

Rediscover FAMILY TIME IN MARION

COFFEE

Head over to **Mr. Beans** and enjoy fresh-brewed coffee and homemade breakfast pizza, sandwiches or pastries. If you're near the west side of town, zip through the convenient drive-through at **Scooter's Coffee**. If a flight of bacon is what you're craving, look no further than **Morning Story**.

GOLF

Looking for a tee time? Visit **Hunters Ridge Golf Course** for some practice at the driving range or 18 holes of bentgrass golf. Semi-private golf course **Indian Creek Country Club** is another great option for a 9-hole round. Or, enjoy the rolling terrain and fairways at **Gardner Golf Course**.

FUN ACTIVITY

If you're feeling particularly adventurous, check out **Victory Sports Center**, which offers an America-Ninja-Warrior-style competitive obstacle course. If you have time before or after, make a pit stop at **D-Bat Marion**, a 20,000 square-foot training facility featuring indoor batting cages for all levels of baseball and softball, instruction and a fully stocked pro shop.

The sporty people in your family will get a kick out of **Butterfield Skate Park** or the **soccer mini-pitch at Hanna Park**. And everyone loves a splash pad, so head over to **Thomas** or **Gill Park** to cool off!

LUNCH

You can't go wrong no matter where you choose to eat in Marion. Pasta from **Zio Johnno's** is the perfect fuel for your action-packed weekend, or grab a fast-fired pizza at **Your Pie**. Looking for classic Chinese food? Family-owned **China King** sends delicious smells throughout Marion every day. If you're craving tzatziki sauce, head to **New York Gyro**. With huge portions and mouthwatering sandwiches, this restaurant is the buzz of the town.

COOL TREATS

You're definitely going to need a cool treat after your full day, and you can't go wrong with a treat from **Planet Smoothie** or **The Freeze**. **Barker's Ice Cream & More** is located right on 7th Avenue. If you're craving something sweet AND salty, check out **Frydae** for some ice-cream masterpieces with fries on the side.



MORE FUN!

Haven't been to the new **Marion YMCA**? It's time to check it out! In all types of weather, your family can stay active at this state-of-the-art facility. Or, if it's a hot day, head over to the NE side of town and take a dip in the **Marion pool**.

Wanatee Park, located on the southeast side of Marion, offers a quiet reprieve from the bustle of the metro area. This 700-acre park provides opportunities for picnicking, camping, winter activities, mountain biking, horseback riding and more. It's also home to an off-leash dog park where dogs get to run free and socialize with their canine friends.

From Marion, you can go anywhere. The Linn County Trails Association offers maps of the conveniently located trails in the area, including options for short and long rides. If you head east on the **Grant Wood Trail**, be sure to make a pit stop at **Waldo's Rock Park**. The pond is stocked and open for fishing.

If you simply want to let the kids run around on a playground while you relax, check out **Thomas Park** or the inclusive playground at **Lowe Park** with easy access from Irish Drive.

SHOPPING

Whether you're starting your journey to grilling glory or you're already a master of the open flame, a visit to **The Grill Works** is a must anytime you're in the area. Don't miss the new shops in **Broad and Main on 7th**. **Staged Dwellings** is your destination for home accents and decor with a farmhouse vibe and **The Purple Wagon** offers quality, comfy and adorable baby clothing and accessories.

If your home needs a little spruce up, head to **Lily & Rose Floral Studio** or get lost in the natural beauty and stunning designs of **Culver's Garden Center and Greenhouse**, featuring a full-service nursery and garden center in addition to gifts, décor and gourmet foods.

DINNER

After an active day, grab some pizza at the one and only **Zoey's Pizzeria**. If you're thinking Italian is more your style, **Napoli's** delicious pasta is just a short jaunt away. Check out **QDogs BBQ** for pork sliders, nachos and more. Head to **La Cantina**, whose friendly staff serve delicious Mexican food, including fajitas and enchiladas. Or check out **Barrel House**, featuring upscale bar food and a dozen different drafts on tap.

