and will come back again and again to discover so much more to see, do, taste and enjoy than you ever imagined!

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Many of these events are free to the public while others may have a small admission charge. Please call the CVB at 888-309-6591 in advance of your trip for exact dates, times and admission charges.

While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information listed in this guide, all information is subject to change. Please contact the Sikeston/Miner CVB if you have any questions.

All phone numbers are area code 573 unless otherwise noted.

VISITOR INFORMATION
Toll Free: 888-309-6591
Phone: 573-471-6362
Fax: 573-471-2499
www.visitsikeston-miner.com

LOCAL SERVICES
Sikeston Municipal Airport
Jolliff Aviation: 471-9056
Enterprise Rent-A-Car: 471-7300

For lodging information click here

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CATCH THE FUN IN SIKESTON AND MINER!
Visit the legendary Lambert’s Cafe, “Home of Threwed Rolls,” where their down-home entrees are hot, good and served in an oh so interesting fashion! From the festive atmosphere and the mule-ish decor to the flying food, this is a see-it-to-believe-it experience! Lambert’s is located in Miner at 2305 East Malone, 471-4261.

PARKS AND RECREATION
Sikeston’s park system includes thirteen parks, perfect for large family gatherings or quiet picnics for two. Our largest park, the Sikeston Recreation Complex features a fishing lake, picnic shelters and playground equipment. With tennis courts, and several soccer fields, baseball diamonds and a little league football field, the Recreation Complex is home to a number of sporting events, including state and regional tournaments.

For more information on our parks, contact the Sikeston Parks and Recreation Department at 471-6070.

Armory Park – off Main Street behind the National Guard Armory
Central Park - Edmunson and Prairie Streets
Clayton Park - Butler Avenue
Dudley Park - Applegate Street
American Legion Park - Front Street
Malone Park - Scott Street
Mary Lou Montgomery Park - Illinois Ave.
North End Park - Hawthorne Drive
Robertas Rowse West End Park - Alabama St. and Sunset Dr.
RS Matthews Park and CP Wing Lake - Col. Day Parkway at S. Ingram Rd.
Rotary Park - Industrial Drive
Sikeston Recreation Complex - N. Ingram Rd.
Veterans Park - Linn Street
VFW Stadium - Off Malone at Mitchell Avenue

SWIMMING
Swimmers will enjoy a visit to the Jaycee Municipal Swimming Pool (471-6938) located on Tanner Street.

GOLF
If hitting the links is your recreation, Sikeston and Miner are ready to please.

Bootheel Golf Club (18 holes, par 71)
1218 N. Ingram Road • 472-6111

Sikeston Country Club (18 holes, par 72)
East Malone • 472-4225

MOVIES AND BOWLING
Don’t forget life’s simple pleasures! Malco Trio Cinema, Midtowner Shopping Center, E. Malone, 471-8420
Sikeston Bowling Center, 1601 East Malone, 471-2430

FAMILY ADVENTURE
For great family adventure, we suggest a trip to nearby Beggs’ Family Farm (471-3879) where you can go through a corn maze adventure, pick a pumpkin, milk a cow, climb on the giant tire maze or just learn more about agriculture. Check for details at BeggsPumpkinPatch.com. Kids of all ages just love it!

You might want to try some of the action-packed fun at Blodgett’s Paintball Planet (471-9197). And, on your way back to town, stop in at the SEMO R/C Flyers‘ Field on State Route HH to see if the local club is flying their handcrafted radio control model planes. If you prefer the real thing, take to the sky yourself at the Sikeston Municipal Airport, where Jolliff Aviation (471-9056) offers aerial tours of the region.

RACING
Here’s a fun idea! From April through September, check out the weekend racing action!

SEMO Kart Race Park 471-8701
Sikeston Drag Strip 471-9099
Sikeston Race Park 620-6409

WINERY
Things moving a little too fast? Slow down the pace and visit River Ridge Winery (264-3712) in nearby Commerce. Picnic on the grounds or in the old fermentation room.

NATURAL ATTRACTIONS
When it comes time to get back to nature, you’ve come to the right place. With nearly 30 state-managed conservation areas and lakes located in the Bootheel, hunting, fishing and nature-viewing opportunities are always just minutes away from Sikeston and Miner. Set out on a short trip to Big Oak Tree State Park (649-3149) in neighboring Mississippi County to explore some of the last remaining bottomland forests and cypress swamps in the nation. The Mingo National Wildlife Refuge (222-3589) near Puxico offers beautiful woodland nature trails for walking, biking or driving.
So Much To See

SHOPPING
Enjoy a leisurely walk while you shop and sample the variety of businesses and services available in our Historic Downtown shopping district. Located in the heart of the City of Sikeston, our downtown merchants offer everything from fine clothing to art, poetry to baked goods and educational materials.

