

Caving Campout

when: Saturday, April 22 - Sunday, April 23

Who: Ages 11+

Where: Cumberland Caverns in McMinnville, TN

What: Hike into the cave & Camp out in the cave

Cost: \$70 per person, includes Sunday breakfast

Bring: A sleeping bag and some extra money for dinner and snacks

You can walk a mile in someone else's shoes or spend an entire evening in Aaron Higgenbotham's — the cave's first known explorer.

You'll squeeze through tight passageways, feel the pop of the mud against your rubber sole on Bubblegum Alley, and traverse high-ladder climbs to places you've never seen before. But this nighttime adventure doesn't stop there.

Much like Higgenbotham, you feel the cool earth beneath your back as you drift off and dream of the day's high climbs and grand formations.

Tour Highlights:

- Historic cave entrance
- Cave skylight
- Discovery Walking Tour

- Grand formations
- Faint Hill
- The ledge where Aaron Higgenbotham spent three frightful days and nights
- Experience the famous Birth Canal and Bubblegum Alley

Physical Expectations:

- 3 Miles
- Recommended for experienced explorers and thrill seekers in good shape
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile hike to the cave entrance + $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles through the cave
- High-ladder climbs (up to 20 feet)
- Narrow passageways, tight squeezes, and cave crawling

