Morgan’s Great Raid

This is the route Confederate Brig Gen. John Hunt Morgan followed on his “Great Raid” 140 years ago. Though Morgan dallied in Tennessee for most of June to prepare for the ride north, the raid officially began on July 2, 1863, when Morgan crossed into Kentucky, and it ended on July 26, 1863, when Morgan was captured near West Point, Ohio, about 60 miles northwest of Pittsburgh. Morgan’s men at the point of their surrender made it further north than any Confederate troops during the Civil War.

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