

GRAND
RAPIDS
AT A
GLANCE

the 
experience®





Dreaming of a fun getaway?

DREAM GRAND AND GO
to Grand Rapids!



Grand Rapids is no ordinary town.
See for yourself!

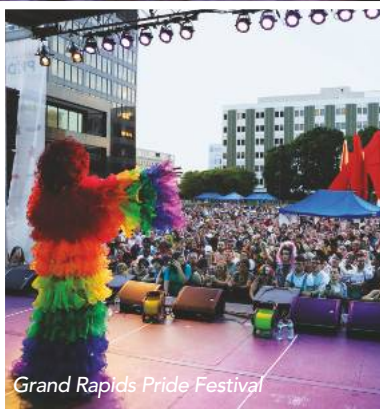
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*"Trumpet Flowers" by Amigo & Amigo
World of Winter 2022*



Grand Rapids Asian-Pacific Festival



Grand Rapids Pride Festival



Grand Rapids Fireworks

Thrilling Festivals & Events

- Join in the fun of annual festivals celebrating art, culture, food, holidays, beer, butterflies and more
- Check our Events Calendar to find things to do and see every day of the year

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A Center of Farm-to-Table Dining

- Taste the bounty of fresh-daily ingredients grown in one of the nation's best agricultural regions – the Grand Rapids Fruit Ridge
- Enjoy meals prepared by chefs trained at one of the nation's finest culinary schools – located right here in GR
- Dine, shop, cook & celebrate local foods at the Downtown Market
- Choose from 150+ eateries and 8 breweries within a 10-minute walk of downtown hotels

More at ExperienceGR.com/Food



**Top 20 US.
Foodie City**

WalletHub



Fantastic Family Fun

- Meet 2,000+ animals and go on adventures at John Ball Zoo
- Play the day away at Grand Rapids Children's Museum
- Explore history, science and nature at Grand Rapids Public Museum
- Wander the Lena Meijer Children's Garden at Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park
- Entertain the whole family at the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum

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**#1 Best Place to
Raise a Family**

BestPlaces.net





"Bent of Mind" by Tony Cragg

Michael Moran photo courtesy of Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park

**#2 Best City for
Soul Searchers**

Livability



*"Tin Man"
by Bill Secunda
ArtPrize 2021*

Outstanding Art & Culture

- See two art museums & a vast collection of public art downtown
- Don't miss Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park, one of the world's Top 30 Must-See Museums
- Attend ArtPrize®, the world's largest art competition
- Enjoy ballet, opera, symphony & theatre productions
- Get CulturePass GR for discount admission & other perks

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Award-Winning Beer & Craft Beverages

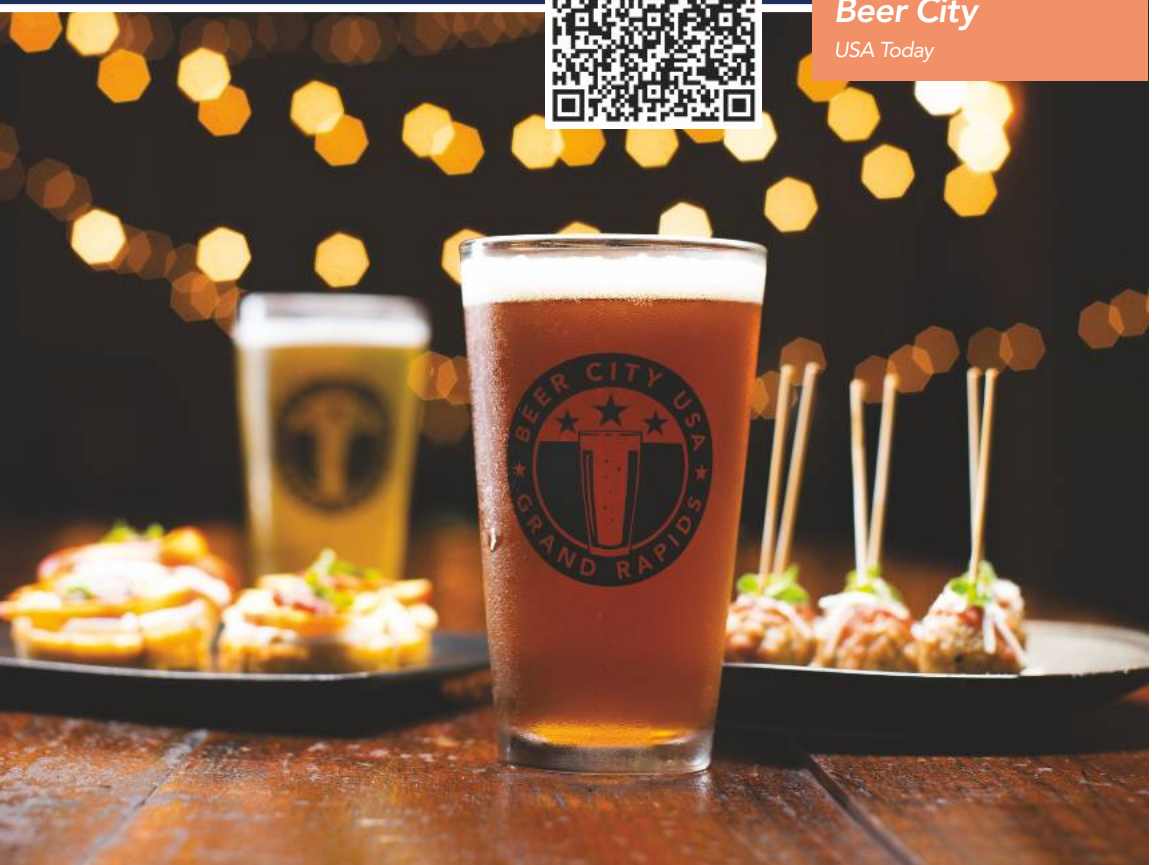
- Tour 40+ craft breweries on the Beer City Ale Trail
- Check into 8 breweries with the Beer City Brewsader® app for a FREE t-shirt
- Taste the difference fresh, local apples make at area cideries
- Sample distinctive flavors at distilleries, meaderies & wineries
- Take tours and classes to explore craft beverages in depth

