Things to See and Do in the Lexington Area

Location	Basics	Description	
Keeneland	4201 Versailles Road (859) 254-3412 http://www.keeneland.com Free Charge for Race Meet	This beautiful park is part thoroughbred race course, part sales company, and one of America's most beautiful racetracks. Keeneland is a park open 365 days a year for walking, biking, and picnics. Horses work out from 5:30am until 10:00 every morning on the main and the training tracks and visitors are welcome to watch. Eat breakfast in the Track Kitchen - open 6:00-11:00am. Race Meets in April and October.	
Kentucky Horse Park	4089 Iron Works Parkway (859) 233-4303 http://www.kyhorsepark.com	The only equestrian theme park in the world, the Horse Park offers over 1,000 lush acres to tour on foot, horseback, shuttle, or horse-drawn carriage. View a working horse farm and learn about the park's 40 breeds during the twice-daily Parade of Breeds. Also see the International Museum of the Horse, the American Saddle Horse Museum, and the Hall of Champions.	
Lexington Cemetery	833 West Main Street (859) 255-5522 www.lexcem.org Free	Established in 1824, this is considered one of America's most beautifully landscaped cemeteries. 3 lakes, fountains, over 200 species of trees, ducks, formal flower gardens and other horticultural treasures	
Mary Todd Lincoln House	578 West Main Street (859) 233-9999 http://www.mtlhouse.org	Mary Todd, the wife of President Abraham Lincoln, grew up in this Georgian-style brick structure in the early 1800s. The home has been restored and contains many Todd and Lincoln personal items and other period furnishings.	
Ashland: The Henry Clay Estate	120 Sycamore Road (859) 266-8581 http://henryclay.org	A visit to this former home of Henry Clay, a U.S. statesman, orator, and presidential candidate, will provide visitors a first-hand look at 19th century life in America. The tour also includes a beautiful garden and six other buildings.	
The Arboretum	500 Alumni Drive (859) 257-6955 http://www2.ca.uky.edu/arbor etum Free	Expansive arboretum features a variety of trees, gardens, and walking/jogging paths. Also the memorial to the Comair 5191 accident victims. Open year-round, dawn to dusk.	
Jacobson Park	4001 Athens-Boonesboro Road http://www.lexingtonky.gov/ index.aspx?page=2078 Free	A 216-acre park located in east Lexington. The park includes a reservoir, golf course, basketball court, dog park, fishing, open play fields, playground, restrooms, 7 shelters, and 4 volleyball courts.	

Raven Run Sanctuary	5888 Jacks Creek Pike (859) 272-6105 http://www.lexingtonky.gov/ index.aspx?page=276 Free	A unique, 734-acre nature sanctuary dedicated to preserving the natural beauty of the Kentucky River Palisades and early Kentucky history. 10 miles of hiking trails with access to streams, meadows and woodlands. Remnants of early settlers, over 600 species of plants, and over 200 species of birds throughout the year.	
Thoroughbred Park	100 Midland Avenue (800) 845-3959 http://triangleparklexington. org/?page_id=126 Free	This 2.5 acre park at the edge of downtown Lexington is dedicated to the Thoroughbred horse. It contains 7 life-size and lifelike bronze racehorses streaking toward the finish line, while brood mares, foals, and the great stallion for which Lexington was named "graze" in the park. Peak through the slit in the wall to see the Finish Line and hear how the roar of the fountains gets louder as the horses race to the finish.	
Lexington Public Library Clock and Pendulum	140 East Main Street (859) 231-5500 http://www.lexpublib.org/pag-e/ceiling-clock-foucault-pendulum-free Free	The world's largest ceiling clock and its 5-story pendulum adorns the Central Library rotunda. In addition, there is artwork depicting the history of the horse in the Bluegrass. The lady who donated the clock started the pendulum on New Year's Eve 2001 by burning the cord holding the plumb bob in place.	
Waveland State Historic Site	225 Waveland Museum Lane (859) 272-3611 http://parks.ky.gov/parks/historicsites/waveland/default.aspx	This 1847 Greek Revival mansion was built by Daniel Boone's grandnephew. Waveland museum offers guided tours of the home and its outbuildings. Also enjoy flower and herb gardens and a nature trail.	
Explorium	440 West Short Street (859) 258-3253 http://www.explorium.com	Here's a museum where you can touch and play with everything! This is fun and dynamic hands-on learning. Encourages kids to explore their world through a variety of exhibits, from an "archaeological dig" to giant soap bubbles.	
McConnell Springs	416 Rebmann Lane (859) 225-4073 http://www.mcconnellsprings. org Free	The "Birthplace of Lexington." Nice walking trail leading to a breathtaking natural spring where Lexington was named in 1775. There is also an elevated walkway over the wetland areas with many wildflowers and birds.	
Headley- Whitney Museum	4435 Old Frankfort Pike (859) 255-6653 http://www.headley- whitney.org	Explore the decorative arts including ceramics, furniture, metalwork, and textiles.	
The Red Mile	1200 Red Mile Road (859) 255-0752 http://www.theredmile.com Free Charge for Race Meet	Lexington's oldest existing racetrack, (1875), as well as one of the nation's most respected harness tracks. Live races during the fall. The nation's largest outdoor Saddlebred horse show. See the historic Round Barn.	

