



Cave of the Mounds - National Natural Landmark

Something Old Below Ground.

Over millions of years ago, deep beneath the ground, Cave of the Mounds began to form. Water gradually dissolved the rock to create this magical underground world. Guided tours take you past a varied collection of colorful stalactites, stalagmites, columns and other crystal formations. Our experienced guides will delight you with tales of the history, science and imagery of the various caverns and passageways you walk through.

Something New Above Ground.

The experience doesn't stop below ground. Above ground, visitors to the Cave will find an array of activities to keep young and old alike entertained. Visit one of the most unique shops around – Our *Rock Shop* contains hundreds of unique minerals, fossils and gemstones. Fill your pockets with treasure at our new Gem Mining Sluice & Fossil Dig. Or wander our rock gardens, butterfly garden and nature trails.

Fun Facts.

Cave of the Mounds was discovered by accident after a routine quarry blast 65 years ago.

The cave was found directly below the homestead of Ebenezer Brigham, the first permanent settler in southern Wisconsin. He never knew the cave was beneath him!

It takes 100 years for cave formations to grow just one inch!

Every year more than 25,000 students visit “Wisconsin’s oldest classroom”

Open Year-Round, for more info visit www.caveofthemounds.com , or call 608/437-3038.