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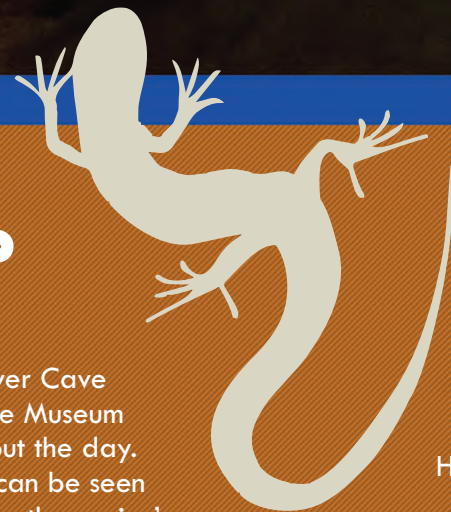


# HIDDEN RIVER CAVE



## PUBLIC GUIDED CAVE TOUR

Our guided tour into Hidden River Cave departs from the American Cave Museum in groups of 24 or less throughout the day. The historic hydroelectric works can be seen as you enter the natural entrance, the region's largest cave opening. The excursion then progresses along the bank of a subterranean river, crossing the world's longest underground suspension bridge and ending at the spectacular 5 acre Sunset Dome! The tour can be completed in 1 hour.



## LOCATE Us at

119 E Main St. • Horse Cave, KY 42749



East on KY 218

Hours can vary seasonally. For current hours and rates, please visit us online or call.

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Reservations can be made online, walk-ins welcome.



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## EXPLORE the Cave EXPERIENCE the Museum



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I-65/Exit 58, East on KY 218, 2 miles to  
stoplight, then one block on right.

## OFF-TRAIL CAVE ADVENTURE TOUR

The extreme Off Trail Adventure Tour is a 3 hour caving adventure not for the faint of heart. Helmets and headlamps are provided, while sturdy boots, knee pads, and well fitting, warm clothing are required. An experienced caver will lead you into a maze of underground passages where you will climb and crawl. 48 hours advanced reservation is required for a minimum of 2, maximum of 12 (call for more). We hope you don't mind getting dirty!



On a Spring night in 1867, John Muir, Father of the National Park Service, visited our village of Horse Cave, Kentucky. Standing at the fern-clad lips of the cave, feeling the abundance of the cold air issuing forth, he wrote, "The entrance is by a long easy slope of several hundred yards. It seems like a noble gateway to the birthplace of springs and fountains and the dark treasures of the mineral kingdom."



## GIFT SHOP

Choose a memory of your adventure with unique treasures from our gift shop.

- Fossils, rocks, and minerals
- Jewelry, souvenirs, and novelties
- Children's toys and gifts
- Gemstone sluicing
- T-shirts

## MUSEUM

The American Cave Museum is a unique facility devoted to the interpretation of caves, karst, and groundwater. Displays also include insights into the history and prehistory of the Cave County area. Admission comes free with all cave tours or you can enjoy independently.



## RAPPEL

Get on rope and rappel 75 feet down into the mouth of Hidden River Cave. Don't worry, you'll get the hang of it!



## ZIP LINE

Ever dream of flying? Start over the cave entrance and soar through the air across 280 feet past the trees. That first step is a doozy!



Hidden River Cave is located directly beneath the historic City of Horse Cave in south central Kentucky. The cave was once the source of drinking water and hydroelectricity for the City.

From 1912, people toured the cave, until 1943 when it was closed due to groundwater pollution from domestic and industrial usage of the area.

The American Cave Conservation Association relocated their national headquarters to Horse Cave in 1987 with a goal of restoring Hidden River Cave and establishing a museum and educational center. Following regional water clean-up, after 50 years of environmental hardship, the cave opened up once again in 1989. The account has been dubbed "the greatest cave restoration success story in the United States".

Today, thousands of visitors and school children tour Hidden River Cave and the American Cave Museum.



## EXPLORE HORSE CAVE

**Cell phone tour:** Trace the pathway of the cave on this self-guided above ground tour. Hear recorded stories of locals from a town that grew up on top of the cave.



**Downtown shops:** Browse shops in the beautiful National Register Historic District downtown with antiques, gifts, books, and local restaurants just across the street.

**Park/picnic areas:** Let the kids frolic at the children's playground, enjoy the picnic shelters and shady benches along a quiet walking trail at the park next door.

