
A Weekend in Fredericktown

If the Mon River Towns were given superlatives, Fredericktown would certainly be voted 'Life of the Party'. Home of celebration, relaxation and nature, Fredericktown is situated in the heart of the Maxwell Pool, a twenty mile stretch of the Monongahela River ideal for outdoor recreation.

If planning on spending multiple days soaking up the fun in Fredericktown, the Riverside Innⁱ, located at 400 Front Street, offers comfortable and affordable lodging in the downtown district. On the first floor, the Riverside Restaurant features weekly specials and a full bar adorned with grand wooden arches. This impressive and unique bar was carved from a few massive pieces of teak wood in New Orleans and transported by riverboat to its current location. Drop off your bags and head outdoors; there is much to do.

The river is the most obvious place to kick off your escapades in Fredericktown. The Greene Cove Yacht Clubⁱⁱ, located at 1390 State Route 88 in Jefferson, has a public boat launch available for a small fee. Here, you can launch your boat, jet ski, kayak or canoe. Northeast Paddle Board Companyⁱⁱⁱ is open daily from May to October and offers rentals, lessons, group rates and even stand up paddleboard yoga on the Mon. Before hitting the river, grab a bit to eat and a cold drink at the Greene Cove Bar and Grill^{iv}, open daily from May to October.

Another excellent option for lunch is the Fredericktown Butcher Shop^v, located at 334 Front Street, where you can pack your cooler or simply pick up their famous fried chicken to go. The kielbasa, ribs, and steaks are all fantastic choices for grilling out. Their homemade beef stick, available in four tasty varieties, is a fantastic snack for an active day.

Whether you are looking to walk, bike, or run, the Greene River Trail provides 5.2 miles of trail with striking river views. Beginning at the Greene Cove Yacht Club, the trail parallels the Mon River to its end in Crucible. For a less strenuous trek, turn back at the half way point in Rices Landing, about two and a quarter miles down the trail. Before doing so, pull off the trail to enjoy your picnic lunch, or ride into town to have a seat on one of the benches lining the riverfront. Take the time to appreciate the breathtaking view before turning back to Greene Cove.

After an exerting day, treat yourself to dinner at the Riviera Restaurant, located at 578 Front Street. Here, you can find breezy outdoor patio seating, overlooking the river. The Riviera Restaurant also has an attached hotel, if you decide to make an impromptu overnight stay.

The Riverside restaurant is the breakfast hotspot in town. After cleaning your plate, high tail it over to the Fredericktown Beer Distributor^{vi} to pick up bait worms. Fredericktown is a fantastic place to reel in Smallmouth bass, Saugers, Walleye and the occasional Muskie. A short walk from the downtown district sits a public boat dock, located behind the East Bethlehem Township Building. This is a nice nearby place to cast out.

If you want a full fishing experience or a secluded place to paddle, visit Ten Mile Creek Park, located just south of Fredericktown on Route 88. This Washington County park features boat ramps, picnic areas, shelters, and restrooms. The creek is too shallow for motor boats, but it does provide a boat ramp that can be used to access the Mon. It also offers 3-4 miles of paddling upstream for canoes and kayaks. The best time to take advantage of the scenic paddling on Ten Mile Creek is during late spring and early summer, when the water level is highest. A Washington County Launch Sticker is required to use this boat ramp, which is valid for all boat launches in the county. For a lazy day of fishing find a shady spot along the river bank, cast your rod and wait for a bite.

Need a sweet interlude to your day? If you return before 3pm, Trisha's Treats^{vii} is a great place to stop for an afternoon coffee, tea, and sweet treat. Trisha's also offers fantastic chocolates to take home the sweetness of Fredericktown.

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http://www.greenecoveyc.com/Greene_Cove_MENU_2012_FINAL.pdf

^v Fredericktown Butcher Shop

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^{vi} Fredericktown Beer Distributor

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^{vii} Trisha's Treats

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