A visit to the Sikeston Factory Outlet Stores is a must for any shopping fan. With a great selection and variety of merchandise, you are sure to find a bargain you can’t resist. And, check out the wares offered at the cities’ numerous weekend flea markets and trade fairs, or scour the aisles of our fine antique shops for that one-of-a-kind collectible. The true collector will enjoy a visit to AA Antiques in Miner. Both Sikeston and Miner offer additional shopping opportunities including everything from large department stores to quaint specialty shops.

A drive along Kingshighway will also take you to the heart of the City of Sikeston, Historic Downtown. Along the cobble-stoned streets, visitors can enjoy the shade of American Legion Park and tour Sikeston’s Historic Depot which houses a historic museum; an art gallery featuring local artists’ work; and a cultural center displaying traveling exhibits from national museums.

LAND RICH AND PLENTIFUL
With some of the richest soil in the world, the Sikeston/Miner area is home to fields of cotton, wheat, corn, soybeans, milo, potatoes, watermelons, rice, sunflowers and more! Explore our agriculture heritage with a visit to the Southeast Missouri Agriculture Museum, located off Hwy. O on County Road 532 just minutes east of Miner. This museum features over 6,000 pieces of antique farm equipment, including some you won’t find anywhere else! You’ll also find two Missouri log cabins (circa 1880), one wooden railroad caboose, and much more.

CULTURAL LIFE
Visitors to Sikeston and Miner can also enjoy the performing and cultural arts. The Sikeston Missouri Arts Council and the Sikeston Art League offer a number of community concerts, cultural performances and art shows throughout the year. In Sikeston/Miner, you will find the oldest performing arts group between St. Louis and Memphis, the Sikeston Little Theater. The new Albritton Mayer Center for the Arts provides a home for a host of these multi-media cultural presentations.

LET’S RODEO!
With celebrations honoring everything from cowboys to cotton, Sikeston and Miner offer a number of year-round activities to entertain. “Round up” the gang and join us in August for the annual Jaycee Bootheel Rodeo. This PRCA sanctioned rodeo is the largest rodeo in the State of Missouri and one of the largest in the USA. The Jaycee Bootheel Rodeo draws the best cowboys and cowgirls from across the nation. Hosting nationally known country-western music entertainment nightly, the rodeo is a definite must!

COTTON CARNIVAL FESTIVAL
If you can’t join us for the Rodeo, consider a visit in September when we celebrate the unique agricultural heritage of the region with a fun-filled festival. Boasting the northern-most production of cotton in the United States, the annual Cotton Carnival celebrates “King Cotton” in royal style with art shows, historic exhibits, carnival rides, games, musical performances and more!
DAY TRIPS AROUND SIKESTON AND MINER
From Sikeston and Miner, consider a day trip to our neighboring communities where you can visit historic sites, museums and churches, experience breathtaking scenery and nature trails, ride a riverboat ferry or just do a little sightseeing!

New Madrid (25 miles south) – Visit the oldest American city west of the Mississippi and home of the famous 1811-1812 earthquakes. Take a tour through the Hunter-Dawson State Historic Site, an antebellum home built in 1860 or visit the Higgerson School Historic Site, a restored one-room schoolhouse. Also, view the Mighty Mississippi from the river observation deck.

Charleston (16 miles east) – Home of the annual Dogwood-Azalea Festival held each year in April. The town is alive with magnificent dogwoods and azaleas in full bloom. Walking tours, arts and crafts, carriage rides, parades and ice cream socials are just a few of the activities held annually during this special event.

East Prairie (30 miles east) – Explore Big Oak Tree State Park, a National Natural Landmark and one of the last remaining virgin bottomland forests and cypress swamps in the nation. The Dorena/Hickman ferry is also nearby and you can enjoy a leisurely ride across the Mississippi River to and from Hickman, Kentucky.

Bloomfield (24 miles west) – A visit to the Stars and Stripes Museum and Library is a special treat when you tour Bloomfield, the birthplace of the Stars and Stripes newspaper. Veterans and military members will certainly know this newspaper which has served soldiers with news and events since the Civil War.

Malden (48 miles west) – The Bootheel Youth Museum is packed with exhibits and well worth the drive! Over 100,000 visitors have explored this hands-on discovery museum that features over 50 exhibits. A world of fun and learning for children of all ages!