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*America's Best
Beer City*

USA Today

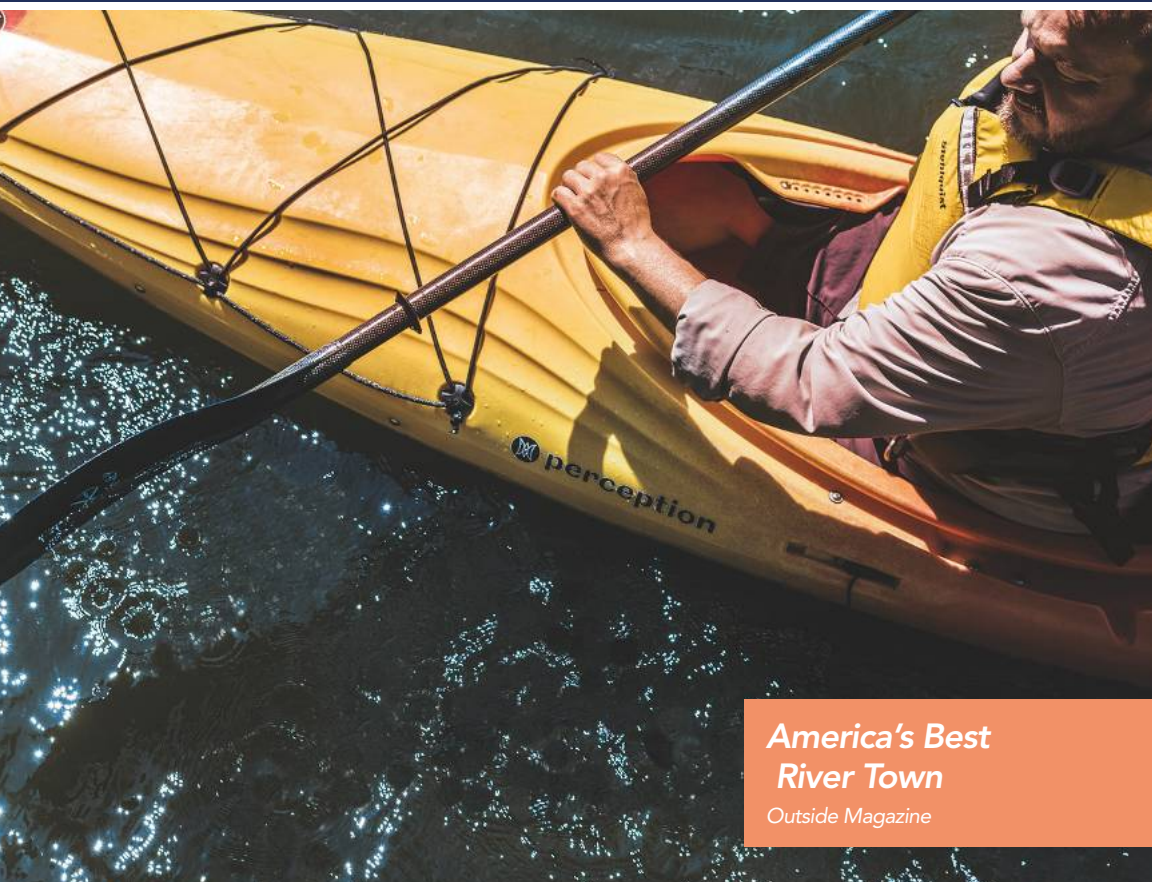


Abundant

Outdoor Recreation

- Golf at dozens of courses as close as 5 minutes from downtown
- Canoe, kayak, fish and swim in close-by rivers and lakes
- Bike and hike 100s of miles of paved trails
- Relax and recharge in 1 of America's largest urban parks
- Visit spectacular Lake Michigan beaches just 30 minutes away

