

# Tour To Stearns KY

**Monday, June 4, 2018**

**Round trip : 97.3 miles**

**Start tour at 7:30 or before!**

Today's tour you will need to leave early. We will be taking the paved route to Stearns, even though it is longer, it is faster. There is a pit stop at a park in Monticello. The roads are main routes, but have wonderful scenery. Please be cautious of modern traffic. You will have to be on the train (included in registration) by 10:30. If you are early, you can explore the businesses around the depot and the museum. You will be served a boxed lunch on the train ride. The train will travel to Blue Heron Mine and you will learn the history of the Stearns Coal Company and the area. The best way to reach these areas, is by train. Roads are all dead end to the remnants of these towns. Relax and enjoy your ride! After the train ride, be sure to get gas at the only station in town. On the route back to Somerset, you will take the short cut through the wilderness. These routes have been tested, just read your directions and don't depend on GPS!

## 56.3 miles to Stearns

1	Depart <b>Holiday Inn Express</b> and turn <b>right</b> onto <b>US-27 S</b>	2.7 mi
2	Take ramp <b>right</b> for <b>KY-90 West</b> toward <b>Monticello</b>	0.4 mi
3	Bear <b>right</b> onto <b>Ky-90</b>	1.1 mi
4	Turn <b>left</b> onto <b>KY-790, after crossing big bridge, toward Woodson Bend Resort</b>	0.1 mi
5	At stop sign, turn <b>left</b> to follow <b>KY-790</b>	0.3 mi
6	Turn <b>right</b> to stay on <b>KY-790</b> , big old red building on corner	14.1 mi
7	Keep <b>straight</b> onto <b>KY-776 / KY-790</b>	0.3 mi
8	Keep <b>right</b> to stay on <b>KY-776</b>	7.1 mi
9	Turn <b>right</b> onto <b>KY-92</b> , if you don't need restroom break, turn left on KY-92.	1.8 mi
	Arrive at Restroom stop at <b>Monticello/Wayne County Park</b> on <b>left</b>	
10	When leaving the park, turn <b>right</b> onto <b>KY-92</b>	28.2 mi
11	Turn <b>left</b> onto <b>KY-1651</b> at stop sign. If you are early, please fill up your gas tank before the train ride here.	0.1 mi
12	Turn <b>left</b> onto <b>KY-1651 / Henderson St.</b>	0.1 mi
13	Arrive at the Stearns Depot. If you are really early and have time explore the town museum and shops. Your lunch will be served on the train.	

**Return to Somerset Go back out of Stearns the way you came in. Get gas before leaving Stearns. This will be the last of civilization until Somerset!!!!!! Trust us!!!!!**

**Back to Somerset: 41 mi on the wilderness route! \*\*\*\*\*** Route by-pass incase of high water: Reverse directions when you came to Stearns. If there is extreme rains on this day, I would recommend the black top route as you drove to Stearns, or follow US-27 North to Somerset (busy road). These are not as scenic or adventurous, but we want you to be safe.\*\*\*\*\*

1	Depart <b>Stearns Depot</b> turn <b>left</b> and go back the way you came in.	0.1 mi
2	At stop sign, turn <b>right</b> onto <b>KY-1651</b>	0.2 mi
3	Turn <b>right</b> onto <b>KY-92</b> toward Monticello. Marathon on corner - get gas now!	10.0 mi
5	Turn <b>right</b> onto <b>Jones Hollow Rd</b> - 1st road after tall concrete bridge	0.6 mi
6	Keep <b>left</b> to stay on <b>Jones Hollow Rd</b> , <i>Extra Explore: if you want to see a swinging bridge and creek crossing and a steep hill, watch for Ritner Rd on left. The road is steep down hill and we have not crossed this creek, it looks deep. There is little parking and you have to drive in the creek to turn around. You may want to park at the top of the hill and walk down. The swinging bridge is really huge and new. Great to see! Just continue on Jones Hollow to follow route back to Somerset.</i>	5.2 mi
7	Continue <b>straight</b> onto <b>Freedom Church Rd</b> - Continue onto gravel at Y (ATV Trail sign)	0.5 mi
8	Bear <b>left</b> after Horseshoe Bend and then bear <b>left</b> to go into dry creek bed and go into the creek. Cross the creek, water is normally up but bottom is pretty good. Continue toward island and keep left of island. After crossing creek, there is Freedom Baptist Church on left and there are restrooms behind the church.	2.7 mi
9	Turn <b>right</b> onto <b>Brammer Hill Rdg Rd/Lower Turkey Creek Rd</b> (Do not follow yellow line road)	2.5 mi
10	Turn <b>right</b> onto <b>Jonesville Cemetery Rd</b> at triangle. <i>*****Alternate Flood Route: Look for route info at the hotel before leaving, this road closes due to lake level, not recent rain. Instead of turning right on Jonesville Cemetery Rd, continue straight at triangle onto Brammer Hill Ridge Rd, then turn right at fork onto Delta Rd, then turn right onto KY-790, turn right on Zion Rd, then turn left at fork and go to direction #13*****</i>	2.6 mi
11	Turn <b>left</b> onto <b>Zion Rd</b>	1.1 mi
12	Bear <b>right</b> onto <b>Rocky Hill Rd</b>	1.8 mi
13	Bear <b>right</b> onto <b>Aderholt Rd</b>	6.0 mi
14	Turn <b>right</b> onto <b>KY-790</b> at stop sign	2.9 mi
15	Turn <b>left</b> to stay on <b>KY-790</b> at stop sign, and follow KY-790	0.4 mi
17	Turn <b>right</b> onto <b>Ky-90</b> at stop sign and cross big bridge	1.3 mi
19	Take ramp <b>left</b> for <b>US-27 N</b>	3.1 mi
20	Turn <b>left</b> to Holiday Inn Express	
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