

THE SHAWSHANK TRAIL DRIVING TOUR



Photo: Frank Medrano (Fat Ass)



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15 Hollywood Filming Sites

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Experience the Thrill for Yourself

- Stand where your favorite characters like Andy, Red, Heywood, the warden and Brooks once stood at 15 filming sites.
- See where this classic movie was filmed at your own pace. You're in the driver's seat. Start and end where you want.
- 95% of the movie was filmed on locations in Mansfield, Ashland and Upper Sandusky, Ohio.
- The final scene was filmed at Sandy Point National Wildlife Refuge in St. Croix, US Virgin Islands.
- Visit **ShawshankTrail.com** for videos, podcasts, photos, souvenirs, travel packages, events and contests.



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25th Anniversary

Come back to join us for the 25th Anniversary Celebration of The Shawshank Redemption in 2019!

Visit ShawshankTrail.com for details.

Keep an eye out for the **Movie Site signs** along the way. They'll help you recognize where the sites truly are as you venture the Trail.



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Open to start your journey →

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Annual Shawshank Hustle 7k

Escape Shawshank Prison every June at the Ohio State Reformatory. The 7K race features five filming sites along the route, actor autographs, T-shirt, medal, The Shawshank Redemption movie, food, music, and more. Find exact dates and details at ShawshankHustle.com.

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1 | Shawshank State Prison



Ohio State Reformatory

100 Reformatory Rd., Mansfield
419-522-2644 • ohiostatereformatory.org 

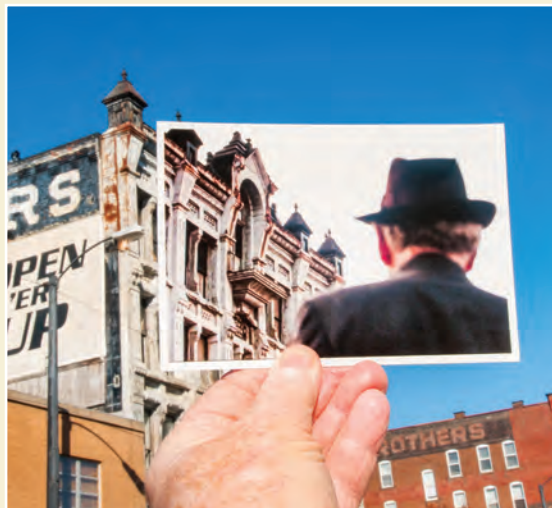
Hours: April 1-September 3, daily 11am-4pm. Call for winter hours.

Cost: \$12 adults, \$5 additional for audio tour guide. \$10 seniors, college ID, military & ages 7-17. \$9 for groups of 20 or more.

SHAWSHANK FACT: In the movie, The Ohio State Reformatory was used as a fictional penitentiary set in New England as the Shawshank State Prison. Be sure to take the Hollywood Tour. See Warden Norton's office and the Parole Board room. Walk through Brooks' hotel room to see a special surprise from the movie on display. You can even see Andy Dufresne's escape tunnel or take a photo with your favorite Shawshank character from the movie!

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2 | Brewer Hotel & Portland Daily Bugle



Bissman Building

193 N. Main St., Mansfield
419-295-2537 • hauntedbissmanbuilding.com

Hours: If the door is open, come in!

Cost: Donations are appreciated.

SHAWSHANK FACT: The Bissman Building was the site of the Brewer Hotel where Brooks stayed and hanged himself soon after being paroled. Only the front of the building was used in the movie. The actual "hotel room" was at The Ohio State Reformatory. The building was also utilized as the front office of the Portland Daily Bugle. While in front of the Bissman Building, look ahead (south) to find the City Mills Building on the corner of Fifth and Main Streets as you imagine Brooks with suitcase in hand, trying desperately to cross 5th Street on his way to the Brewer Hotel.

Directions: Leaving the Reformatory, turn right onto SR 545. Turn right onto Longview Ave. (just after the SR30 exits). At the light turn left onto Main St. (SR13 S). Cross over Sixth St. Get into right lane. The Bissman Building is on the right. Distance from the Ohio State Reformatory: 2.0 miles.




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3 | Pawn Shop Window



Carrousel Antiques

118 N. Main St., Mansfield • 419-522-0230 • carrouselantiques.com 
Hours: Mon-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun noon-5pm.

SHAWSHANK FACT: When you enter the Historic Carrousel District, you'll travel a little over halfway up Main Street in Downtown Mansfield. Look to the left for Carrousel Antiques. In the movie, Red peers through one of these same windows and sees the compass that later leads him to the Oak Tree.


