



Route 66: 8 States Checklist and Itineraries

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Practical checklist before your road trip. About 85% of the historic alignment remains drivable (NPS). Verify open segments on [nps.gov](https://www.nps.gov) before departure.

A. Tableau des 8 Etats

State	Miles	Key cities	Highlights
Illinois	~301 mi	Chicago, Joliet, Springfield, Litchfield	Art Institute, Willis Tower
Missouri	~317 mi	St. Louis, Cuba, Lebanon, Springfield	Gateway Arch, Route 66 murals
Kansas	~13 mi	Galena, Riverton, Baxter Springs	Shortest of the 8 states
Oklahoma	~432 mi	Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Clinton, Elk City	Blue Whale Catoosa, Arcadia Round Barn
Texas	~186 mi	Shamrock, Amarillo, Vega, Adrian	Cadillac Ranch, Big Texan Steak Ranch
New Mexico	~487 mi	Tucumcari, Albuquerque, Grants, Santa Fe	Old Town, Sandia Crest, Santa Fe loop
Arizona	~401 mi	Holbrook, Winslow, Flagstaff, Seligman, Kingman	Petrified Forest, Meteor Crater, Seligman
California	~314 mi	Needles, Barstow, Pasadena, Santa Monica	Santa Monica Pier, Will Rogers plaque

B. 7-Day Itinerary

- D1 Chicago (IL): Art Institute, Willis Tower, depart
- D2 St. Louis (MO): Gateway Arch, Cuba MO (murals)
- D3 Tulsa OK: Blue Dome, Catoosa Whale, head to Amarillo
- D4 Amarillo TX: Cadillac Ranch, Big Texan, Vega
- D5 Albuquerque NM: Old Town, Sandia Crest
- D6 Flagstaff AZ: Route 66, Grand Canyon (optional)
- D7 Santa Monica CA: Pier, Will Rogers plaque, finish

C. 14-Day Itinerary

- D1-2 Chicago + Joliet + Springfield (IL)
- D3 St. Louis + Cuba + Lebanon (MO)
- D4 Galena KS + Baxter Springs + Miami OK
- D5 Tulsa + Catoosa + Claremore (OK)
- D6 Oklahoma City + Clinton + Elk City (OK)
- D7 Shamrock + Amarillo + Vega (TX)
- D8 Tucumcari + Santa Rosa + Albuquerque (NM)
- D9 Grants + Acoma + Gallup (NM)
- D10 Holbrook + Petrified Forest + Winslow (AZ)
- D11 Flagstaff + Meteor Crater + Williams (AZ)
- D12 Seligman + Kingman + Oatman (AZ)

12. D13 Needles + Barstow + San Bernardino (CA)

13. D14 Pasadena + Santa Monica Pier (CA)

D. 21-Day Itinerary

1. D1-2 Full Chicago + Oak Park (IL)

2. D3 Joliet + Wilmington Gemini Giant + Pontiac (IL)

3. D4 Springfield IL + St. Louis Arch (MO)

4. D5 Cuba + Lebanon + Springfield MO

5. D6 Galena KS + Joplin MO + Miami OK

6. D7 Tulsa + Catoosa + Claremore (OK)

7. D8 OKC + Arcadia Round Barn + Clinton OK

8. D9 Elk City + Shamrock TX + McLean TX

9. D10 Amarillo + Cadillac Ranch + Vega + Adrian TX

10. D11 Tucumcari + Santa Rosa + Albuquerque NM

11. D12 Santa Fe loop (optional) + Grants + Acoma

12. D13 Gallup + Holbrook + Petrified Forest AZ

13. D14 Winslow + Meteor Crater + Flagstaff AZ

14. D15 Williams + Grand Canyon (optional) AZ

15. D16 Seligman + Peach Springs + Hackberry AZ

16. D17 Kingman + Oatman + Topock AZ

17. D18 Needles + Goffs + Amboy CA

18. D19 Barstow + Victorville + Cajon Pass CA

19. D20 San Bernardino + Pasadena + Hollywood CA

20. D21 Santa Monica Pier + official end CA