	Living Arts & Science Center	362 N. Martin Luther King (859) 252-5222 http://www.lasclex.org 560 Eureka Springs (859) 269-5686 or	Over 400 classes and workshops for children 18-months old to adults; art exhibits by local and regional artists; hands-on exhibits; performances and workshops with musicians, storytellers, and puppet companies; field trips; free arts activities. Public Ice Skating Rink and 54 holes of Miniature Golf. (Three 18-hole courses.)	
	Lexington Ice Center	(859) 268-6046 http://www.lexingtonicecenter .com	This was featured by the Travel Channel as one if its Top 10 Most Unique Miniature Golf courses in the U.S.	
	Masterson Station Park	3051 Leestown Road http://www.lexingtonky.gov/index.aspx?page=2101 Free	A 660 acre park located in west Lexington. Dog Park; Football & Soccer Fields; Playground; Sand Volleyball; 3 Shelters which may be rented by families & groups	
	Hunt-Morgan House	201 North Mill Street (859) 253-0362 http://www.bluegrasstrust.o rg/hunt-morgan.html	The former home of General John Hunt Morgan was built in 1814. This fully restored house contains many family possessions and includes a Civil War museum on site.	
Lexington Visitors' Center		401 West Main Street (859) 233-7299 http://www.visitlex.com Free	Friendly Specialists can give advice on things to see and do in Lexington and the Bluegrass Region. Pick up a Visitor Planning Guide or map and browse the materials. Watch videos about the Bluegrass Region, get your picture taken with a life-sized blue horse, and check out many historic objects.	
	Bluegrass Farmers' Market	3450 Richmond Road (859) 278-4846 http://www.bluegrassfarmers market.org Free	100% locally grown products. Vegetables and fruit are usually picked the day before you buy them. A wide variety of vegetables, flowers, herbs, and fruit, farm-fresh eggs, grass fed beef, lamb, goat, free-range chicken, rabbit, local honey, jams, soaps, rubs, flowers, and bedding plants.	
Lexington Farmers' Market		401 West Main Street (859) 608-2655 http://www.lexingtonfarmers market.com Free	Check the website for other locations. One of the locations is open every day. The Saturday market is from 7am until 3pm. There are many farmers and vendors with KY grown vegetables and fruit, local ice cream, bar-b-q, kettle corn, locally roasted coffee and all kinds of munchies that help contribute to the festival-like atmosphere. Vendors selling locally raised chicken, beef, pork; homemade bacon and sausages, and there are several cheese makers who are really putting out some amazing products. A few bee keepers bring some really unique, local, raw honeys too. Even some freshwater shrimp and prawns.	

Whitaker Bank Ballpark	207 Legends Way (859) 422-7867 http://lexington.legends.milb.com/index.jsp?sid=t495	Home of the Lexington Legends minor league baseball team. Fans can watch a game from stadium seats or an area of picnic tables. The third base line features a kid's area with a playground, bouncer and obstacle course.	
Horse Farm Tours	Various Methods	You can drive your own car on the back roads around Lexington to see the beautiful countryside and horse farms. Or you can buy a CD from the Lexington Visitors' Center to play in your car as you drive around. Or you can join guided tours conducted by several local companies that will drive around the area and go into working horse farms. A list is available from the Lexington Visitors' Center - http://www.visitlex.com/idea/horse-farms.php .	
Woodsongs	Lyric Theatre 300 E. 3rd Street (corner of 3rd and Elm) (859) 252-8888	Performances and live audience radio taping every Monday night. Grassroots, American music - folk, bluegrass, songwriting, and new artists. Plenty of free parking.	
Toyota Plant Tour in Georgetown	1001 Cherry Blossom Way Georgetown, KY 1-800-866-4485 http://www.toyotageorgetown.com/tour.asp Free	Each year, the 7,000 team members build about 500,000 vehicles and engines - about 2,000 vehicles daily. There is a huge Visitor Center with hands-on experiences. You can climb inside one of the vehicles on display and ride a tram on a tour through the plant to see how cars are made. The tour takes about 1.5 hours and is also free.	

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Public Library	Keeneland	Mary Todd	Keeneland	Headley –	LEX Farmers
		Lincoln		Whitney	Market
Explorium	Horse Park	Ashland	Horse Park	Toyota Plant	Bluegrass
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Living Arts &	LEX Cemetery	Waveland	Thoroughbred	Woodsongs	
Sciences	,		Park		
Ice Center	Arboretum	McConnell Sp.	Red Mile		
Whitaker	Jacobson Park	Hunt-Morgan	Horse Farm		
Ballpark			Tours		
	Raven Run				
	McConnell Sp.				
	Masterson Park				
	Horse Farm Tours				

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