Northern Kentucky in a Nutshell

Northern Kentucky, the top of the South & the end of the North, is perfectly situated along the Ohio River across from big sister Cincinnati. Encompassing the historic towns of Newport and Covington as well as the suburban centers along the Covington/Cincinnati International Airport (CVG), NKY is a strong part of the Cincinnati USA region with its roots firmly planted in Kentucky.

NKY shares a riverfront with Cincinnati. From hotels in Covington or Newport, it’s only a 10-minute walk across a bridge to all the nightlife, hustle & bustle of downtown Cincinnati.

CVG International Airport boasts the best airlift of any destination in Kentucky. With more than 210 daily flights to 55 destinations, CVG gives instant access to offerings in NKY and Cincinnati. Southwest Airlines will begin operations at CVG in 2017 with new flights to Chicago’s Midway Airport and Baltimore’s International Airport.

Our riverfront hotels are within a half-mile of 45 restaurants and close to countless culinary talent. Nearby Mainstrasse Village is a German-influenced cobblestoned neighborhood known for street festivals, pub dining and quirky boutiques & shops and has recently elevated to one of the region’s go-to urban neighborhoods for foodies & culinary fun-seekers.

Learn about the region’s rich history in Bourbon & Brewing. Take a tour & cooking class on the Craft Bourbon Trail at New Riff Distilling or embark on a historic underground brewery tour.

Don’t let our history lessons fool you – NKY has no shortage of fun for outdoor adventurists! Arrange a skiing & tubing trip to Perfect North Slopes, be your own riverboat captain aboard a BB Riverboats cruise, soar through the trees at Screaming Raptor Ziplines or live your childhood figure-skating dream on the ice rink at Fountain Square (weather permitting).

There are thrills to be had indoors too! Arrange group visits to the Newport Aquarium, Cincinnati Zoo, Underground Railroad Freedom Center, American Sign Museum or Ark Encounter. You won’t be disappointed with the share-worthy selfies you’re sure to capture!

Sports reign in NKY & Cincinnati with two professional sports teams, the Cincinnati Reds and the Cincinnati Bengals, as well as one of the fastest growing soccer franchises in the U.S., FC Cincinnati. Plan a group visit to the Reds Hall of Fame or take a behind-the-scenes tour of Great American Ballpark.

With our vibrant Arts community, groups can take in a Broadway show at the Aronoff Center, listen to an amazing outdoor concert during the Kentucky Symphony Orchestra summer series, see a production at the Cincinnati Ballet, Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra or Cincinnati Opera (one of the oldest and most highly regarded opera companies in the U.S.)

So join us for a plate of fried green tomatoes, wash it down with a local brew & watch our hometown Cincinnati Reds play baseball on a bustling riverfront. We’ll be glad to have you!