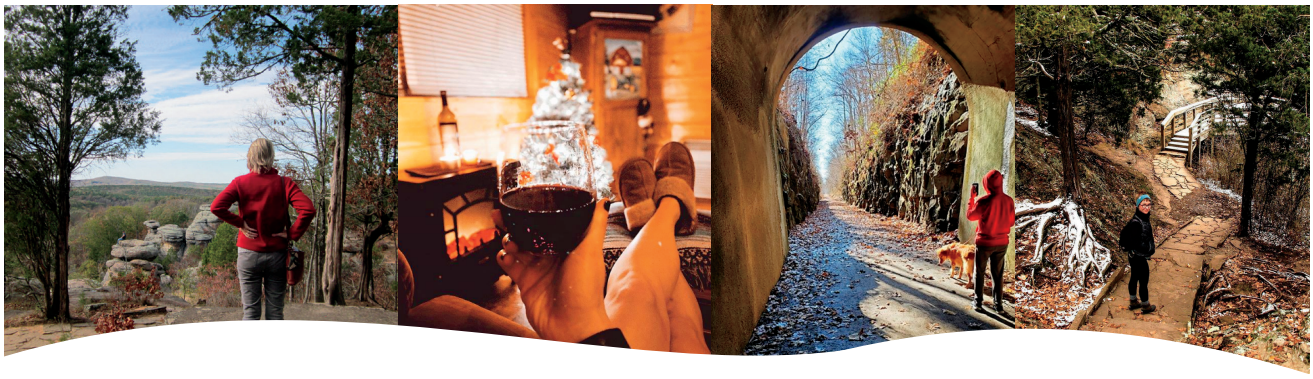

SOUTHERNMOST ILLINOIS
SHAWNEE FOREST COUNTRY
IS YOURS TO EXPLORE

The Shawnee National Forest offers hiking, horseback riding, rock climbing, fishing, and mountain biking. You won't want to miss the Garden of the Gods—rock formations more than 300 million years old—sculpted patiently over time by wind and rain. Follow the Observation Trail at Garden of the Gods where breathtaking views can be found.

Shawnee Bluffs Canopy Tour offers a 3-hour adventure through the trees with eight zip lines and two suspension bridges.

With breathtaking natural beauty and great opportunities for outdoor recreation, Giant City State Park near Makanda is sure to delight your entire family. Check out the 82-foot, 100,000-gallon water tower with a 50-foot observation deck that provides memorable panoramic views.

The Tunnel Hill State Trail is a 48-mile trail route that was converted into a biking and hiking path. The scenic trail winds through farmland, thick woods, lush wetlands, and the tunnel for which it was named.

Enjoy the rolling Southern Illinois countryside where you can sip your way along and discover the truly authentic wine culture on the Shawnee Hills Wine Trail.

Bed and Breakfasts dot the region and are great launching pads for wine tasting, hiking, kayaking, or biking enthusiasts. Cabins in the area can offer a secluded getaway, some that are pet-friendly and some with hot tubs.

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