

## Plan Your Visit!

### About the Museum

The Museum at Fort Ancient offers 9,000 sq ft of exhibitions, which are free for members, and included with regular admission. The Museum is fully accessible and includes a hands-on classroom where everything can be touched, as well as access to the seasonal prehistoric-themed garden that showcases crops that were cultivated during the Hopewell and Fort Ancient cultures (2,000 and 1,000 years ago).

At the Museum, visitors can look back at the three major technological themes of American Indian culture:

- The First Ohioans - Details the initial arrival of the earliest American Indians who followed the movement of big game into the Ohio area.
- Tillers of the Soil - Explore the transition from hunting and gathering to farming.
- When Worlds Collide - Discover the first contact with Europeans

In addition, the Museum's classroom offers many "touchables" including a small shelter, a drum, and plenty of reproduced artifacts.

### Explore More!

Fort Ancient also offers an extensive outdoor experience that includes 2.5 miles of walking trails, a picnic area, and two overlooks that are accessible via a short walk from the parking lots at the south end of the site. Trails are well-maintained, but are not surfaced. They range in level from easy to difficult, and guests are encouraged to dress for the weather and wear appropriate footwear.