Directions: From the Bissman Building, continue south on Main St. Distance from the Bissman Building: .20 miles.

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4 | Brooks' Bench



Central Park in Downtown Mansfield

419-755-9820 (Parks Department Office) 
Hours: Sunrise to 11pm.

SHAWSHANK FACT: In the movie you'll remember Brooks sitting down on the bench in Central Park to feed the birds. He waits hoping his pet crow, Jake, will show up to say hello, but he never does. The original bench used in *The Shawshank Redemption* is now where the gazebo stands. The replica bench is just west of the Gazebo along the paved walkway in the park. Look for the green bench with the Shawshank plaque and snap a picture!

Directions: Continue south on Main St. (SR 13 S). Get in left lane. Turn left onto Park Ave. East. Turn left onto Diamond St. Make an immediate left onto North Park St. Gazebo is on the left. Distance from Carrousel Antiques: .20 miles.



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5 | Movie Premiere



Renaissance Theatre

138 Park Ave. West, Mansfield • 419-522-2726 • mansfieldtickets.com

Hours: Tues-Fri noon-5pm. Visit website for upcoming shows and times.

Box Office is open two hours prior to all events.

Cost: Donations are appreciated.

SHAWSHANK FACT: Sit in the very same seats where the premiere of *The Shawshank Redemption* was shown on Tuesday, September 13, 1994 at the Renaissance Theatre.

Directions: From North Park St., turn left onto Main St. Get immediately in right lane. Turn right onto Park Ave. West. The Renaissance Theatre is on the right, just after the Holiday Inn. Parking is behind the Renaissance. Take drive between hotel and theatre. Distance from Central Park: .30 miles.

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6 | Road to Buxton



Corner of Snyder Rd. & Hagerman Rd., Butler

SHAWSHANK FACT: Walk in the steps of Red as he ventured towards Buxton once he got out of the red pickup truck. The location is at the intersection of Snyder Road and Hagerman Road in Butler, Ohio.

Directions: Leaving Renaissance Theatre, from the back parking lot, turn left onto Park Ave. West. Turn right onto Main St. (Rt. 13S). Get in left lane and stay straight as the road forks to the right. Follow Rt. 13 south towards Bellville. Turn left onto Rt. 97 East and travel 3.9 miles to Snyder Rd. Go straight onto Snyder Rd. (North Bend Church of the Brethren Clear Fork Branch on left) and travel 1.4 miles to the corner of Snyder Rd. and Hagerman Rd. At that location, look straight on Snyder Rd. to see where Red walked along to Buxton, Maine. Distance from the Renaissance Theatre: 15.6 miles.



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7 | Red's Bus Ride



Hagerman Rd. and Rt. 95, Butler

SHAWSHANK FACT: Route 95 (near Hagerman Road) in Butler, Ohio is where Red rode the Trailways Bus to Fort Hancock, Texas after being released from the Shawshank State Prison. Listen closely and you can almost hear the bus driving away over the hill.

Directions: Leaving the corner of Snyder Rd. and Hagerman Rd., turn right onto Hagerman Rd. and follow for 1.2 miles to Rt. 95. Stop and look left onto Rt. 95 to see where Red rode the bus after being released from prison. Distance from Snyder and Hagerman Rd.: 1.2 miles.

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8 | Shawshank Oak Tree



Pleasant Valley Road near Malabar Farm

SHAWSHANK FACT: Recall in the movie how Red walked along a hayfield and removed stones from a rock wall where Andy left a gift for him. Since the fall of the tree due to high winds on July 29, 2011 and July 22, 2016, the remains of the 200-year-old white oak were removed from the property. Enjoy this original photo of the Shawshank Oak Tree.

Directions: From the corner of Hagerman Road and Rt. 95, turn left onto Rt. 95 and travel to Rt. 603. Turn left onto Rt. 603. Make the first left onto Pleasant Valley Road. The location where the tree stood will be approximately .8 miles on the right on Pleasant Valley Rd. Distance from Hagerman Rd. and Rt. 95: 4.2 miles.

MESSAGE TO SHAWSHANK FANS: Where the oak tree once stood is on private property, which is being used as agricultural farmland. Help out our local farmers and **PLEASE** respect the owner's property by refraining from trespassing. Do not climb over the fence or stop on the road to view where the tree stood. It is best viewed on Malabar Farm's property across the road in the pull-off area in the field.



