

Lakeview Lodge Three-Day Itinerary

Day 1

Your first stop will be lunch at **Grateful Head Pizza Oven** in Hochatown, OK. This local pizzeria serves up artisan pies that will satisfy any appetite. After lunch, check in at the **Lakeview Lodge at Beavers Bend State Park**. Once you have settled in, hop on board a classic WWII era DUKW amphibious transport vehicle or “duck” for short. **Broken Bow Duck Tours** will take you on a ride you won’t forget around and across Broken Bow Lake. The duck tour will conclude at **Girls Gone Wine**, where you will tour the facility and enjoy a wine tasting. Now, relax on their patio with your favorite glass of wine. Afterwards, you will take a short ride to **Abendigo’s Grill and Patio**. Abendigo’s is another local favorite eatery that serves up wood-fired steaks and ice cold beverages. Order their famous Sicilian Nachos to share as an appetizer. After dinner, you will make your way back to Lakeview Lodge to watch wildlife from your patio and enjoy s’mores by the lake.

Day 2

Start your day with a continental breakfast at the lodge. After breakfast, take a drive to **Honobia, OK**. Legend has it that Bigfoot lives in the hills of southeastern Oklahoma. You will hear from Bigfoot experts and learn about the techniques they use to track this mysterious creature. You will see evidence Bigfoot has left behind and perhaps catch a glimpse of him yourself. About an hour southwest of Honobia is the town of **Antlers**. Here you will visit the **Wildlife Heritage Center Museum**. You will learn about the abundant wildlife that calls Southeastern Oklahoma home. Antlers is known as the deer capital of the world. After a quick stop in Antlers, head south to the town of Hugo. Hugo is currently home to the Carson & Barnes Circus troupe and for years has served as winter quarters for many circus performers. In Hugo, have lunch with the locals at **Angie’s Circus City Diner**. After lunch, you will visit **Mt. Olive Cemetery and Showmen’s Rest** – a area of the cemetery where many circus performers are buried.

You’ll also visit **Endangered Ark Foundation**, a sanctuary for the endangered Asian elephant. Take a scenic drive to Idabel to visit the **Museum of the Red River**. Tour the facility and view works of art and artifacts created by native peoples from all over the world. After touring the museum, an instructor will help you create your own work of art to keep as a souvenir. Take a short drive back toward Beavers Bend State Park and enjoy a casual dinner at **The Moon Tower Bar and Grill**, owned by Tabb Singleton, a chef who won a 2012 episode of Food Network’s “Chopped”.

Day 3

For the active group

After breakfast at the lodge, head to the **Beavers Bend nature center**. There, a naturalist will give a tour of the facility and give a talk about the area. Take time to enjoy the nature center and enjoy a nature walk on your own. Depart the state park and continue on to the Heavener Runestone. You will hear the stories and theories about who carved the stone and when. You will take a guided hike to the runestone for viewing and pictures. Some believe the runestone was carved by Vikings in the 10th or 11th century, however the Heavener Runestone is a mystery that remains unsolved.

For the not so active group

After breakfast at the lodge, head to the **Beavers Bend nature center**. There, a naturalist will give a tour of the facility and give a talk about the area. Take time to enjoy the nature center and enjoy a nature walk on your own. About an hour north is the town of Poteau. Stop at one of the local eateries before continuing on to the **Spiro Mounds Archaeological Center**. The Spiro Mounds were created by the Mississippian people, a Native American culture that flourished in the area between the 9th and the 15th centuries. On this site, some of the most extraordinary pre-Columbian artifacts have been found. An archaeologist will take the group on a guided tour of the grounds.

Lakeview Lodge Point to Point

Day 1

11:30am	Lunch at Grateful Head Pizza
1:00pm	Depart
1:30pm	Check in at Lodge
2:30pm	Duck Tour
4:30pm	Girls Gone Wine
6:30pm	Abendigo's for Dinner
8:00pm	Depart
8:30pm	S'mores at the lodge

Day 2

7:00am	Breakfast at Lodge
8:00am	Depart
9:00am	Honobia/Bigfoot
10:00am	Depart
11:00am	Wildlife Heritage Center Museum
12:00pm	Depart
12:30pm	Lunch Angie's Circus City Diner
1:30pm	Depart
1:45pm	Endangered Ark Foundation
2:45pm	Depart
3:30pm	Museum of the Red River
5:00pm	Depart
5:45pm	Dinner at The Moon Tower Bar and Grill

Day 3

Active Group:

7:00am	Breakfast at Lodge
8:00am	Depart
8:30am	Beavers Bend Nature Center
10:00am	Depart
11:30pm	Heavener Runestone

Not so active group

7:00am	Breakfast
8:00am	Depart
8:30am	Beaver's Bend Nature Center
10:00am	Depart
12:00pm	Lunch in Poteau
1:00pm	Depart
1:45pm	Spiro Mounds Archaeological Center