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A Saturday Gift Walk in New Albany

Seven downtown shops for the people you know a little too well.



New Albany from the Ohio River
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Hi, gift friends. If you've ever said "I'll know it when I see it," take that person's name to New Albany, Indiana. There's a cross-stitch kit for the friend whose "one more stitch" means midnight and a keepsake for the one who moved away and still wants the hometown gossip. I'd start with a cookie while there's still a choice.

The Saturday plan

Take I-64 west from Louisville over the Sherman Minton Bridge. Park downtown or use the State Street garage. Start at **Underground Station at 10 a.m.**, then walk Bank, Pearl and Main streets. Allow two to three hours. All times are Eastern.

Drive from Louisville · Downtown parking map · Bank and Pearl walk · Main Street walk

Bank Street to Pearl Street

Start with two neighbors inside Underground Station, then walk over to Pearl.

BANK STREET

Underground Station

The Whimsical Cookie

37 Bank St., Suite 11
Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. or until sold out

Start with one of Amanda McMonigle's big gourmet cookies. Take a decorating class with the friend who always wants to hold the piping bag.

Bakery and classes

Instagram · **Facebook**

We3Chickies

37 Bank St., Suite 9
Saturday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The shop started with vintage patterns found at auction. Pick a beginner kit for the friend who wants something to do with their hands while the group chat catches up.

Shop and hours · **Beginner cross-stitch kits**

Instagram · **Facebook**

PEARL STREET

Two stops on the same block

Regalo

234 Pearl St.
Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Regalo started in Louisville and brought its eye for offbeat gifts across the river. Tuck a *Someone in Indiana Loves You* magnet into a card for the friend who still calls this side home.

Regalo hours · **Shop the Indiana magnet**

Facebook

The Wildflower: Uncommon Gifts

211 Pearl St., Suite 1
Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Leticia Rivera named her shop for the way wildflowers put down roots anywhere. Tell her what makes your person tick and the shop will build a box to ship or pick up.

Visit The Wildflower · **Request a custom box**

Instagram · **Facebook** · **TikTok**

Main Street

Make time for a market lap, a macaron box and a little nostalgia.

The Mercantile New Albany

128 W. Main St.
Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Courtney Byrne's market puts vintage dealers and artisan vendors under one roof. I'd look for a serving piece for the friend who hosts dinner and sends everybody home with leftovers.

Market website · SoIN listing
Instagram · Facebook · TikTok

New Albany Sugar Shoppe

56 Pearl St. at Main
Saturday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Stevie Carper's shop makes French-style macarons on-site. Bring a mixed box to the friend who always splits two desserts so you can both try everything.

Shop hours · See the macarons
Instagram · Facebook · TikTok

The Odd Shop

155 E. Main St.
Check Saturday hours before visiting

I'd look for a vintage record, a collectible toy or the board game somebody still insists they won. Call 812-913-0030 before you go.

Shop listing · Directions
Facebook



Looking up Pearl Street from Main
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Keep going to Jeffersonville

If you're making an afternoon of it, head to Jeffersonville for the candy museum and a bag of cinnamon Red Hots.

Directions to Schimpff's

A sweet finish

One bonus stop in Jeffersonville and a few ways to shop from home.



Making cinnamon Red Hots at Schimpff's
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AT THE CANDY COUNTER

See how Red Hots are made

If you catch a demonstration, you can watch the candymaker work the hot sugar by hand.

See the candy demos

OPTIONAL DRIVE TO JEFFERSONVILLE

Schimpff's Confectionery

347 Spring St., Jeffersonville
Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The family has been making candy here since 1891. Pick up cinnamon Red Hots and make time for the candy museum. Call 812-283-8367 to confirm live demo times.

Visit · Demo times · Red Hots · Directions
Instagram · Facebook · TikTok

Shop from home

Send a box built around their interests, a little love from Indiana, or an excuse to find the cookie shop.

Request a Wildflower gift box
Shop the Indiana magnet at Regalo
Shop We3Chickies beginner kits
Explore The Whimsical Cookie's classes
Shop the Stranger Things coloring book

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