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9 | The Hollywood Connection



Malabar Farm State Park

4050 Bromfield Rd., Lucas • 419-892-2784 • malabarfarm.org

Hours: House tours: call for hours.

Cost: \$4.00 adults, \$2.00 children (6-18), seniors \$3.60.

Wagon tours \$2.00 adults/children, \$1.80 seniors, under 6 free.

SHAWSHANK FACT: James Whitmore (Brooks) and Clancy Brown (Captain Hadley) were taken on a personal tour of the Big House at Malabar Farm by local tour guides. Pugh Cabin, where the opening scene was filmed, is also located on the grounds of Malabar Farm.

Directions: Continue on Pleasant Valley Rd. Turn left at the first road which is Bromfield Rd. Make an immediate right at the next road to the Visitors Center. Check in to the Visitors Center for a tour of Malabar Farm. Distance from the Oak Tree Location: .4 miles.

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10 | Opening Scene



Pugh Cabin at Malabar Farm

Hours: Dawn to dusk.

SHAWSHANK FACT: In the opening scenes of *The Shawshank Redemption*, Andy Dufresne is sitting in his car, drinking, and handling a revolver the night that he caught his wife cheating on him. He is later convicted of two life sentences for the murder of his wife and her lover.

Directions: Check with Malabar Farm staff at the Visitors Center before driving up to Pugh Cabin. Leave Visitors Center, turn right onto Bromfield Rd., pass Malabar Farm Hostelling International on the right. Pass pond on left. Turn left at next dirt road. Follow the dirt road back to Pugh Cabin, which is on the right at the top of the hill. Distance from Visitors Center: .4 miles.



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11 | Maine National Bank



Photo: Jim Kisicki (movie bank manager)

Crosby Advisory Group, LLC.

19 W. Main St., Ashland 
CrosbyAdvisory.com

Hours: Mon-Fri 8am-4pm.

SHAWSHANK FACT: This former bank is where Andy visits near the end of the movie. He walks into the bank and says he's Randall Stevens, a name up until now had only existed on paper. He had come to close his accounts. He visits a dozen banks throughout the day leaving with Warden Norton's money in the sum of \$370,000.

Directions: Turn right out of the entrance of Malabar Farm onto Pleasant Valley Rd. Turn right and continue heading east on Pleasant Valley Rd. just past Malabar Farm Restaurant on the left. Turn left onto Rt. 603 north. Follow Rt. 603 north through Mifflin and continue. Turn right onto Rt. 42 north towards Ashland, get in the left lane. Make a slight left onto Claremont Ave. Follow into downtown Ashland. Make a sharp right onto Rt. 250 east (Main St.). Go 2 blocks, Crosby Advisory Group, LLC will be on the right, and turn left onto Orange St. to park. Distance from the Pugh Cabin: 19 miles.

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12 | Trailways Bus Station



Revivals 2 Thrift Store

345 Orange St., Ashland • 419-903-0303
pumphouseministries.com

Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10am-4pm

SHAWSHANK FACT: Red waits patiently in a long line of people to purchase a ticket for a bus ride at the Trailways Bus Station, which is the present day Revivals 2 Thrift Store in Ashland. As he steps up to the counter he asks for a ticket to Fort Hancock, Texas.

Directions: Leaving the parking lot on Orange St., travel 2 blocks north. Revivals 2 Thrift Store will be on right. Parking lot is just after Revivals. Distance from Crosby Advisory Group, LLC: .20 miles.




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13 | Andy's Conviction



Wyandot County Courthouse

109 S. Sandusky Ave., Upper Sandusky. 

419-835-5163, ask for Bill Mullen • 419-294-3836 (Commissioners)

Hours: Mon-Fri, 8:30am-4:30pm. Please ask permission of an employee before taking photos or walking through the Courthouse.

SHAWSHANK FACT: As you enter the courtroom imagine Andy standing in front of the judge as he's sentenced for murdering his wife and her lover. Scenes shot here appear early in the film, setting the stage for one of the greatest American movies.


Directions: Leaving Revivals 2 Thrift Store, go south on Orange St. Turn right onto West Third St. Left onto Rt. 250/Cottage St., get in center lane. Stay straight onto Claremont Ave. Claremont Ave. becomes Rt. 42 south. Follow Rt. 42 south to Rt. 30. Take Rt. 30 west and travel towards Upper Sandusky. Exit Wyandot Ave. East and turn left, heading west. Left onto S. Sandusky Ave. Courthouse is on the corner of Wyandot and Sandusky Streets on the left. Parking on either side of street. Use Sandusky St. entrance. Courtroom is on second floor. Distance from Revivals 2 Thrift Store: 57.30 miles.