More at ExperienceGR.com/Outdoor



**America's Best
River Town**

Outside Magazine





Molly at Listening Room



Lady Ace Boogie



Rollicking Nightlife

- Eat, drink and make merry at 150+ downtown restaurants & breweries
- Stroll Outdoor Refreshment Areas and see outdoor concerts & movies
- Feel the beat at 100+ live-music venues – 30 downtown
- Attend outdoor concerts, movies & dances on summer nights
- See touring Broadway, comedy & concert events
- Hit the Ionia Avenue and Bridge Street entertainment districts

More at ExperienceGR.com/Nightlife



Incredible Lakeshore

- Visit 19 Lake Michigan beaches 30-45 minutes from downtown
- Swim, sunbathe, rent a jet-ski, charter a fishing boat, take a sunset cruise
- Climb or ride up towering sand dunes for stunning views
- Shop, dine and sightsee in nearby lakeshore towns
- Stroll boardwalks & piers to historic lighthouses

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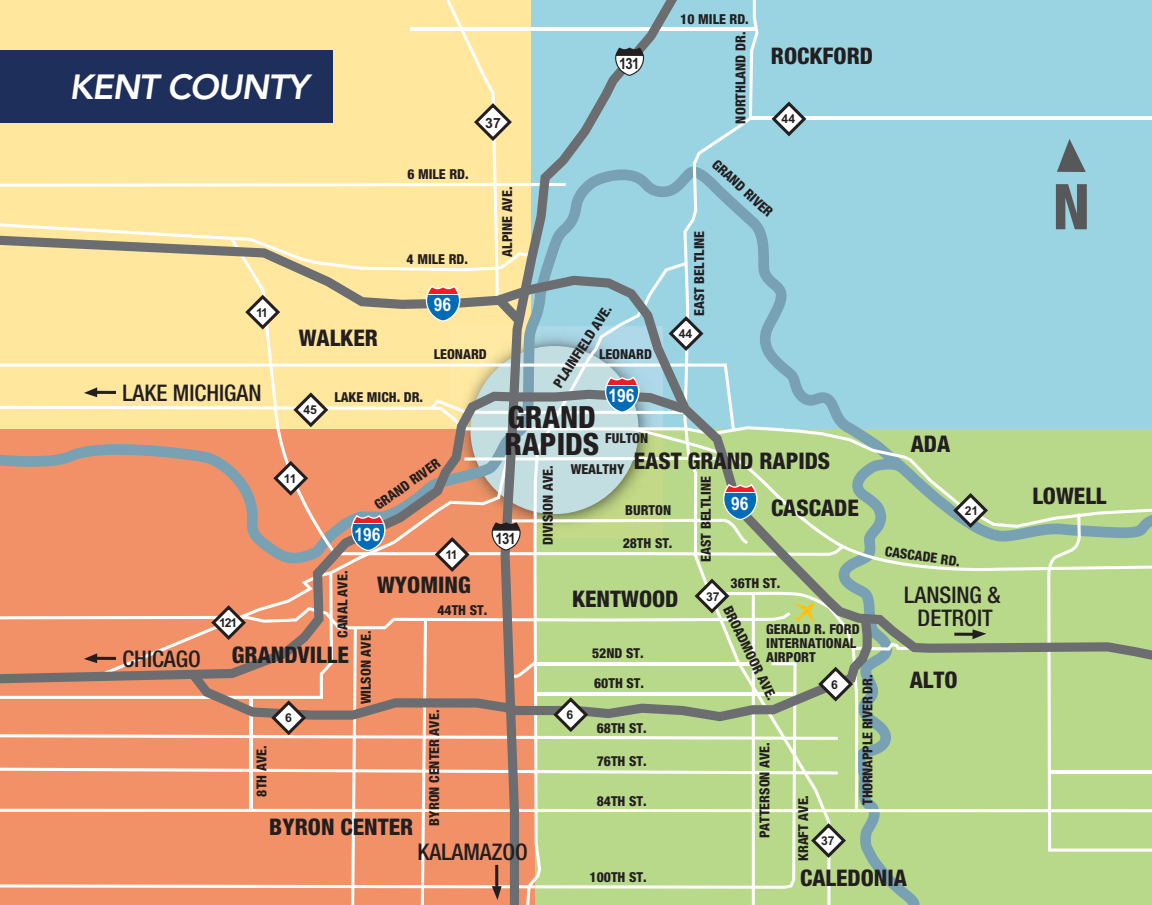


**1 of the World's
Top 25 Shorelines**

Travel+Leisure Magazine



KENT COUNTY



Easy

Travel To & Around

- Gerald R. Ford International Airport offers 100+ daily nonstops to 30+ destinations via 6 carriers
- The city is within a day's drive of half the U.S. population
- FREE downtown bus service & FREE driverless rides
- Lyft & Uber, and scooter & bike share
- Bus, taxi, limo & car rental options

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#1 Airport in North America (by size)

Airports Council International



America's Craft Beverage Capital
USA Today

#2 U.S. City for People with Disabilities
WalletHub



#1 Hottest Real Estate Market
Trulia

Top 10 U.S. College Town
Matador

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