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FOUR WAYS TO KEEP COOL IN THE CLE

Destination Cleveland Offers Ideas to Beat the Heat this Summer

CLEVELAND (July 9, 2018) — With toasty temperatures taking over the city this summer, Clevelanders can stay cool and still enjoy everything that the region offers. From outdoor activities to waterfront fun to indoor cooldowns and refreshing treats, Destination Cleveland suggests residents beat the heat this summer and explore some of Northeast Ohio’s “coolest” experiences.

On The Water

Goodtime III & Nautica Queen Cruises

Residents interested in spending time on the water (but wanting to stay dry) can hop aboard one of the two ships that cruise on the Cuyahoga River and Lake Erie. Locals can pick from the [Nautica Queen](#), which offers buffet dining and on-board entertainment, or The [Goodtime III](#), which offers sightseeing tours of The CLE. Each ship offers special events throughout the summer which range from happy hour cruises to dance cruises to Sunday brunch cruises.

- *Nautica Queen, 1153 Main Ave., Cleveland*
- *Goodtime III, 825 E. 9th St. Pier, Cleveland*
- *For schedules and tickets visit the [Goodtime III](#) or [Nautica Queen](#) websites.*

Beach Bonanza

Residents don’t have to travel far to beat the heat at the ultimate summer beach party. [The Cleveland Metroparks](#) hosts the Edgewater Live concert series every Thursday during the summer with local headlining acts as well as paddleboard rentals, food trucks and beachfront bars. Clevelanders can also chill at the new Edgewater Beach House with a Honey Hut ice cream cone in hand. Euclid Beach also offers Euclid Beach Live every Friday so locals can revel their way into the weekend.

- *Edgewater Beach, 7600 Cleveland Memorial Shoreway, Cleveland*
- *Euclid Beach, 16301 Lakeshore Blvd., Cleveland*
- *For more information on [Edgewater Live](#) and [Euclid Beach Live](#), please visit their websites.*

Water Activities

Whether it’s speeding on a jet ski or kayaking at a leisurely pace, Clevelanders have a bounty of water-based activities within just a short drive. Residents can navigate the waters of Lake Erie and the Cuyahoga River with jet ski, boat and kayak rentals at [Great Lakes Watersports](#) or try some stand-up paddle boarding or take a kayak tour with [41° North](#).

- *Great Lakes Watersports, 1148 Main Ave., Cleveland*
- *41° North, 1500 Scenic Park Dr., Lakewood*
- *For more information on [Great Lakes Watersports](#) or [41° North](#), please visit their websites.*

Indoor Cool Off

Escape Hunt

Clevelanders can escape the heat and put their brains to the ultimate test at [Escape Hunt](#). Groups can choose from three different escape room themes, from a London-based murder mystery to a steel mill on the verge of explosion to a mission to stop top-secret information from leaking to the public. Friends and families can try to “keep their cool” and work together to break free or compete against each other (and against the clock!).

- *21639 Miles Rd. #5, Cleveland*
- *Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 12:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.; Friday – Saturday, 12:30 p.m. – 10 p.m.*

Greater Cleveland Aquarium

Residents can cool off as they go under the sea and explore the [Greater Cleveland Aquarium](#). The aquarium offers daily activities including stingray and tortoise encounters as well as a public aquarium feed where visitors can see sharks, archerfish or gamefish grab a bite to eat. Clevelanders can feel like they are underwater with a stroll through the 175-foot-long SeaTube, which features grouper, stingrays, eels and four species of sharks swimming above and around them.

- *2000 Sycamore St., Cleveland*
- *Hours: Monday – Sunday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.*

Movie Mania

Families can chill out at one of the Cleveland theaters offering film screenings this summer for only one dollar. From showings of “The Secret Life of Pets” to “Sing” to Dr. Seuss’ “The Lorax,” [Capitol Theatre](#) and [Shaker Square Cinemas](#) are just a few of the theatres with this cool summer special. For movie viewing under the stars, [Crocker Park](#) is hosting its free “Movies in the Park” program through the summer on Thursday nights.

- *Capitol Theatre, 1390 W. 65th St., Cleveland*
- *Shake Square Cinemas, 13116 Shaker Square, Cleveland*
- *Crocker Park, 177 Market St., Westlake*

Cleveland Museum of Natural History

Residents can stay cool and learn about the Serum Run of 1925 by visiting the [Cleveland Museum of Natural History's](#) master of the cold: Balto, the famous Alaskan sled dog. Balto and his teammates were considered heroes for completing their leg of the historic run under extremely treacherous conditions. A local businessman brought the team to Cleveland in 1927 to save them from the inhumane treatment of the vaudeville circuit on the West Coast. The cool experience of seeing Balto isn't the only thing residents can experience at the Museum of Natural History. They can plunge into the mysteries of the universe, learn about dinosaurs (before the dawn of the Ice Age) and even see wild animals from the region in the Ralph H Perkins Wildlife Center & Woods Garden.

- *1 Wade Oval Dr., Cleveland*
- *Hours: Monday – Saturday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.; Sunday, noon – 5 p.m.*

Take It Outside

Public Square

For an afternoon that is sure to be a splash, families can head to [Public Square](#) for “Summer Splash in the Square.” This free, daily program offers activities ranging from kids yoga to giant Twister to guitar lessons – all of which adds to the fun of cooling off in the park's splash pad. Residents can also grab a bite to eat at REBoL or sample food truck fare during Public Square's “Food Truck Tuesdays.”

- *Public Square, W Superior Ave. & Ontario St., Cleveland*
- *For the full schedule of Summer Splash activities, visit [Public Square's website](#).*

Lake Erie Shores & Islands

An island escape is just an hour's drive away for Clevelanders! From hiking coastal trails to kayaking near cliffs to cooling off with a drink on a patio, [Lake Erie Shores & Islands](#) has summer activities covered. Each shoreline city and island offers its own vibe along with a variety of restaurants, activities and attractions to enjoy. Locals can spend just a day or even a weekend exploring the shores.

- *For more information on Lake Erie Shores & Islands, please visit their [website](#).*

Refreshing Treats

Sweet Moses Soda Fountain & Treat Shop

Clevelanders can take a step back in time to the 1940s at [Sweet Moses Soda Fountain & Treat Shop](#). With original soda fountain furnishings and a variety of drinks inspired from the period, residents can pull up a seat at the ice cream counter for a beverage or sweet treat to cool off. From The Terminal Tower Sundae to bananas foster to classic vanilla bean, locals can satisfy their sweet tooth in this unique CLE location.

- *6800 Detroit Ave., Cleveland*
- *Hours: Sunday – Thursday, noon – 11 p.m.; Friday – Saturday, noon-midnight*

Chilled Craft Brews

From a craft beer on a patio along the Cuyahoga River to a day in the unofficial brewery district of Ohio City, residents can explore Northeast Ohio's craft beer scene – and enjoy an ice-cold brew – with the new Cleveland Brewery Passport. Locals can pick up a free Cleveland Brewery Passport at any of the 30 participating breweries or the Cleveland Visitors Center (334 Euclid Ave.). A bonus while folks enjoy their chilled beverages of choice? Different prizes for completing part or all of the passport.

- *For more information on the Cleveland Brewery Passport, please visit the [website](#)*

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