



ANN ARBOR, MI ITINERARY

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Unique traditions to experience on game weekend

- Check out The Rock to see what students painted before that day's game.
- Get to the stadium early to watch the band play. Michigan's band is an integral part of the experience, and watching the band high-stepping across the field is a really great moment before every game.

Best local hangout/restaurant to watch the game

- *The Brown Jug* is the best bar on campus, and an Ann Arbor tradition. Good food, plenty of TVs to watch the game, and a good selection of drinks.
- *Ashley's on State Street* is great for any beer aficionado. The menu has just about any kind of beer you could ask for.

What to wear to the tailgate/game

- A sweatshirt, gloves, and a knit hat. November is cold and you want to be prepared. The wind in the Big House is fierce.
- Whatever it is, make sure it is maize and blue.

Must-sees at the tailgate

- The golf course southeast of The Big House is where the most heavy duty tailgating takes place.
- The walk from The Diag to campus (State Street to Hoover Street to Greene Street). This is where the student body gathers to tailgate before the game.

The food/drink must-have at the game

- *Zingerman's Deli* is world-renowned and an absolute must-have for anyone going to Ann Arbor for the first time.
- You have to get *BTB* (formerly Big Ten Burrito) while in town. It's a local joint started by a couple UM students.
- *Angelo's* – one of Ann Arbor's best breakfast joints.

Best shops to purchase team merchandise

- *The MDen* has a shop set up north of the stadium, but there are also two main stores on Main Street and State Street.
- *Underground Printing* has a couple locations around campus.

Favorite part of the campus

- *The Diag* - In the heart of Michigan's center campus is the large, open area between Michigan's Graduate Library and Rackham Graduate School. It is where you'll see the most students and the beautiful campus buildings.
- *The Michigan Union* – It's a really cool old building with shops, fast food places, study rooms, events, and a billiards room.

Other insider tips and hidden gems in Ann Arbor

- *Nichols Arboretum* is just east of the Hill (most of the dormitories are here) and it features lots of trails, trees and open meadows.
- Late night you have to stop and eat at *Fleetwood Diner* on Ashley St. Get the Hippie Hash, the best hash browns dish out there.