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14 | Shawshank Woodshop



Woodshop

226 S. Eighth St., Upper Sandusky. 

419-835-5163, ask for Bill Mullen

Hours: Open by appointment with advanced notice.

Cost: Donations are appreciated.

SHAWSHANK FACT: Remember when the prisoners were working vigorously in the prison workshops? This is where those scenes were filmed. The primary scene is where Red and the rest of the prisoners stop their work to listen to the opera music because Andy locked himself in Warden Norton's office to play Mozart's, "The Marriage of Figaro" over the public address system.

What music would you have played if you were Andy?

Directions: Leaving Wyandot County Courthouse, head south on Sandusky Ave. Get in right lane. Turn right onto Johnson St. heading west. Continue two blocks. Turn left onto South 8th St. Continue one block and the woodshop is on the right (west) side by the railroad tracks in a brick building. Distance from Wyandot County Courthouse: .30 miles.



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15 | Zihuatanejo



Sandy Point National Wildlife Refuge

Frederiksted, St. Croix, US Virgin Islands
340-773-4554 • GoToStCroix.com

Open: September-March, Saturday and Sunday

Cost: Free

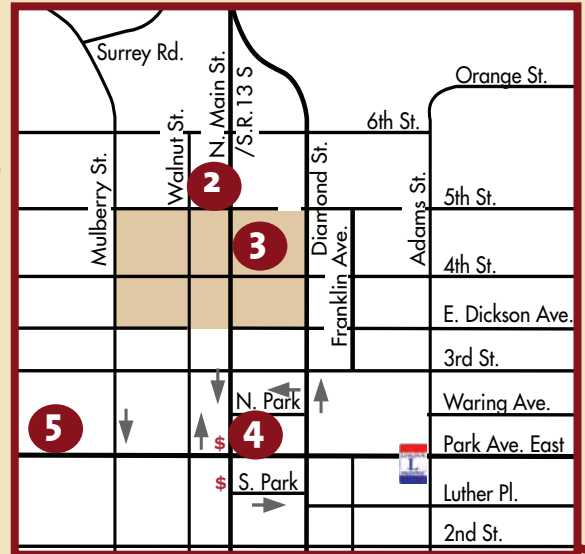
SHAWSHANK FACT: "I hope to see my friend and shake his hand. I hope the Pacific is as blue as it has been in my dreams. I hope." Step onto the most pristine, white sand beaches in all of the Caribbean where the ending of your favorite movie was filmed on Sandy Point Beach in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands.



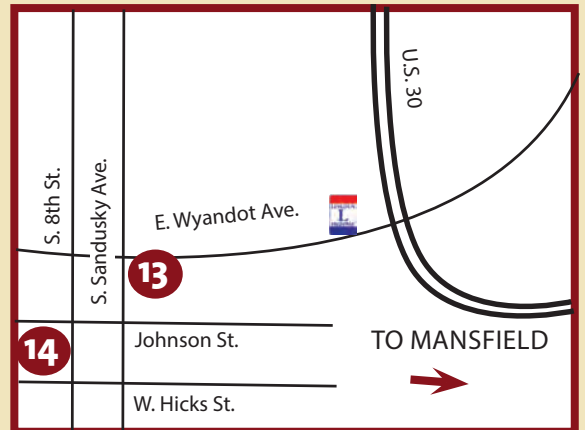
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Map of Filming Sites

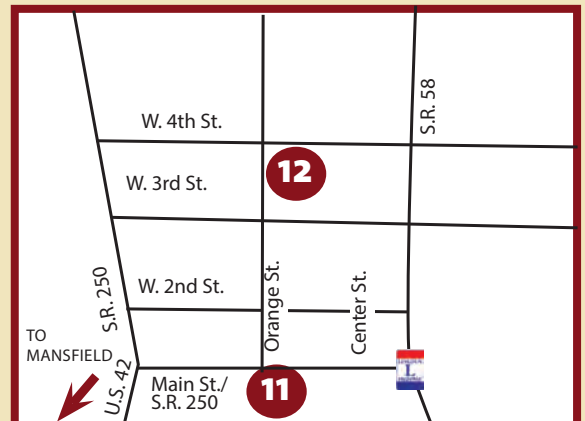
Downtown Mansfield Map



Upper Sandusky Map



Ashland Map



Mansfield Area Map

