Garage Sale Road Trips

Really into garage sales? Check out these road trips where you can pick and collect your way to some of America's great destinations.

VIRGINIA: ROUTE 208 SALE TRAIL

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ROUTE 75 SALES

This 40-mile sale from Freeport to Rockton, Illinois, includes hundreds of garage sales, flea markets, church sales and small businesses. It's held the first weekend in June. Before you get started in Rockton, visit the Silver Creek and Stephenson Railroad museum, where you can ride a steam train and even run



the train.

ROUTE 90 GARAGE SALE

The Finger Lakes region of New York hosts one of the largest garage sales in the area on the last weekend of July, when 50 miles of the New York Scenic Byway turn into a garage sale, complete with food vendors. Stop in the town of Montezuma and visit the ruins of the Richmond Aqueduct, the second-longest aqueduct of the Erie Canal. It was originally a little more than 840 feet long and was built from 1849-57.

WORLD'S LONGEST GARAGE SALE

They came up with the name, not us. It's 17 miles long and runs along the Long Beach Peninsula in Washington state, from Ilwaco to Oysterville, on Memorial Day Weekend. After you get to the Oysterville end point, visit Leadbetter Point State Park, a 1,700-acre natural area between Willapa Bay and the Pacific Ocean. Birdlovers will spot peregrine falcons, terns, ducks and eagles. There's also a launch point for kayaks, canoes and paddleboards.

100-MILE PEANUT PICKIN' YARD SALE

This 100-mile-long sale runs from Unadilla to Quitman, Georgia, along Georgia 41 on the second Saturday in October. You'll find yard sales, arts and crafts, vintage markets and more. Stop in the Colquitt County seat of Moultrie and check out the town's antique shops. The Moultrie Commercial Historic District was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1994.

301 ENDLESS YARD SALE

This sale, which is the third weekend in June, runs 100 miles from Weldon to Dunn, North Carolina. Look for antiques and old farm implements, along with art galleries, food vendors and more. Take a break at the Vollis Simpson Whirligig Park in Wilson, open 5 a.m. to midnight, to look at the unique art of whirligig maker Vollis Simpson. The park also hosts concerts and other events.

BARGAINS GALORE ON 64

Nearly 200 miles long, this central Arkansas sale is one of America's largest. It runs from Fort Smith to Beebe, Arkansas, along U.S. 64 in August. As you work your way through the sales, stop and visit the Bona Dea Trails & Sanctuary, 186 acres of wetlands with six miles of trails on Arkansas 326 off the Scenic 7 Byway near Russellville.

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BUYER'S TIP

Make Room in Your Car

Make sure you have plenty of room in your car for not just your baggage but also your great new purchases. Bring tiedowns and bungee cords with you just in case you find something that needs to go on a roof rack or in the bed of a pickup truck.

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